

Wagner on Jul 1. Both locations are in Dutch. Bluebirds remain scarce but showed definite increase in Dutch. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher: One at Pocantico Lake Aug 20 (BA & MH). Cedar Waxwing: About normal, large numbers reported in the Hawthorne area of West. on Aug 15 (BA). Loggerhead Shrike: One reported in West. during Aug 23-30 (BA).

Vireos — Warblers: Resident vireos near normal. Warbling better than usual. Solitary Vireo: One at Innisfree, Dutch. Jun 16. Warblers: Generally normal, Redstarts in fewer numbers, and Prairie generally up. Lawrence's Warbler: This hybrid (accidentally omitted from last report) was discovered nesting in the Hawthorne area of West. Female was a Blue-wing who brought off three young and a Cowbird. Observed on Jun 9 by (SG, BA & MH). The Lawrence's was found again in the same area on Aug 11 and 12 (BA & MH). **Black-throated Gray Warbler:** William Russel of Katonah, West observed this species at his home near Cross River Res. on Aug 6. He has observed this species both at Cape May, N. J., and extensively in the west; and is quite familiar with the bird. BA and MH reported the following warblers in West.: Black-throated Green Aug 8, Blackburnian Aug 27, Wilson's Aug 21 and 30. Northern Waterthrush: A pair suspected nesting at Sterling Gardens in June (ME). Canada Warbler: One at Lake Waccabuc West. Aug 13 (SG).

Blackbirds — Sparrows: Bobolink: Numbers up this year. **Western Meadow-lark:** A male bred with an Eastern female near Bangall, Dutch. Five young and the adults collected on Jun 26 by Dr. Wesley Langan of the American Museum of Natural History and are now being raised alive in a flight cage. Another of this species was seen and heard by Tom Gilbert on Jun 7 at East Park, Dutch. Orchard Oriole: One pair breeding at Sterling forest during June (ME). Appeared at Stone Ridge, Ulst. during June, but did not remain to breed (FH). Scarlet Tanager: Noticeably lower in numbers. Cardinal: Normally plentiful. Indigo Bunting: Lower in numbers. Evening Grosbeak: This species did forget to leave this year after all; a female was at the feeder of Mr. & Mrs. John Remensnyder in Saugerties Ulst. on Jul 11 and subsequent dates; two fed at the home of Mrs. A. P. Ziesing near Suffern on Jul 2; a female with one young bird was observed feeding at Stissing Jul 4 (TH); a male was last observed at the latter location on Jun 17. Goldfinch, Towhee, Savannah, Grasshopper and Vesper Sparrows remained usual to better in numbers. Chipping, Field, Swamp and Song Sparrows remain unchanged this season.

Addendum: The following notes were omitted accidentally from the spring report, and are mentioned here. Yellow-crowned Night Heron: One in a swamp near Hawthorne, West, on Apr 3-4 (MH & BA). Cattle Egret: Two near Neversink Dam, Sull. on May 1 (H. Wright); and another at Monticello on May 16 (Ken Niven). Pellwood Lake, Highlands Falls

REGION 10 — MARINE

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June was hot and dry. Farmlands were parched, until by early July disaster areas were about to be declared. Adequate rains on Long Island and surrounding areas, however, about this time brought relief, and the summer to the end of the period was refreshing with the coolest July since 1957 and the coolest August in 16 years.

Early June migrants were insignificant in numbers compared to other years — the stragglers, if any, passing through rapidly in the dry heat.

Both Egrets arrived early and were well on their way toward nesting by early June at Jones Beach and vicinity, where a great increase of Snowy Egrets has been noted in the past few years. The large flock of Wood Ibises and 50-60 Cattle Egrets reported this spring on Long Island went entirely unlisted later, even regarding the individuals. The Jamaica Bay Sanctuary was again prolific with breeding water birds. The early June shorebird migration terminated early. Gulls and Terns were nesting in abundance and the Herring Gull colony at Oak Beach, estimated at 1,500 birds, now occupies practically all available territory for about one-quarter mile surrounding the Cape Tree boat basin.

No doubt the most phenomenal occurrence in Region 10 was the sighting of five Brown Pelicans flying over the dunes at Bellport Coast Guard Station, Fire

Island. The birds were heading eastward towards Moriches Inlet at 10 a.m., Jul 6, and were observed by Irvin Alperin and Richard H. Schaefer.

As for breeding land birds: Bluebirds were reportedly nesting around Mill Neck; a Tufted Titmouse was recorded in summer at Northport and the Orchard Oriole again nested at Syosset, with four young in the nest in late June. A survey showed the Least Flycatcher to be found in two locations at Oyster Bay and in this location the Yellow-throated Vireo was present in reduced numbers. No Warbling Vireos, however, were found where several were noted until three years ago when destruction by Dutch Elm disease killed at least a dozen or more giant elms. One particular old English Elm was a favorite habitat of one of these Warbling Vireos (J. Elliott, N. Ward, M. Wheat).

Loons — Ducks: Pied-billed Grebe: several pairs nesting, Jamaica Bay (W. Morse — WM, H. Johnson — HJ). Several records of Sooty Shearwater, maximum six, June 6, Shinnecock (R. Wilcox — RW) and 24 Jun 10 (G. Raynor — GR). Brown Pelican: Fire Island, five, Jul 6 (I. Alperin — IA, R. Schaefer). Both Egrets and Yellow-crowned Night Heron nesting in several locations: easternmost Yellow-crown, two, Jul 7, Stony Brook (GR). Least Bittern nested at Bayport (IA); also believed nesting at Jamaica Bay and Jones Beach. Latest reported Brant, one, Jul 4, Jamaica Bay (WN). Glossy Ibis again back at Jamaica Bay (probably bred), 10 on Jun 9 (WN). The breeding duck count was phenomenal at Jamaica Bay Sanctuary, summer of 1962, with several broods of Gadwall; one of Pintail; at least one of Green-winged Teal and several of Blue-winged Teal. Others were: two broods of Redhead, one with nine young; and several broods of Ruddy Ducks. An American Widgeon summered but was not believed to have bred (HJ, WN). Other duck records: Gadwall nested at Jones Beach; three Wood Duck, Manorville, Jul 1 (GR); four at Mill Neck, Aug 1 (J. Elliott—JE); White-winged Scoter, East Marion, 46, Aug 12 (GR).

Hawks — Owls: Broad-winged Hawk seen at Inwood, Mill Neck and Northport; no western Suffolk records of Red-shouldered or Red-tailed Hawks. Marsh Hawk and Sparrow Hawk, common along south shore. Sora and Virginia Rail were present and probably bred at Jamaica Bay. At least three pairs of Common Gallinule bred there and many pairs of Coot, with over 200 birds counted in early Aug at the Sanctuary (WN). Two adult Oyster-catchers were present at Moriches again, with three young about two weeks old, banded Jun 15 (RW). Piping Plover: good nesting report from Moriches with 40 returns from other years, oldest a 13 yr. old bird (RW). A shorebird concentration at Cedar Beach, Jul 22 included six Whimbrels, four Willets, six Knots and 150 Dowitchers (IA). Knot, maximum, Great Meadow Island, Jones Beach, Jul 20 (estimated) 1,500 (M. Levine). Ruff: one, Jun 9, Jamaica Bay (J. Mayer — JM, G. Rose).

Several Stilt Sandpipers at end of period. Hudsonian Godwit: seven, Jul 21, Moriches (D. Puliston — DP, GR). Wilson's Palarope: one, Jun 10, Jamaica Bay (WN, P. Post, JM, HJ); Jun 10, one, same location (DP). Pomarine Jaeger: Shinnecock, two, Jun 10 (GR); one Aug 5 Jones Beach (H. Darrow — HD). Glaucous Gull: one (Imm. with injured foot) Jul 14, Jamaica Bay (DP). Gull-billed Tern: two, Jun 9, Morishes (no nest found) (DP). Roseate Tern: good nesting colonies at Jones Beach and Moriches. Royal Tern: one, Jul 8, Moriches (HD). Sooty Tern: one adult, Jul 21, Moriches Inlet (GR, DP). Caspian Tern: five, Jun 6, Mecox (RW). Screech Owl: Jul 1, Freeport (A. Dignan); Manorville, Jun 1 (GR).

Goatsuckers — Shirkes: Whip-poor-will scarce on western Long Island. Night-hawks: no nesting reports on Long Island. Chimney Swift: Aug 2, Pelham, some 50 were seen to attain altitude and fly into the southwest, apparently southward bound (HD). Southbound Yellow-bellied and Olive-sided Flycatchers, Inwood, Aug. 10. Alder Flycatcher again reported from Jones Beach (AD, NW). Least Flycatcher: reduced numbers on north shore and especially at Syosset and Woodbury over past five years — two at Oyster Bay in late June (JE, NW). Several reports of Bank and Rough-winged Swallows. One or two Tufted Titmouse reports. House Wren increasing in Suffolk Co. No reports of Short-billed Marsh Wrens from Long Island. Mockingbird: Remsenburg, present from May 5 to Jun 24 (same place as last year) (RW); three young in nest, Jun 6, Ft. Salonga (D. Cranford); two Jul 5, Brookhaven, both males singing within 200 yds. of each other (DP). Hermit Thrush: two pairs, Jul 29, back at Coram (JE). Bluebird: seven, Jul 30, Manorville (GR). Gnatcatcher: one (southbound) Aug 13, Inwood (WN).

Vireos — Warblers: Several reports of White-eyed Vireo nesting. Yellow-throated Vireo bred at Oyster Bay and Cold Spring Harbor. Red-eyed Vireo is becoming slightly more common with decline of spraying. One or two records of Warbling Vireos, very scarce in several old hunts around Oyster Bay. Good nesting reports for Blue-winged and Chestnut-sided Warblers, Ovenbirds and Yellow-throats. Eight to ten pairs of Yellow-breasted Chat estimated to be nesting at Northport this summer (E. Mudge). Five or six Redstarts were heard singing in Jun at Laurel Hollow (JE, NW). Female Cerulean Warbler: Jun 20, Noyack (GR), a rarity there.

Blackbirds — Sparrows: Orchard Oriole: adult and first year males singing, Ft. Salonga, Jun 3 and on Jun 9 (EM); bred at Syosset with young banded in Jun; an adult male was later seen in this area (J. Taylor). Bobolinks very scarce, no Babylon records. The Scarlet Tanager had a good season, being abundant around the north shore. According to Walter Terry of Bluepoint, six or seven Brazilian Cardinal escaped from a Bayport caged-bird fancier, probably resulting in an adult feeding three young in Jun at West Sayville (Mrs. G. Vander Klay). Wilcox also banded a Yellow-billed Cardinal (*Paroaria capitata*) at Middle Island and a Brazilian Cardinal at a Bohemia feeding station. House Finch: two, Jun 24, Remsenburg; also a pair and three young, Quogue, same date, for easternmost range, formerly at Brookhaven (RW). Seaside Sparrow: Nest and three eggs, Jun 6, east end of Shinnecock Bay (easternmost record on Long Island) (RW). Sharp-tailed Sparrow: Crab Meadow (L.I. Sound) several pairs, Jun 10 (EM). Swamp Sparrow, very rare as a breeding bird on Long Island; two singing through Jun and Jul and into Aug, Manorville, probably nested, for first summer record in the area (GR). This summer the usual fair number of Grasshopper Sparrows again resorted in the hilly, cattle country at Montauk (Mrs. R. Boomhower).

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