

EDITORIAL NOTE — AOU NAME CHANGES

The American Ornithologists Union Committee on Nomenclature and Classification in its 39th Supplement to the A.O.U. Check-list (*Auk* 110:*in press*; 1993) has adopted taxonomic changes that affect three birds on the New York State list. As a result of splits, also involving a species not on the New York State list, the English (and scientific) names of Green-backed Heron revert to Green Heron (*Butorides virescens*), of Black-shouldered Kite revert to White-tailed Kite (*Elanus leucurus*), and Lesser Golden-Plover reverts American Golden-Plover. These newly adopted names will be used in *The Kingbird* beginning with volume 44, 1994 (fall migration period). The Seventh Edition of the A.O.U. Check-list is anticipated late in 1994, and additional changes to the names of New York's birds may be expected at that time.

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