

to be upheld as a breeding record for that State. This explanation is here made in order that the facts in this case may be available to workers in Michigan ornithology. By the elimination of this record the eastern known limits of the breeding range of *Numenius americanus americanus* become restricted to southern Wisconsin and northern Illinois.— HARRY C. OBERHOLSER, *Washington, D. C.*

The Rough-legged Hawk (*Archibuteo lagopus sancti-johannis*) at Washington, D. C.— The Rough-legged Hawk is of sufficient rarity in the District of Columbia to warrant placing on record a specimen which came into my possession on January 1, 1918. The bird, wounded and unable to fly, was picked up by some boys in the open country north of Woodridge, close to the eastern line of the District. Previous records from this region are as follows:¹

1859 — one.

December 29, 1879 — one seen by H. W. Henshaw.

1880 (winter) — one.

December 23, 1882 — specimen in U. S. Nat. Mus.

March 17, 1888 — Sandy Spring, Maryland; specimen.²

March 30, 1888 — one seen by Chas. W. Richmond.

January 1, 1895 — one seen on Potomac flats by E. A. Preble.—

ARTHUR H. HOWELL, *Washington, D. C.*

Occurrence of Goshawks (*Astur a. atricapillus*) and Saw-whet Owl (*Cryptoglaux acadica*) in the Vicinity of Washington, D. C.—

It is interesting to note that the Goshawk in the extended winter migrations of 1916 and 1917 reached the vicinity of Washington, D. C. Mr. T. A. Davis secured a fine adult at the Bureau of Animal Industry farm near Beltsville, Maryland, December 20, 1917. It was captured in a trap set beside a large rooster it had killed.

Mr. Davis states that he shot two others of this species at the same locality September 1 and 2, 1916. The only previous record in this vicinity was of an adult female killed at Sandy Spring, Maryland, December 27, 1887.

A female Saw-whet Owl (*Cryptoglaux acadica*) taken in a grove of small pines at Sandy Spring, Maryland, November 30, 1916, was one of the northern species which drifted south in the autumn of 1916.— A. K. FISHER, *Washington, D. C.*

Large Flight of Great Horned Owls and Goshawks at Hadlyme, Connecticut.— Under date of December 29, Mr. Edward H. Forbush of Massachusetts wrote me that early in November, he had learned from Canada that probably because of the great dearth of rabbits in the north a great flight of Horned Owls and Goshawks was coming south.

¹ Cf. Cooke, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, XXI, 1908, p. 116.

² Fisher, Hawks and Owls of the U. S., Bull. 3, Div. Orn. & Mamm., 1893, p. 91.