

Wren which we have found in two places on Keuka Lake. On Dec. 4th I was amazed to see *two Bewick* wrens in my own yard. I was away a few days and did not see them again, probably one was the bird she saw."

That we have had so few records of this Wren in the past, and these three reports within a year suggests that the Bewick's Wren may be extending its range and perhaps should be placed high on the list of birds to watch for during the coming season.

It is possible that this report will bring out hitherto unknown records for the State either in the form of skins or as sight records.

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CONSERVATION NEWS

Cormorant Bill

The Cormorant Bill passed the New York State Senate and Assembly, and has been signed by the Governor. Thus, the Double-crested Cormorant and the Common or European Cormorant are protected birds under Section 203 of the New York State Conservation Law. We again wish to thank Hi Clements for laying the groundwork, President Harold Mitchell for his support, Messrs. Alvin G. Whitney and Samuel Adams for appearing before committees in Albany, and all the members of the Federation, who responded in behalf of the Cormorant.

More Dam Business

During the very last hours of the New York State Legislature, a bill was passed authorizing the construction of Panther Mountain Dam. This was done without warning, and our real fight will be next year, when the bill must be passed again.

Echo Park Dam in Dinosaur National Monument has received the approval of President Eisenhower and it is now up to Congress to act. If we wish to prevent a dangerous precedent of having our National Parks and Monuments violated by special interest groups, we must write our U. S. Senators and Representatives in strong protest. Echo Park Dam will be only one of a series of dams, which are being planned for this scenic area.

Stanley Oliver Grierson, Conservation Chairman.

FEDERATION NEWS

Our next annual meeting will be held Aug. 28-29 at Ithaca, New York. Hosts will be the Laboratory of Ornithology at Cornell University, The Cayuga Bird Club and the Cornell Field Ornithology Club. The Chairman of the Program Committee for this meeting is Dr. Peter Paul Kellogg.

The Cornell University Press, 124 Roberts Place, Ithaca, released on March 15 a record called, *The Mockingbird Sings*. One individual Mockingbird imitates, with near perfection, the songs of more than thirty species. Price \$2.50.

Hi Clements has just received word from Mrs. Joseph F. Weiler, treasurer of the Baldwin Bird Club, that the Veterans Bird Club of the Northport Veterans Hospital is no longer in existence.