

TWENTY-NINTH SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMERICAN  
ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION CHECK-LIST  
OF NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS<sup>1</sup>

THIS supplement covers changes in name and status, as well as additions to the Check-List, accepted by the Committee on Classification and Nomenclature during the year 1953. The Committee held sessions at the meeting of the A.O.U. in Los Angeles and conducted much additional business through the circulation of memoranda by mail. Revision of ranges for the fifth edition of the Check-List has now advanced to the stage of incorporating the many useful corrections and additions the Committee has received from collaborators.

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1. *Gavia immer elasson* Bishop is now considered inseparable from the nominate form. The species is thus monotypic and reverts to binomial status. It will stand in the Check-List as *Gavia immer* (Brünnich). See Gabrielson and Lincoln, Condor, vol. 55, 1953, pp. 314-315.
29. *Bubulcus ibis ibis* (Linnaeus). Cattle Egret. [200.1] *Ardea Ibis* Linnaeus, Syst. Nat., ed. 10, vol. 1, 1758, p. 144. (Aegypto = Egypt.) Additional genus and species. Breeds in Florida; also recorded in Illinois, New Jersey, Massachusetts, and Newfoundland. See Drury, Morgan, and Stackpole, Auk, vol. 70, 1953, pp. 364-365.
46. *Anas acuta tzitzihoa* Vieillot is now considered inseparable from the Old World Pintail. The species is thus monotypic and reverts to binomial status. It will stand in the Check-List as *Anas acuta* Linnaeus. See Parkes, Condor, vol. 55, 1953, pp. 275-276.
54. *Histrionicus histrionicus pacificus* Brooks is now considered inseparable from the eastern, nominate, form. The Harlequin Duck thus reverts to binomial status and will stand in the Check-List as *Histrionicus histrionicus* (Linnaeus). See Dickinson, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 109, 1953, p. 139; also Austin and Kuroda, *Ibid.*, 368-369.
98. *Laterallus jamaicensis pygmaeus* (Blackwall) [*Creciscus j. stoddardi* Coale of the Fourth Edition of the A.O.U. Check-List, 1931] is now considered identical with the nominate form and becomes *Laterallus jamaicensis jamaicensis* (Gmelin). See Moreno, Torreia, no. 20, Oct. 12, 1953, pp. 1-8. This replaces the action taken in the Twenty-first Supplement, Auk, vol. 63, 1946, p. 429.

<sup>1</sup> The Twenty-eighth Supplement was published in The Auk, vol. 70, no. 3, July 1953, pp. 359-361.

109. *Scolopax rusticola* Linnaeus, which was considered monotypic in the Twentieth Supplement (Auk, vol. 62, 1940, p. 440), again becomes *Scolopax rusticola rusticola* Linnaeus, because the extralimital race, *S. r. mira* Hartert, is now considered valid. See Austin and Kuroda, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 109, no. 4, Oct., 1953, p. 427; also Hachisuka, Bull. Brit. Ornith. Club., vol. 72, Oct., 1952, pp. 77-81.
122. *Limnodromus griseus hendersoni* Rowan. Inland Dowitcher. [231a.] *Limnodromus griseus hendersoni* Rowan, Auk, vol. 49, Jan. 1932, p. 22. (Devil's Lake, Alberta.) Additional subspecies. Breeds from Mackenzie and northern Alberta east to northern Manitoba; south in winter to the Gulf Coast.
122. *Limnodromus griseus caurinus* Pitelka. Alaskan Dowitcher. [231b.] *Limnodromus griseus caurinus* Pitelka, Univ. California Publ. Zoöl., vol. 50, March 31, 1950, p. 43. (Yakutat, Alaska.) Additional subspecies. Breeds in southern Alaska from Nushagak Bay east to Yakutat Bay; in migration south along the Pacific coast.
122. *Limnodromus griseus scolopaceus* becomes *Limnodromus scolopaceus*, as it is considered specifically distinct from the races of *Limnodromus griseus*. See Rowan, Auk, vol. 49, 1932, p. 14; Conover, Auk, vol. 58, 1941, pp. 376-378; Pitelka, Univ. California Publ. Zoöl., vol. 50, March 31, 1950, pp. 1-11.
130. *Larus leucopterus* Vieillot, 1820, is a synonym of *Larus hyperboreus* Gunnerus, 1767, so that *Larus leucopterus* of the Check-List becomes *Larus glaucoides* Meyer, from *Larus glaucoides* Meyer, Zusätze und Bericht. zu Meyers und Wolfs Taschenb. deutsch. Vögelk., 1822, p. 197. ("Meere der arktischen Zone, z.B. in Island, zuweilen im Herbst an den Küsten der Ost- und Nordsee" = Iceland.) See Mayaud, Alauda, ser. 3, vol. 6, 1934, pp. 370-375; Salomonsen, Grønlands Fugle, pt. 2, 1951, pp. 310-318. The forms will stand as follows:
- Larus glaucoides glaucoides* Meyer  
*Larus glaucoides kumlieni* Brewster
146. *Cepphus grylle ultimus* Salomonsen. Short-billed Black Guillemot. [27b.] *Cepphus grylle ultimus* Salomonsen, Göteborgs Kungl. Vetenskaps-och Vitterhets-Samhälles Handl. Sjätte Följden, ser. B, band 3, no. 5, 1944, p. 93. (Frozen Strait, Melville Island, District of Franklin, Canada.) Additional subspecies. Melville Island, Ellesmere Island, and northwest Greenland to Baffin Island and northern Labrador.
224. *Aphelocoma coerulescens cana* Pitelka. Eagle Mountain Scrub Jay. [481h.] *Aphelocoma californica cana* Pitelka, Univ. California Publ. Zoöl., vol. 50, July 20, 1951, p. 237. (North side of Eagle Mountain, 4,000 feet elevation, Riverside County, California.) Additional form. Resident on Eagle Mountain, eastern Riverside County, California.
286. *Dendroica petechia brewsteri* Grinnell 1903 is considered not separable from *Dendroica petechia morcomi* Coale 1887. See Behle, Condor, vol. 50, 1948, pp. 77-78.
302. *Sturnella neglecta* becomes *Sturnella neglecta neglecta* through recognition of the following subspecies.
302. *Sturnella neglecta confluenta* Rathbun. Pacific Western Meadowlark. [501.1a.] *Sturnella neglecta confluenta* Rathbun, Auk, vol. 36, Jan., 1917, p. 68. (Seattle, Washington.) Additional form. From British Columbia south through Washington and western Idaho to Baja California.

330. *Pipilo maculatus* Swainson is now considered conspecific with *Pipilo erythrophthalmus* (Linnaeus). See Sibley, Univ. Calif. Publ. Zoöl., vol. 50, 1950, pp. 116-120, 176; also Dickinson, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool., vol. 109, 1952, p. 191. The races of the species *erythrophthalmus* will stand in the Check-List as follows:
- Pipilo erythrophthalmus erythrophthalmus* (Linnaeus)
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus canaster* Howell
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus alleni* Coues
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus rileyi* Koelz
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus arcticus* (Swainson)
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus montanus* Swarth
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus gaigei* Van Tyne and Sutton
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus curtatus* Grinnell
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus oregonus* Bell
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus falcinellus* Swarth
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus falcifer* McGregor
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus megalonyx* Baird
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus clementae* Grinnell
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus umbraticola* Grinnell and Swarth
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus magnirostris* Brewster
  - Pipilo erythrophthalmus consobrinus* Ridgway
350. *Spizella atrogularis atrogularis* (Cabanis) is now dropped from the Check-List, because this race is restricted to Mexico, outside the Check-List limits, through recognition of *S. a. evura* Coues (Nineteenth Supplement, Auk, vol. 61, 1944, pp. 463-464).
353. *Passerella iliaca olivacea* Aldrich. Washington Fox Sparrow. [585r.] *Passerella iliaca olivacea* Aldrich, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 56, Dec. 8, 1943, p. 163. (Reflection Lake, Mount Rainier, Washington, altitude 4,900 feet.) Additional subspecies. From southern British Columbia (east from the east slopes of the Cascade Mountains to the Blue Mountains of Washington and Oregon) south to northern Idaho and northwestern Montana.