

GENERAL NOTES.

Horned Grebe at Conowingo, Md., in July.—While bass fishing in Conowingo Creek, a tributary of the Susquehanna River in Cecil Co., Maryland, on July 4, 1936, an adult Horned Grebe (*Colymbus auritus*) was noted at a distance of ten feet. It did not seem to be disabled in any way and was cornered in a cove at the base of a waterfall and photographed. I waded into the water up to my waist and forced it to dive when within three feet of me and it was interesting to note the manner in which it swam under water between the rocks in making its escape.—W. BROOKE MEANLY, *Baltimore, Md.*

Western Grebe in South Carolina.—On June 22, 1936, The Charleston Museum was presented with a fresh specimen of the Western Grebe (*Aechmophorus occidentalis*). The bird, a female in good condition, was brought in by a fisherman who had picked it up in the inland waterway one mile north of McClellanville, Charleston County, S. C. Examination showed that the bird had been shot. The largest ova were the size of No. 8 shot.

This occurrence adds another bird to the South Carolina state list and is, as far as I am aware, the first record for the Atlantic coast.

The specimen is No. 36,136 in The Charleston Museum collection.—E. B. CHAMBERLAIN, *The Charleston Museum, Charleston, S. C.*

A New Family (Anhingidae) of Birds for the Fauna Columbiana.—On August 7, 1936, I had a telephone message from Mr. Paul H. Hodge, Keeper of the Roaches Run Bird Sanctuary, stating that he believed that an Anhinga was frequenting this reservation, and asking me to check up the determination. This I did and found it correct.

It seems that Mrs. Hodge had first discovered this bird nine days before and correctly identified it. It is frequenting a tree on the west side of the island in the center of the lake, and judging from the chalking, seems partial to a definite roost. Mr. Hodge reports at this writing, August 19, that it is still present, which makes a sojourn of twenty-one days for its visit to him.—PAUL BARTSCH, *U. S. Nat. Mus., Washington, D. C.*

Man-o'-war-bird in Oklahoma.—On April 18, 1936, a female Man-o'-war-bird (*Fregata magnificens*) was captured alive near Anadarko, Grady County, Oklahoma, by Ranger J. R. Turnbull of the State Game and Fish Commission. The bird had been shot some days previously. It weighed three and three-quarter pounds and had a wing spread of seven feet seven inches. The specimen was mounted and is at present in the collection of the Game and Fish Commission at Oklahoma City. Mrs. Nice does not list the Man-o'-war-bird in the revised edition of her 'Birds of Oklahoma' (Publications of the University of Oklahoma, Vol. III, Biological Survey, No. 1, 1931) so the species apparently is a new one for the state. I report this interesting capture through the courtesy of my friend Mr. L. D. Rickey, State Game Warden of Oklahoma.—GEORGE MIKSCHE SUTTON, *Bethany, West Virginia.*

Snowy Egret in Massachusetts.—On May 6, 1936, I discovered a Snowy Egret feeding in a salt pond on my estate at Falmouth, Mass., I walked up behind some bushes and examined it with an 8 power glass at a distance of about fifty yards. The bill and legs were black and the yellow feet very prominent as it walked about. It was interesting to see the bird puddle the mud with his feet every few steps, apparently to disturb the minnows on which it was feeding. Twice before Snowy Egrets