

THIRTIETH SUPPLEMENT TO THE AMERICAN
ORNITHOLOGISTS' UNION CHECK-LIST
OF NORTH AMERICAN BIRDS¹

THE present supplement includes changes in name and status, as well as additional forms, accepted by the Committee on Classification and Nomenclature during the year 1954. The Committee met at the annual sessions of the A.O.U. in Madison and conducted additional business through the circulation of memoranda by mail. The final manuscript for the fifth edition of the Check-List is now being assembled.

As a matter of general interest, the Committee has decided to list common names only for species, and not to give additional common names to the subspecies that may be included under the species headings.

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15. *Hydrobates pelagicus* is omitted, since the supposed records for our limits have proved to be invalid. See Oberholser, Proc. U. S. Nat. Mus., vol. 47, 1917, p. 167, where specimen USNM 94554 is identified as *Oceanodroma leucorhoa*; also Salomonsen, Grønlands Fugle, 1950, p. 563.
28. *Dichromanassa rufescens dickeyi* van Rossem, considered a synonym of *D. r. rufescens* in the Nineteenth Supplement, Auk, vol. 61, July, 1944, p. 443, is recognized again as valid. See Hellmayr and Conover, Cat. Birds Amer., pt. 1, no. 2, 1948, p. 193.
52. *Netta rufina* is transferred to the hypothetical list, since the record for our limits (see Ridgway, Proc. U.S. Nat. Mus., vol. 4, 1881, p. 23) is considered uncertain.
56. *Somateria mollissima v-nigra* Gray, 1856, is to be listed as *Somateria mollissima v. nigra* Bonaparte, from *Somateria v. nigrum* Bonaparte, Comptes Rendus Acad. Sci. (Paris), vol. 41, no. 17 (not earlier than Oct. 22), 1855, p. 661. (Contrées les plus boreales d'Amerique = Kotzebue Sound, Alaska.)
70. *Buteogallus anthracinus anthracinus* (Lichtenstein) becomes *B. a. anthracinus* (W. Deppe), with the same reference. The type locality is restricted to the state of Veracruz. See Stresemann, Condor, vol. 56, no. 2, March 20, 1954, p. 91.

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71. *Haliaeetus leucocephalus washingtonii* (Audubon) becomes *Haliaeetus leucocephalus alascanus* Townsend, as in the Fourth Edition, since Audubon's terms *washingtonii* and *washingtoniensis* are of uncertain reference. See Mengel, Wilson Bull., vol. 65, 1953, p. 150.
80. *Canachites franklinii* becomes *Canachites canadensis franklinii* because of intergradation with the Spruce Grouse. See Aldrich, in Jewett, Taylor, Shaw, and Aldrich, Birds of Washington State, 1953, p. 203.
81. *Bonasa umbellus castaneus* Aldrich and Friedmann. [300j.] Condor, vol. 45, no. 3, May 24, 1943, p. 95. (Soleduck River, elevation 1,200 feet, Olympic Mountains, Washington.) Additional subspecies. Olympic Peninsula, south to Shoalwater Bay, western Washington.
87. *Centrocercus urophasianus* becomes *Centrocercus urophasianus urophasianus* through recognition of the following subspecies.
87. *Centrocercus urophasianus phaios* Aldrich. [309a.] Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 59, Oct. 25, 1946, p. 129. (Fremont, Oregon.) Additional subspecies. Southern British Columbia through central Washington and central Oregon to northeastern California (where intermediate).
97. *Rallus aquaticus aquaticus* becomes *Rallus aquaticus hibernans* Salomonsen, Vid. Medd. Dansk Naturh. For., vol. 90, 1931, p. 360. (Husavik, northern Iceland.) Resident in Iceland; casual in Greenland, the Faroes, and Jan Mayen.
103. *Charadrius dubius curonicus* is transferred to the hypothetical list, since records of occurrence within our limits are uncertain. See Grinnell, Univ. California Publ. Zool., vol. 38, Jan. 30, 1932, p. 318.
140. *Sterna anaethetus melanoptera* becomes *Sterna anaethetus recognita* (Mathews), from *Melanosterna anaethetus recognita* Mathews, Birds Austr., vol. 2, pt. 4, Nov. 1, 1912, p. 403. (Bahama Islands.) From study of the original specimens in Cambridge and London (Wetmore).
171. *Asio otus tuftsi* Godfrey. [366a.] Can. Field-Nat., vol. 61, no. 6, Nov.-Dec., 1947 (Feb. 13, 1948), p. 196. (South Arm, Last Mountain Lake, Saskatchewan.) Additional subspecies. Western Canada and United States from Mackenzie, Saskatchewan, and western Texas westward.
178. *Chaetura vauxi tamaulipensis* Sutton. [424a.] Wilson Bull., vol. 53, no. 4, Dec. 20, 1941, p. 231. (Rancho Rinconada, along the Sabinas River . . . at an elevation of about 500 feet, in the vicinity of . . . Gómez Farías, southwestern Tamaulipas.) Additional subspecies. Breeds in south-western Tamaulipas and southeastern San Luis Potosí. Recorded from Fort Huachuca Reservation, Cochise County, Arizona, by Phillips, Wilson Bull., vol. 66, no. 1, March, 1954, pp. 72-73.
183. *Amazilia violiceps ellioti* becomes *Amazilia verticalis ellioti* through change in name of the nominate form, which is extralimital. See Stresemann, Condor, vol. 56, no. 2, March 20, 1954, p. 91.
190. *Centurus carolinus harpaeus* Koelz. [409c.] Contr. Inst. Regional Expl., no. 1, pt. 3, Sept. 24, 1954, p. 32. (Matagorda, Matagorda County, Texas.) Additional subspecies. Eastern Texas from Austin and Houston south to the Gulf Coast (Chambers to Cameron counties).
193. *Sphyrapicus varius appalachiensis* Ganier. [402b.] Migrant, vol. 25, no. 3, Sept. [Oct. 22], 1954, p. 40, 1 plate. (Unicoi Mountains, 4400 feet, Monroe County, Tennessee.) Additional subspecies. Breeds in the mountains

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- from southwestern Virginia through eastern Tennessee and western North Carolina to northwestern Georgia.
205. *Myiarchus tyrannulus nelsoni* Ridgway, becomes *Myiarchus tyrannulus cooperi* Baird, from *Myiarchus cooperi* Baird, in Baird, Cassin, and Lawrence, Rept. Expl. Surv. R. R. Pac., vol. 9, 1858, pp. xxx, 180. (Mexico.) See Deignan, Condor, vol. 51, no. 6, Nov. 22, 1949, p. 270.
225. *Xanthoura* is combined with *Cyanocorax*, so that *Xanthoura yncas luxuosa* (Lesson) becomes *Cyanocorax yncas luxuosa* (Lesson). See Amadon, Amer. Mus. Nov., no. 1251, Jan. 22, 1944, pp. 9-10; Zimmer, Amer. Mus. Nov., no. 1649, Dec. 28, 1953, p. 9.
233. *Parus atricristatus paloduro* (Stevenson). [732b.] *Baeolophus atricristatus paloduro* Stevenson, Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 53, Feb. 16, 1940, p. 15. (Paloduro Canyon, Harold Ranch, Armstrong County, . . . Texas.) Wooded canyons of Randall and Armstrong counties, Texas Panhandle.
233. *Parus atricristatus dysleptus* Van Tyne. [732c.] Auk, vol. 71, no. 2, April, 1954, p. 201. (Texas, Brewster County, 5 miles south of Alpine, at 5,000 feet.) Additional subspecies. Brewster and Jeff Davis counties, Texas.
259. *Hyalocichla ustulata clarescens* Burleigh and Peters. [758d.] Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 61, June 16, 1948, p. 118. (Glenwood, Newfoundland.) Additional subspecies. Newfoundland and southward through adjacent Canada and northeastern United States to the Adirondack and Catskill mountains, New York.
284. *Parula americana pusilla* is considered inseparable from the typical form, which becomes *Parula americana*, since no subspecies are recognized. See Parkes, Ann. Carnegie Mus., vol. 33, April 19, 1954, pp. 165-166.
288. *Dendroica auduboni nigrifrons* of the Fourth Edition becomes *Dendroica auduboni memorabilis* Oberholser, Ohio Journ. Sci., vol. 21, May, 1921, p. 243. (Ward, Boulder County, Colorado.) Breeds from southwestern Saskatchewan and central Alberta, south to the mountains of southeastern California, southern Arizona, and southern New Mexico, south in winter to Guatemala. See Moore, Auk, vol. 63, April, 1946, pp. 241-242.
290. *Dendroica dominica stoddardi* Sutton. [663b.] Auk, vol. 68, no. 1, Jan., 1951, p. 28, pl. 1. (Near Freeport, Walton County, Florida.) Additional subspecies. Coastal area of northwestern Florida, from southeastern Santa Rosa County (Milton) to western Bay County (Vicksburg).
307. *Euphagus carolinus* becomes *Euphagus carolinus carolinus* through recognition of the following subspecies.
307. *Euphagus carolinus nigrans* Burleigh and Peters. [509a.] Proc. Biol. Soc. Washington, vol. 61, June 16, 1948, p. 121. (Stephenville Crossing, Newfoundland.) Additional subspecies. Breeds in Newfoundland, the Magdalen Islands, and Nova Scotia.
308. *Cassidix mexicanus torreyi* Harper. [513d.] *Cassidix major torreyi* Harper, Proc. Acad. Nat. Sci. Philadelphia, vol. 86, March 8, 1934, p. 1. (Chincoteague, Virginia.) Additional subspecies. Coastal region from New Jersey to Georgia; migrant to Florida. (The resident bird of Florida named *Cassidix mexicanus westoni* by Sprunt, Charleston Mus. Leaflet no. 6, Feb. 24, 1934, p. 4, type locality, St. John's River marshes, Indian River County, Florida, is placed with *Cassidix mexicanus major*.)
308. *Cassidix mexicanus monsoni* Phillips. [513e.] Condor, vol. 52, no. 2, March

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- 15, 1950, p. 78. (Near San Antonio, Rio Grande Valley, New Mexico.) Additional subspecies. Southeastern Arizona, north central New Mexico and western Texas (Brewster County) south to Chihuahua.
335. *Passerculus sandwichensis brooksi* Bishop. [542j.] Condor, vol. 17, no. 5, Oct. 10, 1915, p. 187. (Chilliwack, British Columbia.) Additional subspecies. Breeds from Vancouver Island and southwestern British Columbia to western Washington; in winter to central Baja California.
344. *Amphispiza bilineata confinis* van Rossem described from Chihuahua is found to be inseparable from *A. b. grisea*, whose range is restricted to México. The following subspecies, formerly considered a synonym of *confinis*, must therefore be recognized.
344. *Amphispiza bilineata opuntia* Burleigh and Lowery. [573d.] Occ. Papers Mus. Zool. Louisiana State Univ., no. 6, Nov. 10, 1939, p. 68. (Guadalupe Mountains, Culberson County, Texas; 10 miles east of Frijole, altitude 4,800 feet.) Guadalupe Mountain region, west Texas.
350. *Spizella wortheni* becomes *Spizella wortheni wortheni* through recognition of an extralimital subspecies. See Webster and Orr, Condor, vol. 56, no. 3, May 21, 1954, p. 159.

SEVENTY-THIRD STATED MEETING

The Seventy-third Stated Meeting of the American Ornithologists' Union will be held October 25 to 30, 1955. All sessions will meet in the Boston Museum of Science, Science Park, Boston, Mass.

Business meetings will be held on Tuesday, October 25. Papers sessions will run Wednesday through Friday, with the principal field trip on Saturday, and informal field trips on Sunday, October 30.

Details about the meeting are contained in a Circular of Information that has been mailed to all members. Extra copies are available from the Secretary, Harold Mayfield, 2557 Portsmouth Avenue, Toledo 13, Ohio. Applications for a position on the program should be in the hands of the Secretary by September 5.

Visitors at Boston will have a wide choice of hotels, and members are asked to make their room reservations directly with these establishments. The annual dinner will be held Friday evening, October 28.