

Monk, Harry C.—The Water Birds of Radnor Lake [Tenn.] (*Jour. Tenn. Acad. Sci.*, VII, No. 4, October, 1932.)—An annotated list of 56 species with tables showing the daily fluctuation of numbers during each month in 1930. It is interesting to find the Bald Eagle and Osprey included in the "water birds" and why not? Our present classification makes it impossible to use the term in a technical systematic sense. These birds were always as much water birds as the Killdeer or Upland Plover and in the same way while our owls are still "birds of prey" they are no longer "Raptors."

More Game Birds by Controlling their Natural Enemies.—An excellent illustrated manual of the enemies of game but considering the wide spread prejudice against *all* hawks more emphasis might have been placed on the value of certain species and the line between good and bad hawks and owls more definitely drawn.

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Riley, J. H.—A new Swift of the Genus *Reinarda* from Venezuela. (*Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington*, Vol. 46, pp. 39–40, February 20, 1933.)—*R. squamata semota* (p. 39).

Schaanning, H. Tho. L.—A Contribution to the Bird Fauna of East Greenland and A Contribution to the Bird Fauna of Jan Mayen. (*Skrifter om Svalbanard og Ishavet*, No. 49, 1933.)—Annotated lists in English of birds obtained on the Norwegian Scientific expeditions to East Greenland.

Tavernar, P. A.—A Study of Kumlien's Gull. (*Canadian Field Naturalist*, May, 1933.)—Suggests the possibility of its validity as a species.

Van Rossem, A. J.—A Northern Race of *Melzone rubricatum*. (*Trans. San Diego Soc. Nat. Hist.* VII, No. 23, March 31, 1933. Pp. 283–284.)—*M. r. grisior* (p. 283) Hacienda San Rafael, Sonora.

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The Ornithological Journals.

Bird-Lore. XXXV, No. 2. March–April, 1933.

The Long-Ears of the Cedar Groves. By Laidlaw Williams.—Long-eared Owls at Princeton, N. J.

Some Birds' Bathing Ways. By Joseph C. Fields.

Taming the Blue-Gray Gnatcatchers. By Maurice Brooks.—Excellent photographs of birds and nest.

The Bank Swallow's Story. By A. A. Allen.

Bird-Lore. XXXV, No. 3. May–June, 1933.

The Lark Bunting. By Roy M. Langdon.—With excellent photographs of the bird in Colorado.

Flight Maneuvers of the Raven. By W. W. Rubey.—In Wyoming.

When Brewster's Warbler Breeds. By William A. Paff.

The Condor. XXXV, No. 2. March–April, 1933.

Terns as Destroyers of Birds' Eggs. By A. J. Van Rossem.

Winter Behaviour of Two Semi-Albino Western Robins. By John B. Price.

Relations between Man and Birds in California. By Tracy I. Storer.

A Year's Study of House Finch Weights. By J. L. Partin.

Alexander Wetmore describes a new fossil bird *Ortalis tantala* (p. 64) and Hildegard Howard, another, *Strix brea* (p. 66).

The Condor. XXXV, No. 3. May–June, 1933.

An Experiment upon a Roosting Colony of Black-crowned Night Herons. By E. Lowell Sumner, Jr.—Driven from a roost where they had become a nuisance by alarm clocks fastened in the tree.

Geographical Distribution in Relation to the Number of Eggs. By Charles K. Averill.

Individuality and territoriality as Displayed in Winter by Three Passerine Species. By Grace Tompkins.—Golden-crowned and White-crowned Sparrows, and Spotted Towhee.

The Leconte Thrashers of the San Joaquin. By Joseph Grinnell.

Wetmore describes a new fossil bird *Geranooides jepsoni* (p. 150, gen. and sp. nov.).

The Wilson Bulletin. XLV, No. 1. March, 1933.

The Meaning of Bird Control. By W. L. McAtee.

Robins and Raspberries. By Grant Henderson.

Ornithological Reminiscences of Mid-Victorian Washington. By Morris M. Green.

A Mensural Study of a Collection of *Grus canadensis* from Iowa and Nebraska. By Philip A. Du Mont.

Notes on the Birds Found at Lake Johnston and Lost Mountain Lake, Saskatchewan, During April and May, 1922. By the late C. G. Harold.

The Ibis. XXX, No. 2. April, 1933.

Taxonomic and Field Notes on some Birds of Northeastern Tanganyika Territory, Part IV. By W. L. Sclater and R. E. Moreau.

Johann Matthaeus Bechstein, the German Ornithologist (1757–1822). By Hugo Hildebrandt.—With portrait.

Some Notes on the Birds of North Bornu, Nigeria. By A. K. Gibbon.

A Contribution to the Ornithology of Chinese Turkestan. Part I. By F. Ludlow assisted by N. B. Kinnear.

A Report on the Birds collected by the Vernay Expedition to Tenasserim and Siam. Part I. By Willoughby P. Lowe.

Notes on the Birds of Bear Island [north of Norway]. By G. C. L. Bertram and David Lack.

The Birds of South-West Transbaikalia, Northern Mongolia, and Central Gobi. Part V. By E. V. Koslova.

The Differential Characters in the Tarso-metatarsi of Gallus and

Phasianus as they bear on the Problem of the Introduction of the Pheasant into Europe and the British Isles. By Percy R. Lowe.—Finds no evidence of the presence of the Pheasant in England in Roman times nor is there evidence of its being indigenous in Europe.

Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club. No. CCCLXVII. March 25, 1933.

Jack Vincent describes 23 new birds from Africa, mainly Portuguese East Africa.

Col. Meinertzhagen describes two races of *Ammomanes deserti* from the Sahara, and Gregory M. Mathews a new genus *Tethysia* for *Procellaria tethys*.

Bulletin of the British Ornithologists' Club. No. CCCLXVIII, May 5, 1933.

Jack Vincent describes his journeys in Portuguese East Africa and describes three additional birds; Dr. G. Carmichael Lowe confirms the validity of *Limnodromus griseus hendersoni* Rowan; Admiral Lynes has a new *Cisticola*; G. L. Bates two new forms from West Africa and J. Delacour one.

Fin Salomonsen describes *Neodrepanis hypoxantha* Madagascar; W. S. Stachanow, *Riparia rupestris centralasica* from Alashan; D. Bannerman, *Pogoniulus scolopaceus angolensis* from Angolo; G. M. Mathews, *Diomedella cauta peruvia* from the coast of Peru.

Claude H. B. Grant and C. W. Mackworth-Praed discuss the type localities of *Sula s. sula* and *Pelecanus onocrotalus* and the relationship of several herons, describing *Egretta garzetta assumptionis* as new.

British Birds. XXVI, Nos. 11 and 12, April and May, 1933.

Mainly devoted to bird-banding records. April contains also the 1932 report for Norfolk and May presents some notes on Coots by H. J. Burkill.

The Emu. XXXII, Part 4. April, 1933.

The Ground Parrot. By K. A. Hindwood.—Interesting account of this fast disappearing species.

Observations on the Nesting Habits of the Black-throated Grebe. By Edwin Ashby.

Some Birds of the Heath Country. By A. J. Elliott.—North of Sydney.

Many other articles on life history of Australian birds and numerous excellent photographic illustrations.

L'Oiseau. III, No. 2. 1933. [In French.]

Notes on the Birds of the Philippines. By Marquis Hachisuka.

The Birds of Kwangsi. By K. Y. Yen.

What is *Ramphastos osculans* Gould? By C. E. Hellmayr.

Ornithological Migration Stations of Holland and Scandinavia. By R. Reboussin.

A Contribution to a Study of the Birds of Oubangui-Chari [West Africa]. By L. Blancou.

Some Observations on the Birds of Corsica. By R. F. Meiklejohn.

Notes on Some Rare Hummingbirds. By J. Berlioz and G. Rousseau-Decelle.—*Oreotrochilus bolivianus*, *Metallura primolina* and *M. atrigularis*.

The Ornithological Station of Castle Fusano. By J. Blanchard.—Conducted by Prince Francesco Chigi for bird banding purposes, the birds being caught in nets.

Journal für Ornithologie. LXXXI, Heft 2. April, 1933. [In German.]

An Expedition of Discovery to the Dutch East Indies. By G. Stein.

A Contribution to the Breeding Habits of *Burhinus o. oedicnemus*. By Walter Banzhaf.

Anser brachyrhynchus in Iceland. By G. Timmermann.

Migration Routes in Egypt. By Geyr von Schweppenburg.

On the Life of the Peregrine. By Camill Gugg.—Illustrated by a series of the finest bird photographs that we have ever seen.

Retrograde Evolution in a Honey-eater's Tongue. By Hans Scharnke.

Ornithologische Monatsberichte. XLI, No. 2. March, 1933. [In German.]

Observations on the Breeding Habits of *Rhinopomastus cyanomelas*. By W. Hoesch.

Systematic Position and Biology of *Promerops*. By Finn Salomonsen.

Contribution to our Knowledge of the Avifauna of Portugal. By Otto Steinfatt.

Ardeola speciosa continentalis (p. 41) is described by Salomonsen, from Siam, and *Zosterops minor gregaria* (p. 53) by E. Mayr, from Sattelberg.

Ornithologische Monatsberichte. XLI, No. 3. May-June, 1933. [In German.]

On the Life History of *Halcyon chelicuti*. By W. Hoesch.

A Picture of "*Sassius simplex*." By Moriz Sassi.

A Contribution to Hypnosis in Birds. By G. Warnke.

On the Appearance of Tongue-worms in Birds. By R. Heymons.

On the Juvenal Plumage of *Stercorarius parasiticus* and *S. longicaudus*. By E. Schuz.

Four new birds are described by W. Meise from Kansu, forms of *Calandrella Carduelis*, *Phylloscopus* and *Rhopophilus*.

NOTES AND NEWS.

OWING to the fact that several hundred members of the A. O. U. have been unable to pay their 1933 dues, the Publication Committee found itself without funds for printing the July 'Auk'. In this emergency several members generously guaranteed the cost of a reduced number and three papers were paid for, while some reserve funds were made available by the Council.

These facts are presented in explanation of the delay in the appearance of this issue and of the omission of "Obituaries" and the curtailment of "Recent Literature" and "Notes and News."—*Editor*.