A NEW WOODPECKER FROM SUMATRA

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Chrysophlegma flavinucha korinchi subsp. nov.

Like C. flavinucha mystacale of Central and North Sumatra, but both sexes with the upper parts of a more golden and less pale green; the yellow crest rather deeper, more golden and less lemon-yellow in colour; and the top of the head more tinged with reddish brown, especially on the forehead. In males, the yellow malar stripe is darker.

Type. — Adult female, collected at Soengaikoembang, Korinchi (Kerintji), South-West Sumatra, 4.500 ft, on 21st April, 1914, by H. C. ROBINSON and C. BODEN KLOSS. No. 1071. Total length, 318; wing, 143; tail, 128; bill from gape, 37; tarsus, 22.5 mm (H.C.R.).

Remarks. — There are evidently two races of this woodpecker in Sumatra but they are, admittedly, not well marked, and are best appreciated when females from the extreme geographical limits of the ranges are compared. No exact topotypes of mystacale from Mt. Singgalang, Padang Highlands, are available for comparison, but birds from the neighbourhood of Mt. Ophir (Talakmau) (3 δ , 4 \mathfrak{P}), which is not far north of Mt. Singgalang, are nearer to the northern than to the southern race. According to available material, mystacale extends from Mt. Leuser (3 δ , 11 \mathfrak{P}), to the mountains near the north end of the Toba Lake (2 δ , 1 \mathfrak{P}); while korinchi extends from Mt. Korinchi (1 δ , 7 \mathfrak{P}) to the mountains of Palembang (1 δ , 1 \mathfrak{P}).

I have been able to diagnose this new race owing to the receipt of a fine series of skins recently collected by Mr. A. HOOGERWERF in Atjeh. Dr. G. C. A. JUNGE has kindly sent comparative material from the Leiden Museum.

Munia striata explita nom. nov.

Munia striata sumatrensis Chasen, Treubia, 17, 1939, p. 183: not Munia sumatrensis BARTLETT, 1888.