

The Ornithological Journals.

Bird-Lore. XXVI, No. 6. November–December, 1924.

My Grosbeak Friends. By Edwin R. Davis.—An interesting account of the habits of Evening Grosbeaks at a window feeding shelf, but the scientific value of the observations is seriously impaired by the lack of any indication as to where they were made.

The Golden Doves of Fiji. By Casey A. Wood.—An account of the habits of *Chrysoena luteovirens*.

A Visit to a Wood Ibis Colony. By George M. Sutton.

Bird Study for Shut-ins in Winter. By Ada K. Phipps.

The Migration and Plumages of the Broad-tailed, Rufous and Allen's Hummingbirds is presented with a colored plate by Fuertes.

In the Audubon Societies Department, Dr. A. A. Allen has an instructive article on 'Where are the Summer Birds at Christmas?', while the voluminous report of the National Association and affiliated societies is as always full of interesting information.

Bird-Lore. XXVII, No. 1. January–February, 1925.

With Camera and Jack-Light on the Seashore. By Henry R. Carey.—Excellent flash light photographs of Herons.

The Twenty-fifth Christmas Census occupies most of this number with 176 lists from 400 observers representing 34 states and one province.

There is an editorial in the Audubon Societies department on teaching ornithology in the colleges, while the educational leaflet considers the White Ibis, with a colored plate by Allan Brooks.

The Condor. XXVI, No. 6. November–December, 1924.

The Study of Bird Sounds. By A. A. Saunders.—A discussion of the article by Richard Hunt in 'The Condor' for 1923, pp. 202–208.

Some New Records from Northeastern California. By Joseph Mailliard.

A Survey of the Song Sparrows of the Santa Barbara Islands. By A. J. Van Rossem.—Recognizes *M. m. coronatorum* from the Coronados Islands as distinct from *M. m. clementae* from San Clemente, Santa Cruz, Santa Rosa and San Miguel, and from *M. m. graminea*.

Variability in *Bubo virginianus* from Rancho La Brea. By Rachel A. Husband.—Measurements of bones show much variation which is here discussed.

The Condor. XXVII, No. 1. January–February, 1925.

The Nest and Eggs of the Black Rosy Finch. By F. W. Miller.

A Seven-Year Duck Census of the Middle Rio Grande Valley. By Aldo Leopold.

Communism in the California Woodpecker. By Frank A. Leach.—Observed at least four birds interested in a single nest and apparently co-operating in digging it. Later all of these adults shared in procuring food and feeding the young.

A Report on the Birds of Northwestern Alaska and Regions Adjacent to Bering Strait. By Alfred M. Bailey.—This constitutes Part I of the report on the Colorado Museum's expedition to Wainwright, with an annotated list of species observed.

White Pelicans in Nevada. By Laura Mills.

The Nesting of the Worthen Sparrow in Tamaulipas, Mexico. By John E. Thayer.

The Wilson Bulletin. XXXVI, No. 4. December, 1924.

Summer Birds of Brownsville, Texas. By M. W. DeLaubenfels.—A list of 95 species.

The Relation of the Crow to Pecan Culture. By William E. Hoffmann.—Increase in the birds in Oklahoma coincident with the extension of Pecan culture until they have become a serious nuisance. Another illustration of the necessity of judging economic problems from the standpoint of local conditions.

A Nighthawk's Roosting Place. By Thomas M. Earl.—Presumably the same bird returned for several seasons to roost on the same tree.

The Philosophy of Birds' Nests. By Frank L. Burns. (continued.)

Winter Birds in Eastern Arkansas. By L. O. Pindar.—A very briefly annotated list, all detailed data having been lost through the burning of notebooks.

The Oölogist. XLI, No. 12. December, 1924.

The Starling in North Carolina. By G. G. Reeves.

The Cardinal. No. 5. January, 1925.

Contains notes on the weather at Pittsburgh and comments on the effect of weather on bird migration. Also notes on Lambdin's Museum; on the Ruffed Grouse situation in Pennsylvania; the Pittsburgh subscribers to Audubon's work; local bird notes and additions to the local list.

The Ibis. (12 series) I, No. 1. January, 1925.

The Birds of Jabrin, Jafura and Hasa in Central and Eastern Arabia and of Bahrain Island, Persian Gulf. By C. B. Ticehurst and R. E. Cheesman.—An annotated list of about 88 species with an account of the country and the itinerary of the party.

The Lore of the Hoopoe. By Warren R. Dawson.—Early Egyptian drawing and curious Syrian medical uses of the bird described.

Additional Notes on the Birds of Alcludia, Majorca. By Capt. P. W. Munn.

Field-Notes on the Birds of Sierra Leone. By W. R. Thompson.

On Birds of North and Central Darfur, with Notes on the West-Central Kordofan and North Nuba Provinces of British Sudan. By Hubert Lynes. (continued.)

(1) On the Systematic Position of the Jacanidae with some notes on a hitherto unconsidered Anatomical Character of apparent Taxonomic

Value. (2) A Preliminary Note on the Classification of the Charadriiformes based on this character, viz. the morphology of the quadrato-tympanic articulation. By Percy R. Lowe.—The Jacanidae appear to belong to the Gruiformes while the genera *Ibidorhyncha* and *Catoptrophorus* (the Willets) are, by the tympanic test, to be transferred from the Scolopacidae to the Charadriidae.

A New Swallow from Cameroon. By J. P. Chapin.—*Lecythoplastes fuliginosus* (p. 149).

The Birds of Lahul. N. W. Himalaya. By Hugh Whistler.

On the Birds of Quangtri, Central Annam; with Notes on others from other parts of French Indo-China. By J. Delacour and P. Jabouille.—A list of 311 species with a narrative of the journey.

Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club. CCXCI. December 5, 1924.

N. B. Kinnear describes *Hirundo daurica vernayi* (p. 27); twelve new forms are described by Delacour and Jabouille from French Indo-China; Dr Hartert proposes *Neomixis flavoviridis* (p. 35) from Madagascar and *Ammomanes deserti payni* (p. 36) from E. Morocco and D. Bannerman, *Bradornis bafrawari* (p. 41) from Juba Land Province, Africa.

P. Sushkin has a preliminary account of the relationship of Fringilline genera based on a study of their osteology (see this number of 'The Auk' p. 256, for a paper on the same subject).

The Chairman, Mr. H. F. Witherby, has his usual review of ornithological work for the past year.

British Birds. XVIII, No. 7. December, 1924.

The Grassholm Gannets in 1924—A Great Increase. By C. M. Acland and H. M. Salmon.—On the east coast of Wales.

Recovery of Marked Birds.—Many records during 1924, arranged under species.

British Birds. XVIII, No. 8. January, 1925.

On the Nesting of the Gull-billed Tern in the Camargue. By W. E. Glegg.—With excellent photographs.

On the Display and Nesting of the Great Crested Grebe in Scotland. By Henry Boase.

Avicultural Magazine. (4th series) II No. 11, November, 1924.

The Accentors. By M. Legendre.

The Yellow-naped Woodpecker (*Chrysophlegma flavinucha*). By H. D. Astley.—With a colored plate.

Avicultural Magazine. (4th. series) II, No. 12. December, 1924.

Honey-suckers and Flower-peckers. By J. Delacour.

With the beginning of 1925 the Avicultural Society and the Foreign Bird Club will unite and the journal of the latter 'Bird Notes' will merge with the 'Avicultural Magazine'.

The Oologists' Record. IV, No. 4. December, 1924.

Nyasaland Notes. 4, Subfamily Ploceinae. By C. F. B.—Popular accounts of the species and their nesting.

The argument concerning the Cuckoo's method of depositing its eggs continues. Mr. Chance contending that the bird never deposits its egg except in the normal way of laying it "in or into" the nest while others claim that the egg may be "stored" and carried to the nest in the throat of the Cuckoo. In spite of Mr. Chance's challenge no definite proof of the latter claim has been forthcoming.

Bird Notes and News. XI, Nos. 3 and 4. Autumn and Winter numbers 1924.

Contain articles on bird sanctuaries in England; the destruction of 136,000 contraband Grebe skins seized by Government authorities; reports of the watchers who guard the eggs of birds in the breeding colonies on the coast islands, etc., and many notes of interest on the various phases of bird conservation.

The South Australian Ornithologist. VII, Part 8. October, 1924.

This number is taken up entirely with a discussion of the question of private collecting permits, with extracts from many published opinions notably those of Joseph Grinnell.

Revue Francaise d'Ornithologie. No. 187. November, 1924. [In French.]

Comatibis eremita in Algeria. By Heim de Balsac.

Capture of *Erolia subruficollis* in Brittany. By M. Hemery.

Revue Francaise d'Ornithologie. No. 188. December, 1924. [In French.]

The Courtship of the Goatsuckers. By R. Reboussin.

On Some Birds of the Rhine Valley. By Heim de Balsac.

Revue Francaise d'Ornithologie. No. 189. January, 1925. [In French.]

The Alpine Tit. By H. Jouard.—An extended discussion of the races of *P. atricapillus* and allied forms.

Ammomanes deserti intermedia (p. 522) a new subspecies from El Golea. By H. de Balsac.

Habits of the Harriers. By Messrs. Chiquet.

L'Oiseau. V, No. 9. September, 1924. [In French.]

The Timeliidae. By J. Delacour.

In Indo-China. By J. Delacour. (continued in Oct. and Nov.)

How to Keep Insectivorous Birds and the Maintenance of Perfect Health. By P. F. M. Galloway (continued in Oct.).

L'Oiseau. V, No. 10. October, 1924. [In French.]

The Bulbuls. By J. Delacour.

Natural and Functional Recovery from a Broken Wing. By F. Lataste
Notes of an Amateur Novice. By Count B. d'Imecourt.
The Red Cardinal at Liberty. By Prince J. Murat.
Notes on Some Albatrosses, etc. of North America. By C. Poupinel de
Valence.

L'Oiseau. V, No. 11. November, 1924. [In French.]

The Flycatchers, Caterpillar-eaters and Swallows. By J. Delacour.
Birds of Rocheplatte. By J. Delacour.—The collection of Prince P.
Murat.

There is a colored plate of an aberrant Cardinal with yellow crest and
spots.

Le Gerfaut. 14. No. 4. 1924. [In French.]

Thrushes of Accidental Occurrence in Belgium. By M. de Contrera.
Many local ornithological notes and observations.

El Hornero. III, No. 3. December, 1924. [In Spanish.]

Petrels and Albatrosses of the South Atlantic. By R. Dabbene (conti-
nued).

Observations on Ornithological Pathology. By C. A. Marelli and F.
A. Ubach.

Oölogical Notes on the Cuckoos. By H. von Ihring.

Biological Data on Birds of Santa Fe. By A. S. Wilson.

On Some Birds of Buenos Aires. By J. B. Daguerra.

Biological Notes on the Birds of N. E. Argentina. By L. Dinelli.

Vernacular Names for Argentine Birds. By E. L. Arribalzaga.

Notes on the Birds of Paraguay. By A. deW. Bertoni.

Notes on *Tachyeres patachonicus*. By A. G. Bennett.

Proceedings of the Netherlands Ornithological Club. 14, No. 3.
1924. [In Dutch.]

The Avifauna of Harderwijk. By J. F. M. Van Malssen.

Ornithological Observations in Holland. By Snouckaert van Schauberg.

Sketch of the Life and Work of H. P. Maasdam. By F. C. Van Heurn.

Journal für Ornithologie. LXXIII, Heft. 1. January, 1925. [In
German.]

Experimental Investigations on the Sense of Taste in Birds. By B.
Rensch.

Stork Problems. By W. R. Eckardt.

The Ornithology of Osten der Mark. By G. Stein.

On Floral-Faunal Associations in South China. By R. Mell.—This
installment treats of the tropical rain forests.

The Bird in the Medicine of the Ancients. By W. Arndt.

A Contribution to the Knowledge of the Bird Fauna of the Grasslands
of New Cameroon. By H. Grote (continued).—*Eremomela pusilla pro-*
spha (p. 97) is described as new, from South Cameroon.

The Phylogeny of Iridescent Feather Structure. By B. Rensch.
Some Lamprocolius Species. By E. Stresemann.

Ornithologische Monatsberichte. 33, No. 1, January, 1925. [In German.]

Regulus regulus and *R. ignicapillus* in Nordmark. By W. Hagen.

An Enormous Night Flight at Helgoland as a Sequel to the Unfavorable Weather Conditions of the Spring of 1924. By R. Drost.

Ornithologische Beobachter. XXII, Heft 2. November, 1924. [In German.]

Crow-catching on the Courtland Peninsula. By W. Laubscher.—After it is caught in a net the trapper bites the Crow through the skull to kill it. Crow exterminators in America might adopt the method!

The Snipe Migration in the Autumn of 1923. By L. Pittet.—(1924 flight in Jan. 1925 issue.)

The Shrike (*Lanius e. excubitor*). By J. Troller.—(continued in December.)

Ornithologische Beobachter. XXII, No. 4. January, 1925. [In German.]

On Cannibalism in the Birds of Prey. By E. H. Zollikofer.

Contributions to the Breeding Habits of Birds with Consideration of Oology. 1, No. 3. January, 1925. [In German.]

On the Breeding Habits of the Ducks. By W. R. Eckardt.

The Relative Thickness of the Shell in Runt and Double-yolked Eggs. By M. Schönwetter.

Norsk Ornithologisk Tidsskrift. V. 1924-25. [In Scandinavian.]

Contains a local list for the vicinity of Bergen; a picture of a hybrid Grouse *Lagopus scoticus* x *L. lagopus*; notice of the occurrence of *Porphyrio poliocephalus* and *Erolia maculata* in Norway, as well as numerous records of migration and of banded birds.

Tori. IV, No. 18. October, 1924. [In Japanese.]

On a Third Specimen of the Rare *Pseudotadorna cristata* Kuroda. By N. Kuroda.—(with an English translation.)

Branta bernicla bernicla does not occur in Japan. By M. Hachisuka.

On the Migration and Habits of Shearwaters in the Sagami Bay. By Y. Matsudaira.

On the Japanese Geese. By N. Kuroda.

Birds from Uneno-mura, Ismigun, Pref. Chiba. By G. Saito.

Names of Birds of Japan and China. By S. Wakiyama.