

Amazilia cerviniventris chalconota — A Correction. — The description of this new race, in the January number of 'The Auk,' contains an error, to which Dr. C. W. Richmond has kindly directed my attention. The type locality should have been given as *Brownsville*, Texas, instead of *Beeville*, Texas. Then on page 32, second line of 'Habitat' for *Bee County* read *Corpus Christi*; page 34, line 23, for *four* read *three*; line 25, same page, insert *and* before *Corpus Christi*, and omit *and Beeville*, together with all of the following sentence. An inadvertence may also be here corrected: on page 34, line 28, for *the State of*, read *central or southern*; since the statement in its present condition is contradictory to what has already been said on the previous page. — HARRY C. OBERHOLSER, *Washington, D. C.*

Lewis's Woodpecker Storing Acorns. — An interesting account has been furnished me by Mr. Manly Hardy of the storing of acorns by Lewis's Woodpecker, *Melanerpes torquatus*. The substance of Mr. Hardy's communication is as follows:

Sidney French, a relative of his, a lad of some sixteen years of age, while paying a visit in November, 1897, to Happy Cañon, about twenty miles southeast of Denver, Colorado, amused himself by watching the Woodpeckers. Seeing one enter a hole in a big cotton-wood tree, he climbed up to see why it did so, when he found in the hole a lot of acorns. He then examined several other holes in trees near by, the names of which were not familiar to him, and found these, too, stored with acorns. Some of the holes were half the length and about the diameter of his finger, and contained five or six acorns each, tightly wedged in; while others, three inches across and extending downward for six or eight inches, held much larger stores. It was evident that the birds brought the acorns to the holes and shelled them there before storing them, for the ground beneath was piled with the empty shells and the kernels that were packed away were mostly in quarters, some of them, however, being in halves. The acorns belonged to the scrub oak of that region and were small and rather sweet.

The boy's careful description of the birds indicated pretty clearly that they were Lewis's Woodpecker but this important point was definitely settled when he sent the head and some of the breast feathers of that species to Mr. Hardy.

Major Bendire in his 'Life Histories of North American Birds' (Part II, p. 119) says that Lewis's Woodpecker has been seen sticking mayflies in crevices of pines, but I can find no record of its storing acorns, while the fact that the acorns were shelled lends additional interest to the story. — WILLIAM BREWSTER, *Cambridge, Mass.*

Occurrence of Leconte's Sparrow (*Ammodramus leconteii*) at Ithaca, N. Y. — While searching the large marsh at the head of Cayuga Lake