

lower Genesee River flats and elsewhere. Horned Lark flocks became common by mid-February. Carolina Wren for two weeks at Ellison Park late December and January. Mockingbird observed December 16, December 31, Lake Shore Boulevard. Catbirds, 2 locations reported December 24 and one on December 31, none since. Robins unusually common - several scattered flocks up to 100 reported. 3 Bluebirds at Ellison Park on January 27; two there on February 25. Northern Shrike was completely unreported all winter, in contrast to last year. Small flock of Myrtle Warblers in Durand Park late December. A few apparently still there in late February. Small flocks of Redwings and Cowbirds at East Manitou Road appeared to be wintering. Rusty Blackbird - two reports since mid-winter. Cardinals appear to be holding about steady. Some Purple Finches in Durand Park. Several scattered reports of Goldfinches, Siskins and both Crossbills - Red in late Fall, White winged since midwinter. One Towhee on December 2nd.

One Oregon Junco at feeding station Allens Creek Road, Pittsford since late September. Several wintering White throated Sparrows in Durand Park. One or two wintering Fox Sparrows in Durand Park. Lapland Longspur on February 3 with flock of Horned Larks. - - Richard T. O'Hara, 100 Fernwood Park, Rochester, New York.

REGION 4 - St. Lawrence

November brought more than the normal amount of rainfall. Winter began soon after Thanksgiving. The incursion of Brunnich's Murres following the windstorm of November 25 is reported elsewhere. December was snowy with the heaviest fall south of Watertown along the lake shore. January brought several thaws with severe cold weather toward the end of the month. February was cold

during the early portion and mild in the latter part. Snow cover was not heavy at any time and thawing weather exposed bare ground on several occasions during the winter.

A Holboell's Grebe was picked up alive near Barnes Corners, Lewis County, on January 31. A Pied-billed Grebe was found in the railroad yards at Watertown on February 27. Both birds were immatures.

Ducks - Geese:

Canada Geese were unusually common during the Fall migration. A flock of about 200 Snow Geese were seen on Star Lake, November 26, the day following the severe wind-storm. Large numbers of American Goldeneyes present in St. Lawrence River at Ogdensburg throughout the winter, first observed on November 15.

Grouse - Partridge:

Several flocks of Hungarian Partridge reported during December. The two previous mild winters have apparently favored this species. A flock of Spruce Grouse seen near Massena on January 31. (W. E. Curtis)

Gulls:

Herring Gulls could be seen daily during the winter in large numbers at the piggery near Watertown, where they were attracted by garbage. Thirty to forty Great black-backed Gulls also spent the winter here.

Owls:

Snowy Owls reported as follows; one near Carthage on November 14, two near Watertown on December 30 (perhaps the same bird reported twice).

Land Birds:

Crows remained at the Watertown piggery all winter although this is somewhat north of their normal winter range. A definite northward movement of this species was

noted during the last week of February. A Yellow breasted Chat was reported seen at Potsdam on October 15 (H. Burrell). Mourning Doves and Meadowlarks remained late being reported up to the middle of December. A Kingfisher was seen at Adams on December 27 (J. Common and F. Wodell). The Snow Bunting was first seen on November 29 and has been reported regularly since. A few Pine Grosbeaks have been reported but the scarcity of Evening Grosbeaks continues. Prairie horned Lark first reported on February 24. Reported on December 30 (Watertown census) Cedar Waxwing, Purple Finch, Song Sparrow, -- John B. Balknap, 92 Clinton Street, Gouverneur, New York.

REGION 5 - Adirondack

Loons - Geese:

Red-throated Loon was my first Adirondack record on November 8th. Bird picked up alive at Lake Colby, Franklin County. A single Great Blue Heron in Christmas census at Lake Placid on December 30th. Difficult to see how it survived -- pond and streams almost completely frozen. Another seen at Saranac Lake, January 9th; possibly the same bird.

There was an unusually late flock of 12 Canada Geese on December 16th on ice of small lake near Saranac Lake Village. Quite a heavy flight down Champlain Valley in late fall of Blue Geese. Several Snow Geese appeared with the Blue Geese.

Ducks - Owls:

A single Mallard Duck has spent the winter on open water of Saranac River within confines of the village of Saranac Lake. Small numbers of American Mergansers appeared in mid-February as usual on the Saranac Lake village. I believe they move up the river from Lake