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WHITE-WINGED JUNCO IN TEXAS

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On 19 December 1968 I collected an immature male White-winged Junco (*Junco hyemalis aikenii*) at Quitaque (5.75 miles N, 3.5 miles W), Briscoe County, Texas. This appears to be the first record of this race for the state. The bird was alone in a dense stand of oaks (*Quercus* sp.) and junipers (*Juniperus* sp.) on the floor of the canyon of the Little

Red River. The specimen has been deposited in the National Museum of Natural History (No. 531924).

The appearance of the White-winged Junco in Texas is overdue, for it occurs in winter in adjacent areas of northeastern New Mexico (Hubbard, *New Mexico Ornithol. Soc. Publ.*, No. 3:95, 1970) and western Oklahoma (Sutton, *Oklahoma birds*, Univ. Oklahoma Press, Norman, p. 618, 1967). The taxonomic status of various forms of *Junco* is a matter of debate. I follow the Thirty-second Supplement to the A.O.U. Check-list (*Auk* 90:411-419, 1973) in treating *aikenii* as a race of *J. hyemalis*.

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