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A NEW SPECIES OF LATE PLEISTOCENE LAPWING FROM RANCHO LA BREA, CALIFORNIA

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Abstract. A new species of late Pleistocene lapwing (Aves: Charadriidae: Vanellinae) is described from the asphaltic deposits of Rancho La Brea, California. The new species is referred to the South American genus *Belonopterus*; it corresponds in size to small individuals of *B. chilensis*. This is the second paleospecies of lapwing reported for North America and the fourth described from the Americas.

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