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On January 8, 1946, he passed quietly away following a cerebral hemorrhage suffered two or three days previously. In his death the American Ornithologists' Union has lost a Fellow who was one of the world's most distinguished zoologists.

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TWENTY-THIRD SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMERICAN  
ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION CHECK-LIST  
OF NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS<sup>1</sup>

In the course of preparation of the manuscript for the Fifth Edition of the A. O. U. Check-List, the Committee on Classification and Nomenclature has under continuous study proposals that involve addition or elimination of forms, and other suggested changes. The present supplement, covering cases to the end of 1947, as far as they have come to attention and have been decided, is published in accordance with instructions from the Council of the Union.

As work on the manuscript for the Fifth Edition has progressed it has been necessary to rewrite practically all the ranges, because of the considerable amount of new material now available. While this requires much more time, and imposes a far heavier task on the Committee than any of the members contemplated, it has been considered necessary to do this in order to produce a volume that will be of value.

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40. *Anser fabalis sibiricus* (Alpheraky). MIDDENDORFF'S BEAN GOOSE. [171.1a]  
*Melanonyx arvensis sibiricus* Alpheraky, Geese Europe and Asia, 1905, p.  
104, pls. 10, 23. (East Siberia.) Additional form. Eastern Siberia; in

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- winter to China and Japan. Accidental on St. Paul Island, Pribilof Islands, Alaska. See Gabrielson, *Auk*, vol. 64, 1947, p. 325.
42. *Dendrocygna autumnalis autumnalis* becomes *Dendrocygna autumnalis fulgens* Friedmann, *Condor*, vol. 49, no. 5, September 12, 1947, p. 190. (Lomita Ranch, Texas.)
51. *Aythya marila marila* (Linnaeus). EURASIAN SCAUP DUCK. [148a.] *Anas Marila* Linnaeus, *Fauna Suecica*, ed. 2, 1761, p. 39. (Lapland.) Additional subspecies. Iceland and the Scandinavian Peninsula to Siberia; south in winter to southern Europe and India. Casual in Greenland (Nanortalik, Danmark's Havn, Angmagssalik, Hochstetter Vorland). See Hørring and Salomonsen, *Medd. om Grønland*, Bd. 131, no. 5, 1941, p. 12.
52. *Glaucionetta Stejneger*, 1885, becomes *Bucephala Baird*, 1858, as the latter is not preoccupied by *Bucephalus* of earlier authors. *Bucephala Baird*, *Rep. Expl. Surv. R. R. Pac.*, vol. 9, 1858, pp. XXIII, L, 787, 795. Type, by original designation, *Anas albeola* Linnaeus.

The forms will stand as follows:

- Bucephala clangula clangula* (Linnaeus).  
*Bucephala clangula americana* (Bonaparte).  
*Bucephala islandica* (Gmelin).  
*Bucephala albeola* (Linnaeus).
58. *Oidemia nigra nigra* (Linnaeus). EUROPEAN BLACK SCOTER. [163a.] *Anas nigra* Linnaeus, *Syst. Nat.*, ed. 10, vol. 1, 1758, p. 123. (Lapland and England.) Additional subspecies. Iceland and Norway to the Taimyr Peninsula, south to western and southern Europe. Accidental in Greenland (Nanortalik Øen). See Schiøler, *Danmarks Fugle*, vol. 2, 1926, p. 134.
59. The subfamily name *Erismaturinae* becomes *Oxyurinae* through replacement of *Erismatura* by *Oxyura*. See Supplement Twenty-two, *Auk*, 64, 1947, p. 446.
69. *Buteo lagopus pallidus* (Menzbier), added in Supplement Twenty, *Auk*, vol. 62, 1945, p. 439, becomes *Buteo lagopus kamtschatkensis* Démentiev, *Orn. Monatsb.*, vol. 39, no. 2, March 4, 1931, p. 54 (Mouth of the Kikhchik River, Kamchatka), because of the prior *Buteo pallidus* Lesson, *Traité d'Orn.*, livr. 2, May, 1830, p. 82, for another species.
71. *Haliaeetus leucocephalus washingtoniensis* (Audubon) of Supplement Nineteen, *Auk*, 61, 1944, p. 445, becomes *Haliaeetus leucocephalus washingtonii* (Audubon). The name is taken from *Birds Amer.*, fol. ed., 1827, pl. 11, the plate in different copies being lettered with one or the other of the two subspecific names given above, thus leading to confusion. It appears that Bangs, *Auk*, vol. 15, 1898, pp. 174-176, separated the bird of northeastern North America as *H. l. washingtoni*, and as the first reviser fixed the name to be used, which, however, is to be spelled as given above from Audubon to agree with the original form.
75. *Falco fusco-coerulescens septentrionalis* Todd becomes *Falco femoralis septentrionalis*, since *Falco fusco-coerulescens* Vieillot, 1817, based on Azara's (*Alconcillo*) *del obscuro azulejo*, refers to *Falco albigularis* Daudin, 1800. The next name available is *Falco femoralis* Temminck, *Nouv. Rec. Planches Col. Ois.*, livr. 21, vol. 1, April, 1822, pl. 121. (Brazil.) See Peters, in Peters and Griswold, *Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool.*, vol. 92, April, 1943, p. 294.
76. *Falco columbarius richardsoni* becomes *Falco columbarius richardsonii* to conform with original spelling.

80. *Canachites franklini* becomes *Canachites franklinii* to conform with original spelling.
81. *Bonasa umbellus thayeri* is dropped as not separable from *Bonasa umbellus togata*. See Aldrich and Friedmann, Condor, vol. 45, 1943, pp. 96-97.
83. *Lagopus mutus reinhardi* is dropped as not separable from *Lagopus mutus rupestris*. See Friedmann, U. S. Nat. Mus. Bull. 50, pt. 10, 1946, pp. 123-126.
84. *Lagopus mutus kelloggae* is dropped as not separable from *Lagopus mutus nelsoni*. See Friedmann, U. S. Nat. Mus. Bull. 50, pt. 10, 1946, pp. 118-120.
91. *Phasianus colchicus torquatus* becomes *Phasianus colchicus* Linnaeus, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, vol. 1, 1758, p. 158 (Rion), in so far as the area of the A. O. U. Check-List is concerned, since the pheasants of this species now established in our limits represent a mixture of two or more subspecies. See Delacour, in The Ring-necked Pheasant and its Management in North America (edited by W. L. McAtee), 1945, p. 8.
95. *Rallus longirostris magdalenae* van Rossem. MAGDALENA CLAPPER RAIL. [211e.] *Rallus longirostris magdalenae* van Rossem, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 60, May 19, 1947, p. 51. (Almejas Bay, Santa Margarita Island, Magdalena Bay, Baja California.) Additional subspecies. Pacific coast of Baja California, breeding from Scammon Lagoon (probably from San Quintín Bay) south to Magdalena Bay; in fall south to Todos Santos.
101. *Jacana spinosa gymnostoma* becomes *Jacana spinosa spinosa* (Linnaeus). *Fulica spinosa* Linnaeus, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, vol. 1, 1758, p. 152. (South America, ex Edwards, Nat. Hist. Birds, p. 48, pl. 48 = Panamá, designated by Todd, Ann. Carnegie Mus., vol. 10, 1916, p. 219.) See Brodkorb, Misc. Publ. Mus. Zool. Univ. Michigan, no. 55, January 30, 1943, p. 36.
101. *Haematopus ostralegus ostralegus*, in so far as North American records are concerned, becomes *Haematopus ostralegus occidentalis* Neumann, Die Gefiederte Welt, vol. 58, pt. 14, 1929, p. 161. (Auskerry, Orkney, designated by Neumann, Anz. Orn. Ges. Bayern, vol. 2, no. 4, April. 1932, pp. 147-148.) See Witherby, Ibis, 1932, p. 99; and Salomonsen, Ibis, 1930, p. 65, where two specimens are listed from Greenland (under the name *Haematopus ostralegus malacophaga*, which is considered a synonym of *occidentalis*).
111. *Lymnocyptes minima* again becomes *Lymnocyptes minimus*, since it is now determined that the generic name is of masculine gender.
112. *Numenius phaeopus islandicus* Brehm. ICELAND WHIMBREL. [267b.] *Numenius islandicus* Brehm, Handb. Naturg. Vög. Deutschl., 1831, p. 610. (Iceland.) Additional form. Iceland and Faeroes. Of irregular occurrence in southern Greenland (many records). See Hørring and Salomonsen, Medd. om Grønland, Bd. 131, no. 5, 1941, pp. 30-33.
142. *Chlidonias nigra surinamensis* becomes *Chlidonias niger surinamensis* since the generic name *Chlidonias* (*lapsus calami* for *Chelidonias*) is of masculine gender. See Witherby, Jourdain, Ticehurst and Tucker, Handb. Brit. Birds, vol. 5, 1941, pp. 2, 6.
142. *Chlidonias leucoptera* becomes *Chlidonias leucopterus*, since the generic name *Chlidonias* is of masculine gender (see above under *Chlidonias niger surinamensis*).
150. *Fratercula arctica grabae* (Brehm). SOUTHERN PUFFIN. [13b.] *Mormon Grabae* C. L. Brehm, Handb. Naturg. Vögel Deutschl., 1831, p. 999. (Faeroes and other neighboring islands.) Additional form. Faeroes, south-

- ern Norway and western Sweden, south to the Channel Islands and Brittany; a bird banded on St. Kilda Island, Scotland, recovered in Newfoundland. See Leach, Brit. Birds, vol. 33, 1940, p. 281.
155. *Zenaida asiatica clara* van Rossem. SAN LUCAS WHITE-WINGED DOVE. [319b.] *Zenaida asiatica clara* van Rossem, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 60, May 19, 1947, p. 52. (Agua Caliente, 800 feet altitude, Baja California.) Additional form. Resident in the Cape Region of Baja California.
- 177-178. *Micropus* Meyer and Wolf, 1810, becomes *Apus* Scopoli, 1777, p. 483, since the latter is not preoccupied by *Apos* Scopoli, 1777, p. 404, for a genus of Crustacea. See Wetmore, Wils. Bull., vol. 59, 1947, p. 211.
- Apus* Scopoli, Intr. Hist. Nat., 1777, p. 483. Type, by tautonymy, *Hirundo apus* (Linnaeus). The classification, and form affected, will stand as follows:
- Order APODIFORMES  
Suborder APODI  
Family APODIDAE  
Subfamily APODINAE  
*Apus pacificus pacificus* (Latham).
183. *Amazilia violiceps ellioti* Berlepsch. NORTHERN VIOLET-CROWNED HUMMINGBIRD. [439.2.] *Uranomitra ellioti* Berlepsch, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 11, September 25, 1889, p. 561. (Mazatlán, Sinaloa.) Additional form. Sonora to Michoacán; recorded from Palmerlee, Cochise County (as *Amazilia salvini*), and Paradise, Chiricahua Mountains, Arizona. See Wetmore, Journ. Washington Acad. Sci., vol. 37, March 15, 1947, pp. 103-104.
188. *Colaptes cafer martirensis* is dropped as not separable from *Colaptes cafer collaris*. See van Rossem, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 60, May 19, 1947, pp. 53-54.
196. *Dendrocopos villosus scrippsae* is dropped as not separable from *Dendrocopos villosus hyloscopus*. See Todd, Ann. Carnegie Mus., vol. 30, December 16, 1946, p. 312.
224. *Aphelocoma coerulescens woodhousei* becomes *Aphelocoma coerulescens woodhouseii* to conform with original spelling.
235. *Parus wollweberi annexus* (Cassin) becomes a synonym of *Parus wollweberi wollweberi*. The form of the Check-List is named *Parus wollweberi phillipsi* van Rossem, Fieldiana, Zool., vol. 31, no. 10, February 28, 1947, p. 89. (Yank Spring, Sycamore Canyon, Pajaritos Mountains, Santa Cruz County, Arizona.)
246. *Thryomanes bewickii magdalensis* Huey. MAGDALENA BEWICK'S WREN. [719n.] *Thryomanes bewickii magdalensis* Huey, Trans. San Diego Soc. Nat. Hist., vol. 9, no. 35, October 1, 1942, p. 430. (Santo Domingo, Magdalena Plain, lat. 25° 30' N., Baja California.) Additional form. Coastal plain around Magdalena Bay from lat. 26° N. south to lat. 24° N.
248. *Telmatodytes palustris laingi* Harper becomes *Telmatodytes palustris iliacus* Ridgway, since Ridgway's type of *iliacus*, taken at Wheatland, Indiana, April 30, 1883, proves to be a migrant of the form described by Harper as *laingi*. See Aldrich, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 59, October 25, 1946, p. 131.
248. *Telmatodytes palustris iliacus*, as recognized in the Twentieth Supplement, Auk, vol. 62, July, 1945, p. 446, becomes again *Telmatodytes palustris dissaëptus* (Bangs), as shown in the Check-List, ed. 4, 1931, p. 248. See Aldrich, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 59, October 25, 1946, p. 131.

250. *Catherpes mexicanus griseus* Aldrich. NORTHERN CAÑON WREN. [717c.] *Catherpes mexicanus griseus* Aldrich, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 59, October 25, 1946, p. 131. (Logy Creek, Yakima Indian Reservation, Yakima County, Washington.) Additional form. Resident in eastern Washington and eastern Oregon.
250. *Catherpes mexicanus punctulatus* Ridgway, removed in Supplement Nineteen, Auk, vol. 61, 1944, p. 456, restored again to the Check-List. See Aldrich, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 59, October 25, 1946, pp. 131-132.
264. *Phylloscopus trochilus acredula* (Linnaeus). NORTHERN WILLOW WARBLER. [747.2.] *Moiacilla Acredula* Linnaeus, Syst. Nat., ed., 10, vol. 1, 1758, p. 189. [Habitat in Europa = Sweden.] Additional form. Northern Europe and western Siberia to eastern and southern Africa. Accidental at Myggbukta, northeast Greenland, 18 September, 1937. See Bird and Bird, Ibis, 1941, p. 129.
266. *Regulus satrapa amoenus* van Rossem. SIERRA GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET. [748c.] *Regulus satrapa amoenus* van Rossem, Condor, vol. 47, no. 2, April 6, 1945, p. 77. (Lake Audrain, Eldorado County, California.) Additional form. Interior of British Columbia to Sierra Nevada, California and New Mexico; in winter to the highlands of México.
273. *Sturnus vulgaris zelandicus* Hartert. SHETLAND STARLING. [493a.] *Sturnus vulgaris zelandicus* Hartert, Nov. Zool., vol. 25, November, 1918, p. 329. (North Yell, Shetland Islands.) Additional form. Shetland Islands (except Fair Island), and Outer Hebrides. Accidental at Myggbukta, northeast Greenland. See Bird and Bird, Ibis, 1941, p. 125.
295. *Oporornis tolmiei monticola* Phillips. SOUTHERN MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER. [680a.] *Oporornis tolmiei monticola* Phillips, Auk, vol. 64, no. 2, April, 1947, p. 297. (Hart Prairie, San Francisco Mountain, Arizona.) Additional form. Southeastern Oregon and southwestern Wyoming to central Arizona and New Mexico.
296. *Geothlypis trichas campicola* Behle and Aldrich. NORTHERN PLAINS YELLOW-THROAT. [681k.] *Geothlypis trichas campicola* Behle and Aldrich, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 60, July 2, 1947, p. 69. (Yellowstone River, 5 miles west of Forsyth, 2750 feet elevation, Rosebud County, Montana.) Additional form. East of the Cascade Mountains from British Columbia, Washington and Oregon east to Saskatchewan, northern Wyoming and northern North Dakota.
296. *Geothlypis trichas arizela* Oberholser. PACIFIC YELLOW-THROAT. [681c.] *Geothlypis trichas arizela* Oberholser, Auk, vol. 16, no. 3, July, 1899, p. 257. (Fort Steilacoom, Washington.) Additional form. Pacific coast region from western British Columbia south, west of the Cascades, to northwestern California. See Gabrielson and Jewett, Birds of Oregon, 1940, pp. 511-512; Behle and Aldrich, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 60, July 2, 1947, pp. 71-72.
309. *Quiscalus versicolor* Vieillot, the BRONZED GRACKLE, again listed as *Quiscalus quiscula versicolor*.
313. *Richmondia cardinalis seftoni* Huey. SANTA GERTRUDIS CARDINAL. [593f.] *Richmondia cardinalis seftoni* Huey, Trans. San Diego Soc. Nat. Hist., vol. 9, no. 21, July 31, 1940, p. 216. (Santa Gertrudis Mission, Baja California.) Additional form. Northeastern Vizcaíno Desert, central Baja California.

332. *Pipilo fuscus petulans* becomes *Pipilo fuscus wrangeli* (Bonaparte), from *Oriturus wrangeli* "Brandt" Bonaparte, Consp. Gen. Avium, vol. 1, pt. 2, 1850, p. 470. (As. s. maxime or. = probably San Francisco, California.) See van Rossem, Auk, vol. 59, 1942, pp. 449-450; Condor, 47, 1945, pp. 268-269.
336. *Passerculus sandwichensis magdalenae* van Rossem. MAGDALENA SAVANNAH SPARROW. [542h.] *Passerculus sandwichensis magdalenae* van Rossem, Condor, vol. 49, no. 3, May 31, 1947, p. 102. (North Estero, Magdalena Bay, Baja California.) Additional form. Tidal marshes of Magdalena Bay, Baja California; in winter south to the Cape Region.
336. *Passerculus sandwichensis atratus* van Rossem. SONORA SAVANNAH SPARROW. [542i.] *Passerculus sandwichensis atratus* van Rossem, Trans. San Diego Soc. Nat. Hist., vol. 6, no. 14, November 28, 1930, p. 218. (Tóbari Bay, Sonora.) Additional form. Tidal marshes of central and southern Sonora; in winter to the Cape Region of Baja California (Todos Santos). See van Rossem, Condor, 49, 1947, pp. 105-106.
342. *Aimophila ruficeps sanctorum* van Rossem. TODOS SANTOS RUFIOUS-CROWNED SPARROW. [580h.] *Aimophila ruficeps sanctorum* van Rossem, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 60, May 19, 1947, p. 55. (Todos Santos Islands, off Ensenada, Baja California.) Additional form. Todos Santos Islands, northwestern Baja California.
342. *Aimophila ruficeps lambi* becomes a synonym of *Aimophila ruficeps canescens* Todd. See van Rossem, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 60, May 19, 1947, pp. 54-55.
353. *Passerella iliaca hyperborea* Bonaparte of the Twentieth Supplement, Auk, 62, 1945, p. 449, again becomes *Passerella iliaca insularis* Ridgway. See Hellmayr, Cat. Birds Amer., Field Mus. Nat. Hist., Zool., vol. 13, pt. 11, 1938, p. 588.