

Ordinarily it appears here in numbers by February 15 to 22, the earliest record I have being February 8. In the spring of 1920 the grackles were plentiful by February 26, when the coldest weather of the season came, lasting until March 8. I am strongly inclined to believe that they remigrated, for in that time only two or three were seen, and they did not again become common until March 12.

I have never noticed this condition about the birds which come in late March or the early days of April. Regardless of Easter storms, late snow flurries, or long-continued cloudy, cold weather, the Chimney Swift and Purple Martin stay, even though I fear they often approach starvation.

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**Freakish Nesting Habits.**—Of the 45 or 50 birds which are regular summer residents here four or five have odd habits choosing sites for nesting. While the migration is on I have found a few Prairie Warblers in several localities in the territory I have studied, a circle about eight or nine miles in diameter, with Bowling Green as its center. In nesting time, however, I have never been able to see the Prairie Warbler outside of a little side valley opening into the valley of the Big Barren River and about three miles from town. Many other places around here have the same general characteristics: shrubby fields, brier and honeysuckle tangles, with wooded hills in the background, but no other place seems to please the Prairie Warbler.

The Bachman Sparrow is a little less choice about its nesting grounds, but I have been unable to find it in the nesting season except in three places, two of them fairly near each other, but more than three miles from the other one.

The range of hills overlooking the valley where the Prairie Warbler nests is the only breeding ground I know of the Kentucky Warbler, though there are dozens of hills near here very similar to this range.

Another bird which belongs to this group is the Oven-bird, which is confined to the range of hills mentioned above, and another, three or four miles from the first and across the river from it.

This season I intend to investigate this as one of my problems and hope to arrive at some conclusions concerning this unique habit among these species.

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**Notes from Lake County.**—I am pleased to record an occurrence of the Double-crested Cormorant on October 9, 1920. As I