

This is the second known occurrence of this species in Maine, the other being a bird of undetermined sex taken August 1, 1913 "near [Machias] Seal Island off Machias Bay."¹ In the original record, it is also stated, (erroneously), that "Seal Island is Canadian territory and since the locality in which the bird was killed, is on the international border south¹ of Grand Manan, the record constitutes an addition to the local avifauna of both New Brunswick and Maine."

It should be pointed out, that Machias Seal Island is United States territory, as I have shown elsewhere,² though by a provision of the Ashburton treaty, the navigation signals on the island are owned and maintained by the Dominion of Canada. According to charts at hand these islands are well to the westward of the boundary, and Machias Bay is more than twelve miles to the northwestward of the "Seal Islands" as the small island³ and its two dry ledges are frequently called by local fishermen. The Seal Island is not south, but west by north, twelve miles distant from Southern Head, Grand Manan. Southern Head is the nearest and southernmost approach of the Seal Island to Grand Manan.

That this bird had passed along the entire coast of Maine, from Portland to the vicinity of Machias Bay seems quite certain.

The late Evan D. Rackliff of Peak's Island, told me that on one of his trips to the Cod Ledges, earlier in the summer, an Albatross came very near his boat. He was a careful observer, exceptionally well acquainted with the sea birds in life, and scrupulously truthful. He was positive that this large bird, with its long thick bill, and long narrow wings was not a Black-backed Gull (well known to him), a Gannet nor a Pelican. No one acquainted with Mr. Rackliff's ability to distinguish the characteristics of birds in flight would doubt the correctness of his observation.—ARTHUR H. NORTON, *Museum Natural History, Portland, Maine.*

Brown Pelican in Delaware.—A Brown Pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis occidentalis*) was seen on May 30, 1934, in Rehoboth Bay, Delaware, about a mile off Indian River Light, by Robert W. Schofield. When approached "to within easy gun shot" it flew about half a mile and settled again. Mr. Schofield is a wholesale lumberman with mills at several points in the South and is thoroughly familiar with the Pelican. He says that he never before saw one north of Georgia but that there is no question as to the identification of this individual.—JOSEPH W. TATUM, *Haddonsfield, N. J.*

The White Pelican (*Pelecanus erythrorhynchos*) on the South Carolina Coast.—On the afternoon of June 13, 1934 the writer saw, off the beach of Folly Island about ten miles from Charleston, S. C., a flock of ten White Pelicans. The birds were about a half mile from the beach, scaling low over the water, alternately flapping and sailing into the

¹ 1922, Murphy, Auk XXXIX, 58.

² 1933, Norton, Rhodora 35, 291.

³ 1904, Dutcher, in Norton Mss. Auk, XXI, 159.