

Specimens of birds from Amchitka Island, Alaska.—An intense low pressure center dominated the weather pattern at Amchitka Island in the Aleutian Archipelago in late May 1961 when numerous shorebirds and passerines were migrating. After this storm John A. McCann, a temporary employee of the Aleutian Islands National Wildlife Refuge, collected on Amchitka Island specimens of four bird species rare or new to the Aleutian area. All were deposited in the Field Museum of Natural History, and identifications were furnished by Emmett R. Blake of the Field Museum.

BLACK-TAILED GODWIT (*Limosa limosa melanuroides*). This adult male (FMNH [Conover collection] 23129) collected 31 May 1961 represents the second North American specimen of this race. The first, a male collected on Diomedede Island by A. H. Dunham, 22 May 1927, is in the Museum of Comparative Zoology (MCZ 309,227) at Harvard University. Fay and Cade (1959) report a sight record on St. Lawrence Island 5 August 1957.

EYE-BROWED THRUSH (*Turdus obscurus*). An individual (FMNH 262775) collected 26 May 1961 is the second North American specimen. All Alaskan (and North American) specimens and observations are summarized: (1) male collected at Amchitka, 27 May 1956 (Kenyon 1961); (2) bird seen at Amchitka, 19 October 1957 (Kenyon 1961); (3) male collected at St. Paul Island, 6 October 1962 (Sladen 1966); (4) bird seen at Agattu Island, 1 August 1968 (R. D. Jones, MS); (5) male collected at Amchitka, 16 May 1969 (Williamson and Emison 1969); (6) bird seen at Amchitka, 10 June 1969 (Williamson and Emison 1969); (7) male collected at Barrow, 16 June 1971 (Pitelka 1974).

GRAY WAGTAIL (*Motacilla cinerea robusta*). One (FMNH 262776) collected 4 June 1961 is the first North American specimen of the species, although the second specimen—the only other record—was taken by D. C. Boggs on St. Paul Island 13 October 1962, and was reported by Sladen (1966).

BRAMBLING (*Fringilla montifringilla*). An adult male (FMNH 262778) taken 26 May 1961 is the second Amchitka and Aleutian specimen and the third for the United States (Kenyon 1961). See Byrd et al. (1974) for an up-to-date summary of all subsequent Alaska records of Brambling.

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