

Mr. Grow told me that they were lifting the fish nets out of the lake for the season, and had been throwing out many rotten fish to the Gulls, when this big glutton appeared and ate so much that he could not rise from the water, so they put out in a small boat and caught him. I visited him again, the next day and, after photographing him and placing a band on his right leg, took him to the beach and gave him his liberty. He was loath to leave but finally swam out onto the lake, diving through some of the waves and riding over others. He seemed to be enjoying himself, flapping his wings, spreading his tail and ducking his head under the water. After going out onto the lake, for some distance, he turned, and swam off in a northeasterly direction.—E. E. HADELER, *Painesville, Ohio*.

Wood Ibis in Illinois.—On September 6, 1925, I found the badly decomposed remains of a Wood Ibis (*Mycteria americana*) near a pond in the Little Wabash bottoms in southwest Richland County or possibly northwest Wayne County since the boundary is about at that point.

My companion recognized the bird as the same as a flock of twenty-five which he had seen two weeks before in Lawrence County. I have never seen this species here before.—S. H. EATON, *Lawrenceville, Ill.*

Louisiana Heron on Long Island.—On June 26, 1925, I saw a strange looking Heron on the edge of Little Reed Pond, Montauk, Long Island. Thinking that it was a Little Blue Heron, in transitional plumage, I collected it, and was much surprised to discover that it was an adult male Louisiana Heron. The specimen was taken to the American Museum of Natural History, where my identification was confirmed by Mr. Ludlow Griscom. This is the second record for New York State, the first made in 1836. It is now No. 1857 in my collection.—RALPH ELLIS, JR., *Jericho, Long Island*.

Little Black Rail again in Illinois.—Since Nelson's record of June 19, 1875, in which he reports taking the eggs of the Black Rail, I can find no authentic record of the taking of the bird. While collecting specimens for the Illinois State Exhibit for the World's Fair, I was certain that I saw this bird at Wolf Lake several times but did not care to report it unless actually taken. Unlike the other Rails, which depend almost entirely upon hiding, the birds I saw ran very quickly and did not hide in the grass, the fact that my dog brought me two Yellow Rails that season, which he caught without injuring, substantiates this fact. I was almost doubting that this bird was a resident of Illinois, when a young man recently brought me a specimen which he had caught in his back yard.—FRANK M. WOODRUFF, *Chicago Academy of Sciences, Chicago, Ill.*

Northern Phalarope in Dutchess County, N. Y.—On September 7, 1924, the author and Dr. Alfred O. Gross observed a Northern Phalarope, (*Lobipes lobatus*) swimming around in a small pond about a mile outside the town of Amenia, N. Y. The bird was exceptionally tame and we were