

After a soggy August, September was uncharacteristically dry and devoid of tropical systems. A strong cold front penetrated the Region 27–28 September, bringing exceptional vagrants to Alabama and the Florida Panhandle, including a possible five species new for Alabama! October and November weather was typical, with dry high-pressure systems prevailing between cold fronts.

Transients were timely, although numbers of typical winter visitors along the coast were unusually low at the end of the period, with ducks, Horned Grebes, Bonaparte's Gulls, Ruby-crowned Kinglets, Yellow-rumped Warblers, and others yet to arrive in normal numbers. Sparrows, however, appeared in usual concentrations.

Feeder watchers in widely scattered locations throughout the Florida Panhandle and southern Alabama lamented a dearth of yard birds. Judging from our visits to favorite spots, we agree that common birds as well as migrants seemed down in numbers, although heavy patronage by hunting *Accipiters* makes such impressions of relative abundance difficult to interpret.

**Abbreviations:** FW.B.S.F. (Fort Walton Beach spray field, Okaloosa, FL); L.S.U.M.N.S. (Louisiana State University Museum of Natural Science); Noxubee (Noxubee N.W.R., e.-cen. Mississippi); nw. Florida (Florida west of the Apalachicola R.); St. Catherine (St. Catherine Creek N.W.R., Adams, MS); Wheeler (Wheeler N.W.R., n. Alabama); Yazoo (Yazoo N.W.R., Washington, MS). State names are included only with the *initial* use of a place name.

## LOONS THROUGH STORKS

A Pacific Loon, the 6th for Arkansas, was at L. Dardanelle, Pope 8 Nov (LN, KN). In Alabama, where rare, one was in Marshall 21–22 Nov (RAR, SWM, SRM). A Red-necked Grebe in Marshall 21 Nov was Alabama's 12th (p. a., RAR, LBR). Rare to uncommon along the Gulf Coast, Eared Grebes were in Mobile, AL 12–14 Oct (m. ob.) and at the FW.B.S.F. 4 Oct–30 Nov+ (m. ob.). Very rare in Arkansas, a Western Grebe was reported in Washington 7 Nov (JN, MM). Three Cory's Shearwaters 58 km ssw. of South Pass 7 Oct provided Louisiana's 5th and 6th records (\*L.S.U.M.N.S., DLD, SWC, DPM, CCS). A Masked Booby was in Choctawhatchee Bay, Okaloosa 12 Sep (BG), and another was at Dauphin I., AL 16 Sep (BCG, HH). Large flocks of American White Pelicans were reported in Alabama (630), Arkansas (1200), and Louisiana (1200–1500). Accidental in Mississippi, Neotropic Cormorants were found at St. Catherine 9 Aug, where an ad. and a subad. were observed (p. a., TS, MS, SJD, m. ob.). A subad. was

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also seen in *Humphreys*, MS 30 Aug (SJD). In Louisiana, where Neotropics are uncommon, 425 were counted 15 Sep in *St. Martin* (JWB, RD). Magnificent Frigatebirds were late 30 Nov in *Baldwin*, AL (RC) and 8 Nov in *Plaquemines*, LA (PW et al.).

Ardeids appeared in unusually high numbers along the Mississippi and nw. Florida coasts Aug–mid-Sep. Only 5 American Bitterns, a species infrequently reported in recent years, were reported for the entire Region. A count of 1256 Great Egrets in *Tallahatchie*, MS 30 Aug must have been impressive (GK, SK, SJD). Rare in the mountain region of Alabama, a Snowy Egret was in *Jefferson* 27 Sep (HHK, RDK). Uncommon inland in Mississippi, 29 Tricolored Herons at a St. Catherine roost was a good count (SJD, GK, SK et al.). Up to 5 Glossy Ibis strayed to Yazoo, MS 2–24 Aug (p. a., SJD), 4 were at St. Catherine, where rare, 9 Aug (p. a., GK, SK, SJD), and another surfaced in *Humphreys* 30 Aug (p. a., SJD). A rare migrant in Arkansas as well, one Glossy Ibis was early in *Desha* 16 Aug (KN, LN et al.), and 10 were in *Mobile* 24 Aug, where uncommon (GDJ).

A White-faced Ibis at Ft. Morgan, *Baldwin* provided Alabama's 15th record (p. a., LRD, RAD), and 4 were reported from

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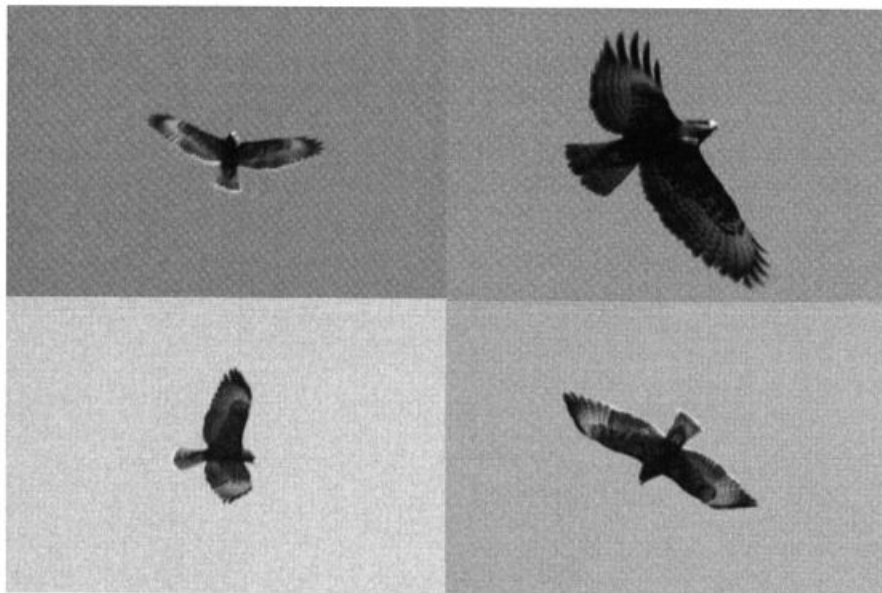
Arkansas 14–20 Sep (m. ob.), where rare. Still accidental in Mississippi, a single White-faced Ibis was at St. Catherine 9–10 Aug (p. a., TS, MS, SJD, m. ob.), 2 were at Yazoo 30 Aug (p. a., GK, SK, SJD), and another was in *Humphreys* 30 Aug (p. a., GK, SK, SJD). *Plegadis* not identified to species were reported in numbers in Mississippi and Alabama, with a near all-time high for Alabama of about 30 at *Mobile* on 24 Aug (GDJ). A peak count of 352 was recorded at St. Catherine 9 Aug (SJD), and 2 remaining at Noxubee 23 Oct were the latest for the area by 14 days (TS). For the 2nd straight year, Roseate Spoonbills were counted in good numbers in Arkansas and Mississippi, with 51 and 300 reported, respectively. One in *Mobile* 4–10 Sep was very rare (DD, AH).

As last year, Wood Storks were reported in impressive numbers: 3578 were estimated 9 Aug at St. Catherine (SJD), with state totals of 2 in Alabama, 350 in Arkansas, and 4300 in Mississippi.

### WATERFOWL THROUGH CRANES

Black-bellied Whistling-Ducks continued their range expansion in Louisiana, with 30–35 (including 7–9 juvs.) seen 4 Oct–15 Nov at Bayou Sauvage N.W.R., Orleans (DM, BMM, LE, PW). A pair of **Black-bellied Whistling Ducks** with 7 half-grown young at Yazoo provided Mississippi's first verified breeding 16–19 Oct (DL, ph. SJD, TS, m. ob.). What can only be described as a massive movement of **Greater White-fronted Geese** from nw. Florida to the Mississippi Gulf Coast occurred 21–23 Oct. On 22 Oct, JAW observed 65 birds on a westward course over Niceville, Okaloosa. The same day, RAD and LRD watched an estimated 510 moving w. at Ft. Morgan. During the same three-day period, NB estimated a few thousand passing through Hancock, MS. One can only speculate what brought so many of this species, rare e. of Louisiana, so far off their normal migration route. Maximum ever for inland Alabama were 65 at Wheeler 29 Nov (BKF). An estimated 10,000 to 20,000 Snow Geese passed through Washington 1–2 Nov (JN). Formerly accidental in the Region, Ross's Geese have appeared regularly in recent years. Alabama had 8, nw. Florida 5, and Arkansas one in the period 8–28 Nov.

Two Gadwalls at Yazoo 24 Aug were very early (SS). An ad. male Eurasian Wigeon at Eufaula N.W.R., Barbour 13 Nov was Alabama's 7th (p. a., CTS, LW). A Cinnamon Teal was seen 4 Nov in Lonoke, AR, where very rare (LY, H&MP). Seven Lesser Scaup in Sharkey, MS 24 Aug were the earliest ever for the area. A count of 1500 in Washington 7 Nov was the highest ever for nw. Arkansas (JN, MMI). Surf Scoters were reported from Mississippi (3) and Arkansas (13) 23 Oct–14 Nov, while Mississippi tallied a total of 7 Black Scoters in the same period, and Arkansas had 4 White-wingeds 6–12 Nov. Washington had 200 very early Buffleheads 7 Nov (JN, MMI). Single female



This dark-morph immature *Buteo* at Ft. Morgan, Alabama 15 (here) through 16 October 2003 was identified by experts as Alabama's first Short-tailed Hawk. Photographs by Lucy Duncan.

Common Mergansers were reported from there 9 (JL, SSp, SL) & 15 Nov (JL, SSp). Twelve Ruddy Ducks, including a juv., were in Humphreys 26 Jul (SS, KH), only the 2nd breeding record for Mississippi. On 7 Nov, nw. Arkansas had its highest ever count of Ruddy Ducks, some 1200 on L. Fayetteville (JN, MM).

Two kettles of Swallow-tailed Kites totaling 150+ in Escambia, FL 7 Aug were a maximum for the area (GF, FL). Late in Leflore, MS, another was sighted 24 Aug (SJD, AHA). Twenty-five Mississippi Kites in Clay, MS were also impressive (TS). A dark *Buteo* over Ft. Morgan, Baldwin, AL 15–16 Oct proved to be the Region's first **Short-tailed Hawk**, a dark-morph imm. bird documented nicely (p. a., ph. LRD, RAD, ph. ALM et al.). Probably an indication of its more common occurrence now, only one report of Bald Eagle was received. An ad. Golden Eagle, casual in nw. Florida, was in Santa Rosa 28 Sep, the earliest for the state by three days (RAD, LRD). Another ad. was at the F.W.B.S.F. 7 Oct (LRD, RAD, CB), and an imm. was in Bay, FL 31 Oct



Florida's ninth Say's Phoebe was found by visiting birder Barry Fleming at Fort Pickens near Pensacola 13 October 2003. This cooperative bird, a first for the Panhandle, spent its Florida vacation feeding in dune vegetation until 15 October. Photograph by David Dortch.

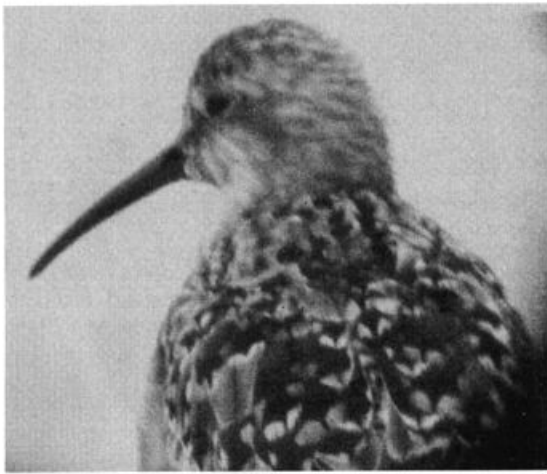
(BL). Rare in Alabama, a Golden Eagle 27 Oct in Marshall was early for the Tennessee Valley region (RAR). Probably under-reported because of increased sightings in

recent years, Peregrine Falcons were tallied in only three states: Mississippi (4), Arkansas (3), and Louisiana (28).

A Black Rail 17 Nov at the F.W.B.S.F. was nw. Florida's 12th (LRD, CB, RAD). Seven Soras 27 Sep in Jefferson were quite high for Alabama's Mountain region (SSH). For the 5th consecutive year, Purple Gallinules nested at Noxubee 5 Aug–3 Sep (TS). Three ads. and 3 juvs. in Howard, AR 11 Oct were very late (CM). For the 4th consecutive year, Common Moorhens nested at Noxubee, where 4 downy young and one grown juv. were present 22 Aug (TS). A rare nester in n. Mississippi, Common Moorhens (including 6 juvs.) were in Tallahatchie 30 Aug (GK, SK, SJD); 4 ads. and 21 juvs. were tallied in Howard 11 Oct (CM); and 5 were at Yazoo 19 Oct (TS), where still considered uncommon. A count of 1325 American Coots was reported from Washington (JN, MMI, DP, AG). Locally rare, 11 Sandhill Cranes graced Elmore, AL 20 Nov (RER). The maximum for Alabama's Tennessee Valley was 160 at Wheeler 29 Nov (BKF, m. ob.).

### SHOREBIRDS

American Golden-Plovers, Regional fall rarities, showed up early in Shelby 20 Aug (HHW, ASC) and Colbert 17 Aug (SWM), in Alabama's Mountain and Tennessee Valley regions, respectively. Others were noted in Mississippi in Hancock 22 Sep (NB), Grenada 14 Oct, and Humphreys and Leflore 18 Oct (SJD). Only Louisiana reported Snowy Plovers, with 69 counted 28 Sep–29 Nov. A Semipalmated Plover 4 Nov in Lonoke was quite late (LY, H&MP). Piping Plover reports came from Louisiana (17), Arkansas (10), and Mississippi (2), 1 Aug–29 Nov. Killdeer appeared in high



An exciting find in Arkansas was the discovery of a molting adult Curlew Sandpiper by Kenny and LaDonna Nichols in Prairie County on 2 August 2003. Seen by many observers, it furnished a first record for the state.

Photograph by LaDonna Nichols.

numbers in Alabama. *Colbert* had 250 on 15 Aug (DJS), topped by 500 in *Lowndes*, AL 24 Aug (LFG). Thirty American Oystercatchers in *Mobile* 30 Nov was considered a good number (RC). One at *Gulf Shores*, AL 11 Oct was locally rare (ALM). An astounding group of 1279 Black-necked Stilts 2 Aug in *Humphreys* (SJD) preceded a peak of 217 American Avocets there 21 Sep (SJD).

*Oktibbeha*, MS had its earliest ever Willet 2 Aug (TS), and its latest ever (by 16 days) Upland Sandpiper 20 Sep (SJD). Marbled Godwits, uncommon in the Region, were reported from Arkansas (one), Alabama (one), Mississippi (7), and nw. Florida (8). Very rare in Arkansas, a Red Knot was in *Prairie* 17–18 Sep (KN, LN). In *Humphreys*, Western Sandpipers peaked at 1047 on 18 Oct, and Least Sandpipers maxed at 4986 on 2 Aug (SJD). Alabama had its most-ever Least in *Lowndes* with 700+ on 24 Aug (LFG). A first state record for Arkansas, a molting ad. Curlew Sandpiper graced *Prairie* 2–3 Aug (KN, ph. LN, m. ob.). Stilt Sandpipers peaked at 617 on 13 Sep in *Humphreys* (SDJ). Alabama's 6th Ruff surfaced in *Limestone* 25 Oct (p. a., RAR, DBr). Long-billed Dowitchers peaked at 5000 on 2 Nov in *Prairie* (KN, LN), with a respectable 2034 birds 21 Sep in *Humphreys* (GK, SK, SJD). Very rare in the Region, Red-necked Phalaropes were in *Prairie* 23 Aug (KN, LN), *Humphreys* 13 Sep (ph. SJD), and *Oktibbeha* 19–22 Sep (TS, MS).

### JAEGERS THROUGH WOODPECKERS

An imm. Pomarine Jaeger was 68 km s. of South Pass, LA 7 Oct (BMM, DLD, SWC, CCS); another was seen 14 Oct along the *Mobile* coast (ph. DD). A Parasitic Jaeger 22 Sep at Ft. Pickens, *Escambia* was nw. Florida's 12th (RAD). Franklin's Gulls peaked in Mississippi at 634 in *Grenada* 26 Oct (SJD). In nw. Florida and Alabama, where rare, singles

were in *Okaloosa* 23 Oct (AK, LM), *Baldwin* (ADM, ALM), and *Mobile* (BCG). At *Wilson Dam Colbert/Lauderdale*, AL, 17 were the maximum ever for the area (DJS). Alabama's 4th California Gull, a juv., was at *Wilson Dam* 8 Oct–14 Nov (p. a., ph. DJS, PN, GM, FM). Two ads. were in *Cameron*, LA 25–26 Oct (p. a., DPM, ph. RDP, ph. PW et al.). A juv. was reported in *Cameron* 25 Oct (p. a., PC, DaP). Lesser Black-backed Gulls totaled 7 in Louisiana 24 Oct–14 Nov, with 2 at *Wilson Dam*, AL 29 Oct–16 Nov (DJS) and another in coastal *Mobile* 7 Nov (BS, BeS, DD). An ad. Great Black-backed Gull, considered very rare in Louisiana, was in *Lafourche* 11 Oct–5 Nov

(p. a., PW, ph. BMM, RDP, CCS); an ad. was in coastal *Mobile*, AL 5–7 Nov (ph. DD, BS, BeS). Three Louisiana pelagic trips yielded 46 Bridled and 17 Sooty Terns 20 Aug–7 Oct (\*L.S.U.M.N.S., DLD et al.). Singles Sooties were at Ft. Pickens 5 Aug (RAD) and in *Mobile Bay* 18 Aug (SW). Noteworthy were 51 Black Terns in *Leflore* 30 Aug (GK, SK, SJD).

White-winged Doves continued their expansion across se. Louisiana and as far as nw. Florida, with successful breeding in *Gulf Breeze*, FL, where 12 ads. and 4 juvs. were seen 20 Aug–18 Sep (LRD, RAD). Inca Doves were reported in small numbers in Louisiana from *Orleans* to *Lafayette*, where there were 2 nestlings 3 Oct (JWB, EV). Only 2 Common Ground-Doves were reported, both from Louisiana, where they are considered declining. Groove-billed Anis, rare but fairly regular in the Region, made appearances in *Okaloosa* 4 Oct (LF, DW); Ft. Pickens, 6 Oct–5 Nov (AS, m. ob.); Cantonment, *Escambia* 30 Nov (CG); Dauphin I. 15 Oct (BCG); *St. Martin*, LA 22 Oct (JH); and *Hancock* 5 Nov (NB, QBG).

Alabama's first Flammulated Owl 31 Oct (p. a., ph. BS, RCI, VF), found injured on a *Mobile* street, was treated at a rehabilitation facility and flown to California for release. Very rare in the Region, individual sightings of Lesser Nighthawks were in coastal *Mobile* 6 Nov (p. a., DD) and in *Cameron* 25 Oct (p. a., DPM, ph. RDP et al.) and 25 Nov (p. a., PW, ph. RDP et al.). Ten Whip-poor-wills 9 Sep in *Oktibbeha* was a good count (TS, MS). Nancy Newfield commented

that migration of Ruby-throated Hummingbirds and w. hummingbirds was below average. She banded a Broad-billed Hummingbird 11 Nov in Reserve, *St. John the Baptist*, LA. Single Buff-bellied Hummingbirds were reported from Alabama, Mississippi, and nw. Florida 24 Nov+. Accidental in Arkansas, a Calliope Hummingbird stayed in *Pulaski* early Nov–19 Dec+ (p. a., JM, P&LF et al.). Now commonplace, Rufous Hummingbirds were widely reported throughout the Region. An Allen's Hummingbird (b. by NN on 16 Nov 2002) returned to a *St. Tammany*, LA feeder 3 Nov. A report of 5 Red-cockaded Woodpeckers from *Monroe*, AR 25 Nov was encouraging (LY, WS, KD).

### FLYCATCHERS THROUGH PIPITS

Rare but regular, Olive-sided Flycatchers were in *Hancock* 18 Sep (NB) and *Franklin*, AL 4 Sep (2 birds; DJS). Eastern Wood-Pewees were late breeders in *Hancock*, where 2 recently fledged young were found 1 Sep (SS). There were eight well-documented reports of Yellow-bellied Flycatcher from Alabama, where one was banded at Ft. Morgan 4 Oct (RRS). A Say's Phoebe, Florida's 9th and the first for nw. Florida, was at Ft. Pickens 13–15 Oct (p. a., BKF, DS, ph. LRD, ph. DD et al.). Casual in nw. Florida, a Vermilion Flycatcher was at FW.B.S.F. 22 Nov (RAD, LRD, BT, DJ). Rare in Alabama and



This Flammulated Owl, found injured 31 October 2003 in Mobile, Alabama, was rehabilitated and flown to California for release. Another was found in the Florida Panhandle 9 November 2001.

Photograph by Bill Summerour.

Mississippi, single Vermilion Flycatchers were in *Mobile* 10 Oct (LFG) and *Jackson* 16 Oct (NB et al.), and 7 were reported from Louisiana. Ash-throated Flycatchers are now rare but regular in Alabama, Louisiana, and nw. Florida, with singles reported 5 Sep in *Santa Rosa* (RAD), 23 Oct at the F.W.B.S.F. (AK, LM), 29 Oct at Ft. Pickens (CB, ST, RAD et al.), 15 Oct at Ft. Morgan (b., ph. RRS), and 10–12 Nov in *Orleans* (JW, TW, DPM, BMM). A Western Kingbird was a rare find in *Oktibbeha* 1–5 Oct (TS, ph. SJD, m. ob.). Ten Scissor-tailed Flycatchers at Dauphin I. 14 Oct made Alabama's maximum count (RAR, LBR). One was in *Oktibbeha* 1 Aug (SJD), one was in *Adams*, MS 22 Oct (MDD), and 5–6 were in *Hancock* 12 Oct–15 Nov (NB).

The only Bell's Vireo reported was a bird found at Ft. Morgan 11 Oct (JRW). A Yellow-throated Vireo on the same date in *Benton*, AR was late (JN, MML). Two rare Warbling Vireos were at Ft. Morgan 6 Oct (b. RRS). One of several outstanding vagrants to grace Ft. Morgan this fall was a **Yellow-green Vireo** 10 Oct, a first for Alabama (p. a., b. DB, FB, RRS, ph. DD, m. ob.). The largest concentration ever of Purple Martins in nw. Arkansas was 700 in *Benton* 17 Aug (JN, AG, MML).

Three Cave Swallows were a rare find 26 Oct in *Cameron* (p. a., BMM, DPM, PW). Three White-breasted Nuthatches 26 Sep in Montgomery were the maximum for Alabama's coastal plain (LFG). A singing House Wren 4 Aug in *Jefferson*, AL indicated possible nesting (HHK). A very rare Rock Wren was a good find in *Pope* 8 Nov+ (KN, LN). Hopefully underreported regionally, 4 Gray-cheeked Thrushes were in *Oktibbeha*, along with 37 Swainson's Thrushes (SJD). A count of 147 Wood Thrushes passing over *Montgomery* 16 Oct must have been heartening (LFG). A Sage Thrasher at F.W.B.S.F. 23 Oct was nw. Florida's 5th (p. a., AK, LM). The sensational vagrant of the season was a **Yellow Wagtail** at Ft. Morgan 29 Sep, a first for Alabama and first e. of the Rockies (p. a., DD, RAD, CB, LRD, HH, VF et al.). Two ad. Cedar Waxwings feeding 2 juvs. 8 Sep in *Calhoun* were 270 km farther s. than the previous known breeding record in Arkansas (JC).

## WARBLERS THROUGH FINCHES

Migrating warblers appeared in the Region as usual, but reports were punctuated with several outstanding finds. Golden-winged Warblers were reported from Mississippi (2) and Alabama (19), and 15 Nashville Warblers were a good and early number in

*Faulkner*, AR 21 Sep (HR). A potential state first, a **Virginia's Warbler** was seen 29 Sep at Ft. Morgan (p. a., DD, RAD, CB). Very late was a **Yellow Warbler** 6 Nov in *Jackson*, MS (NB et al.). A **Cape May Warbler** 7–8 Oct in *Oktibbeha* was only the 6th ever there (TS). A **Kirtland's Warbler** in n. Pensacola 17 Oct



The second for Florida, this American Tree Sparrow enjoyed brief notoriety amidst 50 young Tae-kwan-do students and enthusiastic birders near a Fort Pickens picnic shelter in Escambia County 25 to (here) 26 October 2003. Photograph by Peggy Baker.

(MC) was the first for nw. Florida since 1953! Noteworthy were 20 American Redstarts and 15 Wilson's Warblers in *Faulkner* 21 Sep (HR).

An **American Tree Sparrow** 25–26 Oct at Ft. Pickens was only Florida's 2nd (p. a., HH, DG, ph. LRD, RAD, ph. PB, ph. DD, PWS, m. ob.). Rare but regular on the coast, Clay-colored Sparrows were at Ft. Pickens 13 Oct+ (DS, AK, m. ob.) and Ft. Morgan 8 Oct (SWM). A **Brewer's Sparrow** at Fort Pickens 24 Sep could have provided the first Florida record; the report has not been accepted by the F.O.S.R.C. (LRD, RAD). A **Vesper Sparrow** was early 4 Oct in *Benton* (JN). Rare in Mississippi, a **Lark Sparrow** was in *Hancock* 2 Sep (NB). Rare in interior Alabama, **Le Conte's Sparrows** were at Wheeler 15 Nov (RAR, HD) and in *Montgomery* 18 Oct (LFG). A **Song Sparrow** in *Okaloosa* 20 Sep was the earliest ever by 13 days for nw. Florida (AK, JAW). Rare to uncommon in the Region, a **Lincoln's Sparrow** was in *Montgomery* 18 Oct (LFG). In Mississippi, one was in *Yalobusha* 2 Oct (SJD), another was in *Oktibbeha* 28 Oct (TS), and 4 were banded at Yazoo 17–18 Oct (SS et al.). **Swamp Sparrows** arriving in nw. Florida early and in numbers were also noted in *Hancock* 3 Oct, where 45+ were estimated (NB). In *Prairie*, 75 **Smith's Longspurs** were counted 25 Nov (LY, WS, KD). A **Painted Bunting** 16 Oct in *Oktibbeha* was the latest ever for the area by 17 days. Rare in fall in the Region, **Bobolinks** made appearances at Grand Isle, *Jefferson*, LA 28

Sep (DPM, RDP) and at Ft. Pickens 12 Oct (RSD, RAD). A **Yellow-headed Blackbird** at Ft. Pickens 20 Sep was a rare find (AK et al.); singles were in *Lafourche* 28 Sep (DPM et al.) and 11 Oct (PW, BMM, CCS). A **Common Grackle** on an oil rig 221 km se. of *Cameron* 14 Oct and another there 15 Oct raise questions about the species' migratory movements. The only **Bronzed Cowbird** report came from *Hancock*, where one visited a feeder 14 Oct (NB). A **Baltimore Oriole** in *Oktibbeha* 17–20 Nov was very late (JB, TB), while *Rapides*, LA had a very early **American Goldfinch** 30 Aug (JEJ).

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