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and arouse from torpor in the laboratory seems to indicate that torpor is not a regular occurrence in this species. This observation of natural torpor in the Violet-green Swallow, on the other hand, suggests that temporary hypothermia may be a more regular phenomenon in this species and that this may be a fruitful area for further study.—ROBERT C. LASIEWSKI, Department of Zoology, and HENRY J. THOMPSON, Department of Botany, University of California, Los Angeles, California, 16 June 1965.

Nesting of Grasshopper Sparrow in Wyoming.—On 29 June 1964 we frightened a female Grasshopper Sparrow, *Ammodramus savannarum*, from its well-hidden nest in dry, grassy habitat on a large flat-topped mesa one-half mile south of Mountain View, 7000-feet elevation, Uinta County, Wyoming. This sparrow was identified on the basis of narrow, short tail, weak flight, unstreaked breast, secretive behavior, and the appearance of her nest. It was woven of grasses, sunk flush with the level of the ground, and hidden from above by small tumbleweeds and grasses. In the nest were three young, with eyes unopened, and a fourth (Univ. of Illinois 5058) lay dead about one foot away from the nest. On the following day we returned to the nest, which was empty. It is preserved in the Museum of Natural History.

Grave and Walker (Univ. Wyoming Bull., 12:91, 1913) list the Grasshopper Sparrow as rare in Wyoming, known from "hay meadows near Afton," which is about 105 miles north of Mountain View. To the best of our knowledge our record of reproduction is the only one that has been reported for this species in the state.—CHARLES A. LONG and DANIEL H. MATULIONIS, Department of Zoology, University of Illinois, Urbana, 6 August 1964.

Adult Little Blue Heron on San Pablo Bay, California.—On 25 September 1965 a Little Blue Heron, *Florida caerulea*, in adult plumage was observed for about 30 minutes on the mudflats of San Pablo Bay, near the mouth of Tolay Creek, Sonoma County, California. The bird was observed by several members of the Redwood Region Ornithological Society aided by binoculars and a 20-power telescope. The Little Blue Heron was in company with several Snowy Egrets, *Leucophoyx thula*, and, when the tide rose, left the mudflats and flew north into a marshy area in company with a Snowy Egret.—JOHN R. ARNOLD, ROBERT FAILING, JACK GUCGOLZ, and BENJAMIN D. PARMETER, *Redwood Region Ornithological Society, Sonoma State College, Rohnert Park, California, 9 November 1965.* 

Little Blue Heron at Santa Barbara, California.—On 20 May 1965 a Little Blue Heron, Florida caerulea, was found at Goleta Slough, Santa Barbara, California, by R. K. Burns. It had been under observation for two days by Dr. Burns, and was at times in company with several Snowy Egrets, Leucophoyx thula.

I was able to photograph the heron on colored motion picture film at a range of 250 feet, using a 385 mm telephoto lens. The heron seemed to be in very good adult plumage, with the long feathers of the rump extending well beyond the tail.—WALDO G. ABBOTT, Curator of Ornithology and Mammalogy, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, Santa Barbara, California, 7 June 1965.

Some Notes on Birds of Elko County, Nevada.—During field work by personnel of the Owyhee District of the Nevada Fish and Game Department, information on two species was obtained for Elko County, Nevada.

Acanthis flammea. Common Redpoll. Linsdale. (Pacific Coast Avifauna, no. 23, 1936:120) and (Condor, 53, 1951:244) lists this species as a winter visitant to the northern part of the state,