GENERAL NOTES

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Northern Mockingbird on Mona Island, Puerto Rico.—For four months prior to November, 1951, visitors to the small island of Mona, approximately 50 miles west of Puerto Rico, reported the presence of a Mockingbird (*Mimus polyglottos*) on the eastern part of the island. On November 5, 1951, the bird was collected and presented to me. It was prepared as a museum specimen and is now in the collection of the Biology Department of the College of Agriculture of the University of Puerto Rico. This bird, probably a young male, apparently represents the race *M. p. orpheus*. This is the first record of a Mockingbird from Mona Island. --VIRCILIO BLACCI, JR., Biology Department, College of Agriculture, Mayaguez, Puerto Rico, January 24, 1952.

Loggerhead Shrike with malformed bill.-Abnormalities of the bill are fairly



frequently noted in birds. Often these abnormalities interfere with feeding sufficiently to cause the bird to be in poor condition.

The accompanying photograph shows a Loggerhead Shrike (Lanius ludovicianus) which seemingly has suffered little although almost completely lacking the upper mandible. The bird, which we photographed in a mesquite tree three miles east of Casa Grande, Pinal County, Arizona, on March 11, 1947, was active and appeared to be in good condition. We judged it to be a female, since it was the only one of the pair seen incubating the eggs. The shrike was fed by its mate as it sat on the nest.—BERNARD AND EMILLE BAKER, Route No. 1, Judson Road, Spring Lake, Michigan, November 1, 1951.

Post-juvenal wing molt in the Bobolink.—According to Dwight (1900. Annals N. Y. Acad. Sci., 13:156) and subsequent authors, the Bobolink (Dolichonyx oryzivorus) differs from all other Icteridae of eastern North America, except the genus Icterus, in