

## RECENT LITERATURE

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### ANATOMY AND EMBRYOLOGY

- DUNSON, W. A. 1965. Adaptation of heart and lung weight to high altitude in the Robin. *Condor*, **67**: 215-219.
- HANSON, H. C. 1962. Characters of age, sex, and sexual maturity in Canada Geese. *Illinois Nat. Hist. Surv., Biol. Notes* no. 49, pp. 1-15, November.—Well and extensively illustrated.—R. M. M.
- MARKUS, M. B. 1965. Myology of *Chrysococcyx caprius* (Boddaert). *Ostrich*, **36**: 40.—Notes on *Mm. tensor patagii brevis* and *longus*, and *M. iliotibialis*.—M. A. T.

### BEHAVIOR

- LOFTIN, H., AND E. L. TYSON. 1965. Stylized behavior in the Turkey Vulture's courtship dance. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 193.
- MARTIN, R. C., AND K. B. MELVIN. 1964. Fear responses of Bobwhite quail (*Colinus virginianus*) to a model and a live Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*). *Psych. Forsch.*, **27**: 323-336.—Penned Bobwhites were individually exposed daily to a live Red-tailed Hawk and a life-sized silhouette thereof. Fear responses to the hawk were significantly greater than those to the silhouette. Repeated presentations of either resulted in habituation. The authors conclude that the effectiveness of the silhouette in releasing fear response is low. Extensive discussion is provided.—R. M. M.
- MCKINNEY, F. 1965. The displays of the American Green-winged Teal. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 112-121.
- MYTON, B. 1965. Wing and opposite leg stretch by Bengalese Finch. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 196.
- PULLIAINEN, E. 1963. Observations on the autumnal territorial behavior of the Great Spotted Woodpecker, *Dendrocopos major* (L.). *Ornis Fennica*, **40**: 132-139.—In the 1962 autumnal invasion the birds that arrived first established territories in habitats with the best pine cone crop; latecomers settled in inferior habitats. Transients showed only feeble aggressiveness and territorial displays in contrast to those individuals that settled on the area for the winter.—M. D. F. U.
- RAITASUO, K. 1964. Social behaviour of the mallard, *Anas platyrhynchos*, in the course of the annual cycle. *Papers on Game Research*, **24**: 1-72.—A study of social behavior patterns, with special emphasis on effects of winter weather on behavior. Deals mainly with social display, courtship, pairing, and mating; also on molt, phenology, interspecific behavior during the breeding season. Of pair formation, social display, and mating the first is least, and the last is most, cold sensitive.—M. D. F. U.
- WEEDEN, J. S. 1965. Territorial behavior of the Tree Sparrow. *Condor*, **67**: 193-209.

### DISEASES AND PARASITES

- GRABER, R. R., S. L. WUNDERLE, AND W. N. BRUCE. 1965. Effects of a low-level dieldrin application on a Red-winged Blackbird population. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 168-174.

- HARDY, J. W. 1965. A spectacular case of *Cnemidocoptiasis* (scalylegs) in the White-breasted Nuthatch. *Condor*, **67**: 264.
- MIHELSONE, V. 1963. Latvijas PSR udens un piekrastes savvalas putni Ka majputnu un zivju lentenu izplātītāji. *Lat. Lauksaimniecības Akad. Raksti*, **12**: 71–88.—“An annotated list is given of the 62 species of cestodes found in 316 of 696 aquatic and coastal birds (chiefly Charadriiformes, Anseriformes, and Ralliformes) examined in the Latvian S.S.R. in 1953–1958.” (Russian summary; from *Helminthol. Abstr.*, **34**: no. 114, 1965.)—J. S. M.
- VUYLSTEKE, C. 1963. Nématodes parasites d'oiseaux. *Expl. Parc Nat. Albert. Deuxième Série. Brussels, Fasc. 17*: 3–7.—Eight nematode species (one new) are recorded from seven bird species; all are new records for the park and this part of Africa. (From *Helminthol. Abstr.*, **34**: no. 489, 1965.)—J. S. M.

## DISTRIBUTION AND ANNOTATED LISTS

- AVELEDO, H. R. 1963. Especie de la familia Caprimulgidae nuevo para la avifauna de Venezuela. *Bol. Soc. Ven. Cienc. Nat.*, **23**: 245–246.—*Caprimulgus carolinensis* new for Venezuela (on basis of specimen taken 9 September 1939 at Lourdes, Mérida).—R. M. M.
- BANKS, R. C. 1963. Birds of the Belvedere Expedition to the Gulf of California. *Trans. San Diego Soc. Nat. Hist.*, **13**: 49–60, June 10.—An annotated list of 67 species, devoted to “observations made and specimens collected on the islands and on the waters of the Gulf of California” 15 March–21 April 1962.—R. M. M.
- BENSON, C. W., AND M. P. STUART IRWIN. 1965. The birds of *Cryptosepalum* forests, Zambia. *Arnoldia* (Rhodesia), **1**: no. 28, 12 pp.—The avifauna of this rather limited type of forest is derived from the evergreen forest and the *Brachystegia*, with the influence of latter predominating. There is only one endemic species, *Pogoniulus makawai*, although several species are confined to it in Zambia.—M. A. T.
- BENSON, C. W., AND M. P. STUART IRWIN. 1965. Some birds from the Northwestern Province, Zambia. *Arnoldia* (Rhodesia), **1**: no. 29, 11 pp.—Taxonomic, distributional, and breeding notes on numerous species, mostly from the Mwinilunga District.—M. A. T.
- BENSON, C. W., AND M. P. STUART IRWIN. 1965. The birds of *Marquesia* thickets in northern Mwinilunga District, Zambia. *Arnoldia* (Rhodesia), **1**: no. 30, 4 pp.—Dense thickets of *Marquesia acuminata*, less than an acre in extent, have an impoverished fauna related to riparian evergreen forest rather than to the surrounding *Brachystegia*.—M. A. T.
- BENSON, C. W., AND M. P. STUART IRWIN. 1965. The genus *Rhinopomastus* in Zambia and adjacent territory. *Arnoldia* (Rhodesia), **1**: no. 31, 5 pp.—*Rhinopomastus cyanomelas schalowi* and *R. aterrimus anomalus* are demonstrated to intergrade in western Zambia, and may have to be considered conspecific.—M. A. T.
- BROOKE, R. K. 1964. Avian observations on a journey across central Africa and additional information on some of the species seen. *Ostrich*, **35**: 277–292.—Notes on distribution, behavior, feeding, and plumage cycle of numerous species, primarily from the Rhodesias.—M. A. T.
- BULL, J. ET AL. 1964. A summary of the nesting season. *Aud. Field Notes*, **18**: 492–536.—In 1964 the Cattle Egret bred north to Rhode Island and inland to Tennessee. The Glossy Ibis continues to increase at the northern limit of its American breeding range in western Long Island; ten pairs were found breeding in a colony with the White-faced Ibis at Bird Island, Louisiana. A pair of Hook-billed

- Kites nested unsuccessfully at Santa Ana Refuge, Texas—the first record north of Mexico. No active eyrie of the Peregrine Falcon could be found east of the Mississippi between the Gulf of Mexico and Nova Scotia.—E. E.
- CRUICKSHANK, A. D. *ET AL.* 1965. Sixty-fifth Christmas bird count. *Aud. Field Notes*, **19**: 85–346.—“The Christmas Bird Count serves as a fairly accurate barometer of popular interest in bird study in the United States and Canada. A record-breaking 750 reports were submitted of which 723 were published, representing every state of the United States and almost all provinces of Canada. While bird-watchers are still concentrated in the urban areas of the northeast, it is significant that this year there were more reports from Texas (48) than from any other state. As is to be expected, the largest number of species were found in coastal areas of states with a mild winter climate (Florida, California, Texas and Louisiana). The highly organized Coca, Florida, count reported 204 species; next were Tomales Bay, California (186), and Freeport, Texas (183). A “light” flight of Snowy Owls reached as far south as Virginia. The eastern movement of western forms is indicated by a count of 13 Oregon Juncos in Laconia, New Hampshire. The decline in the Peregrine Falcons breeding in the East is unfortunately confirmed by the relatively few reported in areas where formerly resident. The summary of high counts of particular species, compiled by B. L. Monroe, Jr., is becoming one of the most ornithological useful features. The highest count at any one locality for any heron was 3,011 Cattle Egrets at Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. The only species estimated to run over a million on any single count were Icteridae: 40 million Red-winged Blackbirds at Fayetteville, Arkansas; 2 million Common Grackles and 1 million Brewer’s Blackbirds at Rome, Georgia; 1.3 million Brown-headed Cowbirds at York, Pennsylvania. The last two reports are especially interesting, because Brewer’s Blackbird is regarded as a western breeder and the cowbird is a parasitic bird.—E. E.
- DIAMOND, A. W., AND W. J. PLUMB. 1965. Semi-palmated Sandpiper in Pembrokeshire. *Brit. Birds*, **58**: 218–219. On Skokholm, 20–21 July 1964. Third British record.—H. B.
- DOWSETT, R. J. 1965. The occurrence of the Yellow Wagtail *Motacilla flava flavissima* in central Africa. *Ostrich*, **36**: 32–33.—The winter range of the yellow wagtail is outlined; it is only a straggler in the Rhodesias. The author adds the very appropriate *caveat*, “Subspecific identification of any specimen taken in its winter quarters should not in any way be considered indicative of its origin in the Palaearctic.”—M. A. T.
- ECKELBERRY, D. R. 1965. A note on the parrots of northeastern Argentina. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 111.
- HOLLIDAY, C. S. 1965. A new record of the Red-eyed Bulbul *Pycnonotus nigricans* Vieillot, in Zambia. *Ostrich*, **36**: 39. It appears to be a regular resident around Livingstone.—M. A. T.
- HUBBARD, J. P. 1965. Two western occurrences of the Orchard Oriole. *Condor*, **67**: 265.
- HUDSON, R. 1965. Summary of foreign-ringed birds in Britain and Ireland during 1906–63. *Brit. Birds*, **58**: 87–97. Includes, without details, four species from North America and eight from Greenland.—H. B.
- HUDSON, R. 1965. The spread of the Collared Dove in Britain and Ireland. *Brit. Birds*, **58**: 105–139. First seen in 1952, it has now been recorded in 95 of the 119 counties, with breeding known in 74. Population at least 18,855 at end of 1964; pest status being approached. Chief dispersal period seems to be April–June.—H. B.
- LAWSON, W. J. 1964. Systematic notes on African birds. Part III. Durban Mus.

- Novit., **7**: 189-200.—*Batis capensis* (including *reichenowi* and *mixta*, but not *margaritae* and *kathleeni*) is revised; *B. c. sola* subsp. nov. is described from Zambia.—M. A. T.
- MALUQUER, S. 1964. [Occurrence of the different species of European *Cygnus* in Cataluña during the winter 1962-63.] *Ardeola*, **9**: 111-119.—A cold wave caused an invasion of swans into north and northwestern Spain. At least two forms, *Cygnus olor* and *C. cygnus bewickii*, were present. They arrived separately, but mixed in some areas. (In Spanish.)—L. R. P.
- PARSLOW, J. L. F., AND M. J. CARTER. 1965. Bobolink in the Isles of Scilly: a bird new to Great Britain and Ireland. *Brit. Birds*, **58**: 208-214. On St. Agnes, 19 September 1962. First definite occurrence in Europe. Weight suggests that it "was not newly arrived from America or that it had made all or part of its journey on a ship where it found considerable sustenance."—H. B.
- PETERSON, C. T. 1965. An unusual colony of Little Blue Herons. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 192-193.
- PETTINGILL, O. S., JR, AND N. R. WHITNEY, JR. 1965. Birds of the Black Hills. Cornell Lab. Ornithol., Spec. Publ. No. 1, vii + 139 pp.—Many data on seasonal occurrence, distribution, and ecology are presented for 131 species that occur regularly in the Black Hills of South Dakota and Wyoming. Additional notes are included for 87 species that are considered to be rare, casual, or irregular, and for 8 species of hypothetical occurrence. Nesting records for many of the more common breeding birds are discussed in detail. Brief introductory statements pertain to physiography, climate, and origin of Black Hills' avifauna.—G. C. P.
- RIVERO, J. A. 1964. The distribution of Venezuelan frogs. V. The Venezuelan Guayana. *Caribbean J. Sci.*, **4**: 411-420.—Describes physiography and vegetation, and analyzes geographic relationships shown by various groups, including birds. A useful review; 38-title bibliography.—W. B. R.
- RYDZEWSKI, W., ed. 1964. [Contributions to the avifauna of Poland. II.] *Acta Ornithol.*, **8**: 287-360.—A collection of short faunistic notes and a faunistic bibliography for 1962-1963. Rare occurrences were *Anser fabalis brachyrhynchus* Baill., and Greater Sand Plover (*Charadrius leschenaultii* Les). A. Dyrzc discusses a cross-bill (*Loxia curvirostra* L.) and Great Spotted Woodpecker (*Dendrocopos major* (L.)) invasion that was due to a bumper crop of spruce cones. (In Polish; English summary.)—M. D. F. U.
- SHORT, L. L., JR. 1965. Specimens of Nuttall Woodpecker from Oregon. *Condor*, **67**: 269-270.
- STEVENSON, H. M. 1964. Some comments on the species of dowitchers in Alabama. *Alabama Birdlife*, **12**: 3-4.—No good evidence for the occurrence of the Long-billed Dowitcher in the Southeast from late May to early August exists, and no specimens are known for Alabama.—G. E. W.
- STEVENSON, H. M. 1964. Additional records and a specimen of the Eared Grebe in Alabama. *Alabama Birdlife*, **12**: 11.—Three seen, one collected; only one previous record for state.—G. E. W.
- TOWNSEND, A. D. 1965. Solitary Sandpiper in Lincolnshire. *Brit. Birds*, **58**: 191-192.—10-12 August 1963; eighth British record.—H. B.
- VERNER, J. 1965. Northern limit of the Acorn Woodpecker. *Condor*, **67**: 265.
- WHITE, C. M., G. D. LLOYD, AND G. L. RICHARDS. 1965. Goshawk nesting in the Upper Sonoran in Colorado and Utah. *Condor*, **67**: 269.
- WINTERBOTTOM, J. M. 1965. A preliminary list of the birds of South West Africa.

- S. Afr. Avifauna Ser., no. 25: 38 pp.—A bare list, to species only, of the known birds of South West Africa (522 in all).—M. A. T.
- YOCOM, C. F. 1963. Birds of the Tetlin Lake-Tok Junction—Northway area, Alaska. Murrelet, **44**: 1-8.—Brief notes on 66 species recorded in an area 200 miles southeast of Fairbanks, chiefly in July, 1962.—R. M. M.

## ECOLOGY AND POPULATION

- DAVIS, D. H. S., ED. 1964. Ecological studies in southern Africa. Dr. W. Junk, The Hague. 415 pp., many figs. and maps.—Twenty-eight articles on the ecology of Africa south of the Cunene-Zambesi rivers. Two (noticed elsewhere) deal specifically with birds, but many are of importance to anyone interested in the ecology of southern Africa in Pleistocene and recent times.—M. A. T.
- DYRCZ, A. 1963. [Comparative studies on the avifauna of wood and park.] Acta Ornithol., **7**: 337-385.—A park, developed from original oak woodland suffering from human disturbance, had a denser bird population than an undisturbed woodland (20 pairs per hectare in woodland, near 26 in park). The ecology of the Black-bird, which was much more numerous in the parkland, is contrasted with that of the Song Thrush, which is slightly more abundant in the natural wood. Nest site selection, effects of weather, length of breeding season, reaction to humans handling the young, and growth, weight, and mortality of the young were studied and compared, explaining much about the differences in density of these two species in the two habitats. (In Polish; Russian and English summaries.)—M. D. F. U.
- LEIGH, E. G., JR. 1965. On the relation between the productivity, biomass, diversity, and stability of a community. Proc. Nat'l. Acad. Sci., **53**: 777-783.—Through the application of Volterra's equations it is concluded that an increase in number of species in association without corresponding increase in food web links will not increase stability in the community.
- LUNIAK, M., W. KALBARCZYK AND W. PAWLOWSKI. 1964. [Birds of Warsaw.] Acta Ornithol. **8**: 175-285.—A five-year study of the avifauna of Warsaw, a city of over one million population. Marked changes due to urbanization have occurred. Availability of food is the initial attraction to the city, which leads gradually to the decline of fear of humans. If suitable nest sites are present in the newly acquired habitat species begin to breed and then to increase rapidly. The Penduline Tit (*Remiz pendulinus*), Black-headed Gull (*Larus ridibundus*), and Raven (*Corvus corax*) have increased in numbers; the Tawny owl (*Strix aluco*), Little owl (*Athene noctua*), and Partridge (*Perdix perdix*) are becoming urbanized. Other species, urbanized in the West, are still in their native biotopes in Poland. (In Polish; English and Russian summaries.)—M. D. F. U.
- MOREL, M-Y. 1964. Natalité et mortalité dans une population naturelle d'un passereau tropical, le *Lagonosticta senegala*. La Terre et la Vie, no. 4, pp. 436-451.—A sedentary population of *Lagonosticta s. senegala* in Senegal (7,759 banded) had a 9-month breeding season during which one male was observed to fledge 4 broods. Of 388 eggs layed only 28 per cent fledged young. Mortality rates were approximately 70 per cent per year for adults, and 63 per cent for juveniles. Most birds breed at the beginning of the breeding season following their birth. The nest parasite *Hypochoera chalybeata* was the most important mortality factor not tied to the presence of man. (In French.)—S. A. R.
- SKEAD, C. J. 1964. The ecology of the ploceid weavers, widows and bishopbirds in southeastern Cape Province, South Africa. In Davis, Ecological studies in southern

- Africa, Dr. W. Junk, The Hague: 219-232.—Distributional ecology, habitats and food, and nesting ecology of 15 species of *Ploceus*, *Quelea* and *Euplectes*.—M. A. T.
- TENEVUO, R. 1963. Zum Problem der Haustaube, *Columba livia* Gm., um Umsiedlung der Population aus den Städten in Landgegenden. *Ornis Fennica*, **40**: 125-131.—Attention was focused in Finland on feral pigeons as carriers of ornithosis. The birds are spreading from urban areas to places in southwestern Finland where suitable nest sites are to be found on seaside cliffs and in the understructures of highway bridges. The reasons for the spread are believed to be the destruction of old buildings with suitable nesting niches, and natural selection of the feral genotype, shown by the "rock dove" coloration that predominates in the feral flocks. (In German; Finnish summary).—M. D. F. U.
- ZMUDZINSKI, L. 1964. [Phenological observations of wintering water birds in Gdynia.] *Acta Ornithol.*, **8**: 67-95.—Graphs and discussion show that the fluctuation in species and in numbers is dependent on temperature and ice conditions. (In Polish; English and Russian summaries).—M. D. F. U.
- GAUNT, A. S. 1965. Fossorial adaptations in the Bank Swallow, *Riparia riparia* (Linnaeus). *Univ. Kansas Sci. Bull.*, **46**: 99-146.—A rapid lateral slashing motion, similar perhaps to feeding movements, is used in digging. Although the muscles involved are about the same as in the other swallows, the bill is smaller and more circular in cross-section. Nesting sites for swallows are frequently scarce: the evolution of burrowing is thought to constitute a solution to the housing problem. G. E. W.
- JOHNSTON, R. F., AND R. K. SELANDER. 1964. House Sparrows: rapid evolution of races in North America. *Science*, **144**: 548-550.—Adaptive differentiation in color and size in no more than 50 years has occurred in North American and Hawaiian populations of *Passer domesticus*. The patterns of differentiation parallel those of native species and conform with Gloger's and Bergmann's rules.—G. E. W.
- SELANDER, R. K., AND R. F. JOHNSTON. 1963. Geographic variation and evolution in North American House Sparrows (*Passer domesticus*). *Proc. XVI Inter. Congr. Zool.*, **2**: 173.
- WILLIAMS, L. E., JR. 1964. A recurrent color aberrancy in the wild turkey. *J. Wildl. Mgmt.*, **28**: 148-152.—Descriptions of three schizochroistic pale wild turkeys are presented together with comments on other color aberrancies in this species.—J. P. R.

## GENERAL BIOLOGY

- ASHMOLE, N. P. 1965. Adaptive variation in the breeding regime of a tropical sea bird. *Proc. Nat'l Acad. Sci.*, **53**: 311-318.—On Christmas Island (central Pacific), 52 of 371 Sooty Terns that probably failed to rear young, but none of 170 known to have reared young to large size, were found breeding six months later; 33 and 20, respectively, were found breeding one year later. Molt was continuous in the off-season, but stopped abruptly when a breeding cycle began. Between breeding attempts, some biannual breeders did not replace all their primaries, and many annual breeders replaced inner primaries twice. These important data presumably will be published in more detail. Here they are mainly a springboard for theorizing to the conclusion that variation in the sexual and molt cycles of Sooty Tern populations is adaptive and results in the most frequent breeding likely to be productive in the local environment of the colony.—W. B. R.
- BAIRD, J., AND C. E. SMITH. 1965. Common Grackle attacks Dickcissel. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 195.

- BALDWIN, D. H. 1965. Mass mortality of nocturnal migrants in Ontario. *Ontario Nat.*, **3**: 3-11.—Details on 89 species and 5,789 + individuals killed at tall structures in Ontario from 1961 to 1963. Flashing lights, as opposed to constant circling beams, have been used in England, and virtually eliminate lighthouse kills. A similar effect of floodlighting is questioned.—G. E. W.
- BANKS, R. C. 1965. The nesting Starling populations in San Diego County, California. *Bull. S. California Acad. Sci.*, **64**: 11-15.—Breeding records through 1964, and winter records for a recently invaded area.—G. E. W.
- CLARK, A. 1964. The Maccoa Duck (*Oxyura maccoa* (Eyton)). *Ostrich*, **35**: 264-276.—Annual cycle, behavior and nesting biology.—M. A. T.
- FROHLING, R. C. 1965. American Oystercatcher and Black Skimmer nesting on salt marsh. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 193-194.
- GIBBON, R. S. 1964. Studies and observations of the Black-backed Three-toed Woodpecker near Stewiacke. *Nova Scotia Bird Soc. Newsletter*, **6**: 5-10.—Data on breeding biology, general behavior, and ecology (with evidence that locally limited distribution is caused by type of habitat) for *Picoïdes arcticus*.—W. P. N.
- HAVLIN, J. 1964. Die Brutdauer bei der Löffelente (*Anas clypeata* L.). *Folia Zoologica*, **13**: 178-180.—Both in nature and in the laboratory the incubation period was 25 to 27 days, 2 to 4 days longer than what general handbooks report. (In Czech.; German summary.)—M. D. F. U.
- HEPPNER, F. 1965. Sensory mechanisms and environmental clues used by the American Robin in locating earthworms. *Condor*, **67**: 247-256.
- HÖGLUND, N. H. 1964. Über die Ernährung des Habichts (*Accipiter gentilis* Lin.) in Schweden. *Viltrevy*, **2**: 271-328.—Data on the feeding habits of Goshawks were collected over a period of five years by placing the young under a wire basket and removing the female, thus inducing the male to deposit prey onto the basket, and by analyzing stomach contents of more than 100 adult birds. Birds constituted 90 per cent of the prey, and 10 per cent was mammals (mainly squirrels). A case of the Goshawk preying on an undefended goshawk nest, and two cases of the plundering of Buzzard (*Buteo buteo* L.) nests are reported. (In German; Swedish summary.)—M. D. F. U.
- JOHNSTON, D. W. 1965. Ecology of the Indigo Bunting in Florida. *Quart. J. Florida Acad. Sci.*, **28**: 199-211.—Widespread breeding in north-central Florida in 1964, where previously unknown, attributed to an increase in secondary plant succession. Analysis of autumn migrants supports the thesis that only buntings weighing 18 g could fly nonstop across the Gulf of Mexico to Central America. Lean birds probably winter in Florida or the West Indies.—G. E. W.
- KALE, H. W., II. 1964. Food of the Long-billed Marsh Wren, *Telmatodytes palustris griseus*, in the salt marshes of Sapelo Island, Georgia. *Oriole*, **29**: 47-61.—Spiders, Hymenoptera, Coleoptera, and Diptera were staples in the diet during the summer; Homoptera, Hymenoptera, Coleoptera, and Hemiptera during the winter. Based on analysis of 195 stomachs.—G. E. W.
- KALE, H. W., II. 1965. Nesting predation by herons in a Georgia heronry. *Oriole*, **30**: 69-70.—Young Black-crowned Night Herons regurgitated a nestling White Ibis and Common Egret, and a young Common Egret disgorged a nestling White Ibis.—G. E. W.
- KALE, H. W., II. 1965. Notes on predation by the Bald Eagle on Sapelo Island, Georgia. *Oriole*, **30**: 70.—Feathers of Great Blue Herons, Common Egrets, and Snowy Egrets were found beneath the nest. Also witnessed unsuccessful attempts

- by eagles to capture terns, and diving behavior of an injured Laughing Gull in order to escape predation.—G. E. W.
- KILHAM, L. 1965. Differences in feeding behavior of male and female Hairy Woodpeckers. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 134–145.
- LARSON, J. S., AND J. M. ABBOTT. 1962. A mid-winter census of American Bald Eagles in the Chesapeake Bay region, 1962. *Chesapeake Sci.*, **3**: 211–213.—Ground and aerial surveys revealed 200 eagles (48 immature).—R. M. M.
- MARKUS, M. B. 1964. A note on *Euplectes ardens* (Boddaert) during the postnuptial regeneration phase. *Ostrich*, **35**: 297–298.—State of gonads and molt in the month after nesting.—M. A. T.
- MAYFIELD, H. 1965. Chance distribution of Cowbird eggs. *Condor*, **67**: 257–263.
- MCCABE, R. A. 1965. Nest construction by House Wrens. *Condor*, **67**: 229–234.
- McKELVEY, M. 1965. Unusual bathing habits of the Turkey Vulture. *Condor*, **67**: 265.
- McNEEL, R. 1964. Un cas inusité d'asymetrie testiculaire chez le *Crotophaga ani* L. *Kasmera*, Univ. del Zulia, Venezuela, **1**: 273–287.—Statistical tests applied to testicular measurements of 35 specimens of *Crotophaga ani* collected from the same locality within three days at the height of the breeding season showed the right testis to be slightly longer than the left. (In French).—S. A. R.
- MILLER, A. H., I. I. McMILLAN, AND E. McMILLAN. 1965. The current status and welfare of the California Condor. Res. Rept. 6, Nat'l. Aud. Soc., 61 pp., maps, photos.—In the 15 years since Koford's report the population of this condor has decreased from about 60 to about 40. The chief threat is wanton shooting; more complete protection of the range is needed, yet this becomes more difficult.—D. A.
- NOLAN, V., JR. 1965. A male Cardinal helper at a nest of Yellow-breasted Chats. *Wilson Bull.*, **77**: 196.
- PAYNE, R. B. 1965. The molt of breeding Cassin Auklets. *Condor*, **67**: 220–228.
- RATCLIFFE, D. A. 1965. Organo-chlorine residues in some raptor and corvid eggs from northern Britain. *Brit. Birds*, **58**: 65–81. General contamination with DDT, dieldrin, heptachlor, and BHC indicated; levels average higher in raptors than in corvids. Some declines in population and breeding success seem related.—H. B.
- ROBBINS, C. S. 1964. A guide to the ageing and sexing of wood warblers (Parulidae) in fall. *EBBA News*, **27**: 199–215.—A summary of plumage differences between fall adult and immature warblers. Included is a table of wing chords and body weights. Listing the skull as either ossified or not ossified is misleading since intermediate stages occur.—G. E. W.
- ROLLE, F. J. 1963. Life history of the Red-legged Thrush (*Mimocichla plumbea ardosiacea*) in Puerto Rico. *Studies Fauna Curaçao and other Caribbean Islands*, no. 60, pp. 1–40, pl. 1.—Measurements, food habits, song, territory, nest building, incubation, care and development of young, molt, and other matters are described for a previously little-known species.—R. M. M.
- SKUTCH, A. F. 1965. Life history notes on two tropical American kites. *Condor*, **67**: 235–246.
- SNOW, D. W. 1965. The breeding of the Red-billed Tropic Bird in the Galapagos Islands. *Condor*, **67**: 210–214.
- SPENCER, R. 1964. Report on bird-ringing for 1963. *Brit. Birds*, **57**: 525–596. Report of the Bird-Ringing Committee of the British Trust for Ornithology. Includes a Knot which flew 3,500 miles in 8 days, a Redwing (*Turdus iliacus*) which reached mid-Atlantic in 3 days, several Great Skuas and Kittiwakes recovered in



- Greenland and Newfoundland. Some movements relate to the severe cold of 1962-63 winter.—H. B.
- STEYN, P. 1965. A note on the breeding of the African Hobby *Falco cuvieri* Smith. Ostrich, **36**: 29-31.—Notes on nest and nestling, with a colored plate of the juvenile.—M. A. T.
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- from Guadalcanal, Solomon Islands. Study of New Guinean specimens in the American Museum of Natural History further resulted in the separation of *C. w. nuditarisus*, new subsp. (Baroka, Bioto Creek, near Hall Sound, Papua) from *C. w. papuensis* Rand (northwestern Netherland New Guinea).—R. M. M.
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