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**REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE REELFOOT LAKE
BIOLOGICAL STATION**

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In its thirty-eighth year, the Reelfoot Lake Biological Station saw teaching become an integral part of its activities. For the first time, regular college courses were offered there. Herpetology and limnology courses were presented consecutively, the former taught by myself and the latter by Dr. Clay Chandler of Bethel College at McKenzie. Seven students registered in herpetology and five of them continued through limnology. Schools represented by the students included Middle Tennessee State University, Bethel College, and the University of Tennessee at Martin. The courses were enthusiastically received in spite of the extreme

discomfort caused by the excessive heat of the past summer, and several of the students indicated a desire to take additional course work at the station. Two of the students in herpetology are at present continuing research projects begun during the summer, relating to local movements and growth rates in *Natrix*. In general, I think it safe to say that the course offerings got off to a very successful start.

There were no requests to visit the station during the summer for research or other purposes, and other than the usual vandalism, the station was quiet for the remainder of the year.