

Bulletin No. 1

Records for 1927 by Professor W.H. Hulme.

The last days of February and the entire month of March - excepting a few days in the second week - were not especially favorable for the annual migration of birds to Cleveland and its suburbs. Comparatively few spring migrants were observed earlier than March 1<sup>st</sup>, though isolated birds of several different varieties apparently spent the winter in or around Cleveland. Two or three different observers have reported one bird each of the following varieties for February: Bronzed Grackle, Flicker, Robin, Song Sparrow, all of which are generally considered spring migrants in this region. Song Sparrows have indeed been seen in Cleveland throughout the winter, as Dean Bailey's weekly record of the birds in Lake View gulch shows.

The warm days that came in the early part of March brought us several varieties of spring birds - in some cases large numbers of them. Robins, Grackles, Song Sparrows, Meadow Larks, Phoebes and Red-winged Blackbirds have been with us in unusually large numbers since March 11<sup>th</sup>. But a change of weather early in the following week, which brought frosty mornings, as well as cold winds that prevailed virtually until the end of the month, retarded further immediate migrations and probably sent many birds southward again. It is doubtless for these reasons mainly that comparatively few spring migrants were reported for the period between March 12<sup>th</sup> and March 31<sup>st</sup>.

The usual winter residents have virtually all been reported this year, and one or two unusual casual visitors besides, such as the Red Poll. Dean Bailey's weekly record for this year, which covers the period from October 1<sup>st</sup> to March 24<sup>th</sup> shows that about the same number and varieties of birds spent last winter in Lake View Cemetery, as the two preceding winters, through which the record has been kept. The following birds were recorded by Dean Bailey for the winter of 1924-25: Blue Jay, Crow, Downy Woodpecker, Junco, Quail, Song Sparrow, Tree Sparrow, White-breasted Nuthatch, White-throated Sparrows; for the winter of 1925-26: Chickadee, Crow, Downy Woodpecker, Junco, Quail, Song-Sparrow, Tree Sparrow, Tufted Titmouse, White-breasted Nuthatch; for the winter of 1926-27: Cardinal, Chickadee, Crow, Downy Woodpecker, Junco, Quail, Song-Sparrow, Sparrow Hawk, Tree Sparrow, White-breasted Nuthatch.

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The following birds have been reported down to March 31<sup>st</sup>, inclusive:

1. American Crow; throughout the winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View Cemetery, occasionally during the winter in Wade Park; Feb. 17, Professor Herrick, Noble Road; Feb. 22, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road.

2. Blue Jay; throughout winter, Hessler Road; occasionally during the winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View; throughout winter, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road.
3. Bob White (Quail); throughout winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View; Jan. 16, and from time to time all winter covey of 14, Mr. Garry, Noble Road; March 7, Professor Visscher (11), Noble Road; March 29, Shaker Lakes (2).
4. Brown Creeper; Early winter and during March, several times, Wade Park, Shaker Lakes.
5. Cardinal; throughout winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View, Professor Finfrock, and in Hessler Road and Wade Park.
6. Chickadee; throughout winter, except December, Dean Bailey, Lake View; Jan. 2, Professor Finfrock, Lake View; March 17, Cleveland Heights.
7. Downy Woodpecker; throughout winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View; Professor Finfrock, Oak Road and in Wade Park.
8. English Sparrow; throughout winter many seen in various places.
9. Flicker; throughout winter, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road; Dec. 19, 1 seen and heard on roof of Morley Chemical Laboratory; March 16, Wade Park (one of first spring migrants) and frequently since.
10. Golden-crowned Kinglet; several different times during the winter and spring, Wade Park and upper Doan Brook.
11. Hairy Woodpecker; throughout winter, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road, Cleveland Heights; from October to December 11, Dean Bailey, Lake View.
12. Junco; throughout winter (except January), Dean Bailey, Lake View; also in Wade Park; Jan. 3, Professor Finfrock, Lake View.
13. Red-Poll; December 2, reported by Mrs. A.B. Marshall as seen by Mr. Hatch, Wade Park.
14. Song Sparrow; throughout winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View; Jan. 2, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road, Cleveland Heights; Jan. 19 and frequently before that (1), Mrs. Dr. Ruedy, Noble Road; Feb. 6, Miss Ruth Garry, Noble Road; March 11, Professor Visscher, Noble Rd.; March 12, Wade Park and Cleveland Heights (several).
15. Sparrow Hawk; occasionally throughout winter (except Jan.), Dean Bailey, Lake View; March 6, Professor Visscher, Noble Road; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Lost Nation Road and Willoughby.
16. Starling; throughout winter, Wade Park, (several) Miss James, Wade Park Ave., observed bathing in snow near feeding-box.
17. Tree Sparrow; throughout winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View; Jan. 2, Professor Finfrock, Lake View; March 16, Wade Park (several).
18. White-breasted Nuthatch; throughout winter, Dean Bailey, Lake View; Professor Finfrock, Oak Road, Cleveland Heights; and in Wade Park.
19. Screech Owl; Jan 1, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road; late winter 1 seen by Miss E. Ferris, Magnolia Drive, Wade Park.
20. Canada Goose; Jan. 11, Professor Herrick, Noble Road, a flock of 60 or more flying some 500 feet high; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport.
21. Cedar Waxwing; Feb. 5, Dean Bailey, Lake View; March [sic] Prof. Finfrock, Oak Road (flock of fifty); Mar. 16, Mrs. Dr. Todd, Shaker Road, Cleve. Hts., (flock of about 100).
22. Robin; Feb. 9, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road; Feb. 12, Miss Ruth Garry, Noble Road; Feb. 16, Mrs. Spencer, Adelbert Campus (these all evidently winter residents); March 5, Professor Gehlke, Adelbert

- Campus. Dean Bailey, Lake View; March 6, Donald Hulme, Hessler Road; March 7-11, several seen on Hessler Road and College for Women Campus; March 11, Professor Visscher, Noble Road. (5)
23. Bronzed Grackle; Feb. 16, Mr. C.R. Hatch, Wade Park; Feb. 22, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road; Feb. 24, Dean Bailey, Lake View (the preceding probably here all winter); March 10, Professor Visscher, Noble Road; March 12, College for Women Campus (2); numerous everywhere since.
24. Herring Gull; Feb. 24, Gordon Park (2); March 1, Miss James, about a dozen flying over Wade Park; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport.

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The following spring migrants have arrived in and around Cleveland:

25. Red-winged Blackbird; March 5, Dean Bailey, Lake View; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport; March 16, Lake View (several).
26. Baldpate; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport.
27. Blue Bird; March 11, Mrs. Dr. Todd, Shaker Road, Cleveland Heights (2); Professor Visscher, Noble Road; Professor Finfrock, Fairport; March 12, Dean Helen Smith, Gates Mill; same date, Shaker Lakes; seen and heard frequently in various places since.
28. Killdeer; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport; March 12, flying over Hessler Road; seen and heard frequently since in many places.
29. King-fisher; March 11, Donald Hulme, Brecksville Road.
30. Lesser Scaup Duck; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport
31. Meadow Lark; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport; same date, Wade Park, frequently since in many different places.
32. Mourning Dove; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport; March 16, Wade Park (1 seen and heard); March 29, Upper Shaker Lake (2 seen and heard).
33. Tufted Titmouse; Supposed winter resident but not reported until March 11, Professor Finfrock, Fairport; March 31, Shaker Lake.
34. Woodcock; March 11, Professor Finfrock, Willoughby.
35. Field Sparrow; March 12], Dean Bailey, Lake View; March 15, Professor Finfrock, Oak Road, Cleveland Heights.
36. Towhee; March 12, Dean Bailey, Lake View; March 29, Shaker Lakes (1 male); March 30, Wade Park (1 female); March 31, Shaker Lakes (1 male).
37. Wilson's Snipe; March 12, Dean Bailey, Lake View.
38. Fox Sparrow; March 17, Wade Park (2-3); March 24, Dean Bailey, Lake View; seen several times since in Wade Park and Shaker Lakes.
39. Greater Scaup Duck; March 25, Lower Shaker Lake (3 males, 1 female); March 29, same place (1 male); March 31, same place (2 males).
40. Winter Wren; winter resident, but not reported before March 25, upper Doan Brook.
41. Migrant Shrike; March 30, Wade Park.
42. Phoebe; March 30, Wade Park (3); March 31, Shaker Lakes (3).