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Correction of Field Notes, Vol. 19, No. 1, page 8:

Northern Phalarope: Sighted at Bitter Lake N.W.R., not Bosque del Apache N.W.R. 5/18/80 (RT).

FROM THE EDITORS:

Although New Mexico had another relatively mild and dry winter in 1980-81, no notable residue of "warm weather" birds lingered northward. Exceptions -- at least into December -- included small numbers of White-winged Doves, House Wrens, Lesser Goldfinches, Great-tailed Grackles, and a few other species. One that even moved northward (or westward) in larger than normal numbers was the Pyrrhuloxia in several peripheral localities. More impressively, a Tropical Kingbird showed up at Rodeo, for the first verified record for the state and only the second report ever.

By contrast, several typically northern or montane species moved southward or to lower elevations more widely than usual, including Goshawks, harlani Redtailed Hawks, and Mountain Bluebirds. More local southerly incursions marked such species as Red-throated Loon -- with the state's first verified record at Albuquerque -- Barrow Goldeneye near Aztec, Glaucous Gull (second state record) and Mew Gull (first record) at Lake McMillan, Common Crow near Artesia, White-winged race of the Dark-eyed Junco near Roswell, and Tree Sparrow at Zuni. Moving westward to Zuni Mts. was an Eastern Bluebird, while California Gulls in the same area may have come from the west or northwest. Purple Finches in southern New Mexico (Pecos Valley to Glenwood) may have come largely from the east, as New Mexico's first specimen of the race Carpodacus p. purpureus was salvaged at Artesia. Finally, winter visitants of closely-known origin were the 16 or so Whooping Cranes in the Rio Grande Valley from the Grays Lake experimental flock in Idaho.

Spring brought an excellent surge of shorebirds to the Zuni Reservation, where John Trochet continued to document the avifauna and make new discoveries for the area. Work also continued in the middle Rio Grande and the middle-lower Pecos valleys, as Bill Howe, W. Chuck Hunter, and others reported their extensive ornithological findings. For example, in the Rio Grande area, Downy Woodpeckers were found widely between Cochiti Lake and Los Lunas, while Hairies were rare and very local (could Starlings have displaced the latter, or were they never really numerous there?).

Many rarely-recorded species for New Mexico were reported in the spring, including several first verifications for the state: Lucifer Hummingbird (Peloncillo Mts.), Worm-eating Warbler (Ft. Sumner and Bitter Lake N.W.R.), and Golden-winged Warbler (Albuquerque). Other records of note included an Anhinga at Hobbs, Piping Plover at Bosque del Apache N.W.R., Ruddy Turnstone and Thayer Gull at Zuni, Gray-cheeked Thrush at Lake McMillan, Yellow-throated Vireo at Bell Lake, Cape May Warbler at Bloomfield, Bay-breasted Warblers near Cliff, and six very rare Warblers in the Albuquerque area.

Spring migration also featured a westward eruption of Cattle Egrets (Santa Fe, Zuni, and the Gila Basin), more than the usual number of Northern Phalaropes, and an explosion of singing Grasshopper Sparrows in the lower Pecos Valley. With the excellent coverage in the Zuni, middle Rio Grande, and middle-lower Pecos areas, plus continuing reports from such places as San Cristobal, regularly occurring migrants were also well-documented in several key areas of the state.

Breeding got under way toward the close of the spring period, with several interesting reports. For example, Eastern Bluebirds again bred in the Pecos Valley, where only discovered to do so in recent years. Singing Dusky Fly-catchers near Reserve and Gray Flycatchers in the Guadalupe Mts. would represent new southern limits in the state, if they actually bred in these areas. Eastern Meadowlarks made a strong appearance at northern limits in the west, being found in more than typical numbers in the Zuni Mts. and Albuquerque areas. Common Grackles again returned to Farmington and Zuni, where breeding is recent and at a western periphery of the range. Breeding overlap among several species pairs was further documented, including probable to possible instances of hybridization -- Black-capped and Mountain chickadees and Indigo and Lazuli buntings in the middle Rio Grande Valley, and perhaps Eastern and Black phoebes in the upper Pecos Valley. Finally, an introduction of eleven pairs of White-tailed Ptarmigan was designed to reinstate the species in the Pecos Wilderness, where perhaps the best habitat in the state occurs for this grouse.

With this issue, a new editorial concept is being instituted. An editorial committee has been established, made up of people who will specialize in producing accounts by species groups, e.g. gulls or warblers. Each specialist will extract records for his or her groups and will draft appropriate accounts. These accounts will then be finalized by the overall editor(s) into an integrated draft, which will be given final approval by the committee and then published. We expect the content to be largely determined by the editorial committee, with the editor(s) responsible for style, consistency, and final production. We are striving for the achievement of these roles in the next issue of the Field Notes, with Roland Goodman assuming the chief editorship and John Hubbard retiring to an advisory position. However, your reports should continue to be sent to John Hubbard, who will use them for American Birds and who continues as the Society's archivist. Incidentally, the archives are maintained at the Department of Game and Fish in Santa Fe, and they are available for your study and that of future researchers.

We repeat previous requests to put your records in taxonomic order, and to include useful information -- number seen of each species, any unusual aspects, and detailed descriptions of birds that are rare or present identification problems.

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br/rec -- breeding record win/rec-- winter record sp/rec-- spring record uns/rec-- unusual record

- * detailed record
- ** photo record
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COMMON LOON

win-sp/rec--1 in winter plumage at Ramah Reservation 5/6 (JT) and singles at L. McMillan 12/9, 12/21, 3/9 (CH,RM+).

RED-THROATED LOON
uns/rec--An im.** at Tingley Beach in Albuquerque 1/25 (D. Stahlecker) into mid-March; first confirmed record (ph. DH, RT) for the state. A bird* at Isleta 4/1-9 (WH+) may have been a different individual.

uns/rec--1* at Tekapo Reservoir, Zuni Reservation, 3/20 (JT); first sighting for the Zuni Mt. area.

Win/rec--Some high counts were 8 at Zuni 12/27, plus 2 on 2/3 (JT); 11 at Bitter L. 12/12, and 40 at L. McMillan 12/17 (CH, RM). Sp/rec - present at Zuni 3/30 - 5/24, with 50 on 5/3 and 5/24 (JT); 4 at Evans L. 4/11 and 4/15, with 11 on 5/2 (RF).

WESTERN GREBE

WESTERN GREBE win/rec--750+ at Elephant Butte L. 12/28, and all but one of the 375+ seen well were dark phase (D&SH); 1 light and 1 dark at L. McMillan 12/3 and 2 dark 12/9 (WH+). sp/rec--1 light at McAlister L. 3/25 (JH), 2 at Zuni 4/19 (JT), 4 at Roberts L. 4/17 and 1 at Evans L. 5/2 and 5/4 (RF), 1-2 dark at Bitter L. 4/3-5/25 (CH+) and 1 light there 4/24 (JH), and 3 dark at L. McMillan 3/9 (CH+).

win-sp/rec--Recorded at Zuni throughout the period, with highs including 27 on 12/16, 20 on 2/19-21, and 30 on 5/8 (JT); 1 at Sturgeon Ranch 2/7 (CH,RM).

win/rec--4 at Elephant Butte L. 12/27 (RR). sp/rec--48 at Zuni 4/15 (JT) and 2 at Clovis 5/18 (M&DC).

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT

uns/rec--4 wintered at Morgan L. to 4/22 -- plus 1 at Farmington 5/9 (AN) -for first San Juan Co. winter record; 1 at Clayton L. 12/25 (WC), where rare -- especially in winter. sp/rec - 1 at Evans L. 5/4 (DZ) and 5/8 (TG); at least 5 of 13 at Bitter L. 3/23 had black nuptial plumes (JH), suggesting an eastern race (a white-plumed race occurs in the lower Rio Grande valley).

uns/rec--1 im*. at L. McMillan 4/28-5/10 (CH+): casual in lower Pecos Valley. sp/rec--3 at Bosque 3/8 (RT) and 1 im. at Evans L. 5/4 (DZ).

uns/rec--1* at sewer lagoon in Hobbs 4/25 (CL, R. Russell); the only previous NM report was in 1854 (report to N.M.O.S. Bird Record Committee).

GREAT BLUE HERON

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni included 3 on 12/21, 4 on 2/5, 21 on 3/30, and 17 on 4/5 (JT). br/rec--30 nests near Gila Cliff Dwellings and 60 nests near Cliff (RF), and 16 nests near Redrock(RH), all in spring.

GREEN HERON

uns/rec--1 at Clovis 4/4 (MC); rare in eastern plains.

LITTLE BLUE HERON

uns/rec--4 adults at 2 nests with eggs 5/25 at Loving (SW+) represents the second breeding record for the Pecos Valley and the third for N.M.; single adults at Expanola 5/17 (C&BW) and Corrales 5/21 (Kimble McClymonds) were north of the usual range.

CATTLE EGRET

win/rec--3 about 25 mi. e. of Loving 2/28 (RLB) were the only ones reported in winter. sp/rec--A notable incursion occurred in the western half of the state, including 5 at Santa Fe in early May (R. Gonzales), 1 at Zuni in May (JT), 1 at Tome 4/2 (WH), 4 in Alma 5/12 (MD), 7 near Evans L. 5/4 (D&MZ), and 4 at Virden 4/15 (JH). Also present in the lower Pecos Valley 3/20-5/27, including singles at Bitter L. 4/15 (WAH) and 4/24 (CH+) and Carlsbad N.P. 3/20 (Jack Linahan), plus up to 18 near Loving 4/7-5/27 (RLB+).

GREAT EGRET

sp/rec--1 in the Loving heronry 5/21 (SW).

SNOWY EGRET

br/rec--In lower Pecos Valley: Early dates, 1 nest at L. McMillan 3/26 and 1 near Artesia 3/29. After 4/16, most nesting reports from L. McMillan, Bitter L. and Artesia, with large Loving heronry formed in May (CH, SW+). sp/rec-l - 2 at Zuni 5/4-21 (JT), 1 on Gila R. at US-180 bridge 5/2, 5/31 (RF).

LOUISIANA HERON

uns/rec--Singles at Bitter L. 4/25-29, L. McMillan 5/10, and near Loving through May (CH+); this species is infrequent in N.M. More significantly, the Bitter L. and Loving birds (possibly the same individual) were dark; the possibility exists that they (it?) were Louisiana x Little Blue hybrids.

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

win/rec--Up to 30 at Loving 12/20, up to 5 at Bitter L. all winter (13 in Roswell area 1/3), and 5 at Lakes Avalon and McMillan 12/21 (SW, CH+). sp/rec--l at Zuni 4/18, 3 on 5/13 (JT): first seen in middle Rio Grande valley at Corrales 3/27, and frequent into May, with probable colonies at Bernalillo and between Isleta and Los Lunas (WH+). br/rec--Rookeries at Bitter L., 6-Mile Dam at Loving, and at Loving heronry throughout spring; 350 adults, with 249 banded (CH+, SW).

AMERICAN BITTERN

uns/rec--1 at Zuni 5/6 (JT); rare away from major river valleys in N.M.

WHITE-FACED IBIS

sp/rec--Present at Zuni 4/13 - 5/24, with a high of 37 on 5/16 (JT); also 10 at Alma 5/12 (MD) and 1 near there 5/2 and 5/31 (RF).

WHISTLING SWAN

uns/rec--Up to 3 present on Rio Grande near Espanola (E. Espinoza+) in early winter.

CANADA GOOSE

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 72 on 12/11 and 36 on 2/1 -- including 3 small birds of the Cackling Goose type (cf. Branta canadensis hutchinsi) on 12/10 (JT); 6 birds near Alamagordo 1/22 (Bill Felton). br/rec--29 adults and 18 young at Bitter L. 5/29 (CH+). uns/rec-- A bird at Zuni 5/3 (JT) was late.

SNOW GOOSE

win/rec--23 near Columbus 2/7 (JDo, KZ), several near Clayton in late January and early February (WC), 4 at Sumner L. 2/19 (JH). sp/rec--Singles at Zuni 3/30 (JT) and Clovis 4/15 (MC); late birds at Fenton L. 5/12-31 and at Bosque to 4/25 (RT).

ROSS GOOSE

uns/rec--Singles at Farmington 2/7 (AN), Clayton L. 11/12 (WC), and near Cliff 12/4 (R. Drewien, RF); unusual in all these places.

MALLARD

win/rec--Highs at Zuni included 70 on 12/25 and 135 on 2/21 (JT).

MEXICAN DUCK

win/rec--4 near Columbus 2/27 (JDo, KZ), plus singles in the Pecos Valley at Roswell 2/26, L. McMillan 2/6, and Loving area 12/20 and 1/25 (CH,SW). sp/rec--2 near Roswell 3/16, and singles near Artesia 4/2, L. McMillan 3/28 and 5/18, and near Loving 4/5 (CH,TH). These are more than the usual number of reports from the Pecos Valley; at least the Loving area bird was a hybrid with the Mallard (SW).

GADWALI

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni included 24 on 12/16, 100 on 2/21, and 725 on 3/23 (JT).

PINTAIL

 $\overline{\text{win-sp/rec--Highs}}$ at Zuni included 50 on 12/25, 375 on 2/21, and 575 on 3/23 (JT).

GREEN-WINGED TEAL

win-sp/rec--Zuni highs included 110 on 12/2, 525 on 2/21, and 1,325 on 5/23 (JT).

BLUE-WINGED TEAL

win/rec--1 at Tyrone 2/28 (RF) probably represents an early spring arrival.

CINNAMON TEAL

win/rec--1 at Bitter L. 1/14 (CH, WH); 3 at Zuni 2/5 -- with up to 40 in the period 2/13-25 (JT) - probably early spring migrants.

AMERICAN WIGEON

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni of 35 on 12/7, 65 on 2/21, and 115 on 3/23 (JT).

NORTHERN SHOVELER

win-sp/rec--Zuni highs included 12 on 12/11, 15 on 2/22, and 80 on 4/16 (JT).

WOOD DUCK

Sp/rec--11 between Bernalillo and Belen 4/6-5/25, after only 1 in winter, at Belen 2/5 (WH+): 1 near Loving 4/17 (CH,GR).

REDHEAD

win/rec--Highs at Zuni included 37 on 12/29 and 850 on 2/21 (JT), with 1 at Tyrone 2/23 (RF). sp/rec--900 (:) at Zuni 3/15 (JT) and 350 at Bitter L. 3/6 (CH+).

RING-NECKED DUCK

win/rec--Zuni highs included 200 on 12/2 and 300 on 2/21 (JT).

CANVASBACK

win-sp/rec--At Zuni, after rising from 22 on 12/10 and 90 on 2/19 to 185 on 3/23, fell off to 13 on 4/5, with only 4 seen in May (JT).

GREATER SCAUP

uns/rec--5* -- 2 males and 3 females -- at Blackrock L., Zuni Reservation, 2/8 and a male* there 2/21 (JT); details submitted to BRC for a species only recently verified in N.M., i.e., Rio Arriba Co. 10/25/79 (Amer. Birds 34:297, 1980).

LESSER SCAUP

win-sp/rec--Zuni highs up to 22 on 12/2, 40 on 2/22, and 330 on 3/23, and 225 on 4/15, but only a few in May (JT).

COMMON GOLDENEYE

win/rec--Highs at Zuni include 4 on 12/10, and 2 on 2/1 and 2/8 (JT). uns/rec--2 at Bitter L. 5/22 and 1 on 5/25 (CH+) were late.

BARROW GOLDENEYE

wins/rec--An im. male was shot near Aztec 12/12 and the wing deposited at the Smithsonian Institution (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service), for the second verified N.M. record.

BUFFLEHEAD

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni include 14 on 12/31, 65 on 2/19, 115 on 3/23, tapering off to 5 on 5/19 (JT).

RUDDY DUCK

win-sp/rec--At Zuni, ranged from 55 on 12/25, 125 on 2/21, 1,025 on 3/23, 900 on 4/16, down to 50 on 5/24 (JT).

HOODED MERGANSER

win/rec--1* at Zuni 12/2 (JT), and 26 between Bitter L. and Loving 12/10-2/1 (Phelps White+). sp/rec -- 4 near Espanola 3/15 (WS), 1 at Isleta 5/3 (EH, VH), and 1 at Oasis S.P. 4/14 (RT). More than usual number of reports.

COMMON MERGANSER

uns/rec--Zuni highs of 5 on 12/30-31, and 17 on 2/19 (JT).

RED-BREASTED MERGANSER

win/rec--1* on 2/19 and 2/21 at Zuni (JT), where rare; 8 between Bitter L. and Loving 12/20-2/26 (WH+). sp/rec--5 on 4/13 at Bluewater L. (AM), where rare. 5 at Bottomless L.S.P. 2/19 and 46 at L. McMillan 3/9-26 (CH+).

 $\frac{1}{100}$ sp/rec--1 - 2 in the Los Lunas area 5/15 and 5/26 (JAD+) and 7 near Roswell 5/25 (TH).

 $\frac{\text{GOSHAWK}}{\text{This species staged an invasion of areas not normally associated with its}}$ breeding populations, including the following winter and spring records: 1-2 Zuni 12/1-28, 3/3, 4/4-6 and 5/10 (JT); Postoffice Canyon, Peloncillo Mts., 4/16 and 4/21 (RS+); and singles at Farmington 1/3 (AN+), Corrales 4/15 and Isleta 4/1-6 (WH+), Bitter L. 12/13 and 1/23 (WH+).

SHARP-SHINNED HAWK

win/rec--2 in Zuni area 12/1 (JT).

COOPER HAWK win/rec--7 on 12/1 at Zuni and 1 on 2/21 (JT).

RED-TAILED HAWK

win/rec--1 at Zuni 2/3-22 (JT); apparent harlani birds included at least 7* between Roswell and Artesia all winter -- last on 3/5 (WH+) -- plus singles* January - February at Cochiti L., Moriarty, Ft. Sumner, near Cliff, Hurley, and possibly in the Rio Grande valley between Albuquerque area and Bosque (JH+). Possible krideri (a very pale race) were seen in the middle Rio Grande valley in the period, the most definitive record being 1 near Belen 2/7 (WH).

BROAD-WINGED HAWK

uns/rec--West of the usual range in N.M. were the following: 1 ad.* at Zuni 5/3 (JT), 1 ad.* near Los Lunas 4/20 and an im.* at Isleta 5/26 (WH+); also a subad.* at Artesia 4/23 (CH) and a probable im.* at L. McMillan 5/14 (CH, Diane Laush).

ZONE-TAILED HAWK

uns/rec--1* at Rattlesnake Springs on 4/25 (SW+); now rare or casual in this

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK

win/rec--singles at Zuni 12/1-28 (JT) and 1 between Columbus and Hachita 2/27 (JDo,KZ).

FERRUGINOUS HAWK

win/rec--l in Zuni area 12/16 (JT).

uns/rec--4 near Rodeo 12/8, 2 near Cotton City 12/6 (WRS+), and 1 at Alamagordo 12/24 (Lou Woltering); rare in N.M. west of Carlsbad, especially in the southwest.

GOLDEN EAGLE

win/rec--1 on 2/1 and 2 on 2/21 in Zuni area (JT).

BALD EAGLE

win-sp/rec--Highs of 6 at Zuni 12/16 and 3 on 2/3 and 2/21, with last 1 on 4/15 (JT). uns/rec--Ad. at Redrock 2/28 and ad. near Cloverdale 2/7 (JDo, KZ) and ad. near Sitting Bull Falls 4/19 (Linda Witt); these are in areas of rare occurrence. Statewide totals to date were: December 79, January 283 (271 in count period), February 65, March 15, and April 2 (JH+).

MARSH HAWK

win/rec--Highs at Zuni 10 on 12/16 and 5 on 2/21 (JT).

sp/rec--3 at Bluewater L. 4/7 (AM); 1 in Zuni area 5/4 (JT).

PRAIRIE FALCON win/rec-1 - 2 at Zuni in December (JT).

AMERICAN KESTREL

win/rec--2 at Zuni 12/12, and 1 on 2/5 and 2/13 (JT).

MERLIN

Win/rec--Single birds at Zuni 12/18 (JT), Bitter L. 2/20 (Kathy Doyle, Jerry French). Truth or Consequences all winter (DM), Dexter 12/5 (CH), and near Loving 1/15 (SW). sp/rec--Late were single birds at Bosque 4/5 (DH) and near Loving 4/7 (SW).

WHITE-TAILED PTARMIGAN

uns/rec--11 pairs were released in the Pecos Wilderness in late May (JH+), in an attempt to reinstate that apparently extirpated population.

59/rec--14 at Ft. Sumner 3/28 and 6 on 4/23-25, and 1 - 2 at Bitter L. 4/29 and 5/8 (CH+).

SCALED QUAIL

win/rec--Down sharply in lower Pecos Valley, including 10 - 30 near Ft. Sumner 1/26-27 and 10 near L. McMillan in December (CH,RM).

uns/rec--1 near Three Rivers camp ground 2/15 (SW,CH) was northeast of the usual range.

CHUKAR

sp/rec-2 near Farmington 5/9 (AN).

uns/rec--9 near Farmington 1/4 (E. Fox) constituted only the second record for the area. win/rec--56 at Cochiti L. 2/25 and 40+ at Ft. Sumner 2/19 (JH): seen at Tularosa 12/6 (W. Bloys); 85 at Lordsburg 2/27, and 40 - 60 near Columbus 2/7 (JDo,KZ).

WHOOPING CRANE

win/rec--9 at Bosque 12/27 and 5 there 1/29 (CAH+); altogether, 16 were present in the Rio Grande valley in the period, while 3 - 5 birds were unaccounted for (U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service).

VIRGINIA RAIL

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni 3 on 12/17 and 2/19 and 7 on 5/15 (JT).

SORA

win/rec--1 in Zuni area 12/17 (JT).

COMMON GALLINULE

sp/rec--1 at Kirtland 5/10 (AN).

AMERICAN COOT

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 250 on 12/10 and 595 on 2/21 (JT).

PIPING PLOVER

uns/rec--1* at Bosque 4/5 (D&SH) represents only the second report for N. M. (details to BRC).

SEMIPALMATED PLOVER

Sp/rec--Up to 9 at Zuni 5/3-18 (JT), 1 Santo Domingo Pueblo 5/6 (WH), 1 - 2 at 3itter L. 4/29 - 5/5 and 4 at L. McMillan 4/19 (CH+).

SNOWY PLOVER

sp/rec--8 at Bosque 4/19 (D&SH).

KILLDEER

win/rec--Highs at Zuni 6 on 12/8 and 31 on 2/22 (JT).

MOUNTAIN PLOVER

sp/rec--1* at Tekapo Reservoir on the Zuni Reservation 3/22 (JT) was a local first; 2 at Clovis 5/7 (MC).

AMERICAN GOLDEN PLOVER

uns/rec--1* at Bitter L. 4/5 (N&DJ); rare in N.M.

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER

sp/rec--I - 2 at Zuni 5/5-12 (JT) were local firsts; 3 at Cochiti L. 5/6 (WB), 4 at Bitter L. 4/25 and 5 on 5/16, and 1 at L. McMillan 5/10 (CH+).

RUDDY TURNSTONE

uns/rec--l* in partial breeding plumage at Zuni 5/10 (JT) is the first for N.M. west of the Pecos Valley and only the third record over-all.

COMMON SNIPE

win/rec--Highs at Zuni were 5 on 12/30 and 2/3 (JT).

LONG-BILLED CURLEW

uns/rec--2 at L. McMillan 12/3 and 71 near Artesia 12/7 (CH,RM); rare in winter in N.M. sp/rec--1 on 5/9 at La Plata (AN), where rare.

SPOTTED SANDPIPER

uns/rec--Singles in the Caballo Dam - Percha Dam S.P. area 12/28 - 1/24 (RR+); rare in winter in the area. sp/rec--High at Zuni was 60 on 5/10 (JT).

SOLITARY SANDPIPER

sp/rec--Singles at Zuni 5/5, 12, with 3 on 5/10 (JT).

GREATER YELLOWLEGS

win/rec--1 at Ft. Sumner 2/19 (JH) and 144 at Laguna Grande 2/15 (SW). sp/rec--Present at Zuni 3/22 - 5/10, with high of 7 on 4/6 (JT).

LESSER YELLOWLEGS sp/rec--Present at Zuni 3/22 - 5/20, with high of 6 on 4/13 - 16 (JT).

WILLET

sp/rec--Present at Zuni first half of May; high of 18 on 5/4 (JT).

PECTORAL SANDPIPER uns/rec--1 at Morgan L. 3/22 (AN) and 2* at Zuni 3/20 and 4/19 (JT); rare in western N.M., especially in March.

WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER

sp/rec--1* at Bitter L. 5/15 (CH+).

sp/rec--2 at Zuni 4/5 and 6 on 4/9 (JT), 4 at Bitter L. 3/3-10 (early!) and 4 on 5/25, and 1 at L. McMillan 5/18 (CH+).

win/rec--300+ at Laguna Grande 2/15 (SW). sp/rec--Present in Farmington area 3/22 - 5/3, with 30 at Middle Chaco Oasis 4/26 (AN); at Zuni 3/30 - 5/21, with 18 on 5/7 (JT).

DUNLIN

sp/rec--3 at Bitter L. 4/5 (N&DJ).

SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER sp/rec--3* at Bitter L. 5/5 (CH+).

WESTERN SANDPIPER

sp/rec--At Zuni 4/9 - 5/20, with high 9 on 5/6 (JT).

sp/rec--2 at Morgan L. 5/17 (AN, Dave Renwald) and 1 - 4 at Zuni 5/6 - 21 (JT); infrequent in northwest. Also 2 at Bitter L. 5/10 and 2 at L. McMillan 5/18 (CH).

LONG-BILLED DOWITCHER sp/rec--At Zuni 3/20 - 5/18; high 114 on 5/12 (JT).

uns/rec--1* 5/12-14 at Zuni (JT), where rare; sp/rec--35 at Lindsey L. 4/28 (SW).

AMERICAN AVOCET

uns/rec--1* at Bitter L. 1/14 (WH, CH) and 1* at L. McMillan 12/9 (CH, GR+); rare in winter. sp/rec--At Zuni 3/23 - 5/21, with 14 on 5/12 (JT) and 3 at Evans L. 5/4 (DZ).

sp/rec--At Zuni 4/16 - 5/24, including 300 on 5/10 (JT), and 33 at Tyrone 5/14 and 2 on 5/23 (D&MZ).

NORTHERN PHALAROPE

sp/rec--2 at Morgan L. 4/18, 1 on 5/16, and 61 on 5/17 (H. H. Lesperance+), up to 15 at Zuni 5/13 - 24 (JT), 10 at Bitter L. 5/25 (CH+), 14 near White Sands N. M. 5/24 (D&JH), and 1 at L. McMillan 4/25 (D&SH). This is a large number of reports for spring.

GLAUCOUS GULL

uns/rec--1* first-year bird at L. McMillan 12/9 (CH+); second report for state.

 $\frac{\text{HERRING GULL}}{\text{win-sp/rec--1}} \text{ subad. at Morgan L. 4/17 (AN), and 11 records from Bitter L. to Loving 12/3 - 5/15 (CH+).}$

THAYER GULL
uns/rec--1* at Blackrock Reservior, Zuni Reservation, on 5/5 (JT) is the first for N. M. away from the lower Rio Grande valley (details to BRC).

uns/rec--2* at Zunmi 5/9 and 12 on 5/11 (JT), and 3* at Bluewater L. 12/20 (AM) are the first records for the Zuni Mts. Also 1 at Morgan L. 4/26 (AN).

sp/rec--At Zuni 3/20 - 5/24, including 66 on 4/14 (JT), 100 at Ft. Sumner 3/25 (JT), and 2 at Tyrone 5/6 (MZ).

uns/rec--1* at L. McMillan 12/21 (CH+) represents the first N. M. sighting (details to BRC).

FRANKLIN GULL

sp/rec--At Zuni 5/16 - 21, including 6 on 5/9 (JT); also 3 - 5 at Cochiti L.

win/rec--35 at Elephant Butte L. 12/27 (RR) and 59+ at Bitter L. and L. McMillan 12/3 - 1/24 (CH+). sp/rec--At Zuni 4/13 - 5/21, including 3 on 5/17 (JT); 63+ at Bitter L. and L. McMillan 3/2 - 5/29 (CH+).

sp/rec--6 at Zuni 4/16 (JT), and 1 at Tyrone 5/6 (MZ).

COMMON TERN

uns/rec--1* at Bitter L. 5/15 - 22 (CH, Jeanne Wilgus); rare in N. M., especially in spring (details to BRC).

uns/rec--I near White Sands N. M. 5/12 (D&JH); submitted without details. sp/rec--Present at Bitter L. 3/25 - 5/29, including 3 on 5/16 (CH+).

win/rec--6 at Zuni 12/1 and 6 on 2/15 (JT).

WHITE-WINGED DOVE

win/rec--1 wintered at Truth or Consequences, with flocks arriving 2/10 - 11 (DM); 4 in December and 2 in January at Alamagordo (Jeff & Sue Jackson). Uns/rec--1 at Bitter L. 5/8 (DC), were casual. sp/rec--1 - 2 at Socorro 4/1 and 4/13, with 5 on 5/13 (PB), 2 near Evans L. 4/11 (RF), 20 in Postoffice Canyon, Peloncillo Mts. 4/21 and 5/12 - 13 (WB), and present in Carlsbad beginning 3/3 (SW).

uns/rec--1 heard on 2/15 at Truth or Consequences (DM), which is north of the usual range.

YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO

sp/rec--Pair copulating in Albuquerque on 5/31 (CAH); this is the third year a territorial male has been present in this area of suburban "woodlands," suggesting that they are now acceptable habitat for this typically riparian species.

ROADRUNNER

win-sp/rec--1 wintered at Farmington (AN) and 1 - 2 at Zuni on 1/2 and 3/3 and 5/24 (JT); rare in these areas.

win/rec--1 at Clayton in the period (WC). Sp/rec--1 at Zuni 3/7 (JT), 1*** in Santa Fe 4/12 (WS). 1 banded at Albuquerque 4/5 (CAH).

sp/rec--3 at Zuni 5/2 (JT) and 1 near Alto 4/13 and later (N&DJ).

win/rec--seen in Zuni area 12/8 and 12/21 (JT).

win/rec--1 in Cimarron Canyon 1/2 (RR). sp/rec--Heard in Oso Canyon, western Rio Arriba Co., in Carson National Forest, 5/23 (AN) and 1 at Zuni 4/1 and 5/21 (JT).

win/rec--2 - 4 Roswell area during period, and 1 - 2 near Artesia 12/2, 1/17, and 2/22, which are fewer than last winter (CH+). sp/rec--1 - 2 at Zuni 4/1 - 5/19 (JT).

uns/rec--1* on the Zuni Reservation 12/31 and 2/15 (JT) and 1 heard in Clanton Canyon, Peloncillo Mts., 2/7 (JDo, KZ); rare in these areas.

win/rec--Singles at Zuni 2/25 (JT) and at Sturgeon Ranch, n.e. of Roswell, 1/20 (CH, RM).

SHORT-EARED OWL

win-sp/rec--1 near Roswell 2/2, 2/26, and 3/10 (CH+).

sp/rec--1 - 2 heard in Oso Canyon, western Rio Arriba Co., 5/23 (AN).

WHIP-POOR-WILL

uns/rec--1 heard in Sulphur Canyon, Sandia Mts., 5/23 (HS); rare in area.

uns/rec--2 at Sturgeon Ranch 5/1, and 1 - 3 in Roswell area 5/19-20 (CH+); rare north of the lower Pecos Valley.

Chaetura sp. uns/rec--1 at Espanola 5/17 (Charles Thomas, RG); the genus is rare in the area. sp/rec--1 at Carlsbad 4/29 (SW) is likely to have been a Chimney Swift.

BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD sp/rec--1 at Clovis 3/28 (M&DC) was early.

uns/rec--An ad. male*** at Antelope Pass, Peloncillo Mts., 4/23 (WB) is the northernmost verified record for N. M. sp/rec--3 males and 1 female in Guadalupe Canyon 5/14 (WB).

LUCIFER HUMMINGBIRD

uns/rec--1 ad. male** and 3 females** in Postoffice Canyon, Peloncillo Mts., 4/15 - 5/12 (RS+) represent the first verified records for N. M. Although courtship behavior was noted, evidence of nesting was not found (WB).

VIOLET-CROWNED HUMMINGBIRD

sp/rec--1 in Guadalupe Canyon 5/14 (WB).

BROAD-BILLED HUMMINGBIRD

sp/rec-3 - 5 in Guadalupe Canyon 5/14 (WB).

BELTED KINGFISHER

win/rec--1 - 2 at Zuni 12/2 - 10 (JT).

uns/rec--Singles of yellow-shafted form at Zuni* 12/30 (JT) and Albuquerque* 2/2 (RT); rare in these areas. Also 4 records from Sturgeon Ranch to Loving 12/1 - 1/27 (CH, RM). win/rec--Highs at Zuni of <u>red-shafted form</u> of 25 on 12/1 and 3 on 2/21 (JT).

GILA WOODPECKER

uns/rec--1 heard 3/9 and 3/13 at Pleasanton (JH) and another seen at San Simon Cienaga 12/16 (BM); casual in these areas. sp/rec--Only 3 counted in Gila Valley 5/2 (RF+).

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER

uns/rec--An ad. probably wintered near Artesia (CH, RM), where casual at that season. sp/rec--Singles at Bernalillo 5/11 and Isleta 5/31 (WH).

LEWIS WOODPECKER

win/rec--Singles near Bernalillo in early February and 2/24 (WH), and near Cliff December to mid-April (RF+). sp/rec--3 at Zuni 5/6 and 2 on 5/17 and 5/23 (JT).

YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER win/rec--Singles at Zuni 12/27 (JT), Ft. Sumner*** (varius race) 1/28 and in the Roswell area 12/1, 12/16, and 1/15 (varius race) (RM+). br/rec--Pair nesting in an aspen at Sandia Mt. Ski Area 4/24 (JND). sp/rec--Singles at Zuni 5/11 (JT) and in Roswell area 3/31 and 4/11 (GR, RM).

WILLIAMSON SAPSUCKER

win/rec--Female in La Luz Canyon, Sandia Mts., 1/3 (Katherine Jenness). sp/rec--Single at Zuni 4/8 (JT).

win/rec--1 - 2 at Zuni 12/9 - 31 (JT). sp/rec--1 at Corrales 3/19 (TW), while spring high at Zuni was 12 on 4/8 (JT).

DOWNY WOODPECKER

win/rec--Regular from Bernalillo to Belen in the period (WH+), 2 on Sandia Crest 2/15 (WH), 1 reported at San Lorenzo 2/14 (RF), and 1 near Roswell autumn to 12/16 and 1/3 (CH+). br/rec--Nest near Los Lunas 4/28 (WH+) represents the southernmost breeding in the Rio Grande valley. sp/rec--2 near Flora Vista 5/9 (JN) and 1 reported at Percha Dam S.P. 4/9 (DM).

LADDER-BACKED WOODPECKER sp/rec--l at Villanueva S.P. 4/24 (JH).

ARIZONA WOODPECKER

uns/rec-- A male in Postoffice Canyon, Peloncillo Mts., 5/12 - 13 (WB); rare in that area.

NORTHERN THREE-TOED WOODPECKER

win/rec--1 at Sandia Crest 2/15 (WH,TW).

EASTERN KINGBIRD

sp/rec--Singles at Kirtland Marsh 5/17 (AN) and Clovis 5/7 (MC).

uns/rec--1 at Zuni 4/1 (JT) was very early.

uns/rec--1** at Rodeo 12/14/21 (J. Schatz, Jr.+); second report for N. M. and first confirmed record. Unfortunately, because of similarities between the two, the record cannot be ascribed to species; however, it is probably referrable to the "real" Tropical Kingbird (Tyrannus melancholicus), rather than the Couch Kingbird (T. Couchii).

THICK-BILLED KINGBIRD

sp/rec--3 pairs at Guadalupe Canyon 5/14 (WB).

SCISSOR-TAILED FLYCATCHER

sp/rec--1 at Hobbs 4/1 (CL); early.

GREAT CRESTED FLYCATCHER

sp/rec--1* at Sturgeon Ranch 5/17 (CH+), based on good details; also 2* possible at Rattlesnake Springs 4/19 (WS).

sp/rec--4 along the Pecos R. between I-25 and Villanueva S.P. 4/24; what appeared to be a pair was at San Miguel, and one of these was darker than normal -- possibly a hybrid with the Black Phoebe (JH). Also 2 at Rattlesnake Springs 3/16 (CH, SW), and singles at Roswell 4/9 (TH) and Percha Dam S. P. 3/26, 4/9, and 5/8 (DM).

BLACK PHOEBE

uns/rec--3 near El Pueblo 3/25 and 4/24; on the latter date these included a pair at a nest (JH) -- showing breeding overlap with the Eastern Phoebe. Also 7 near Bluewater L. 4/20 (AM) and 2 at Zuni 5/8 (JT). All of these records are north of the normal range. win/rec--Singles near Corrales 2/18 and at Albuquerque 2/17 and 2/20 (WH).

 $\frac{\text{SAY PH0EBE}}{\text{win/rec--Singles}}$ at Zuni 12/9, 2/2, and 2/21 (JT).

WILLOW FLYCATCHER

sp/rec--10 at Zuni 5/21, including 2* singing males (JT).

uns/rec--l* singing at Albuquerque 5/13 (WH); casual west of easternmost N. M., especially in spring.

 $\frac{3}{2}$ uns/rec--5 - 7 singing at Alegros Mt., Catron County, 5/11 - 13 (AM) were well south of the known breeding range in the state (assuming that these might have bred).

GRAY FLYCATCHER

uns/rec--5 -- including 2 pairs and 3 singing birds -- in the Soldier Spring area, Guadalupe Mts. 5/31 (CH, SW); if breeding, these would be well south of the known range in N. M. Also, 1 reported at L. McMillan 5/17 (DC); casual in the Pecos Valley. sp/rec--Present at Zuni 4/14 - 5/24, with 15 on 5/12 (JT); 2 singing in Tajique Canyon, Manzano Mts. 4/25 (WH).

 $\frac{\text{HORNED LARK}}{\text{win/rec--}400}$ at Zuni 12/1 and 12 on 2/15 (JT).

TREE SWALLOW

sp/rec--2* at Zuni 3/20, with others 4/1 - 5/21 and high of 30 on 4/6 (JT); several at Clovis 4/13 (D&MC).

BANK SWALLOW

 $\frac{5000}{100}$ sp/rec--Present at Zuni 4/6 - 5/24, with high of 50 on 5/13 (JT); 3 at Isleta 4/6 (WH), and 1 at Ft. Sumner 3/28 -- plus 28 from there to Loving 4/17 - 5/7 (CH+).

CAVE SWALLOW

win/rec--Birds at Carlsbad Caverns N.P. 2/13 (SW) were doubtless early spring arrivals; 4 at Mudgett Cave, Dark Canyon, 4/11 (SW+) were in a new locale for the species in the Guadalupe Mts.

PURPLE MARTIN

sp/rec--1 - 2 at Zuni 4/18, 5/6, and 5/14 (JT).

BLUE JAY

win-sp/rec--1 - 2 at Ft. Sumner 1/28 - 29, 3/27 - 29, and 4/25 (CH+), 1 - 3 at Clovis in April (MC), 1 at Sturgeon Ranch 4/11 and 1 at L. McMillan 4/6 (CH+).

STELLER JAY

uns/rec--1 at Godfrey Ranch, n. of Animas Mts., 4/16+ (JH) was out of habitat. win/rec--High at Zuni of 15 on 12/15 and 6 on 2/25 (JT).

SCRUB JAY

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni were 4 on 12/22 and 3 on 2/1 (JT); 1 - 3 at Ft. Sumner 1/28 - 29, 3/27 - 29, and 4/23 - 25, plus 1 - 2 at Sturgeon Ranch 12/14 and 1/22 (CH, RM).

MEXICAN JAY

win-sp/rec--3 - 6 at Bayard throughout the period, including 12 on 12/20; 10 near San Lorenzo 2/14 (RF).

COMMON RAVEN

win-sp/rec--Eastern peripheral records included 2+ at Logan and Tucumcari 2/17, 5+ 16 - 22 mi. w. of Santa Rosa 3/25 (JH), 10 near Sumner L. 1/28, 1 - 5 at Ft. Sumner 1/27 - 29 and 3/25, 3 at Sturgeon Ranch 12/3 and 1/3, and 2 near Roswell 12/2, 1/2 and 2/2 (CH+). Also present at Zuni, with highs of 45 on 2/1 and 25 on 2/15 (JT).

WHITE-NECKED RAVEN

win-sp/rec--l at Ft. Sumner and 4 at Boones Draw 2/19, 8 s. of Bosque 4/19 (JH), and only 8 sightings in the lower Pecos Valley in December to early February, including up to 40 birds near Artesia 2/26 (CH, RM). Also, 4* (2-3 calling*) birds that may have been this species at Zuni 1/10 (JT); this would be a significant range extension if correct.

COMMON CROW

uns/rec--3 - 4* near Artesia 1/25 (TH, RM) represent the southeastern most report of the species for N. M. win-spr/rec--8 at La Bajada Hill, Santa Fe County, 2/5, 4 at Clines Corners 1/15, 15+ at Thoreau 2/5 and 1+ at Mule Creek (JH), and 13 in the Gila Valley 5/2 (RF+). Also at Zuni throughout period, with highs of 12 on 12/25 and 20 - 40 in spring; common in Rio Grande Valley from Bernalillo to s. of Belen through May (WH+).

PINYON JAY

win/rec--Highs at Zuni were 60+ on 12/22 and 90 on 2/3 (JT); 25+ at Pleasanton 12/23 - 25 (JH). br/rec--Pair carrying sticks for nest at Monticello, Sandia Mts., 3/1 and incubating on 4/1 (HS).

BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE

win-sp/rec--Locally common in Rio Grande Valley s. to the Belen area February - May, with singing first noted 2/18 (WH).

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni of 14 on 12/25 and 8 on 2/21 (JT); singles in the Bernalillo area 1/22 and 2/27, 4 -- including 1 apparently mated to a Black-capped Chickadee -- at Isleta 4/1 and 2 near Los Lunas 4/13 - 5/7 (WH+).

PLAIN TITMOUSE

win/rec--December high of 15 at Zuni on 17th, February daily with high of 3

BRIDLED TITMOUSE

uns/rec--Seen in the Cooks Range, Luna Co., in February (RH); this appears to be a local first.

uns/rec--1 near Three Rivers 2/15 (CH, SW) was north of the usual range in the Tularosa Basin. sp/rec--8 in the lower Gila Valley 5/2 (RF) and 1 at Percha Dam S. P. 4/9 (DM).

BUSHTIT

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 15 on 12/17 and 6 on 2/13 (JT).

WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH

win/rec--Zuni highs of 16 on 12/25 and 6 on 2/1 (JT); seen regularly from Bernalillo to Belen in February (WH).

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH

win-sp/rec--8 at Zuni 12/28, with 1 - 4 4/8 - 5/14 (JT); 1 - 2 in the Roswell area 12/4 - 3/8 (CH+).

PYGMY NUTHATCH

win/rec--35 at Zuni 12/25 and 6 on 2/1 (JT).

BROWN CREEPER win/rec--Common near Corrales 1/22 (WH); 1 - 3 at Ft. Sumner 1/27, Sturgeon Ranch 12/4 and 1/22, and L. McMillan 12/21 (CH+).

HOUSE WREN
win/rec--Singles near Corrales 1/22 (WH), at Truth or Consequences 1/11,
Caballo Dam 12/28 (RR) and 1/16 (DM), and 2* near Artesia 12/7 - 2/6 (CH, RM); Fe, and Cliff), more than the usual number persisted into winter in the state.

WINTER WREN win/rec--l* near Artesia 1/9 (CH, RM).

BEWICK WREN

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 9 on 12/24 and 1 - 2 on 2/1 - 21 (JT); in the Pecos Valley, from Ft. Summer to Loving, 226 records in December, 156 in January, and 130 in February (CH+).

LONG-BILLED MARSH WREN

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 30 on 12/17 and 18 on 2/3 (JT).

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 8 on 12/28 and 4 on 2/1 (JT).

win/rec--1 at Zuni 12/2 - 24 (JT).

NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD

win/rec--1 - 3 in period at Roswell, plus singles at Artesia 12/22 and 1/24 (CH, RM).

GRAY CATBIRD

sp/rec--2 at Zuni 5/21 (JT), and 19 in the Albuquerque area between 5/8 and 30 (WH+).

win-sp/rec--1 at Bernalillo 4/21 (WH), up to 3 at Artesia 12/1 - 8, plus single there 2/23 and at Loving 2/4 (CH, RM).

uns/rec--1* at Zuni 12/18 (JT) was the first winter record there. sp/rec--1 at Morgan L. 4/4 (AN) and 1-3 at Zuni 5/6-24 (JT).

CURVE-BILLED THRASHER

win/rec-- Singles at Sturgeon Ranch 12/14 and Artesia 2/26 (CH, RM). br/rec--Pair fledged young at Monticello, Sandia Mts., 5/26 and another pair with young was there 5/13 (HS).

AMERICAN ROBIN

win/rec--Highs at Zuni 42 on 12/1 and 70 on 2/21 (JT); 1,000+ near Isleta in February (WT), 2,500+ at La Joya S. G. R. 2/14 (CH, SW), 448 recorded from Ft. Sumner to Loving in period (CH, RM), and 6 at Boones Draw 2/19 (JH).

win/rec--1 at Albuquerque 2/16 (WH), and totals of 18 in December, 9 in January, and 3 in February in the lower Pecos Valley, mostly in Artesia area (CH, RM).

sp/rec-- Singles near Zuni 5/11 (JT) and in the Sandia Mts. 5/16 (Central N. M. Audubon Soc.).

GRAY-CHEEKED THRUSH

uns/rec--1* at L. McMillan 5/12 (CH); there is only one confirmed record for N. M., and details will be submitted to the BRC.

uns/rec--Singing male at Cottonwood Gulch 4/20 (AM) was a first for Zuni Mts., and a singing male at Los Lunas 3/17 (WH+) was out of range. win/rec--22 at Ft. Sumner 1/27 - 29 (CH, RM) and 1 there 2/19 (JH); 1 at Sturgeon Ranch 12/4 (CH, RM), and 1 at Percha Dam S. P. 1/16 (DM). br/rec--Nest with eggs and adfeeding young at Rattlesnake Springs 4/25 (SW), and pair carrying nest material at Ft. Sumner 3/27 - 29 (CH+).

win/rec--Highs at Zuni 15 on 12/2 and 12/12, 8 on 2/21 (JT); 10 - 17 in Roswell area 12/4 - 16 and 2/4, plus singles near Artesia 12/1 - 2 and 2/26 (CH+). br/rec--Pair apparently feeding young in a cavity in a sycamore on the Gila R. near Turkey Creek 5/4 (John Egbert+); also pair copulating at nest cavity in Water Canyon, Magdalena Mts. 5/2 (CAH+).

MOUNTAIN BLUEBIRD
win-sp/rec--225 at Zuni 12/26 and 75 on 2/21 (JT); 23+ near Cliff 1/3 and 2/7, and 100+ near Bayard 12/20 (RF); 25 at Socorro in mid-March (PB); 15 at Caballo Dam 1/16 (DM); 8 near San Jon 2/17 (JH); a few in Clayton area during winter (WC); 85 records in Pecos Valley between Ft. Sumner and Carlsbad in January-February (CH+).

TOWNSEND SOLITAIRE win/rec--25 at Zuni 12/18 and 10 on 2/21 (JT).

BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER

sp/rec--Present at Zuni 4/16 - 5/21, with high of 8 on 5/10 (JT).

BLACK-TAILED GNATCATCHER

win/rec--12 along arroyo on west side of Organ Mts. 2/20 (KZ, JDo).

GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET

win/rec--12 at Zuni 12/12 (JT) 30 at Sierra Blanca 2/15 (CH, SW), and 1 - 2 from Roswell to L. McMillan 12/4 - 2/4 (CH. RM).

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET

win/rec--2 at Clayton in the period (WC), and 4 at Zuni 12/28 and 7 on 2/3 (JT).

win/rec--6 - 7 at Zuni 12/1 - 6 (JT). sp/rec--2 on 4/13 - 15 at La Cueva (MS), where rare.

SPRAGUE PIPIT

win/rec--1 - 2 in Roswell on 12/4 - 5 and 3 near Artesia 12/1 (CH, WH).

CEDAR WAXWING

win/rec--Up to 18 at San Cristobal 1/29 - 2/15 (WAH), 3 at Clayton in period (WC), 10 near Isleta 2/20 (WH), 12 in Las Cruces 1/16 (KZ), and 174 records in the lower Pecos Valley -- majority in December and February (CH+). sp/rec--2 at Clovis 4/4 (D&MC), 7 at Albuquerque 5/10 (CAH+), and 10 at Bayard 5/19 (RF).

 $\frac{\text{PHAINOPEPLA}}{\text{win/rec--5}} \text{ in Glenwood area } 12/19 - 28 \text{ (JH+).} \quad \text{sp/rec--10 - 12 courting and mating pairs at Burro Cienaga, Burro Mts. 5/23 and 3 back at Bayard 5/31 (RF).}$

NORTHERN SHRIKE

win-sp/rec--1 im.* at Zuni 12/10, 3/8, and 3/15, plus an ad.* there 12/16 (JT): 1 subad.* near Vaughn 1/18, 1 im.* at Bitter L. 12/11 and 12/16, 1 subad.* near Artesia 12/10 and an ad.* there 12/17 (CH+).

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 3 on 12/11 and 12/16, plus singles on 2/3 and 2/21 (JT).

STARL ING

win-sp/rec--Large flock at San Cristobal 1/29 (WAH), and highs at Zuni of 350 on 12/2, 75 on 2/3, 1,200 on 3/6, and low numbers in April and May (JT). Also lat Loving 2/5 and 2/24 imitating Greater Yellowlegs, and 1 on 2/6 singing like Cassin Sparrow (SW).

HUTTON VIREO

win/rec--1 in Peloncillo Mts. north of Cloverdale 2/8 (N&DJ).

wins/rec--1 reported 5/10 without details at Glenwood (RF), north of the usual range. sp/rec--4 pairs in Guadalupe Canyon 5/14 (WB), plus 2 in lower Gila Valley 5/2 (RF+) and singles at Caballo Dam-Percha Dam S. P. 4/9 - 5/28 (JH, DM), at L. McMillan 5/15 - 30 (CH+), and Rattlesnake Springs 5/2 (SW).

sp/rec--Recorded in the Guadalupe Mts. on 5/31, with 1 singing in Dark Canyon and 2 near Sitting Bull Falls (CH, SW).

YELLOW-THROATED VIREO uns/rec--1* at Bell L. 5/21 (N&DS); casual in N. M.

SOLITARY VIREO uns/rec--Very early reports were of single birds at Socorro 3/28 (PB) and

RED-EYED VIREO

sp/rec--1 near Roswell 5/16 (CH).

BLACK AND WHITE WARBLER

sp/rec-- I at Bandelier N. M. 5/3 (WAH+).

PROTHONOTARY WARBLER

uns/rec--A female banded 5/2 at Albuquerque (TB+), where casual; also a male near Roswell 5/19 (GR).

WORM-EATING WARBLER

uns/rec--Single birds at Ft. Sumner*** 4/24 (TH) and Bitter L.** 4/23 (Lee Morlett) represent the first verified records for N. M.; also I reported at Hondo Canyon, Sandia Mts. 5/3 (GP, HS).

GOLDEN-WINGED WARBLER uns/rec--A male** singing at Albuquerque 5/8 - 5/18 (M. Deutman+) represents the first verified record for N. M.

BLUE-WINGED WARBLER

uns/rec--A probable record of a male* at Albuquerque 5/14 (WH+); casual in

TENNESSEE WARBLER

sp/rec--5 recorded at Albuquerque 5/2 - 16 (WH+), 1 near Los Lunas 5/21 (WH), and 1 at Sturgeon Ranch on the early date of 4/11 (TH).

NASHVILLE WARBLER

sp/rec--Single birds near Los Lunas 4/22 (WH), north of Clovis* 4/12 (LH), at Socorro 4/14 - 25 (PB, RT), and at Sturgeon Ranch and Artesia 4/23 (CH+).

NORTHERN PARULA WARBLER

sp/rec--Single at Albuquerque* 4/16 (WH+) and Bosque* 4/19 (D&SH).

uns/rec--1* at Bloomfield in spring (Janet Rees); casual in N. M., especially in the northwest.

YELLOW-RUMPED WARBLER

Wyrtle form - win/rec--3 near Isleta 2/20 (WH) and 103*** in lower Pecos Valley December - February (CH+). sp/rec--26 records in middle Rio Grande Valley March - May (WH+), including 2 banded at Albuquerque 5/2 (TB) and 6 from Sturgeon Ranch to Loving 3/30 - 5/16 (CH+). Audubon form win/rec--1 at 2 min 12/7 20 (TT) Zuni 12/7 - 29 (JT).

BLACK-THROATED GRAY WARBLER sp/rec--1 at Sturgeon Ranch 5/1 (CH+) and 5 - 6 males singing at Soldier Spring, Guadalupe Mts., 5/31 (CH, SW).

CHESTNUT-SIDED WARBLER

uns/rec--A male* at Albuquerque 5/4 and a female there 5/16 (WH+); occasional in area.

BAY-BREASTED WARBLER

uns/rec--A male*** in Albuquerque 5/13 (N. Hight) and a male and female reported near Cliff 5/2 (M&SO); casual in western N. M.

PALM WARBLER

uns/rec--1* at Sandia Park 4/22 (HS) and a male* near Los Lunas 4/24 (WH+); occasional in the area.

OVENBIRD

 $\overline{\text{sp/rec--1}}$ banded at Albuquerque 5/17 (CAH) and a singing male at L. McMillan 5/3 (CH+).

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH

sp/rec--l at Zuni 5/16 (JT) and 21 in the Rio Grande Valley in May from Bernalillo to Belen (WH+).

KENTUCKY WARBLER

uns/rec--A singing male* on 5/12 at Albuquerque (SH, WH), where casual.

COMMON YELLOWTHROAT

win/rec--Singles near Roswell 12/23 and 1/13 (WH) and near Las Cruces 1/16 (KZ). sp/rec--Present at Zuni 5/3 - 21, with high of 8 on 5/21 (JT).

AMERICAN REDSTART

sp/rec--Singles at Flora Vista 5/9 (JN), Zuni 5/21 (JT), Albuquerque 5/3 and 5/16, Isleta 5/31 (WH+), and Bitter L. (CH+).

PAINTED REDSTART

uns/rec--Singles in Sulphur Canyon 4/22 (HS) and Hondo Canyon 4/9 (GP); casual in Sandia Mts.

HOUSE SPARROW

win/rec--Highs at Zuni 40 on 12/17 and 150 on 2/3 (JT). br/rec--Adults carrying food at a nest at Truth or Consequences on 3/23 (CM).

EASTERN MEADOWLARK

win/rec--60 records from Roswell to Loving in December - February (CH, RM). uns/rec--present* at Zuni 3/14 - 5/24, with high of 5 on 4/16 (JT), 1 at Cottonwood Gulch 4/20 (AM), and 5 from Bernalillo to Isleta 4/5 - 5/27 (DH+); these records are in areas where the species is rarely reported.

WESTERN MEADOWLARK

win/rec--12 in Zuni area 12/10 (JT).

RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD

win/rec--2,200 at Zuni 12/8 and 600 on 2/15 (JT).

SCOTT ORIOLE

sp/rec--3 - 6 single males at Zuni 5/3 - 6 (JT), a pair at Monticello, Sandia Mts., 5/4 (HS), and a bird at Ft. Sumner 4/23 (GR).

NORTHERN ORIOLE

uns/rec--A male** of the Baltimore race on 5/11 and 5/21 at Zuni (JT) was well west of the usual range.

RUSTY BLACKBIRD

win/rec-- 1* at Bitter L. 12/12 (WH).

BREWER BLACKBIRD

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 60 on 12/16 and 4 on 2/1 (JT).

GREAT-TAILED GRACKLE

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uns/rec--15 - 20 at Grants 12/22 (AM) were in a new area for winter.
win/rec--Regular in middle Rio Grande Valley in period, but most numerous from
Isleta to Los Lunas (WH); flocks of 10 - 50 in lower Pecos Valley in January February (CH+). Also at Portales 2/17 (G. Pfaffenberger), Lordsburg and
Deming (JDo, KZ). sp/rec--1 near Santa Fe 3/13 (JH), a few at Clovis 3/23
(MC), 2 near Cliff 5/2 (RF), 20+ at Virden 4/15 (JH), and 250 - 300 at
Carlsbad 3/6 and 3/31 (SW).

COMMON GRACKLE

win/rec--l at Santa Fe 12/14 (JH). sp/rec--Arrival at Farmington 4/18 (AN), at Zuni 5/3 - 24, with high of 8 on 5/19 (JT), a few at Clovis 3/23 (MC), and 4 in Artesia through May (CH).

BRONZED COWBIRD

sp/rec--6 at Redrock area 5/2 (RF+).

BROWN-HEADED COWBIRD

sp/rec--2 - 5 at Zuni 4/16 - 18 (JT).

HEPATIC TANAGER

sp/rec--Pair at Santa Fe 5/12 - 31 (RG), and 2 - 3 at Zuni 5/11 - 21 (JT).

uns/rec--l near Artesia 3/19 and later (CH+) was very early and may have been a stray of the eastern race, which winter west to California. sp/rec--4 in the Albuquerque area 4/29 - 30 (CH), l at Ft. Sumner 4/23, and 9 at Sturgeon Ranch 5/17 (CH+).

PRYRHULOXIA

win-sp/rec--Birds at the periphery of the range in N. M. include 1 - 2 at Socorro 4/13 (PB), Bosque 4/11 (JND+), Bitter L. all winter (CH, RM), Cliff area 5/2 (RF+), Silver City in early June (M&SO), Three Rivers 2/14 (CH, SW), and Guadalupe Canyon 2/8 (JDo, KZ). Also fewer in the lower Pecos valley than previous winter.

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK

sp/rec--Single males in Sandia Mts., 5/3 - 4 (HS), Socorro 5/30 (PB), north of Cliff 5/24 (TG), Bayard 5/15 - 17 (RF), and Postoffice Canyon 5/12 - 13 (WB).

INDIGO BUNTING

uns/rec--What may have been a hybrid with Lazuli Bunting was a male* singing near Albuquerque 5/19 - 30 (JND). sp/rec--Singles in Farmington area 5/9 (AN) and 5/11 (CS), and Isleta 5/1 (JND), plus 10 in Albuquerque area 5/16 (Central N. M. Aud. Soc.) and 8 - 10 at Bosque 5/2 (JND).

LAZULI BUNTING

sp/rec--At Zuni 5/5 - 21, with 6 on 21st (JT); 3 in Albuquerque 4/27 (WH).

PAINTED BUNTING

sp/rec--1 - 2 at Sturgeon Ranch 5/1 - 17 (CH+) were near the species' northern limit in N. M.

EVENING GROSBEAK

win-sp/rec--6 - 8 at La Cueva through the period (MS) and 270+ in Embudito Canyon, Sandia Mts., 4/8 (WH+). Out of the normal range were 1 - 3 in the Albuquerque area 4/23 - 27 (WH+) and Glenwood 4/14 (JH).

uns/rec--A minor invasion occurred in s. N. M., with 1 - 2 birds at Roswell* 12/4 (CH, RM), Glenwood* 12/26 (JH), Elephant Butte Dam* 12/27 and Percha Dam S. P.* 12/28 (RR) and Artesia*** 12/1 (CH, RM); the specimen from Artesia is the second for N. M. and the first of the eastern race, Carpodacus p. purpureus.

CASSIN FINCH

win-sp/rec--1 at San Cristobal 2/26 (WAH), 6 at La Cueva all winter (MS), 2 at Santa Fe 3/30, and 2+ at Pleasanton 4/15 (JH).

win/rec--75 at Zuni 12/1 and 4 on 2/15 (JT).

win/rec--A flock near Chama 1/17 was comprised mainly of Brown-cappeds, with some Gray-crowneds (WAH); 75 - 85 on Sandia Crest 1/8 and 50 on 1/17 consisted of 60% Blacks** and 40% Gray-crowned,** plus 2 each Brown-cappeds and "Hepburn" race of Gray-crowned (D&SH).

PINE SISKIN

win/rec--135 at Zuni 12/1 and 25 on 2/5 (JT).

AMERICAN GOLDFINCH

win/rec--75 - 100 near Canyon, Sandoval Co., 1/3 (MS), and highs at Zuni of 60 on 12/10 and 45 on 2/5 (JT). sp/rec--15 at Zuni 5/13 (JT) and 2 at Bayard 5/15 - 30 (RF).

LESSER GOLDFINCH

win-rec--Highs at Zuni of 12 on 12/18 and 8 on 2/5, with up to 10 on 3/10 -

RED CROSSBILL

win/rec--7 at Zuni 12/9 (JT), an im. male and female at Alto 3/4 and 4/4 (N&DJ), and 8 in the McKittrick Canyon - Soldier Spring area of the Guadalupe Mts., 5/31 (CH, SW).

RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE win/rec--8 at Zuni 12/24 and 7 on 2/1 (JT.)

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni of 5 on 12/9; 7 on 2/1, and 10 on 4/4 (JT); also 1 seen 10 mi. s. of Carlsbad 5/31 (SW).

uns/rec--At least 43*** singing birds in the Pecos valley 4/17 - 29, including 2 at Ft. Sumner and the remainder from L. Arthur to Loving, plus 1 near Artesia in May (CH+); generally a rare migrant in N. M.

VESPER SPARROW

uns/rec--1 at Zuni 12/1 (JT) was late - lingering.

RUFOUS-CROWNED SPARROW

uns/rec--1 - 2 at Sturgeon Ranch 12/3, Bottomless Lakes S. P.*** 12/6, Seven Rivers 12/3, and possibly L. McMillan 5/3 (WH+); rare in the Pecos Valley.

CASSIN SPARROW

win/rec--1 - 4* near Hope 12/11 and 2/10 - 12 (WH+). sp/rec--early singing birds in the lower Pecos Valley area included 1 - 4+ near Roswell 3/4, Ft. Sumner 3/27 - 28, and Loving 3/30 - 31 (WH+).

BLACK-THROATED SPARROW win/rec--1* north of Clovis 3/22 (LH).

SAGE SPARROW

sp/rec--2 singing near Gallup 4/20 (AM) and 8 at Zuni 5/4 (JT).

DARK-EYED JUNCO

White-winged Race: uns/rec--1* near Roswell 12/8 and 3/4 - 9 (CH, RM) was well south of the normal range in N. M. Slate-colored Form: uns/rec--1 at Zuni 12/10 - 30 and 3/6 (JT); 54 records in the Pecos Valley December - February (CH+). Oregon Form: win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 395 on 12/1 and 125 on 2/21 (JT).

GRAY-HEADED JUNCO

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 75 on 12/12 and 25 on 2/21 (JT); most records in Pecos Valley from Bitter L., with 8 on 12/3 and 1 on 2/25 (CH, RM).

uns/rec--1* at Zuni 12/1 and 3/22 (JT); southernmost record for N. M. w. of the Rio Grande. win-sp/rec--25*** near Ft. Sumner 2/28, plus 165 records in Roswell area December - February and 6 on 3/9 (CH+).

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW sp/rec--3 at Sturgeon Ranch 4/11 and 1 on 5/17, 25 at Artesia 5/2, and 16 at L. McMillan 4/22 (CH+).

FIELD SPARROW

sp/rec--1 near Rattlesnake Springs 3/16 (CH, SW).

HARRIS SPARROW

py/rec-1 near Los Lunas 4/23 (VH+), 2 at Socorro 3/6 - 5/1 (PB), and 1* banded at Rattlesnake Springs 4/25 (SW+).

WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW

win/rec--Highs at Zuni of 220 on 12/10 and 50 on 2/21 (JT).

win/rec--1* at Zuni 12/17 - 18 (JT), 12 between Corrales and Los Lunas 1/3 - 2/20 (JK+), and 1 near Artesia 12/2 (WH+). sp/rec--Singles at Zuni 4/13 (JT), Socorro 4/25 (PB, RT), and L. McMillan 4/5 (TH); present in middle Rio Grande Valley to 4/30 (WH+).

FOX SPARROW

sp/rec--2 at Mangas Springs 3/28 (RF).

uns/rec--1 - 2 at Zuni 12/2 - 30 (JT), north of the usual range. win/rec--29 at Bitter L. December - February (CH, RM).

win/rec--1* at Zuni 12/2 - 24 and 3/20 (JT), 4 between Albuquerque and Belen 3/13 - 4/30 (WH+), 35 in the Pecos Valley in December - January (CH, RM), and 1* at Las Cruces 1/16 (KZ).

SONG SPARROW

win-sp/rec--Highs at Zuni of 125 on 12/1, 50 on 2/3, and up to 20 present 4/13 - 5/20 (JT); 3+ at Ft. Sumner 2/19 (JH).

 $\frac{\text{McCOWN LONGSPUR}}{\text{win-sp/rec--1}} \stackrel{2}{=} \text{at Ft. Summer 3/29, Bitter L. 12/16, Artesia 12/7 and 12/10, and L. McMillan 3/1 (WH+).}$

 $\frac{\text{LAPLAND LONGSPUR}}{\text{uns/rec--1} - 2 \text{ birds thought to be this species were at Sturgeon Ranch 12/4}}{\text{and 12/14 and near Roswell 1/19 (CH); rare in N. M.}}$

CHESTNUT-COLLARED LONGSPUR win-sp/rec--10 - 12* at Zuni 3/22 (JT), 20 near Corrales 2/18 (WH), and numbers up in the Pecos Valley -- 1,108 records in December - March -- with 10 still present 4/20 (CH+).