

Aquila chrysaetos canadensis. GOLDEN EAGLE.—This specimen was collected on the Elliott Farm in Posey County, Indiana, January 12, 1923, by Raymond Conyers as it attempted to carry away a little pig. This specimen was presented by him to the Library at New Harmony.—S. E. PERKINS III, *Indianapolis, Ind.*

Notes from Northeastern and East Central Illinois.—The writer considers the following records noteworthy either because of the rarity of the species mentioned or because of the unusual date of occurrence of the species at the locality cited.

Gavia immer elasson. LESSER LOON.—On May 4, 1935, during a period of heavy rains and cloudy weather, an adult male of this subspecies in full breeding plumage mistook the wet surface of a concrete highway near Urbana (Champaign Co.) for that of a stream and alighted on it, but without apparent injury. Being unable to rise from the pavement, it floundered about until a passing motorist picked it up and brought it to the offices of the State Natural History Survey at Urbana. There it was kept in captivity for a few days, but before it could be liberated it died, perhaps from injuries incurred in striking the concrete road-surface. The skin is to be presented to the University of Illinois Museum of Natural History. Measurements in millimeters, taken in the flesh, are: length 720, extent, 1,286, wing 355, exposed culmen 72.5, depth of bill at base 24.5, tarsus 80.4, outer toe with nail 115.3. This is apparently the first published record of the occurrence of this subspecies in the state of Illinois.

Dafila acuta tzitzihoa. AMERICAN PINTAIL.—A male in immature plumage was observed by the writer on August 19, 1934, on a gravel bar in the Fox River, a few miles south of McHenry (McHenry Co.). This bird was either an extremely early migrant or a bird of the year; in either case the record is of interest.

Lophodytes cucullatus. HOODED MERGANSER.—A male and female were observed by the writer on Lake Michigan off Lincoln Park, Chicago (Cook Co.), on January 2, 1935. This species does not often occur in winter in the Chicago region.

Aquila chrysaetos canadensis. AMERICAN GOLDEN EAGLE.—One, the picture of which was shown in the Chicago Tribune at the time, was taken near Slocum's Lake, three miles west of Wauconda (Lake Co.) on about October 21, 1932, by Mr. Bruno Kathrein, who had it mounted. An immature bird was shot by Mr. Sam Fields four miles north of Longview (Champaign Co.) on January 5, 1934. The mounted bird was recently examined by the writer. A third record is that of an immature bird seen near Urbana by Mr. A. C. Twomey, on April 13, 1935.

Sterna hirundo hirundo. COMMON TERN.—An adult bird was observed by the writer at the new lagoon in the northward extension of Lincoln Park, Chicago, on the surprising date of December 2, 1934. This is apparently the latest fall record of this species in the Chicago region.

Tyto alba pratincola. BARN OWL.—Two Chicago records are: one bird, wounded in one wing, was caught alive on October 26, 1934, by Jennie Cortellasi, and its photograph shown in the 'Chicago Tribune'; another flew into a sun parlor on the fourteenth floor of the St. Luke's Hospital on September 9, 1931, its picture being shown in the 'Chicago Daily News.' A down state record is that of a male killed by a boy in Urbana on December 10, 1934, and mounted by Mr. A. C. Twomey, in whose possession it now is.

Nyctea nyctea. SNOWY OWL.—An adult female was shot April 27, 1931, by Mr. William Buesing on a farm near Mount Prospect (Cook Co.) and mounted for him. This is an extremely late spring record for this species in the Chicago region. A more recent Chicago record is that of one, probably a female, seen by the writer on December 2, 1934, in the new northward extension of Lincoln Park.

The following records of the Snowy Owl are all from central Illinois, where it is of rather uncommon occurrence. During the winter of 1934-35 two were noted. In the writer's collection there is the skin of an adult female which was shot by a farmer on December 7, 1934, near Leverett (Champaign County); the stomach was empty. Another, now in the collection of Mr. A. D. King of Mattoon (Coles Co.), was killed in the fall of 1934 near that town. During the winter of 1930-31 two others were taken: a mounted female now in the Ridge Farm High School, shot by Lindsay Harrington two miles west of Woodyard (Edgar Co.) in November, 1930, and a mounted bird now in the collection of the University of Illinois Museum of Natural History, taken by Lloyd Fuoss in March, 1931, near Thawville (Iroquois Co.). An additional fairly recent record is that of one shot by a farmer three miles southwest of Decatur (Macon Co.) in February, 1930, and now in the collection of Boy Scout Troop Fifteen of Champaign. Two old, but unpublished records are: in January, 1904, one was taken by I. E. Hess at Tolono (Champaign Co.), and in January, 1883, another was killed by E. A. Gastman five miles southeast of Decatur; both were mounted and are now in the collection of Boy Scout Troop Three of Decatur.

Zonotrichia leucophrys gambeli. GAMBEL'S SPARROW.—Two birds of this species in late fall plumage were collected on November 30, 1934, near Newton (Jasper Co.); the skins are now in the collection of Mr. A. C. Twomey.

The writer expresses his appreciation to Dr. A. R. Cahn, of the University of Illinois, for permission to include the late spring record of the Snowy Owl, and to Mr. A. C. Twomey, for permission to utilize his records of the Golden Eagle and Gambel's Sparrow.—C. T. BLACK, *Chicago, Ill.*

Notes from Mammoth Cave National Park (Proposed), Kentucky.—The following notes were made during the summer of 1934.

Otocoris alpestris praticola. PRAIRIE HORNED LARK. Common summer resident on high open ridges. Young were observed out of nest July 4, near Ollie, Kentucky.

Sielgidopteryx ruficollis serripennis. ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW.—Two nests were observed June 12, with young, near the head of First Creek. The nests were built in small holes in the ceiling of large caves formed in a sandstone bluff.

Sitta carolinensis carolinensis. NORTHERN WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH.—This Nuthatch is a permanent resident of this area. June 5, two adults were observed feeding five young just out of the nest along Floating Mill Hollow. June 11, four young were observed on Jim Lee Ridge.

Troglodytes aëdon aëdon. EASTERN HOUSE WREN.—A pair of House Wrens nested at CCC Camp No. 1 in the tool house, and escaped with five young. A pair was observed June 8, 9, 12 and 20 at CCC Camp No. 2. The House Wren has been considered as a rare migrant for Kentucky.

Cistothorus stellaris. SHORT-BILLED MARSH WREN.—A pair was found inhabiting a large sink in Doyle Valley which is grown up to weeds waist high. The place is damp and bordered by tall sedge grass. After the young had left the nest and were old enough to care for themselves, the female was collected for a nesting record in Kentucky.

Helmintheros vermivorus. WORM-EATING WARBLER.—A common summer resident in the dense wooded hollows. An adult was observed feeding young July 10, along the slope of Ugly Creek.

Wilsonia citrina. HOODED WARBLER. Common summer resident; adults observed feeding young June 12 and July 10, 1934.

Piranga erythromelas. SCARLET TANAGER.—Two pairs were observed nesting in the park area, one in Floating Mill Hollow, and the other along Ugly Creek.—