

In contrast in the Anchicayá Valley at 1000–1250 m, Sickle-winged Guans were apparently resident throughout the year. Individuals were seen in all months except March. No information is available on possible seasonal movements at higher elevations in the Western Andes.

These differences between the Anchicayá Valley and Santa Marta populations need not seem unusual when the strikingly different climates of these regions are compared. The north and west facing slopes of the Santa Marta Mountains are markedly seasonal, with as much as 82% of the total annual precipitation (3000 mm) falling from June through November. In the Anchicayá Valley, the very heavy annual rainfall (6000 mm) falls throughout the year, with no month receiving less than 5% of the total amount. As suggested by these climatic data, levels of plant foods are probably more uniformly distributed throughout the year (Hilty MS) than in the very seasonal Santa Marta region, where food shortages or dietary shifts must be inevitable during portions of the year.

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Juvenile Little Blue Herons try to secure food from adult Louisiana Herons.—In a heronry on Grand Island, Barataria Bay, Plaquemines Parish, Louisiana, fledged juvenile Little Blue Herons (*Florida caerulea*) approached or chased adult Louisiana Herons (*Hydranassa tricolor*) in an attempt to get food. The adult Louisiana Herons were returning to the heronry to feed their own young when the juvenile Little Blue Herons approached them. The Louisiana Herons ignored or threatened and chased but never fed the Little Blue Herons.

Once two fledged juvenile Little Blue Herons pursued a single Louisiana Heron. Seven other times only one Little Blue approached one Louisiana. One juvenile was seen to approach an adult Louisiana several times. The aggressiveness of the Little Blues varied. Sometimes they called loudly and flapped their wings rapidly while approaching, but stopped after being threatened. At other times, the Little Blue Herons persisted in their attempts and joined the young Louisiana Herons in chasing and flying after the adult for several hundred meters.

The estimated number of herons and egrets breeding on Grand Island during 1972 and 1973 was: Louisiana Heron 5000 pairs, Snowy Egret (*Egretta thula*) 3000 pairs, Great Egret (*Casmerodius albus*) 800 pairs, and Little Blue Heron 300 pairs. During 550 h of observation no other species of juvenile ardeid tried to elicit food from any other species of herons.—JAMES A. RODGERS, JR., *Museum of Zoology, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70803*. Present address: *Department of Biology, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida 33620*. Accepted 24 Jan. 75.

A Washington record of the Boreal Owl.—The Boreal Owl (*Aegolius funereus*) is resident in the coniferous forests of Canada and Alaska and drifts southward into the contiguous United States in small numbers in winter (A.O.U. 1957). In the western states this species has been reported only infrequently and most of the records are quite old. The only record for Washington is a bird collected

17 January 1905 by D. E. Brown along the Nooksack River near Glacier in Whatcom County, western Washington (Dawson 1908). All other reports for the state (Edson 1908, Bowles 1911, Rathbun 1927) refer to this specimen. Unfortunately the specimen disappeared long ago, and its identity cannot be confirmed. For this reason Jewett et al. (1953) placed the species on the hypothetical list for the state and probably for the same reason the A.O.U. Check-list Committee excluded Washington from the known range of casual winter occurrence. Records for the adjacent states also are old and in most cases not open to verification. For Idaho there are several reports prior to 1915 but apparently no extant specimens (Burleigh 1972). Oregon records include several vague references from the 1800's and one specimen collected in 1902 (Gabrielson and Jewett 1940).

A new state record was obtained on 10 January 1974 when the first author collected a specimen in Pullman, Whitman County, eastern Washington. The bird was first seen by Mrs. Stanley Smith at midday while it was sitting about 5 feet above the ground in a white fir (*Abies concolor*) at the edge of a small lawn near a bird feeder in her yard. Later the bird moved to a perch of similar height about 20 feet away in the interior of a Douglas fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*) bordering the yard where it was collected. The bird was a male in adult plumage and weighed 107.5 g. It appeared in good condition but its stomach was empty. The bird was prepared as a study skin by the late second author and is now in the Conner Museum collection (No. 74-160).

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