

Hawk shot on October 12, 1920, at Beach, held, in addition to a small bird, a considerable amount of fruit.

3. *Falco s. sparverius*. SPARROW HAWK.—One secured on May 3, 1906, near Ravinia, Lake Co., Illinois, had several grubs in the stomach. Another, taken April 24, 1926, at Winnetka, Cook Co., Illinois, was found to have fed upon ants.

4. *Asio flammeus*. SHORT-EARED OWL.—A Short-eared Owl collected at Beach October 25, 1920, contained two Juncos (*J. h. hyemalis*) and two Swamp Sparrows (*Melospiza georgiana*). Another, taken on November 12, 1927, had eaten a Snow Bunting (*Plectrophenax n. nivalis*).—PIERCE BRODKORB, *Evanston, Illinois*.

American Hawk Owl in Wisconsin.—On November 16, 1925, an American Hawk Owl (*Surnia ulula caparoch*), was shot by Oliver LaChance in Vilas County, Wisconsin, one mile southwest of the town of Land O' Lakes. The bird was mounted and placed in his store in the above mentioned town.

This bird, which is now in my collection, is in very excellent plumage. There are about ten previous records for the state.—CHARLES D. KLOTZ, *Winnetka, Illinois*.

A New Race of Screech Owl from California.—As far as is shown by my manuscript synonymy of California birds, there has, up until now, been no published record of any form of Screech Owl from that portion of this state lying east of the Sierran divide and north from latitude 35° to the region of Lake Tahoe. But manuscript field notes in the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology from different points in that general territory indicate, on the basis of the characteristic voice heard of evenings, the presence of Screech Owls rather widely. And now there has accumulated the somewhat scanty but conclusive evidence which justifies the present announcement.

This eastern portion of California includes what I have termed the Inyo subfaunal district, characterized by not a few peculiar races of birds which have been described from the White, Inyo, Panamint, or others of the numerous mountain ranges of that territory, or from the adjacent or intervening valleys. Resident birds of plastic groups many of them show well-marked characters of pale coloration and large size, as compared with related forms to the west or south. It is generally consistent, then, that *Otus* should furnish a similarly distinguishable race in this potent environment.

***Otus asio inyoensis*, new subspecies. Inyo Screech Owl.**

Type.—No. 51391, Mus. Vert. Zool.; female in full, fresh annual plumage; shot in the town of Independence, Inyo County, California, October 13, 1927, by Mr. Norman Clyde, and sent to MVZ where prepared by J. Grinnell.