

recent paper ('Observations on the birds of West Virginia,' Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., 84: 401-441, 1937) lists the collecting of a Giant Red-wing, *A. p. arctolegus*, near Enon, Nicholas County, May 11, 1936. This was the first record of this larger form for the State.

I secured eight Red-wings, two males and six females, from a flock of about three hundred on the Knight Farm, near Lakin, Mason County, on December 30, 1936. On comparing these specimens with skins in the Carnegie Museum, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, the two males and four females were determined as *A. p. arctolegus*. The other two females were assigned to the common eastern form, *A. p. phoeniceus*. Identifications were made by Miss Ruth Trimble of the Carnegie Museum staff and myself. These identifications were checked by Dr. H. C. Oberholser of the U. S. Biological Survey.—KARL W. HALLER, *Bethany College, Bethany, West Virginia*.

Some rarer birds at the Falls of the Ohio.—The Falls of the Ohio River at Louisville, Kentucky, made famous in Audubon's writings, continue to produce some of the rarer records for the State. Several made here in recent years are worth reporting.

SNOWY EGRET, *Egretta thula thula*.—Six birds were seen on August 21 and nine on August 22, 1937. Their yellow feet were easily noted as the birds flew and waded about.

WOOD IBIS, *Mycteria americana*.—One individual, first seen at a small pond in southern Indiana, a very short distance from the Falls, on August 5, 1934. It appeared on the Falls proper on August 12 and was recorded again on August 18.

PIPING PLOVER, *Charadrius melodus*.—Two birds seen on September 5, 1937. One was collected and is now in my possession.

RUDDY TURNSTONE, *Arenaria interpres morinella*.—Seen on the Falls from September 1 through September 27. Two specimens in my collection, both females in winter plumage, were taken September 27, 1936, and September 7, 1937, respectively.

WESTERN WILLET, *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus inornatus*.—One record only: a single bird was seen on August 21, 1937, and I collected it on August 22. It was a female and in a somewhat emaciated condition. The left leg had been broken and had healed at about a thirty-degree angle, giving the bird a limping and sidewise motion when walking. It is a coincidence that on September 6, 1936, at Ashtabula, Ohio, Dr. Lawrence Hicks, of Columbus, collected a female Willet in exactly this same condition (Auk, 54: 536-537, 1937). This is the first specimen taken in Kentucky.

BUFF-BREASTED SANDPIPER, *Tryngites subruficollis*.—Three individuals of this species were observed walking among the rocks and sandhills on September 17, 1936. Two were collected and the skins are in my possession at the present time. This establishes the first published record, to my knowledge, for the State.

SANDERLING, *Crocethia alba*.—These birds are seen here in flocks of as many as twenty or thirty individuals and appear each year with regularity. They have been recorded from early August to October 12. Two specimens in my collection, taken August 2, 1936, are yet in the brownish breeding plumage. A third specimen, taken September 11, 1937, has changed to the winter plumage.

CASPIAN TERN, *Hydroprogne caspia imperator*.—This tern is a very regular autumn migrant to the Falls of the Ohio, appearing as early as August 4 and recorded regularly from August 21 through September 20; most often seen in flocks of three, four or five but has been seen in flocks numbering as high as fifteen individuals.—BURT L. MONROE, *Curator, Kentucky Ornithological Society, Louisville, Kentucky*.