

Birds Around the State: December 1985-May 1986

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The following is a summary of noteworthy bird sightings in Mississippi for the period 1 December 1985 through 31 May 1986. The sequence of information in each account is: species, number, date, place, observer(s). Numbers of birds sighted are underlined. The significance of sightings is indicated by a letter in parentheses following a record. These letters are as follows: (A) = arrival date, (D) = departure date, (E) = early date, (L) = late date, (N) = unusually large number, (R) = species rare in area. Other abbreviations used include the following: m = male, f = female, imm = immature, ad = adult, pr = pair, pl = plumage, CBC = Christmas Bird Count, BBS = Breeding Bird Survey of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, NWR = National Wildlife Refuge, PRM = Pascagoula River Marsh, WMA = Wildlife Management Area. The list of sightings is followed by keys to observers' initials and new or unusual localities mentioned. Localities that have been frequently cited in past issues of "Birds Around the State" and identified in previous keys may not be included in the present key.

Contributions of records are welcome from anyone who makes observations of Mississippi birds. Only with the assistance of many individuals from throughout the state over a period of years can we come to understand the dynamics of the bird populations of Mississippi. Contributors should submit records on 3 X 5 inch cards or similar-sized slips of paper with the following information: species, number seen, date (including year), location (county and distance and direction from nearest town), observer(s), and details and significance of observation. While records are welcome at any time, those received by 15 March, 15 June, 15 August, and 15 December will be submitted with the seasonal report to American Birds as well as being considered for use in the Mississippi Kite. All records should be submitted to:

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- RED-THROATED LOON -- 1, basic pl, 10 Apr., Lakeshore, JT, DK (R)
- COMMON LOON -- about 100, 10 Jan., Harrison and Hancock cos., JT, MB, DK, GM; about 50, 14 Mar., Port of Gulfport, JT, JS; 1, 19 Apr., catfish ponds, 2 mi. w. LeFlore, MD, GK
- PIED-BILLED GREBE -- 7, 21 Mar., Blount Pond, Hickory, JM; ad with 3 chicks, 19 May, Big Point, Jackson Co., JT, DK
- HORNED GREBE -- 3, 22 Feb., Ocean Springs, JJ
- EARED GREBE -- 1, 8, 14, 18 Dec., Waveland sewage lagoon, JT, MH; 2, 29 Dec., 1 Jan., Sardis dam, MD (R); 1, 18 Mar., Waveland lagoon, JT
- NORTHERN GANNET -- 1 imm, 26 Dec., Gulfport, JT, MH (R on mainland)
- AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN -- 50, 10 Mar., Jackson, SP, CP; 80, 11-16 Mar., 5 mi. n Yazoo NWR, JF; 1, 29 May, ca 15 miles up Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT, CD, DK, JI
- BROWN PELICAN -- 12, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC, JT, MH; 1 imm, Biloxi, JJ
- GREAT CORMORANT -- 1 imm (photos), 22 Feb., PRM, JJ
- DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT -- 2, 8 Apr., Noxubee NWR, JJ
- ANHINGA -- 2, 3 Jan., s of Lizana, JS, HC, CC (R in winter); 1-3, 14 Jan.-28 Feb., Lizana, JT, m.ob.; 2, 16 May, Barnett Reservoir, Madison Co., JM; 1 pr, at Great Blue Heron colony half way between Hickory and Newton, JM
- MAGNIFICENT FRIGATEBIRD -- 5 ad m, 3 imm, 1 Dec., Biloxi, MH
- AMERICAN BITTERN -- 1, 23 Mar., Hickory, JM
- LEAST BITTERN -- 3, 2 May, Lakeshore, JT, CR, DK
- GREAT EGRET -- 1, 10, 24 Jan., Hickory, JM
- SNOWY EGRET -- 1, 13 Feb., catfish pond near Isola, Humphrey's Co., JF; 2, 22 Feb., Ocean Springs, JJ
- LITTLE BLUE HERON -- 256, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC (N)
- TRICOLORED HERON -- 84, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC, (N)
- REDDISH EGRET -- 1, 14, 26 Dec., Harrison Co., JT; 2, 14, 26 Dec., Hancock Co., JT; 1, 1 Mar.-2 May, Clermont Harbor, JT, m.ob.
- CATTLE EGRET -- 1, 27 Dec., 5, 28 Dec., Sardis Waterfowl Refuge, VT, PB; 15-30, Dec.-28 Feb., Harrison and Hancock cos., JT, JS; 2, 29 Dec., Grenada L., Grenada Co., JT, MH, m.ob. (R winter); 1 alternate pl, 1 Apr., Noxubee NWR, JJ
- GREEN-BACKED HERON -- 1, 18 & 21 Dec., Grenada sewage lagoon, LC, MD; 1, 29 Dec., Grenada lagoon, Grenada Co., JT, MH, m.ob.; 1, 22 Feb., Lucky's Corner, JJ, JT
- BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON -- 8 ad, 25 Jan., PRM, JT, DK; 3 ad, 2 imm, 23 Feb., Ocean Springs harbor, JJ; 1 ad, 31 Mar., Ocean Springs harbor, MH, JT
- YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT HERON -- 1 imm, 23 Feb., PRM, JJ; 17 ad, 29 May, along lower Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT, m.OD.

- WHITE IBIS -- 1 imm, 1 ad, 23 Feb., PRM, JJ
Plegadis sp. -- 1, 14 Mar., Tramark Golf Course, Gulfport, JT,
 JS
- TUNDRA SWAN -- 7, first 3 weeks of Feb., 5 mi. e Hollandale,
 m.ob. (fide JF)
- WHITE-FRONTED GOOSE -- 300-350, end of Dec.-early Feb., 1000, 9
 Feb., 2000, 16 Feb., 10, 20 Feb., Yazoo NWR, JF
- SNOW GOOSE -- 600 (mixed flock flying over), 1 Dec., Yazoo NWR,
 JF; 40-400, Dec.-Jan., Yazoo NWR, JF; 1400, 22 Jan., 4000,
 9 Feb., 3000, 16 Feb., 1500, 19 Feb., Yazoo NWR, JF 1 blue,
1 snow, 11 Jan., Noxubee NWR, JJ; 1 blue, Turcotte Lab,
 Barnett Reservoir, JJ; 110, 80, 12 (3 flocks), 8 Mar., over
 Tunica, KO
- ROSS' GOOSE -- 1, 16 Feb., 4, 19 Feb., Yazoo NWR, JF (1st state
 record)
- CANADA GOOSE -- 3000, Jan., Yazoo NWR, JF
- WOOD DUCK -- 24, 22 Jan., Jackson Marsh, JT, GM, DK, MB; 1 ad, 4
 young, 27 Apr., Waveland lagoon and also at Lakeshore, JT
- AMERICAN BLACK DUCK -- 600, Jan., Yazoo NWR, JF; 2, 27 Feb.,
 Clermont Harbor, JT, MB, DK
- MOTTLED DUCK -- 2 ad, 27 Apr., Marsh Point, Ocean Springs, JJ; 3
 ad, each with a brood of 7-10 young, 27 Apr., Lakeshore, JT
- MALLARD -- 50,000-80,000, Jan., Yazoo NWR, JF
- NORTHERN PINTAIL -- 200, 4 Dec., 150, 5 Jan., Yazoo NWR, JF
- BLUE-WINGED TEAL -- 1 m, 21 Dec., Grenada sewage lagoon, MD; 2
 pr, 1 m, 26 Apr., PRM, JJ
- RING-NECKED DUCK -- 1 f (flew well), 19 Apr., 17 May, catfish
 ponds w. of LeFlore, MD, GK (L)
- GREATER SCAUP -- 13+, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC; 30+, 15, 16
 Feb., n of Horn I., JT, AJ
- OLDSQUAW -- 1 m, 1 f, 7, 10, 18, 21 Dec., Grenada Sewage Lagoon,
 MD, GK; 1 f or imm, 10 Dec., Gulfport, GM, CC, MH (A); 5, 5
 Mar., Biloxi, JT, DK; 35, 31 Mar., n of Horn I., JT, MH
- SURF SCOTER -- 1 m, 4 Apr., Waveland lagoon, JT, CC
- COMMON GOLDENEYE -- 1 f, 22 Feb., Gulfport, JJ
- HOODED MERGANSER -- 1120-1200, 28 Dec. & 11 Jan., Sardis L., BC,
 LC, MD (N); 11, 10 Jan., Hickory sewage pond, JM; 250-300,
 29-30 Dec., Grenada L., Grenada Co., JT, m.ob.
- COMMON MERGANSER -- 1 f, 2, 16, 21 Feb., 1, 16 Apr., 3 & 12
 May, Lower Lake, Sardis Dam, MD
- RED-BREASTED MERGANSER -- 1 f, 3 May, Grenada Dam, MD, GK
- RUDDY DUCK -- 1, 2 May, Waveland lagoon, JT, DK, CR
- BLACK VULTURE -- 15, 22 May, roost near Kiln, JT, DK
- TURKEY VULTURE -- 10, 22 May, roost near Kiln, JT, DK

- OSPREY -- up to 7, 15-16 Feb., Horn I., JT et al.; 1, 23 Feb., Davis Bayou, Ocean Springs, JJ; 1, 19 Apr., Lake Lincoln, CM; at least 8, 31 Mar., Horn I., MH, JT
- AMERICAN SWALLOW-TAILED KITE -- 11, 29 May, along Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT, JI, DK, CD
- BLACK-SHOULDERED KITE -- 1, 4, 14, 18 Dec., Port Bienville, JT, MH, JS, m.ob.; 1, 10 Dec., Lucky's Corner, CC, GM, MH
- MISSISSIPPI KITE -- 6, 29 May, Pascagoula R., near Wade, JT, DK, CD, JI
- BALD EAGLE -- 6, 18 Dec., Grenada L., MD; 2 ad, 9 imm, 21 Dec., Enid Reservoir, MD; 8, 28 Dec., Sardis L., MD; 1 ad, 11 Jan., Noxubee NWR, JJ, LN, DI; 2 ad, 2 nestlings, 20 Jan. near Biloxi R., Harrison Co., JS; pr on nest, 23 Jan.-3 Mar., near Eagle Lake, near Vicksburg, HM, JB; 2 imm, 22 Feb., Sardis L., MD; 2 well-feathered yg, 23 Feb., Biloxi R. nest, JJ
- NORTHERN HARRIER -- 1 f or imm, 21 Apr., Hickory, JM; 1 m, 17 May, n side of Grenada L., MD, GK
- SHARP-SHINNED HAWK -- 1, 10 Feb., Jackson, SP, CP; 1 ad f, 15 Feb., Horn I., JT; 1, 9 Mar., Yazoo NWR, JF
- COOPER'S HAWK -- 2, 4 Dec., 1, 6 Dec., Yazoo NWR, JF; 1, 8 Dec., Bayou Cassotte, MH, JT; 1 ad f, 1 imm f, 22 Jan., Port Bienville, JT, GM, DK, MB; pr courting, 16 Mar., Hinds Co., SP, CP; 1, 30 May, Hickory (mobbed at Purple Martin colony), JM
- BROAD-WINGED HAWK -- 1, 31 Mar., Horn I., MH, JT (A); 1, 11 May, near Lost Gap exit on I-20, Lauderdale Co., JM; 1, 23 May, Pearl, JM;
- RED-TAILED HAWK -- 2 (copulating), 19 Apr., Hickory, JM
- AMERICAN KESTREL -- 1, 3 Jan., Hickory, JM; pr, 27 Apr., Waveland, JT; 1, 19 May, PRM, JT, DK
- MERLIN -- 1, 5 Dec., Yazoo NWR, JF; 1, 10 Apr., Hancock Co., JT, DK
- PEREGRINE FALCON -- 1, 8 Dec., PRM, JT, MH; 1, 5 Mar., PRM, JT, DK
- WILD TURKEY -- nest, 21 Apr., Logtown, LB (fide JT)
- KING RAIL, 4 heard, 8 Feb., marsh ca 9 mi. ne Oxford, MD, GK
- PURPLE GALLINULE -- 3, 10 Apr., Jackson Marsh, JT, DK (A); 5, 29 May, lower Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT, DK, JI, CD
- COMMON MOORHEN -- 4, 16 May, Barnett Reservoir, Madison Co., JM
- AMERICAN COOT -- 200+, 2 Mar., Lake Claude Bennett, Jasper Co., JM

- LESSER GOLDEN-PLOVER -- 4, 8 Mar., L. Arkabutla, KO; 3, 11 Mar., 1, 12 Mar., 25, 14 & 15 Mar., 12, 21 Mar., Hickory, JM; 1, 14 Mar., 50, 16 Mar., 49, 23 Mar., 12, 31 Mar., Yocona R. bottom, Lafayette Co., GK, MD; 20-25, 14 Mar., Tramark Golf Course, Gulfport, JT, JS; 3, 22 Mar., wet field, Panola Co., MD; 1, 10 Apr., Hickory, JM
- SNOWY PLOVER -- 2, 29 Jan., Gulfport, JT, DK (R)
- WILSON'S PLOVER -- 1, 21 Dec., PRM, MH, HC, CC (R in winter); 2 nests (3 eggs each), 26 Apr., PRM, JJ; 10 ad, 19 May, PRM, JT, DK
- SEMIPALMATED PLOVER -- about 50, 22 Apr., PRM, JT, PL, LB; 30, 29 Apr. and 3 May, Clear Creek, backwaters of Sardis L., MD (N)
- PIPING PLOVER -- 2-4, 28 Mar.-2 May, PRM, MH, JT, JJ, m.ob.
- AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER -- 2, 10, 14 Jan., Waveland, JT, m.ob.
- BLACK-NECKED STILT -- ca 50, 8 Dec., PRM, MH, JT; about 10 large chicks, 19 May, PRM, JT, DK
- AMERICAN AVOCET -- 3, 8 Mar., 150+, 22 Apr., PRM, JT, JJ, m.ob.
- GREATER YELLOWLEGS -- 25, 18 Dec., Grenada L., MD et al.; 1, 8 Mar., L. Arkabutla, KO
- SOLITARY SANDPIPER -- 8, 15 Apr., Hancock Co., JT, CD
- SPOTTED SANDPIPER -- 1, 22 Feb., Gulfport, JJ; 2, alternate pl, 29 May, lower Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT, DK
- UPLAND SANDPIPER -- 2, 25 Mar., Kiln, MH, JT, GM (A); 1, 10-11 Apr., Hickory, JM
- WHIMBREL -- 1, 19 May, PRM, JT, DK; 1, 19 May, Greenwood I., JT, DK
- RED KNOT -- 57, 26 Dec., 74, 29 Jan., Long Beach, JT, MH, DK
- SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER -- 3, 15 Apr., Waveland, JT, CD (A); 1000+, 19 May, PRM, JT, DK
- WESTERN SANDPIPER -- ca 3000, 5 Mar., PRM, JT, DK (N); 4, 8 Mar., PRM, JT, DK
- LEAST SANDPIPER -- 4, 15 Jan., Starkville, JJ
- WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER -- 1, 22 Apr., Hancock Co., JT (A); 20, 19 May, PRM, JT
- BAIRD'S SANDPIPER -- 3, 22 Mar., PRM, JT, m.ob. (R)
- PECTORAL SANDPIPER -- ca 100, 5 Mar., PRM, JT, DK (A); 30, 8 Mar., L. Arkabutla, KO
- STILT SANDPIPER -- 2, 21 Dec., HC, CC, MH; 1 alternate pl, 5 Mar., PRM, JT, DK (A); ca 400, 26 Apr., PRM, JT, JJ, DK, m.ob. (N)
- BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER -- 2, 22 Apr., PRM, PL, LB, JT (A)
- LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER -- 50+ (voice ID), 5 Mar., PRM, JT, DK
- Dowitcher spp. -- 1000+, 8 Dec., PRM, JT, MH; about 500, mostly Long-billed, 2 May, PRM, JT, DK, CR
- AMERICAN WOODCOCK -- 1, 29 Dec., Vicksburg, HM
- WILSON'S PHALAROPE -- 5+, 22 Apr., PRM, JT, PL, LB

- FRANKLIN'S GULL -- 1 imm, 4 Dec., Long Beach, JT, MH, JS
 BONAPARTE'S GULL -- 5, 21 Mar., Yazoo NWR, JF; 200, 22 Mar., 50,
 10 Apr., none, 26 Apr., Lower L., Sardis Dam, MD
 RING-BILLED GULL -- 100, 6 Dec., 300, 30 Dec., Yazoo NWR, JF
 LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL -- 1 ad, 18 Mar., Gulfport, JH, JT
 (present since 29 Oct. 1985, thought to be same bird making
 4th winter visit)
 GULL-BILLED TERN -- 2, 28 Mar., Lakeshore, JT, MH, CD (A); 6, 27
 Apr., PRM, JJ
 CASPIAN TERN -- 1, 26 Apr., PRM, JJ
 SANDWICH TERN -- 1 ad, 1 Dec., Long Beach, MH; ca 50, 31 Mar.,
 e tip Horn I., MH, JT
 COMMON TERN -- 2 ad, 1 2nd summer, 19 May, Ocean Springs, JT,
 DK
 FORSTER'S TERN -- 3, 10 Dec., Grenada dam, MD; 1 alternate pl,
 15 Apr., Bluff L., Noxubee NWR, JJ
 RINGED TURTLE-DOVE -- 1, 2 Mar., Gulfport (at feeder; probable
 escapee), JT
 COMMON GROUND-DOVE -- 1, 5-7 May, Hickory, JM (R)
 COMMON BARN-OWL -- 1, 19 Apr., Hickory, JM
 GREAT HORNED OWL -- 10, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC
 CHUCK-WILLS WIDOW -- 1, 26 Apr., Moss Hill, Jasper Co., JM
 WHIP-POOR-WILL -- 1 f, 3 Dec., Gulfport, JT
 RUBY-THROATED HUMMINGBIRD -- 2, 23 Mar., Hickory, JM
 RUFOUS HUMMINGBIRD -- 1 imm m, 2-13 Dec., Diamondhead (at
 feeder), DH (fide JT)
Archilochus sp. -- 1, 13-14 Dec., Gulfport (at feeder), JH
 (fide JT, DK)
Selasphorus sp. -- 1, 13-14 Dec., Gulfport (at feeder), JH (fide
 JT, DK)
 Hummingbird sp. -- 3-4, 4 Jan., Biloxi (at feeder; all
 non-descript), BH (R)
 BELTED KINGFISHER -- 2, 14 Mar., at burrow along MS highway 503,
 Jasper Co., JM; 10, 29 May, along lower Pascagoula R., JT,
 DK, CD, JI
 RED-COCKADED WOODPECKER -- 1, 19 Jan., near Larue Community, JS,
 MS, EJ
 ACADIAN FLYCATCHER -- 2, 13 May, Logtown, DK, GM, JS
2 singing, 29 May, along Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT, DK
 VERMILION FLYCATCHER -- 1 m, 20 Dec.-28 Feb., Lizana, JT, DK,
 JJ; JD & AM saw 2 m at same locality during period
 WESTERN KINGBIRD -- 1, 8 Dec., PRM, JT, MH
 NORTHERN ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW -- 7, 20 Mar., Hancock Co., JT,
 MB, LS (A); 40-50, 29 May, along Pascagoula R., Jackson
 Co., JT, m.ob.

- CLIFF SWALLOW -- 1, 18 Mar., Waveland lagoon, JT (A); 1, 22 May, catfish pond near Kiln, JT, DK
- BARN SWALLOW -- 6, 14 Mar., Hancock Co., JT, JS (A)
- FISH CROW -- 16, 18 Jan., Enid dam, MD; 8, 1 Feb., Sardis dam, MD
- RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH -- 4, 6 Dec., 8, 28 Dec., seen into Feb., Oxford & Sardis L, MD; 2, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC; 2, 28 Mar., Pascagoula R. WMA, MH, JT, CD
- BROWN CREEPER -- 1, 4 Jan., Hickory, JM; 1, 23 Feb, 22 Mar., Jackson, Hinds Co., SP, CP
- BEWICK'S WREN -- at least 2, 29-30 Dec., Grenada Co., JT, MH, DK, m.ob.; 1, 7 Jan., Hickory, JM (R)
- HOUSE WREN -- 1, 1 Jan., Hickory, JM
- WINTER WREN -- 3, 1 Jan., Hickory, JM
- SEDGE WREN -- 1, 10 Dec., below Grenada dam, MD; 3, 8 Jan., Hickory, JM
- BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER -- 18, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC
- YELLOW-THROATED VIREO -- 1, 25 Mar., Jackson, SP
- WARBLING VIREO -- 1, 3 May, Gulfport, JT (R)
- PHILADELPHIA VIREO -- 1, 3 May, Gulfport, JT (A)
- GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER -- 1 m (singing), 18 Apr., Hickory, JM
- TENNESSEE WARBLER -- 1 m, 24 Apr., Hickory, JM
- ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER -- 1, 4, 7 Jan., 18 Apr., Hickory, JM
- NASHVILLE WARBLER -- 1 m, 21 May, 10 mi. n Oxford, Lafayette Co., MD (L)
- CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER -- 2 m, 24 Apr., Hickory, JM
- CAPE MAY WARBLER -- 1 f, 29 Apr., Hickory, JM
- BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER -- 1 m, 26 Apr., Ocean Springs, JT, DK (A)
- YELLOW-RUMPED (Myrtle) WARBLER -- 1, 2 May, Ansley, CR, DK, JT (D)
- BLACK-THROATED GREEN WARBLER -- 1 m, 16 Dec., Bay St. Louis, LS; 1 m, 18 Dec., Waveland lagoon, GM, CC; 1 m, 22 Mar., Jackson, SP
- YELLOW-THROATED WARBLER -- 6 singing, 14 Mar., Logtown, JT, JS; ad feeding 2 fledglings, 13 May, Logtown, DK, GM, JS
- PRAIRIE WARBLER -- 34 singing, 22 May, along 13 mi. of Texas Flat Rd., Kiln, JT, DK (N); nestling photographed, 22 May, Kiln, JT, DK
- PALM WARBLER -- 9, 28 Dec., below Sardis dam, BC, LC
- BLACKPOLL WARBLER -- 2, 26 Apr., 6, 30 Apr., Gulfport, JT (A)
- AMERICAN REDSTART -- several f collecting nest material, 12 May, Hickory, JM
- PROTHONOTARY WARBLER -- 1, 18 Mar., Logtown, JT (A)
- WORM-EATING WARBLER -- 1 m, 21 May, Wall Doxey State Park, Marshall Co., MD

- SWAINSON'S WARBLER -- 1, 9 May, D'Lo Water Park, JT;
3 singing, 22 May, near Jourdan R., Kiln, JT, DK; 2
singing, 29 May, along Pascagoula R., Jackson Co., JT, DK
- NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH -- 1, 11 Apr., Chunky R. Access Area,
Newton Co., JM
- KENTUCKY WARBLER -- 1, 9 May, D'Lo Water Park, JT
- YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT -- 63 singing, 22 May, along Texas Flat
Rd., Kiln, JT, DK (N)
- SCARLET TANAGER -- 1 m, 1 f, 18 Apr., Hickory, JM
- ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK -- 1, 1 May, Starkville, JJ, BJ (A)
- BLUE GROSBEAK -- 1 f, 4 Mar., Woolmarket, JS, WM, VM (E)
- INDIGO BUNTING -- 1 imm m, 24 Jan., Gulfport (at feeder), JT
- PAINTED BUNTING -- 1 m, 21 Apr., Hickory, JM; 4 singing, 19 May,
Greenwood I., JT, DK
- DICKCISSEL -- 1, 24 Apr., Bay St. Louis, LS; 1 m (singing), 27
Apr., Hickory, JM (A)
- LARK SPARROW -- 1, 24 Apr., 14 mi. sw Oxford, Lafayette Co., MD
(R)
- LECONTE'S SPARROW -- 3+, 14 Jan., Lizana, JT, LS
- LINCOLN'S SPARROW -- 1, 30 Dec., near Grenada airport, JT, m.ob.
- LAPLAND LONGSPUR -- 60, 7 Dec., Grenada airport, MD, GK;
several, 29-30 Dec., Grenada airport, MH, JT, DK, m.ob.
- BOBOLINK -- 8 m, 26 Apr., PRM, JJ, DI, JB; 2 m, 3 f, 2 May, PRM,
JT, CR, DK
- WESTERN MEADOWLARK -- 1 heard, 22 Feb., Sardis Waterfowl Refuge,
MD, GK
- YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD -- 1 f, 27-29 Mar., Jourdan R. Shores,
RR (R)
- BREWER'S BLACKBIRD -- 577, 18 Dec., s Hancock Co. CBC (N)
- BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD -- 10,000-15,000, 1 Mar., MS highway 9W nw
of Bruce ca 7 mi., MD, GK
- PURPLE FINCH -- 1 m, 5 Dec., Biloxi, MB (A); good numbers
throughout state this winter, JJ
- HOUSE FINCH -- 1 m, 28 Apr.-11 May, Biloxi, GP, JP (R, photo)
- PINE SISKIN -- 30, 5 May, 2, 9 May, 1, 24 May, Oxford, MD
- EVENING GROSBEAK -- 2 m, 1 f, 21 Mar., Hickory, JM; 12 (small
flocks present since Jan.), 1 Apr., Diamondhead, ND, RWh;
15, 3 May, Starkville, JJ (D); most left early May, 1 f, 11
May, Oxford, MD; 1 f, through May, Columbus, RW

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Key to New or Unusual Localities

Ansley = Hancock Co.; Bayou Cassotte = Jackson Co.; Big Point = cooling ponds in Jackson Co.; Diamondhead = Hancock Co.; D'Lo Water Park = Simpson Co.; Greenwood I. = Jackson Co.; Jackson Marsh = Hancock Co.; Jourdan R. Shores = Hancock Co.; Kiln = Hancock Co.; Lake Arkabutla = DeSoto Co; Lake Lincoln = near Brookhaven, Lincoln Co.; Lakeshore = Hancock Co.; Larue Community = Jackson Co.; Lizana = Harrison Co.; Logtown = Hancock Co.; Lucky's Corner = Hancock Co.; Woolmarket = Harrison Co.

REVIEWS

Sugg, Redding S., Jr. (ed.). The Horn Island Logs of Walter Inglis Anderson. 2nd ed. University Press of Mississippi, Jackson. 240 pp., 40 color plates, numerous black-and-white illustrations. \$29.95

Walter Inglis Anderson has become somewhat of a folk hero in recent years - one of those genuine characters that story tellers try to conjure up. But he was real. Some thought he was crazy. And indeed, he had himself committed to a mental institution. But the genius of the man is readily apparent from the writings and art that were discovered after his death in 1965. Anderson was a man who was at peace with nature, if not with the human world around him. This volume includes excerpts from logs that Anderson kept between 1944 and 1950, in 1959, and