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## SUMMARY OF THE SUMMER AND FALL SEASONS, 1964

THE EFFECTS OF LONG-CONTINUED DROUTH IN THE EASTERN THIRD OF THE STATE CULMINATED BY MID-SUMMER IN THE VIRTUAL LACK OF ANY AVAILABLE SURFACE WATER IN THAT AREA. LAKES AVALON AND MCMILLAN WERE NEARLY OR COMPLETELY DRAINED BY THE FIRST WEEK IN AUGUST, STOCK PONDS WERE ALL DRY, AND THE WATER LEVEL AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE WAS PROBABLY AT THE LOWEST IN ITS HISTORY. THUS THE SUMMER SAW RELATIVELY FEW LONG-BILLED CURLEWS, KILLDEERS AND MARSH HAWKS IN THE SOUTHEAST, AND AVOCETS APPARENTLY FAILING TO NEST IN THE CLAYTON AREA. NUMBERS OF MIGRATING SHOREBIRDS WERE GENERALLY LOW IN THIS SECTION ALSO, DESPITE A FEW UNUSUAL RECORDS. SOMEWHAT OFFSETTING THIS RATHER DISMAL PICTURE WAS KREHBIEL'S REPORT OF THE FIRST REALLY SUCCESSFUL NESTING SEASON IN SEVERAL YEARS FOR SCALED QUAIL AROUND CLAYTON, NORMAL ABUNDANCE OF LAND BIRDS BOTH AS MIGRANTS AND NESTERS IN MOST OF THE EAST, AND PAT SNIDER'S RECORDING OF AN EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD BUTEO MIGRATION IN THE NORTHCENTRAL AND NORTHEAST SECTIONS.

IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHWESTERN NEW MEXICO THE SUMMER RAINS GENERALLY HELD OFF UNTIL MID-JULY OR LATER, WITH EXTREMELY DRY CONDITIONS PREVAILING UNTIL THEN, BUT LITTLE IF ANY ADVERSE EFFECT ON THE BREEDING BIRDS WAS NOTED. AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE WATERFOWL NESTING SUCCESS WAS ONLY "FAIR" WITH APPROXIMATELY 150 YOUNG, MOSTLY MALLARDS AND GADWALLS, PRODUCED, AND COOT NUMBERS VERY LOW; POPULATION LEVELS OF SMALL LAND BIRDS AND WADERS WERE CHARACTERIZED AS "NORMAL". GAMBEL'S QUAIL ENJOYED AN EXCELLENT NESTING SEASON THERE. FEED CONDITIONS AT THE REFUGE WERE EXTREMELY GOOD, AND BY THE END OF THE PERIOD THE SANDHILL CRANE POPULATION HAD BUILT UP TO AN ALL-TIME HIGH FOR THE REFUGE.

FALL MIGRATION THROUGH THE CENTRAL AND WESTERN PORTIONS OF THE STATE WAS SEEMINGLY UNEXCEPTIONAL EXCEPT FOR THE UNUSUAL ABUNDANCE OF SEVERAL COMMON SPECIES OF SHOREBIRDS NOTED AT SANTA FE. W. B. LEWIS AT LOS ALAMOS COMMENTED ON SEVERAL LATE LINGERING WARBLERS, POSSIBLY A PHENOMENON OF THE DELAYED FROSTS IN THAT AREA.

PEAK FALL MIGRATION DATES AT TWO STATIONS IN THE STATE WERE: ROSWELL, SEPTEMBER 16; AND CEDAR CREST, SANDIA MTS., SEPTEMBER 7, 9, 30, AND OCTOBER 9 AND 31.

SOME INTERESTING RECORDS FROM THE SUMMER-FALL SEASON WERE: WESTERN GREBES REPORTED AT AN UNUSUAL NUMBER OF LOCALITIES IN THE FALL; 14 ROSS' GEESE AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE ON NOVEMBER 20; ZONE-TAILED HAWK ATTEMPTING TO NEST NEAR LOS ALAMOS MEANS THIS SPECIES CAN NO LONGER BE CONSIDERED ESSENTIALLY RESTRICTED TO THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE STATE; BLACK SKIMMER AT LAKE HCMILLAN IS APPARENTLY A FIRST RECORD FOR THE STATE; GROOVE-BILLED ANI AT SANTA FE; THREE WHIP-POOR-WILL RECORDS (TWO BREEDING SEASON) FROM CENTRAL NEW MEXICO; RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH, TWO JULY RECORDS FROM NORTHERN NEW MEXICO WHERE POSSIBLE BREEDING SHOULD BE WATCHED FOR IN THE FUTURE; RED-EYED VIREO, SPECIMEN FROM UNION COUNTY, AND TENNESSEE WARBLER, COLLECTED AT SILVER CITY, BOTH FIRST SPECIMEN RECORDS FOR THE STATE; RED-FACED WARBLER IN THE DATIL MOUNTAINS, ANOTHER SOUTHERN SPECIES THAT IS POSSIBLY EXTENDING ITS RANGE NORTHWARD; INDIGO AND LAZULI BUNTINGS APPARENTLY BREEDING (AND HYBRIDIZING?) TOGETHER AT CORRALES; SEVERAL RUFOUS-CROWNED SPARROW RECORDS FINALLY AMASSED FROM THE NORTHERN HALF OF THE STATE, AN AREA WHICH HAS LONG COMPRISED A HIATUS IN THE KNOWN DISTRIBUTION OF THE SPECIES BETWEEN POPULATIONS IN COLORADO AND OKLAHOMA AND THOSE IN SOUTHEASTERN NEW MEXICO; AND BLACK-CHINNED SPARROWS NOW KNOWN FROM AS FAR NORTH AS THE SANDIA MOUNTAINS NEAR ALBUQUERQUE.

HORNED GREBE

2 TO 6 WERE AT LAKE AVALON, EDDY CO., FROM 10/25 THROUGH NOVEMBER (RCB).

EARED GREBE

2 AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 6/5 (PB); SEEN IN SANTA FE FROM 8/13 WHICH IS EARLIER THAN USUAL (PRS).

WESTERN GREBE

1 ON FARMINGTON RESERVOIR 9/20 (AN); 27 OR MORE ON CABALLO LAKE 9/24 (BH); 4 SEEN AT ONE TIME 9/26 IN THE LAS VEGAS AREA (ES); 2 AT BITTER LAKE 10/13 (VM); 5 AT LAKE AVALON FROM 10/25 THROUGH NOVEMBER (RCB); 2 AT BLUEWATER LAKE 11/2 (JS).

PIED-BILLED GREBE

SEEN IN SANTA FE FROM 9/5 WHICH IS EARLY (PRS).

WHITE PELICAN

2 FOR A WEEK IN MID-JUNE AT LAKE MCMILLAN, EDDY CO. (RCB); 40 OR MORE ON CABALLO LAKE 8/23 (PRS) AND AT LEAST 90 THERE 9/27 (BH); 12 AT LAKE AVALON 10/4 INCREASING TO AS MANY AS 400; LAST NOTED 11/30 (RCB).

DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT

NOTED AT EAGLE NEST RESERVOIR 11/1 (JS).

LITTLE BLUE HERON

1 WAS AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 7/30 WHERE IT APPEARS INFREQUENTLY (VM).

SNOWY EGRET

10 PAIR NESTED AT THE ROOKERY ABOVE SIX-MILE DAM, EDDY CO. (RCB); 4 WERE AT THE ESPANOLA BOTTOMS ON 10/1 (PRS); 2 AT BLUEWATER ON 11/2 (JS).

BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

15 TO 20 PAIR NESTED AT SIX-MILE DAM; ALL WERE GONE BY 9/10 (RCB).

YELLOW-CROWNED NIGHT HERON

2 IMMATURES 8/24 ON THE GILA RIVER NEAR GILA, OF WHICH 1 WAS COLLECTED (BH); THIS IS APPARENTLY THE THIRD RECORD FOR NEW MEXICO.

AMERICAN BITTERN

1 SEEN AT LAKE AVALON 10/16 (RCB).

WOOD IBIS

5 WERE PRESENT ON THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE FOR TWO WEEKS DURING EARLY AND MID-JULY (LO).

WHITE-FACED IBIS

2 WERE SEEN AT BELEN 9/7 (LL); 2 WERE SEEN AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 9/12 AND 9/18 (VM, JHS).

CANADA GOOSE

15 WERE ON HARROUN LAKE, EDDY CO., 11/13 WHERE THEY ARE SELDOM SEEN AT ALL (RCI3).

SNOW AND BLUE GOOSE

THE 1450 COUNTED 11/30 ON THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE ARE RECORD HIGH NUMBERS FOR THE SPECIES SINCE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REFUGE IN 1939 (LO).

ROSS' GOOSE

4 FIRST NOTED 10/30 AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE (LO) INCREASING TO 14 BY 11/20; ALSO SEEN BY REFUGE MANAGER, JND, PRS, DURING THIS TIME.

MALLARD

NEST WITH 7 EGGS WAS NOTED 6/10 IN CORRALES, SANDOVAL CO., AND ADULT WITH 4 DOWNY YOUNG WAS SEEN THERE 7/1 (JSF); A FLIGHTLESS BIRD WITH 2 DOWNY YOUNG WAS SEEN 7/11 ON CIMARRON RIVER ABOUT 20 MILES WEST OF OKLAHOMA LINE (DN); ADULT WITH 7 DOWNY YOUNG SEEN SAN GREGORIO LAKE, JEMEZ MTS., 7/21 (DN).

PINTAIL

NOTED AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 6/5 (PB).

BLUE-WINGED TEAL

2 PAIR NOTED AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE 6/2 (DN); 5 SEEN ON A SMALL POND NEAR LA CIENEGA 6/14 (PRS).

AMERICAN WIDGEON

1 THIS SUMMER WITH DOWNY YOUNG IN THE CARLSBAD AREA IS APPARENTLY THE FIRST NESTING RECORD FOR THE REGION (RCB); A FEMALE IN SANTA FE 7/25 WAS EARLY (PRS).

SHOVELER

5 FEMALES ON 6/30 IN SANTA FE WERE OFF-SEASON (PRS).

WOOD DUCK

1 FEMALE WAS ON A POND AT ENGLE FISH HATCHERY, SIERRA CO., 7/3 (DN); A PAIR SEEN 10/23 AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE WAS THE SECOND OBSERVATION THERE SINCE JANUARY 1963 (LO); AT LEAST 1 WAS SEEN ON TULAROSA CREEK NEAR APACHE CREEK, CATRON CO., 10/24 (JC); 1 WAS AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 11/22 (ANC); AT LEAST 2 BIRDS, 1 OF WHICH WAS COLLECTED, WERE ON THE GILA RIVER NEAR GILA 11/23 (BH).

REDHEAD

SEEN IN SANTA FE EARLIER THAN USUAL (7/25, 8/15) (PRS).

CANVASBACK

1 MALE WAS IN SANTA FE 10/9 (PRS); ABOUT 100 WERE ON MORGAN LAKE NEAR FRUITLAND, SAN JUAN CO., 10/24 (AN).

RUDDY DUCK

2 FEMALES IN SANTA FE ON 6/2 WERE PROBABLY STILL MIGRANTS; 4 FEMALES SEEN ON 7/18 WERE EARLY (PRS).

HOODED MERGANSER

6 PAIR WERE SEEN AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE 10/30, AND 2 PAIR 11/27 (LO); 1 PAIR WAS AT HARROUN LAKE 11/13 AND A PAIR WAS AT LAKE AVALON 11/30 (RCB).

TURKEY VULTURE

LAST NOTED 9/25 IN FARMINGTON (AN) AND SAME DATE IN SANTA FE (PRS); LAST SEEN AT LOS ALAMOS 10/4 (JRT).

MISSISSIPPI KITE

NESTED AT ROSWELL FOR THE THIRD CONSECUTIVE YEAR; ONE NEST IN A COTTONWOOD AT ROSWELL COUNTRY CLUB WAS BEING BROODED 6/8; ONE IN A COTTONWOOD AT CAHOON PARK WAS BEING BROODED 6/26; BOTH NESTS WERE SUCCESSFUL EACH HAVING 1 YOUNG AT NEST SITE 8/10; OTHER NESTS WERE ALMOST CERTAINLY IN THE AREA (VM).

GOSHAWK

1 WAS SEEN 9/22 AT LAGUNITAS LAKE WEST OF TRES PIEDRAS, TAOS CO., (BH); AND 2 IMMATURES WERE NOTED 10/21 AT FT. BAYARD, GRANT CO. (BH).

SHARP-SHINNED HAWK

1 SEEN IN LOS ALAMOS 6/1 (PRS); 1 SEEN CAPTURING A COMMON BUSHTIT IN SPRINGTIME CANYON, SAN MATEO MTS., SOCORRO CO., 6/10 (DN); 1 BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 9/24 (MCK); OBSERVED 4 TIMES IN SILVER CITY AREA BETWEEN 8/15 AND 11/30 (BH).

COOPER'S HAWK

SEEN IN OR NEAR ROSWELL 7/19, 7/22, 8/3 (1 DIVING AT AN AVOCET) WERE FIRST SUMMER RECORDS FOR THE SPECIES IN THAT REGION (VM).

RED-TAILED HAWK

NEST WITH BROODING OR INCUBATING ADULT 7 MILES WEST AND 1 1/2 MILES SOUTH OF SOCORRO 6/2 (DN); SUCCESSFUL NESTING REPORTED NEAR LAS GALLINAS, SAN MIGUEL CO., (ES); EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD NUMBERS NOTED IN SANTA FE FOR FALL FLIGHTS (PRS).

SWAINSON'S HAWK

A MIGRATING FLOCK OF 79 WAS NOTED AT BEAVERHEAD, CATRON CO., 9/20 (BH).

ZONE-TAILED HAWK

A PAIR NESTED UNSUCCESSFULLY AT LOS ALAMOS: FIRST ADULT SEEN 6/7 (JB), NEST FIRST SEEN 7/16, AND SECOND ADULT SEEN THEN (DR); BOTH ADULTS STRONGLY DEFENDED THE NESTING AREA FOR AT LEAST 100-200 YARDS, FREQUENTLY STOOPING ON OBSERVERS AND AT ONE TIME ACTUALLY HITTING ONE OBSERVER ON TOP OF THE HEAD; EGGS OR YOUNG NOT SEEN UNTIL AFTER ADULTS DISAPPEARED 8/9 WHEN ONE EGG WAS SEEN NEAR EDGE OF NEST (WBL, JRT, ET AL.). A NEST IN THE PELONCILLO MTS., HIDALGO CO., HAD 2 LARGE YOUNG 6/27 (BH); 1 WAS SEEN AT REDROCK, GRANT CO., 7/25 (BH); 1 WAS SEEN IN MONTICELLO CANYON NORTH OF T OR C 8/21 (PRS).

ROUGH-LEGGED HAWK

SINGLE IN TYPICAL PLUMAGE SEEN 11/11 AT SEPAR, GRANT CO. (BH).

BLACK HAWK

1 ADULT SEEN AT ABOUT 7000 FEET IN RIPARIAN GROWTH NEAR MOGOLLON 7/3 (JH); 1 ADULT AND 1 IMMATURE NOT LONG OUT OF THE NEST SEEN 8/26 AT CLIFF (BH).

BALD EAGLE

1 ADULT AND 1 IMMATURE WERE SEEN BETWEEN SPRINGER AND CIMARRON 11/1 (JS).

MARSH HAWK

1 FEMALE RETURNED TO SANTA FE AS EARLY AS 8/15 (PRS).

OSPREY

1 WAS AT LAKE AVALON FROM 7/1 (RCB); 2 SEEN OVER JUAN TABO CANYON EAST OF ALBUQUERQUE 9/29 WERE APPARENTLY TAKING ADVANTAGE OF THERMALS (GM).

PRAIRIE FALCON

2 ADULTS AND 2 YOUNG (LEFT NEST 7/18-19) WERE SEEN IN CHACO CANYON NATIONAL MONUMENT (DN); 1 WAS SEEN AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 9/18 WHERE IT IS CASUAL IN FALL AND WINTER (VM, ANC).

PEREGRINE FALCON

SINGLE BIRDS WERE SEEN AT REDROCK 7/25 (BH, JH) AND AT CABALLO LAKE 9/24 (BH).

SPARROW HAWK

66 WERE COUNTED 9/22 IN THE 50 MILES BETWEEN FARMINGTON AND DURANGO (AN).

SCALED QUAIL

NUMBERS IN SANTA FE SEEMED LOW (PRS); PAIRED BIRDS SEEMED COMMON IN GRASSLAND OF ANIMAS VALLEY 6/22 (DN); COMMON AT CHACO CANYON NATIONAL MONUMENT WHERE ADULT AND 3 HALF-GROWN YOUNG WERE NOTED 7/17 (DN).

HARLEQUIN QUAIL

BROOD OF 12 BIRDS NOTED AT FT. BAYARD 7/22 (BH).

RING-NECKED PHEASANT

POPULATION ON THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE REMAINED LOW, AND ONLY ONE BROOD OF 5 YOUNG WAS SEEN (LO).

TURKEY

A HEN WITH 7 OR MORE QUARTER-GROWN YOUNG WAS NEAR THE TOP OF SIGNAL PEAK, GRANT CO., 6/14 (DN).

SANDHILL CRANE

ARRIVED AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 10/3 AND BUILT UP TO A PEAK OF ABOUT 38,000 BY 10/22 (VM); 2 FLOCKS TOTALING ABOUT 35 BIRDS WERE NOTED 11/23 ON THE GILA RIVER NEAR GILA (BH); 5500 ON THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE 11/30 IS A RECCRD HIGH NUMBER FOR THE SPECIES THERE SINCE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE REFUGE (La).

VIRGINIA RAIL

REPORTED NESTING IN THE FARMINGTON AREA (AN); AN IMMATURE WAS CAUGHT BY A CAT, PHOTOGRAPHED AND RELEASED IN SANTA FE 9/7 (PRS).

SORA

1 OR 2 BIRDS AT REDROCK, GRANT CO. 7/25 IN FULL ADULT PLUMAGE (BH); 1 KILLED BY CAR 8/10 NEAR CARLSBAD (RCB); 2 IN SANTA FE 8/26 AND 1 9/12, 9/13 (PRS); 1 FOUND AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 9/12 AND 9/18 (VM, ANC); OBSERVED THREE TIMES AT FT. BAYARD IN SUMMER PERIOD UP TO 9/24 (BH).

COMMON GALLINULE

6 DOWNY YOUNG AND 4 ADULTS SEEN 6/15 BELOW SIX-MILE DAM ARE THE FIRST FLIGHTLESS IMMATURES EVER SEEN IN THAT AREA (RCB).

AMERICAN COOT

NUMBERS WERE CONSIDERED LOW ON THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE (LO). ABOUT 1000 WERE PRESENT IN THE LAS VEGAS AREA THE LAST HALF OF NOVEMBER (ES).

SNOWY PLOVER

NOTED AT LAKE AVALON 8/10 (RCP); 3 SEEN AT ONE TIME IN THE ALAMOGORDO AREA 8/16 (JD).

KILLDEER

40 IN SANTA FE ON 9/1 WAS THE LARGEST NUMBER EVER SEEN THERE AT ONE TIME; MOST WERE GONE BY 9/22 (PRS).

MOUNTAIN PLOVER

25 WERE AT LAKE MCMILLAN THE LAST WEEK OF AUGUST (RCB); 89 WERE SEEN 10 MILES EAST OF CLAYTON 9/22 (AK).

BLACK-BELLIED PLOVER

5 OR 6 OF THIS SPECIES WERE NEAR ROSWELL 10/3; THEY ARE NOT SEEN IN THE

REGION EVERY YEAR (VM).

LONG-BILLED CURLEW

1 TO 20 WERE PRESENT DURING THE SUMMER IN CARLSBAD (RCB); THE SPECIES APPARENTLY FAILED TO NEST THIS YEAR IN DE BACA COUNTY WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN REPORTED NESTING IN RECENT YEARS; 4 WERE SEEN NEAR VAUGHN 5/17 AND 5 NEAR DUNLAP 6/4 (VM, JHS) BUT RANCHERS IN THE AREA OBSERVED NO NESTING ACTIVITY.

UPLAND PLOVER

LESS NUMEROUS THAN USUAL IN THE FIELDS AROUND ROSWELL, 13 BEING SIGHTED 8/8 (ANC) AND ABOUT 30 ON 8/16 (VM).

SPOTTED SANDPIPER

NEST WITH 4 EGGS WAS FOUND AT SAN GREGORIO LAKE, JEMEZ MTS., 7/21 (DN).

SOLITARY SANDPIPER

A GOOD FLIGHT, NOTED IN SANTA FE FROM 9/1 THROUGH 9/22, WAS LATER THAN IN THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS (PRS).

GREATER YELLOWLEGS

NOTED 6/5 AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE (PB); NUMBERS MIGRATING THROUGH SANTA FE FROM 8/26 HTO 9/16 SEEMED GREATER THAN USUAL (PRS).

LESSER YELLOWLEGS

GREATEST NUMBER SEEN IN SANTA FE DURING THE FALL IN 2 YEARS OF WATCHING; DATES NOTED WERE FROM 7/25 THROUGH 9/29, THE LATTER BEING THE LATEST DATE RECORDED BY NEARLY 2 WEEKS (PRS).

PECTORAL SANDPIPER

UNUSUAL FOR THE REGION, WERE SEEN AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 7/30 (VM).

WHITE-RUMPED SANDPIPER

SEEN AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 7/30; THE SPECIES IS UNUSUAL IN THIS REGION (VM).

BAIRD'S SANDPIPER

FLIGHT THROUGH SANTA FE WAS LATER THAN USUAL (CA. 8/26 THROUGH 9/29) BUT NUMBERS WERE ABOUT NORMAL; 3 WERE NOTED IN SANTA FE 7/25 (PRS).

DOWITCHER

1 NOTED IN SPRING PLUMAGE 7/31 IN SANTA FE; 1 IN CHANGING PLUMAGE 9/22 IN SANTA FE (PRS).

STILT SANDPIPER

1 BIRD OBSERVED AND COLLECTED AT CHARETTE LAKE, COLFAX CO. 9/11 (BH).

SEMIPALMATED SANDPIPER

1 BIRD, RARE IN THE STATE, WAS PHOTOGRAPHED AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 8/3 (VM).

WESTERN SANDPIPER

1 SEEN IN SANTA FE 7/24; GOOD FLIGHT THROUGH SANTA FE, LATER THAN USUAL, NOTED FROM 8/26 THROUGH 9/29 (PRS).

AMERICAN AVOCET

1 BIRD, SAN GREGORIO LAKE, JEMEZ MTS., APPARENTLY ARRIVED 7/22 AND LEFT FOLLOWING DAY (DN); PRESENT ALL SUMMER AT WHITE SANDS NATIONAL MONUMENT (JD); NO NESTING BIRDS NOTED IN CLAYTON AREA, PRESUMABLY DUE TO DROUTH (AK).

BLACK-NECKED STILT



4 BROODS, FROM DOWNY TO 1 MONTH, NOTED 6/23 AT WILLOW LAKE, EDDY CO. (RCB).

NORTHERN PHALAROPE

14 IN WINTER PLUMAGE IN SANTA FE ON 9/5 WERE THE MOST EVER SEEN THERE AT ONE TIME (PRS).

HERRING GULL

1 ADULT WAS AT LAKE AVALON 11/30 (RCB).

RING-BILLED GULL

A FLIGHT OF 11 BIRDS WAS SEEN AT RIVERSIDE, RIO ARRIBA CO., 10/4 (WBL).

FRANKLIN'S GULL

6 WERE SEEN IN THE CARLSBAD AREA 8/5 (RCB); 6 OR 8 WERE SEEN AT CHARETTE LAKE 9/12 (BH); 12 WERE AT LAKE AVALON 10/6 (RCB); 2 WERE PHOTOGRAPHED 10/22 AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE WHERE THEY APPEAR INFREQUENTLY (VM, JHS).

FORSTER'S TERN

SEEN AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 6/5 (PB).

LEAST TERN

SEEN AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 7/18 AND LATER; NO EGGS WERE FOUND (VM).

BLACK TERN

1 WAS SEEN 6/7 IN THE CORRALES AREA, SANDOVAL CO. (JSF); HUNDREDS WERE IN THE CARLSBAD AREA FROM 6/20 (RCB); AN UNUSUALLY HIGH NUMBER OF 9 WAS SEEN IN SANTA FE 7/31 (PRS).

BLACK SKIMMER

1 IMMATURE WAS WATCHED FOR 15 MINUTES RESTING AND PREENING AT LAKE MCMILLAN 8/5 (RCB, RC); OBSERVED AGAIN 8/7 SKIMMING, RESTING, PREENING, FROM 200 FEET WITH 24 POWER TRANSIT (RCB, MP, NM). NO OTHER RECORD KNOWN FOR NEW MEXICO.

ROCK DOVE

4 FERAL BIRDS WERE APPARENTLY NESTING ON A CLIFF NEAR MOSES, UNION CO. 7/7; THE NEAREST URBAN AREA OF ANY TYPE IS CLAYTON, ABOUT 15 MILES (DN).

WHITE-WINGED DOVE

1 WAS AT CABALLO DAM 6/3; ABOUT 5 WERE SEEN OR HEARD NEAR RADUIM SPRINGS, DONA ANA CO. 6/3 (DN); 1 SEEN 25 MILES NORTH OF ROSWELL 6/4 WAS APPARENTLY THE FIRST RECORD FOR CHAVES COUNTY (VM, JHS, AR); 1 AT WHITE CITY, EDDY CO. FROM 8/1 THROUGH THE FIRST WEEK IN OCTOBER (RCB).

MOURNING DOVE

NEST WITH 2 YOUNG MOLTING INTO JUVENILE PLUMAGE NEAR BELEN 5/25 (DN); NEST WITH 2 EGGS NEAR MOSES, UNION CO. 7/7 (DN); VERY GOOD NUMBERS NOTED IN SANTA FE ESPECIALLY IN MID-AUGUST (PRS); AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE THEY PEAKED AT ABOUT 2500 DURING LATE JULY (LO).

GROUND DOVE

2 WERE SEEN ON A FLODDERED LAWN IN LAS CRUCES 6/14 (PRS); 1 WAS AT REDROCK, GRANT CO., 7/25 (BH, JH).

INCA DOVE

4 WERE SEEN IN LAS CRUCES 8/22 AND 8/23 (PRS).

GROOVE-BILLED ANI

1 BIRD REPORTED FROM SANTA FE ON 9/5 (PRS) IS OF NOTE AS THE BIRD REMAINS ON

THE HYPOTHETICAL LIST FOR NEW MEXICO; IT COULD NOT BE DETERMINED WHETHER THE BIRD MIGHT BE AN ESCAPE; NO PHOTOGRAPH WAS OBTAINED NOR DID THE BIRD REMAIN LONG ENOUGH FOR VERIFICATION BY A SECOND OBSERVER. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS, TAKEN FROM AUDUBON FIELD NOTES V.19, NO.1, FEBRUARY, 1965, ARE OF INTEREST:

FROM SOUTH TEXAS REGION REPORT: "WANDERING GROVE-BILLED ANIS APPEARED MORE OFTEN THEN USUAL. COINCIDENT WITH A SUCCESSFUL NESTING SEASON IN THE LOWER VALLEY";

FROM SOUTHERN GREAT PLAINS REGION REPORT: "ANOTHER NEW SPECIES AT MIDLAND (TEXAS) WAS A GROOVE-BILLED ANI FOUND FROM AUGUST 25 TO SEPTEMBER 9".

BARN OWL

1 WAS NOTED NEAR MOSES, UNION CO. 7/8 (DN); 1 WAS FOUND DEAD ON THE ROAD AT HURLEY, GRANT CO. 9/30 (BH); 1 SEEN IN THE REEDS AROUND A FARM POND NEAR ROSWELL 10/23 WAS THE FIRST REPORTED IN THAT AREA SINCE JULY 1955 (ANC).

FLAMMULATED OWL

AT LEAST 2 HEARD NEAR TOP OF SIGNAL PEAK, GRANT CO. 6/12; 1 COLLECTED IN ANIMAS MTS. 6/24 (DN).

PYGMY OWL

HEARD AND DIMLY SEEN ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS HIGH IN THE ANIMAS MTS. FROM 6/27 TO 7/1 (DN); CALLING IN SPRUCE-FIR HABITAT, SAN GREGORIO LAKE, JEMEZ MTS. 7/28 (DN); ADULT WITH 3 FULL-GROWN YOUNG AT CHERRY CREEK, GRANT CO. 7/25 AND 1 IMMATURE TAKEN (BH,JH); 1 SEEN ON SANTA FE CAPITOL GROUNDS AT DUSK 10/9 (PRS); 1 TAKEN ALIVE BY CHILDREN AT CEDAR CREST ABOUT 10/20 DIED WITHIN THE WEEK (MCK).

ELF OWL

ABUNDANT AND STILL CALLING AT INDIAN CREEK, ANIMAS MTS. 6/20 TO 7/1 (DN).

BURROWING OWL

A PAIR NESTED OFF AGUA FRIA IN SANTA FE WHERE THEY WERE NOTED REGULARLY AT THE NESTING HOLE UNTIL 9/16; 1 YOUNG SEEN THERE 8/1 (PRS).

SPOTTED OWL

1 HEARD AND BRIEFLY GLIMPSED SPRINGTIME CANYON, SAN MATEO MTS. 6/7 (DN); 1 COLLECTED ANIMAS MTS. 6/24 (DN).

SHORT-EARED OWL

1 COLLECTED NEAR QUEMADO 10/24 (JC); 1 SEEN SAME AREA 10/31 (JC, JND); 1 SEEN NEAR MILNESAND 11/28 AND 11/29 (JC).

WHIP-POOR-WILL

SEVERAL, OBVIOUSLY PAIRED, IN DOUGLAS FIR-PINE, DATIL MTS. 6/15 (DN), AND BIRDS HEARD CALLING IN THE MANZANO MTS. IN JUNE (JR) ARE APPARENTLY NORTHERN BREEDING SEASON RECORDS IN THE STATE; 1 WAS HEARD CALLING AT DAWN ON THREE SUCCESSIVE MORNINGS AT CEDAR CREST, 9/28-29-30 (MCK).

POORWILL

2 NESTS FOUND AT FT. BAYARD 6/11, 6/12; EGG IN ONE NESTS VERY SMALL YOUNG IN THE OTHER (BH); SEEN 6/11 IN LAS VEGAS WHERE IT IS UNUSUAL (ES).

COMMON NIGHTHAWK

A FEW SEEN EACH EVENING OVER MIXED CHOLLA, MESQUITE, JUNIPER, NEAR SOCORRO 5/31 AND 6/1 (DN); NOTED IN SANTA FE FROM 6/3 THROUGH 9/28 (HM); FIRST SEEN 6/8 IN LAS VEGAS AREA (ES); SEEMED TO BE FEWER IN THE SANTA FE AREA (PRS);

HALF A DOZEN NOTED BETWEEN LOS LUNAS AND BELEN 9/7 (LL); LAST SEEN SAN JUAN CO. IN SEPT. (AN).

LESSER NIGHTHAWK

COMMON OVER DENSE MESQUITE BY THE RIVER AT ESCONDIDA, END OF MAY, WHERE SPECIMEN WAS TAKEN (DN).

SWIFT (CHAETURA SP.)

SEEN TWICE IN ROSWELL, 2 ON 6/15 AND 4 ON 6/17, WHERE ONLY PREVIOUS RECORD IS MAY, 1961 (VM).

WHITE-THROATED SWIFT

SEEN COPULATING IN MID-AIR OVER SANDIA CREST 7/5 (JLT); APPEARED TO BE OCCUPYING CLIFF CREVICES (NESTING?) CHACO CANYON 7/18 (DN); LAST NOTED AT CEDAR HILL NORTH OF AZTEC 9/25 (AN).

BLACK-CHINNED HUMMINGBIRD

FEMALE ON NEST WITH 1 RECENTLY HATCHED YOUNG AND 1 PIPPED EGG NEAR SOCORRO 6/1 (DN); PAIR COPULATING CABALLO DAM 6/3 (DN); NEST WITH EGGS AT INDIAN CREEK, ANIMAS MTS., 6/22 (DN); FAIRLY COMMON CHACO CANYON 7/17 TO 7/20 (DN); LAST NOTED IN SANTA FE 9/11 (PRS).

BROAD-TAILED HUMMINGBIRD

FEMALE OBSERVED BUILDING NEST ON SANDIA CREST 6/12 (JLT); MALE PERFORMING NUPTIAL FLIGHT ATOP SAN MATEO PEAK, SOCORRO CO. 6/9 (DN); FEMALE ON NEST SOUTH OF RESERVE 6/14 (DN); A LATE FEMALE WAS SEEN AT LOS ALAMOS 10/1 (WBL) AND 1 IN SANTA FE 10/9 WAS ALSO LATE (PRS).

RUFIOUS HUMMINGBIRD

MIGRANTS OBSERVED IN SANDIA MTS. FROM 7/8 (JLT); FIRST MIGRANT AT FT. BAYARD WAS A MALE NOTED 7/8 (BH); OBSERVED 4 OR 5 TIMES IN THE PECOS VALLEY DURING AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER (VM); ONLY 1 NOTED IN SANTA FE 9/4 AND 9/5 (PRS).

CALLIOPE HUMMINGBIRD

1 SEEN AT CEDAR CREST 7/23 WAS FIRST SIGHTING THERE IN SEVERAL YEARS (MCK); SEEN IN NUMBERS FARTHER UP SANDIA MTS. FROM MID-JULY (JLT, MCK).

RIVOLI'S HUMMINGBIRD

AT LEAST 3 INDIVIDUALS (2 MALES, 1 FEMALE) WERE SEEN OCCASIONALLY AROUND A SPRING AT THE HEAD OF INDIAN CREEK, ANIMAS MTS. 6/21 TO 7/1 (DN).

YELLOW-SHAFTED FLICKER

1 COLLECTED SAWMILL CANYON, MAGDALENA MTS. 10/4 (JC); 1 WAS IN THE CARLSBAD AREA IN A GARAGE THE MORNING OF 11/5 (RCB); 1 WAS NOTED IN NE ALBUQUERQUE 11/7 AND INTERMITTENTLY UNTIL 11/27 (LL); 1 WAS IN ROSWELL 11/15 (VM).

HYBRID RED-SHAFTED-YELLOW-SHAFTED FLICKER

1 SEEN NEAR CLAYTON, 10/20, HAD YELLOW WING LINING AND RED WHISKERS (AK).

RED-SHAFTED FLICKER

NO FLIGHT OUT OF THE MOUNTAINS NEAR SANTA FE IN ANY NUMBERS (PRS); FIRST FALL BIRDS SEEN AT CEDAR CREST BEGINNING 9/17 WHERE LARGE NUMBERS WERE FEEDING ON VIRGINIA CREEPER BERRIES UNTIL 10/5 (MCK).

RED-HEADED WOODPECKER

IN RIVER BOTTOM LANDS ACROSS FROM SANDIA PUEBLO, SANDOVAL CO., AT LEAST 2 PAIR NESTING (REPORTED TO HAVE NESTED HERE PREVIOUSLY) 6/14, 7/4 (JND, MCK); 1 OBSERVED AT EL RANCHO, LOS ALAMOS AREA, 7/8 (KH); 1 COLLECTED 12 MILES NW

OF CLAYTON 7/12 (DN); 1 IN CORRALES 7/13 (JSF); 1 IMMATURE NEAR OTIS 10/2'J(RCB).

LEWIS' WOODPECKER

NOTED IN CORRALES IN JUNE, JULY (JSF); 1 FLYING ACROSS HIGHWAY SOUTH OF LOS LUNAS 6/4 (DN); SMALL NUMBERS NOTED IN SANTA FE AND POJOAQUE AREA IN LATE SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER (PRS).

YELLOW-BELLIED SAPSUCKER

NEST IN DEAD ASPEN IN SANDIA MTS. SKI AREA 6/10 (JLT); ADULT AND FULLY FEATHERED JUVENILE SAN GREGORIO LAKE, JEMEZ MTS. 7/24 AND 7/26 (DN); 1 STILL PRESENT AT CEDAR CREST 11/29 (MCK).

WILLIAMSON'S SAPSUCKER

NEST IN SANDIA MTS. SKI AREAS BOTH ADULTS FEEDING YOUNG 6/10 (JLT); COMMON, INCLUDING FULLY FEATHERED YOUNG, SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/22 TO 7/28 (DN).

HAIRY WOODPECKER

NESTING IN SANDIA MTS. 7500' 6/6 (MCK); NUMBERS STILL LOW IN SANTA FE AREA (PRS); NOTED IN NE ALBUQUERQUE FROM 8/29 (LL) THROUGH NOVEMBER (JR); 1 BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 10/28 (MCK).

DOWNY WOODPECKER

1 ADULT MALE NOTED AT SAN MATEO PEAK, SOCORRO CO. 6/9 (DN); MALE AT FT. BAYARD 6/13 (BH); 1 MALE NEAR RESERVE 6/15 (DN); NOTED SEVERAL TIMES IN MID-JUNE IN CORRALES (JSF); NEST IN SANDIA MTS. ASPEN AREA 7/9 FROM WHICH SOUNDS OF YOUNG WERE HEARD (JLT); THE SPECIES WAS RECORDED FOR THE FIRST TIME IN SILVER CITY (ALTHOUGH SEEN BOTH HIGHER AND LOWER IN THE AREA) ON 10/1 AND ON 10/21 WHEN AN IMMATURE MALE WAS BANDED (DAZ); COMMONER THAN USUAL AT CEDAR CREST (MCK) AND SANTA FE (PRS).

LADDER-BACKFD WOODPECKER

FAIRLY COMMON IN RIPARIAN WOODLAND AROUND KENTON, OKLAHOMA, IN UNION COUNTY, NEW MEXICO 7/9 TO 7/12 (DN).

ARIZONA WOODPECKER

FAIRLY COMMON IN OAKS OF INDIAN CREEK, ANIMAS MTS. 6/21 TO 7/1 (DN).

NORTHERN THREE-TOED WOODPECKER

AT LEAST 2 IN SPRUCE TIMBER ON THE SADDLE BETWEEN MT. TAYLOR AND LA MOSCA PEAK 10,600' 7/19 (HC); COMMON, INCLUDING 1 FULLY FEATHERED JUVENILE MALE WITH ADULT FEMALE SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/21 TO 7/28 (DN).

EASTERN KINGBIRD

1 IN CORRALES 6/6 (JSF); 1 AT KIRTLAND 7/21 (AN); 1 AT ESPANOLA BOTTOMS 8/2 (PRS).

WESTERN KINGBIRD

NEST WITH 1 EGG NEAR SOCORRO 5/31 (DN); SEEN FAIRLY HIGH IN OPEN AREAS IN PONDEROSA PINE OR MIXED CONIFEROUS FOREST IN JEMEZ MTS. 7/24 (DN); GOOD NUMBERS NOTED ALL FALL IN SANTA FE AREAS WITH LAST ONES NOTED 10/3 (PRS).

CASSIN'S KINGBIRD

NESTING IN SANDIA MTS. 6700' 6/23 (JLT); 2 ADULTS AND 2 STUB-TAILED YOUNG IN PINES IN CANADIAN RIVER GORGE WEST OF ROY 7/13 (DN); 1 IN COTTONWOODS AT CHACO CANYON 7/18 MAY HAVE BEEN AN EARLY MIGRANT (DN); FALL MOVEMENT THROUGH SANDIA MTS. BEGAN 9/4 (MCK); NOTED IN SANTA FE FROM 8/30 TO 10/1 WITH PEAK DATES 9/13, 9/21, 9/22 (PRS).

SCISSOR TAILED FLYCATCHER

NESTING ALONG HIGHWAY 285 ABOUT 25 MILES NORTH OF ROSWELL 6/4 (VM, JHS).

WIED'S FLYCATCHER

2 BIRDS NOTED AT REDROCK, GRANT CO. 7/25 (BH, JH).

OLIVACEOUS FLYCATCHER

COMMONLY HEARD AND SEEN IN PINE-OAKS INDIAN CREEK, ANIMAS MTS. 6/23 TO 7/1 (DN).

EASTERN PHOEBE

2 FLEDGED JUVENILES AND 1 ADULT SEEN AND COLLECTED ALONG A SHORT STRETCH OF THE CIMARRON RIVER, 5 MILES NE OF FOLSOM, UNION CO. 7/11 (DN).

TRAILL'S FLYCATCHER

COMMON 3/29 (BUT NOT IN EVIDENCE 3/28) IN DESERT NEAR RIO GRANDE NEAR ESCONDIDA (DN); SEEN 6/5 BITTER LAKE REFUGE (RB); CONSTRUCTING NEST, SANTA FE SKI BASIN 6/7 (HC).

WESTERN FLYCATCHER

NEST WITH 4 EGGS, SIGNAL PEAK, GRANT CO. 6/12 (DN); 2 NESTS ALONG ROADSIDE, LAS HUERTAS CANYON, SANDIA MTS. 6/16 (JLT).

COUE'S FLYCATCHER

COMMON IN HIGH PINE-OAK AND CONIFEROUS FORESTS ANIMAS MTS. 6/25 TO 7/1; FOUND NEST 6/25 BUT UNABLE TO EXAMINE CONTENTS (DN); 1 15 MILES NORTH OF SILVER CITY 7/24 (BH).

WESTERN WOOD PEWEE

CONSTRUCTING NEST 6/5 CEDAR CREST (MCK); FEMALE ON NEST, DATIL MTS. 6/15 (DN).

OLIVE-SIDED FLYCATCHER

BUILDING NEST IN SANDIA MTS. SKI AREA 7/8 (JLT); FEWER NOTED IN SANTA FE AREA IN THE FALL (PRS); LAST NOTED AT CEDAR CREST 9/11 (MCK).

VERMILION FLYCATCHER

PAIR NOTED AT TULAROSA, OTERO COUNTY 6/13 (PRS).

HORNED LARK

BECAME MORE COMMON IN SANTA FE IN AUGUST (PRS) AND IN LAS VEGAS (ES).

VIOLET-GREEN SWALLOW

HUNDREDS NOTED IN CORRALES 6/8 (JSF); FLOCKS NOTED IN THE LAS VEGAS AREA MID-JULY TO MID-AUGUST (ES); LAST NOTED FALL DATE IN SANTA FE 9/22 (PRS).

TREE SWALLOW

FAIRLY NUMEROUS AMONG THE COMMON VIOLET-GREENS, SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/21 TO 7/28 (DN); ABOUT 15 NOTED IN SANTA FE 8/13 (PRS).

BANK SWALLOW

MANY NOTED AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE 6/2 (DN); 6/11 ABOUT 25 BIRDS WERE DIGGING NEST HOLES IN THE RIVER BANK AT CORRALES; AS A RESULT OF THE DRY MONTH WITH DROP IN WATER LEVELS BIRDS ABANDONED THE UNFINISHED NESTS (JSF); FALL MIGRANTS APPEARED IN SANTA FE 8/4 UNTIL 9/22 (PRS).

ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW

SEEN GOING IN AND OUT OF NEST HOLES IN CORRALES 6/11 (JSF); A NUMBER WERE OVER THE CANADIAN RIVER, WEST OF ROY, INCLUDING YOUNG OF THE YEAR, 7/13 (DN); LAST NOTED IN SANTA FE 9/22 (PRS).

BARN SWALLOW

FEMALE COLLECTED OVER RIVER NEAR RADIUM SPRINGS 6/3 WITH A NEARLY FORMED EGG IN THE OVIDUCT (DN); LAST FALL RECORD IN SANTA FE WAS 10/8 (PRS).

PURPLE MARTIN

SMALL FLOCK SEEN OVER CREOSOTE BUSH DESERT A FEW MILES SOUTH OF SAN ANTONIO, SOCORRO CO. 6/2 (DN); AT LEAST 4 SEEN AT FT. BAYARD 6/4 (BH); SEEN 6/12 IN LAS VEGAS WHERE IT IS RARE (ES).

GRAY JAY

GROUP OF 4 AT SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/22 (DN); 6 AT THE SANTA FE SKI BASIN ON 8/19, AND 3 ON 10/12 (PRS).

STELLER'S JAY

FLOCK WITH FLEDGED OR NEARLY FLEDGED YOUNG, ANIMAS MT. 6/21 TO 7/1 (DN).

WHITE-NECKED RAVEN

ABOUT 400 WERE SEEN 10 MILES EAST OF CLAYTON 9/27 (AK).

COMMON CROW

NESTING IN TALL PONDEROSA PINE AT ABOUT 7000', SANDIA MTS. 6/25 (JLT).

PINON JAY

BEGAN TO APPEAR IN SANTA FE 7/20; FLOCK OF 50 NOTED 8/16 (PRS); FLOCKS FIRST HEARD AT CEDAR CREST 8/15 (MCK); FLOCK NOTED 9/19 NEAR CERRILLOS (LL); 200 MOVING OVER A RIDGE IN JUAN TABO CANYON, SANDIA MTS., 9/29 (GM); NOTED IN THE LAS VEGAS AREA 9/20 TO 9/26, AND 11/28 (ES); 50 NOTED IN SANTA FE 11/19 (PRS).

CLARK'S NUTCRACKER

FLOCK OF 5 TO 7 BIRDS SEEN AT SAN MATEO PEAK, SOCORRO CO. 6/9 (DN); 5 WERE IN BEARTRAP CANYON, SAN MATEO MTS. 10/3 (DN).

BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE

NUMEROUS IMMATURE AND ADULT BIRDS SEEN ALONG RIO GRANDE AT SAN ILDEFONSO 7/19, WHERE SPECIES MAY BE NESTING IN COTTONWOOD GROVE AT 5600' (WBL, JRT, DR); ADULT FEEDING YOUNG AT KIRTLAND, SAN JUAN CO. 7/21 (AN); 1 WAS AT ASPEN RANCH, SANGRE DE CRISTO MTS. 8/19, AND A FEW AT SANTA FE RESERVOIR 9/9 (PRS).

MEXICAN CHICKADEE

COMMON IN THE ANIMAS MTS., INCLUDING 3 SEEN 6/21 FAR DOWN IN OAK ENCINAL IN INDIAN CREEK (DN).

MOUNTAIN CHICKADEE

NEST WITH BROODING OR INCUBATING PARENTS SPRINGTIME CANYON, SAN MATEO MTS. 6/8 (DN); FIRST FALL RETURN TO U.N.M. FEEDER 10/26 (JND).

VERDIN

APPARENT PAIRS IN DENSE MESQUITE NEAR THE RIO GRANDE AT ESCONDIDA 5/29 (DN); 2 SEEN IN MESQUITE AT THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE 8/21 (PRS).

COMMON BUSHTIT

2 NEAR LOWER EDGE OF FIR FOREST ON SIGNAL PEAK, GRANT CO. 6/13 (DN).

WHITE-BREASTED NUTHATCH

NEST WITH YOUNG LAS HUERTAS CANYON, SANDIA MTS., 6/16 (JLT); PAIR FEEDING 4 YOUNG OUT OF NEST, CORRALES 6/19 (JSF); FIRST FALL RETURN TO U.N.M. 10/28 (JND).

RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH

COMMON IN SPRUCE-FIR FOREST AROUND SAN GREGORIO LAKE WHERE 4 BIRDS, ALL BIRDS OF THE YEAR, WERE COLLECTED 7/22 TO 7/28 (DN); 4 BIRDS NOTED FEEDING IN PAIRS SANDIA MTS. ASPEN AREA 7/22 (JLT).

PYGMY NUTHATCH

FOUND NESTING IN SANDIA MTS. SKI AREA 7/8 (JLT).

BROWN CREEPER

NEST WITH YOUNG IN ASPEN AREA SANDIA MTS. 6/24 (JLT); FIRST FALL RETURN TO U.N.M. 11/15 (JND).

HOUSE WREN

FAIRLY COMMON WITH STUB-TAILED YOUNG 7/1, CONIFEROUS FOREST OF ANIMAS MTS. (DN).

BEWICK'S WREN

COMMON IN RIVER BOTTOM WEST OF KENTON, OKLAHOMA, IN UNION CO. 7/9 TO 7/11; PAIR IN THE CANADIAN RIVER GORGE WEST OF ROY 7/13 (DN).

ROCK WREN

NESTING IN SANDIA MTS., 6600' 7/17; 1 NEST IN A SMALL TUNNEL IN THE GROUND; A PAIR WAS OBSERVED FEEDING A YOUNG BIRD (JLT).

MOCKINGBIRD

NESTS WERE FOUND SOUTH OF SOCORRO 6/1 (3 EGGS)(DN); IN THE SANDIA MTS. AT 6600' (3 YOUNG)(JLT); COMMON IN FARMINGTON AREA DURING THE NESTING SEASON WHERE SOMETIMES THEY ARE ABSENT (AN); LAST SEEN IN SANTA FE 8/23 (PRS).

CATBIRD

1 BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 6/6 AND ANOTHER 8/23 (MCK); 1 WAS AT PECOS FISH HATCHERY 7/6 (PRS) AND ANOTHER 7/9 (MC); 1 WAS AT ESPANOLA BOTTOMS 8/2 (PRS); 1 WAS IN ROSWELL 10/10-11 WHERE THE ONLY OTHER RECORD IS JUNE 1951 (VM).

CURVE-BILLED THRASHER

SEEN IN THE AREA 7 MILES WEST, 1 1/2 MILES SOUTH OF SOCORRO 5/31 TO 6/2 (DN).

CRISSAL THRASHER

SEEN IN THE DESERT 1 MILE NORTH AND 1 MILE EAST OF ESCONDIDA 5/30 (DN).

ROBIN

NO LARGE FLOCKS CAME DOWN FROM THE MOUNTAINS INTO SANTA FE THIS FALL (PRS); FLOCKS WERE NOTED IN LAS VEGAS IN EARLY OCTOBER (ES).

HERMIT THRUSH

1 SEEN CARRYING NESTING MATERIAL, ASPEN AREA SANDIA MTS. 6/24; ADULT FEEDING 3 YOUNG JUST ABLE TO FLY 7/15, LAS HUERTAS CANYON (JLT).

SWAINSON'S THRUSH

1 WAS NOTED AT THE SANTA FE GOLF COURSE 10/24 (PRS).

TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE

FALL RETURN TO CEDAR CREST 9/30 (MCK); FIRST SEEN IN SANTA FE LOWLANDS 10/12

BUT NO GREAT FLIGHT (PRS).

GOLDEN-CROWNED KINGLET

FEMALE OBSERVED IN CONIFER ON SANDIA CREST 6/12 (JLT).

RUBY-CROWNED KINGLET

NEST WITH YOUNG 6/24, SANDIA MTS. ASPEN AREA (JLT); FIRST FALL BIRD NOTED AT CEDAR CREST 10/9 WITH PEAK MOVEMENT 10/31 (MCK); 3 SEEN IN HYDE PARK 10/12 AND 1 IN SANTA FE 10/29 (PRS); FIRST NOTED NE ALBUQUERQUE 11/10 (LL).

WATER PIPIT

3 SEEN IN SANTA FE 10/9 AND AGAIN 10/29 (PRS).

PHAINOPEPLA

2 ALONG RIVER NEAR RADIUM SPRINGS 6/4; ALSO NOTED AT ENGLE FISH HATCHERY 7/3 (DN); 3, INCLUDING 1 FEMALE, NOTED 5 MILES SE OF CLIFF 8/26 (BH).

STARLING

THE FIRST POSITIVE OBSERVATION OF NESTING STARLINGS IN THE ROSWELL AREA WAS NOTED 6/1 WHEN YOUNG WERE SEEN AT A NEST HOLE IN A CHINESE ELM; NESTING ACTIVITIES WERE OBSERVED AT 4 OR 5 OTHER SITES NEAR ROSWELL (VM).

HUTTON'S VIREO

NOTED BUT RARELY IN THE ANIMAS MTS. 6/21 TO 7/1 (DN).

BELL'S VIREO

SINGING MALE IN MESQUITE NEAR RIVER NEAR ESCONDIDA 5/28 AND 5/29 WAS APPARENTLY ON TERRITORY (DN); 1 BIRD AT REDROCK, GRANT CO. 7/25 (BH).

SOLITARY VIREO

NEST WITH 4 EGGS 6/12 IN THE CEDAR CREST AREA (MCK).

RED-EYED VIREO

SINGING MALE COLLECTED IN RIPARIAN WOODLAND 3 MILES WEST OF KENTON, OKLAHOMA, IN UNION CO., N.M. 7/10 IS APPARENTLY FIRST SPECIMEN FOR THE STATE (DN); 1 BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 9/13 HAD BEEN HEARD IN THE AREA FOR ABOUT A WEEK (MCK).

BLACK-AND-WHITE WARBLER

2 WERE NEAR RATTLESNAKE SPRINGS 9/7 (RCB); 1 WAS COLLECTED AT FT. BAYARD 11/4 (BH).

TENNESSEE WARBLER

AN IMMATURE MALE WAS COLLECTED IN SILVER CITY 10/6 AND IS APPARENTLY THE FIRST SPECIMEN FOR THE STATE (DAZ).

ORANGE-CROWNED WARBLER

REMAINED AT LOS ALAMOS UNTIL THE VERY LATE DATE OF 10/29 (WBL).

NASHVILLE WARBLER

MALE BANDED AND PHOTOGRAPHED AT CEDAR CREST 8/23 (MCK).

VIRGINIA'S WARBLER

NESTING RECORDS FOR THE SANDIA MTS. WERE ONE AT 7500' 6/6 (3 EGGS) (MCK), AND ONE IN LAS HUERTAS CANYON 6/20 (4 YOUNG) (JLT).

LUCY'S WARBLER

2 IN WILLOWS ALONG RIVER NEAR RADIUM SPRINGS 6/4 (DN).



PARULA WARBLER

1 SEEN 9/26 AT FT. BAYARD WAS SHOT AT BUT MISSED (BH).

OLIVE WARBLER

PAIR IN CONIFEROUS FOREST ANIMAS MTS. 6/27 TO 7/1; SINGING MALE COLLECTED (DN).

BLACK-THROATED BLUE WARBLER

SEVERAL NOTED NEAR LOVING THE LAST HALF OF SEPTEMBER (RCB).

MYRTLE WARBLER

1 IN FALL PLUMAGE COMING TO U.N.M. FEEDER FROM 11/16 THROUGH 11/30 (JND).

AUDUBON'S WARBLER

SEEN ON NEST SANDIA CREST 6/12 (JLT); DOZENS, ADULTS AND YOUNG, FEEDING ON BEACH AT BONITO LAKE 8/14 (VM); FALL RETURN TO CEDAR CREST 8/25; LARGE NUMBERS MOVED THROUGH (131 WERE BANDED FROM 8/25 TO 10/31) WITH PEAK DATE 9/30 (MCK); LARGE FLOCK NOTED IN LAS VEGAS MID-SEPTEMBER (ES); FIRST NOTED IN SANTA FE 9/16 WITH MAIN FLIGHT 9/24 TO 10/1; LAST NOTED 10/29 (PRS); FIRST NOTED IN NE ALBUQUERQUE 10/7 (LL).

TOWNSEND'S WARBLER

EARLY MIGRANTS WERE NOTED 8/19 IN ROSWELL (JHS); DEAD BIRD WAS FOUND IN NE ALBUQUERQUE 10/5 (MCK).

NORTHERN WATERTHRUSH

SOME FALL MIGRATION DATES ARE 8/15 AT CEDAR CREST (MCK), 8/17 IN NE ALBUQUERQUE (JR), 9/5 AND 9/12 IN SANTA FE (PRS).

MACGILLIVRAY'S WARBLER

SINGING MALE OF A PAIR COLLECTED SIGNAL PEAK 6/13 (DN); NEST WITH YOUNG FOUND IN LAS HUERTAS CANYON 6/18 (JLT); FALL FLIGHT IN SANTA FE FROM 9/1 TO 9/12 (PRS); REMAINED AT LOS ALAMOS UNTIL 10/10 (WBL).

YELLOWTHROAT

SEVERAL TERRITORIAL MALES NOTED NEAR RADIUM SPRINGS 6/3 (DN); LAST SEEN AT RIVERSIDE NEAR ESPANOLA 10/4 (WBL).

YELLOW-BREASTED CHAT

1 AT SAN SIMON CIENEGA, HIDALGO CO. 7/19; COMMON AT REDROCK 7/25 (BH); PRESUMED BREEDING AT CEDAR CREST WHERE IT WAS LAST NOTED 9/10 (MCK).

RED-FACED WARBLER

SINGING IN SPRINGTIME CANYON 6/7; BY 6/12 HAD APPARENTLY MOVED OUT OF THE CANYON TO HIGHER ALTITUDES; 3 SEEN IN SMALL MESIC CANYON DATIL MTS. 6/16 IS APPARENTLY A NORTHERNMOST STATE RECORD (DN); NEST WITH 3 EGGS FOUND AT FT. BAYARD 6/20 (BH).

WILSON'S WARBLER

MAIN FALL FLIGHT THROUGH SANTA FE WAS FROM 9/1 TO 9/22 WITH PEAK ON 9/9 (PRS); LAST NOTED AT CEDAR CREST 9/29 (MCK); LAST NOTED IN LOS ALAMOS 10/8 (WBL), IN FARMINGTON 10/13 (AN), IN NE ALBUQUERQUE 10/19 (LL).

AMERICAN REDSTART

4 WERE BANDED AT CEDAR CREST, ON 8/23, 8/26, 9/19, 9/21 (MCK); AN IMMATURE MALE WAS SEEN IN SANTA FE 9/5 (PRS).

PAINTED REDSTART

SEEN 9 MILES WEST AND 7 MILES SOUTH OF RESERVE 6/15 (DN); FLEDGLING JUST OUT OF NEST AT FT. BAYARD 7/15; GRAY IMMATURE BIRD (ANOTHER BROOD) 1/2 MILE AWAY 7/16 (BH).

HOUSE SPARROW

WITH INCREASING URBANIZATION IN THE SANDIA MTS., THIS SPECIES IS PROLIFERATING; SMALL FLOCK (6 BIRDS) WAS NOTED AT THE CEDAR CREST STATION IN NOVEMBER WHERE FORMERLY 1 BIRD WAS A RARITY (MCK).

BOBOLINK

1 WAS TAKEN AT FT. BAYARD 9/16 (BH); 1 IN WINTER PLUMAGE WAS SEEN IN SANTA FE THE SAME DATE (PRS).

EASTERN MEADOWLARK

COMMON IN ANIMAS VALLEY 6/20 TO 7/2 (DN); SEEN AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 6/5 (PB).

YELLOW-HEADED BLACKBIRD

5 HAD RETURNED TO SANTA FE ON 7/18, AND 3 ON 8/13; NOTED THERE THROUGH 10/11 WITH PEAK DATES 9/5, 9/10, 9/12, 9/13 (PRS).

SCOTT'S ORIOLE

FAIRLY COMMON IN OCOTILLO AND SPARSE JUNIPER-OAK NEAR SOCORRO 5/31 TO 6/2 (DN); 2 SEEN NEAR CORONA, LINCOLN CO. 6/13 (PRS); 1 SINGING MALE SEEN CHACO CANYON 7/17 AND 7/18 (DN).

BULLOCK'S ORIOLE

2 FAMILIES OF YOUNG BEING FED IN UNION CO. WEST OF KENTON, OKLA., 7/9 (DN).

BOAT-TAILED GRACKLE

OF NOTE IS THE LACK OF REPORTS NORTH OF SOCORRO FOR THE PAST SEASON (ED.).

COMMON GRACKLE

SINGLES OR SMALL FLOCKS (UP TO 6 BIRDS) SEEN IN UNION CO. WEST OF KENTON, OKLAHOMA 7/9 TO 7/11 (DN).

WESTERN TANAGER

A FEMALE IN CHACO CANYON 7/21 MAY HAVE BEEN AN EARLY MIGRANT (DN); 14 WERE BANDED AT CEDAR CREST ON 9/11 WHERE THE LAST ONE WAS NOTED 9/22 (MCK); LAST ONE SEEN IN SANTA FE WAS 9/9 (PRS).

HEPATIC TANAGER

1 WAS IN PINE FOREST SPRINGTIME CANYON 6/11; THE SPECIES WAS ABUNDANT IN THE ANIMAS MTS. 6/20 TO 7/2 (DN); A MALE WAS SEEN NEAR CORONA 6/13 (PRS).

SUMMER TANAGER

A PAIR OF ADULTS WAS SEEN IN A COTTONWOOD GROVE AT SAN ILDEFONSO 7/5, AND THE MALE WAS STILL THERE 7/19 (WBL).

ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK

A MALE WAS BANDED AT CEDAR CREST 6/1 (MCK); AN IMMATURE MALE SEEN 10/11 AT LOS ALAMOS WAS FOUND DEAD 2 DAYS LATER, APPARENTLY FROM STRIKING A WINDOW (WBL).

BLACK-HEADED GROSBEAK

PAIR NOTED IN DESERT WASH NEAR RADIUM SPRINGS 6/3 (DN); MALE CARRYING FEEDING MATERIAL, LAS HUERTAS CANYON 6/29 (JLT); STUB-TAILED YOUNG SEEN AT HYDE PARK

7/26 (PRS); LARGE NUMBERS IN SANDIA MTS. (110 WERE BANDED BETWEEN 5/3 AND 9/19)(MCK); LAST SEEN IN SANTA FE 9/10 (PRS) AND AT CEDAR CREST 9/19 (MCK).

BLUE GROSBEAK

FEMALE WITH 1 STUB-TAILED YOUNG 5 MILES NE OF FOLSOM 7/11 (DN); SEEN ALL SUMMER IN SANTA FE (PRS) AND AT CEDAR CREST (MCK).

INDIGO BUNTING

SINGING MALE AT CEDAR CREST FROM 7/8 TO 7/11 (MCK); 1 MALE SINGING AT REDROCK 7/14 (BH, JH); 2 SINGING MALES 6/19 IN CORRALES: ON 6/20 AND FOLLOWING DATES 2 MALE LAZULI AND 1 MALE INDIGO WERE SINGING ON ADJACENT TERRITORIES; 6/26 A MALE INDIGO AND AN UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE WERE OBSERVED COPULATING; COLLECTED IN CORRALES DURING THE SUMMER WERE AN ADULT MALE LAZULI, AN ADULT MALE INDIGO, AND A FIRST YEAR INDIGO, ALL OF WHICH APPEARED TO BE PURE REPRESENTATIVES OF THEIR RESPECTIVE FORMS (JSF, DN).

LAZULI BUNTING

10 RECORDS FOR GRANT COUNTY DURING THE SUMMER INCLUDING 1 FEMALE TAKEN 8/2 (BH); LAST ONE SEEN IN SANTA FE WAS 8/14 (PRS); SEEN THIS YEAR IN SPRING MIGRATION IN THE SE REGIONS THEY WERE PRESENT AT RATTLESNAKE SPRINGS 9/7 (RCB).

DICKCISSEL

5 RECORDS AT FT. BAYARD FROM 9/8 TO 9/25 INCLUDING 1 BIRD TAKEN ON 9/8 (BH); THERE ARE VERY FEW RECORDS FOR THE SPECIES FROM SW NEW MEXICO.

EVENING GROSBEAK

1 MALE AT BITTER LAKE REFUGE 8/3 IS A FIRST SUMMER RECORD FOR THE SPECIES THERE (ANC); FIRST FALL APPEARANCE IN ALBUQUERQUE NOTED 9/14 (JND) FOLLOWING WHICH THEY WERE GENERALLY ABSENT; 4 WERE SEEN AT CLAYTON 11/1 (AK).

PINE GROSBEAK

1 MALE AND 2 FEMALES OR YOUNG, SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/21 (DN); IN LAS VEGAS AREA 7/26 (ES).

PINE SISKIN

1 BIRD SEEN ON NEST IN CONIFER, SANDIA MTS. SKI AREA 6/28 (JLT); BEGAN RETURN TO LOWLANDS IN SANTA FE AREA 7/6 (PRS).

AMERICAN GOLDFINCH

1 MALE IN FULL BREEDING PLUMAGE 3 MILES WEST OF KENTON, OKLA. IN UNION CO. 7/10(DN).

LESSER GOLDFINCH

BIRDS STILL IN BREEDING PLUMAGE WERE SEEN AT SAN ILDEFONSO 11/8, AND AT LOS ALAMOS 11/22 THESE ARE LATE RECORDS (WBL).

RED CROSSBILL

20 WERE SEEN 6/4 IN THE LAS VEGAS AREA (ES); 10 WERE ABOVE RUIDOSO 6/5 (PB); FLOCK OF 12 NOTED IN SANDIA MTS. SKI AREA 6/10 (JLT); ABOUT A DOZEN, INCLUDING BIRDS IN JUVENILE PLUMAGE, IN ANIMAS MTS. 6/21 (DN).

GREEN-TAILED TOWHEE

1 WITH FEEDING MATERIAL OBSERVED ON SANDIA CREST 7/5 (JLT); 1 YOUNG BEING FED AT BONITO LAKE 8/12 WHERE SPECIES NESTS SPARINGLY (VM).

RUFOUS-SIDED TOWHEE

A BIRD OF THE EASTERN FORM (UNSPOTTED) STAYED AT LOS ALAMOS FROM 10/25 TO

10/28; IT WAS OBSERVED FROM 10 FEET, AND LACKED THE WHITE SPOTS ON WINGS AND BACK EXCEPT FOR A SINGLE WHITE PATCH NEAR THE BASE OF THE PRIMARIES, THREE SECONDARY WING FEATHERS NEAREST THE BACK HAD RUSTY BROWN EDGES, OTHER WINGS AND BACK WERE BLACK; EYE WAS REDDISH BROWN (WBL).

LARK BUNTING

IN SMALL FLOCKS IN EASTERN UNION COUNTY 7/7 TO 7/12 (DN); UNUSUALLY EARLY (7/15) AND IN GREATER NUMBERS THAN USUAL IN THE ROSWELL AREA (VM); 2 MALE AT TYRONE, GRANT CO. ON 7/25 WERE EARLY MIGRANTS (BH).

SAVANNAH SPARROW

SEEN IN SANTA FE FROM 9/1 TO 10/9 (PRS).

GRASSHOPPER SPARROW

1 WITH BROKEN WING PICKED UP NEAR LOVING 10/1 (RCB).

VESPER SPARROW

GOOD FLIGHT THROUGH SANTA FE FROM 8/25 TO 10/11 WITH PEAK ON 9/12-13 (PRS).

LARK SPARROW

NEST WITH 1 EGG AND 2 NEWLY HATCHED YOUNG IN UNION CO. NEAR KENTON, OKLA. 7/9 (DN); ONLY 2 SEEN AT CEDAR CREST 8/22 WHERE FEEDING FLOCKS USUALLY REMAIN FOR SEVERAL DAYS (MCK); VERY GOOD FLIGHT IN SANTA FE 7/24 TO 9/16 (PRS).

RUFUS-CROWNED SPARROW

NEST WITH 3 EGGS AT FT. BAYARD 6/2 AND ANOTHER SAME AREA 6/10 (BH); 2 (1 COLLECTED) IN UNION CO. NEAR KENTON, OKLA. 7/8 (DN); 1 WITH FOOD IN BILL CANADIAN RIVER GORGE WEST OF ROY 7/13 (DN); AT LEAST 2 IN EMBUDO CANYON, BERNALILLO CO. 8/27 (PRS); 3 ON THE BOSQUE DEL APACHE REFUGE 8/21, AND 3 AT SAN MARCIAL 8/23 (PRS); 1 NEAR ENTRANCE TO TIJERAS CANYON 10/25 (JND).

CASSIN'S SPARROW

AT LEAST 4 SINGING MALES 20 MILES SOUTH OF ANIMAS, HIDALGO CO. 6/26; THESE ARE PROBABLY EARLY "MIGRANTS" FROM SE BREEDING GROUNDS AS THE SPECIES IS NOT KNOWN TO NEST IN SW NEW MEXICO (BH).

OREGON JUNCO

BEARTRAP CANYON, SAN MATEO MTS. 10/3 (DN); CEDAR CREST 10/6 (MCK); SANTA FE 10/12 (PRS); NE ALBUQUERQUE 10/27 (LL); U.N.M. FEEDER 10/28 (JND).

GRAY-HEADED JUNCO

NEST WITH 4 EGGS SAN MATEO PEAK, SOCORRO CO. 6/9 (DN); ADULT FEEDING JUVENILE JUST ABLE TO FLY SANDIA MTS. 7000' 6/25 (JLT); NEST WITH 3 EGGS ON TOP OF MT. TAYLOR, 11,380' 7/19 (HC); STREAKED YOUNG ACCOMPANIED BY ADULT SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/21 (DN); NEST WITH 3 YOUNG SANDIA CREST 8/5 (JLS); IMMATURES BANDED AT 9000' SANDIA MTS. END OF JULY (MCK); FIRST RETURN TO CEDAR CREST 10/1.

MEXICAN JUNCO

SEEN IN CONIFEROUS FOREST ANIMAS MTS. INCLUDING ADULT AND STREAKED YOUNG 7/1 (DN).

CHIPPING SPARROW

1 CARRYING FEEDING MATERIAL LAS HUERTAS CANYON 7/13 (JLT); 2 EITHER EARLY MIGRANTS OR POST-BREEDING WANDERERS SEEN IN CHACO CANYON 7/17 (DN); GOOD FLIGHT THROUGH SANTA FE BEGINNING 7/20 AND LASTING TILL 10/27 (PRS); FALL NUMBERS DOWN IN LOS ALAMOS (JRT).

CLAY-COLORED SPARROW

3 WERE TAKEN IN MIST NETS AT LOS ALAMOS 9/5 TO 9/7 (JRT); 1 IN SANTA FE 9/5 AND ON 9/12 (PRS); SMALL FLOCKS APPEARED NEAR ROSWELL AND IN THE CAPITAN MTS. WHERE SOME YEARS THEY ARE NOT OBSERVED, FROM 9/15 TO 9/30 (VM).

BREWER'S SPARROW

NOTED IN SANTA FE FROM 9/1 TO 9/29 WITH PEAK ON 9/12 (PRS).

BLACK-CHINNED SPARROW

1 SINGING MALE SPRINGTIME CANYON 6/8 (DN); FLOCK IN EMBUDO CANYON, FIRST NOTED IN THE SPRING, REMAINED MOST OF THE SUMMER (JSF, JND, ET AL.).

HARRIS' SPARROW

1 FALL RECORD FROM LOS ALAMOS (WBL).

WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW

SEVERAL BIRDS OF THE LEUCOPHRYS RACE NOTED IN BELEN-SOCORRO AREA END OF MAY; 2 NEAR SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/25 (DN); NE ALBUQUERQUE 9/5 (LL); FLIGHT THROUGH SANTA FE FROM 9/26 TO 11/13 (PRS); CEDAR CREST 9/30 TO MID-NOVEMBER (MCK).

WHITE-THROATED SPARROW

AN IMMATURE BANDED IN SILVER CITY 10/9 WAS THE FIRST SEEN AT THAT BANDING STATION ALTHOUGH THE SPECIES HAS BEEN REPORTED FROM THE AREA (DAZ); 2 IMMATURES ON 10/9 IN SANTA FE AND 1 ADULT THERE 10/17 (PRS); 1 IMMATURE AT CEDAR CREST 10/29 (MCK); FROM 1 TO 4 SEEN AT CLAYTON 11/3 TO 11/10 (AK).

FOX SPARROW

1 SEEN AND COLLECTED ON GILA RIVER 5 MILES EAST OF THE CLIFF DWELLINGS 11/11 (BH); THERE ARE FEW RECORDS OF THE SPECIES IN NEW MEXICO.

LINCOLN'S SPARROW

COMMON NEAR SAN GREGORIO LAKE 7/21 TO 7/28 (DN); SEEN IN SANTA FE FROM 8/25 TO 10/11 (PRS); 2 IN BEARTRAP CANYON, SAN MATEO MTS. 10/3 (DN).

SWAMP SPARROW

ADULT BANDED 10/18 AT DAZ STATION IN SILVER CITY (WELL OUT OF NORMAL HABITAT) WAS THE FIRST SEEN BY DAZ IN SILVER CITY IN THE 7 YEARS HE HAS BEEN THERE, ALTHOUGH THE SPECIES APPARENTLY WINTERS IN SMALL NUMBERS ALONG THE MIMBRES AND GILA RIVERS; 1 SEEN 11/8 AT RIVERSIDE (WBL, JRT).

SONG SPARROW

SEEN IN SANTA FE FROM 9/1 WITH PEAK ON 10/24 (PRS); ADULT BANDED 10/13 IN SILVER CITY WAS THE FIRST ONE AT THAT STATION (COMMON ALONG RIVERS BUT NOT~ EVEN AS MIGRANTS, IN SILVER CITY)(DAZ); RETURNED TO CEDAR CREST 10/18 (MCK).

MCCOWN'S LONGSPUR

2 AT CLAYTON 11/30 (PRS).

CHESTNUT-COLLARED LONGSPUR

PLUS OR MINUS 25 ON PLAINS OF SAN AUGUSTINE SW OF MAGDALENA 10/4 (DN); 10 AT SPRINGER 11/20, AND 30 AT CLAYTON 11/30 (PRS).