

BIRDS OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY.

List of Leonard Weir, Winner of the First Prize in The News and Herald's Bird Prize Contest.

Mocking Bird.—Dove-colored, with a spotted breast and dark wings with a few white feathers in it. It mocks every bird on earth I think, while its mate is on its nest, which is built of thorns and sticks and rabbit tobacco, being lined with dirt and small roots, with about four or five blue-spotted eggs in it. The young ones hollow, "Eat, eat!" The old ones hollow, "Skip, skip!"

Jennie Wren.—Brown-colored bird, very small. Builds its nest in banks and old houses out of roots and hair. Lays from five to seven eggs, all white, with brown spots and very small.

Be Martin.—A black bird with a white breast. Eats all the bees it can find. Builds its nest of cotton and thorns, lays about four eggs. Hollow, "Teel, teel!" when they see a hawk. Can whip most every kind of bird and hawk. Leaves in the winter.

Black Martin.—The rooster is jet black, while the hen is a black bird with a spotted breast. Builds its nest in gourds and hollow trees. Builds it out of small roots and sticks, pine bark, dirt, and trash of most any kind. They sure can whip a hawk. They are said to go to the far south and eat the coffee while the winter is here.

Blue Jay.—Large blue bird with a long tail with a few white feathers in it. Has a white breast, sharp claws, long bill, its head having a few longer feathers on it. Builds its nest out of thorns and rabbit tobacco (some call it life-everlasting) in pines and oaks mostly. Lays about four or five eggs. Ruins a patch of corn.

Out Bird.—Nearly dark. Stays in hollows and swamps and on the branches. Builds its nest out of the fuzzy bark of a cedar and grass, generally in briar patches and vines. Lays about four to six eggs. Sings very sweetly. Raises about three to four young ones.

Snow Bird.—Very small. Two kinds, the dark and brown. The dark has a white breast with a dark neck; the brown has a spotted breast. Raises about four young ones. Nest built of grass. Lays about five to six eggs.

Sparrow.—Very small brown bird. Sings. Builds its nest of hair and grass. Lays about four to six eggs. Wants grass seed and worms to eat. Builds generally in pines, cedars, and thorns. Raises three to four young ones.

Yellow Hammer.—Very large and yellow-spotted. Has a long bill with a spotted breast and a dark ring around its neck. Lays in stumps and dead trees; pecks a hole in it about a foot deep. Lays about four to seven eggs. Has a few white feathers on its side and in its tail. Raises about five young ones.

Wood Pecker.—Very large with a long bill. Right spotted with a red head. Lays four to five eggs in a hole in a dead tree. Good to eat. Raises three to five young ones.

Sap Sucker.—Pretty small spotted bird with a long bill and long tongue. Lays in dead trees. Lays about five to seven eggs, white and black-spotted. Feeds on bugs and worms.

Hammer Knocker.—Pretty large bird with a long bill and long tongue. Has a red and white-striped head. Lays in dead trees four to five white eggs. Raises three to four young ones.

Thrush.—Large with long tail. Sings very sweetly. Builds its nest of most all kinds of trash. Lays about four eggs. Brown-colored bird; eggs are brown and white-spotted.

Field Lark.—Very large with a spotted breast and a yellow head. Its back is brown with a brown and white tail. Sings very sweetly. Lays about four or five spotted eggs.

Black Bird.—There are two kinds of black birds, one of them is larger than the other kind. They generally go in droves, stay on the creeks and in hollows, eat insects and lay about four eggs. The larger ones are good to eat.

English Sparrow.—Small brown bird with a white breast. The rooster has a ring around its neck. The hen is brown-colored with white breast. Lays about four to seven eggs in trees sometimes, but generally in towns build their nests in the sides of stores and hop about over the streets and eat. Can stand any kind of weather. Eggs are spotted.

Red Bird.—Large red bird with long tail. The rooster is right red, the hen is not as red as the

rooster. Builds its nest in briar patches and on the branches, builds of leaves and the fuzzy bark of oars. Lays four spotted eggs. Follows very sweetly. Eats bugs and worms and goes in traps and gets corn.

Hollow Bird.—A small bird that ranges in the hollows and builds its nest of leaves and lines it with mud and then lines that with small roots. Lays four blue eggs. Eats insects.

Partridge.—A large bird with a short bill, brown-colored. The rooster has a white-striped head, while the hen has a yellow-striped head. Lays about ten to twenty eggs, raises most every one. The rooster hollows, "Bob White!" Feeds on insects, grass seed, wheat, peas, corn, or anything they can find. Meat very sweet. People shoot and net them. Can run and fly very fast. Builds its nest in the grass with the mouth turned towards the sunrise. They scratch a hole in the ground and line it with straw.

Turtle Dove.—Large bluish-colored bird with a white breast and long tail. They hollow when it is time to plant corn. They say, "It's time to plant corn!" Builds its nest of pine straw in pines and cedars, right flat. Lays two eggs; sometimes raises both. They stay around the hog pastures. Has short legs and long toes.

Crow.—A large black bird with a long bill. Builds its nest in pines, maple and oaks. Lays four blue and white-spotted eggs in a nest made of sticks and thorns. Very large nest walled with mud, and then that lined with soft cedar bark. Raises nearly all of them. They are awful to pull up corn and eat the young ears of corn.

Chicken Hawk.—Large blue hawk with a long tail and a spotted breast. Lays two eggs. Nest is made just like the crow's. Lays big white eggs about the same size of a guinea egg. [Here follows drawing of a chicken hawk's foot.—Ed.]

Rabbit Hawk.—Very large brown hawk with a spotted breast and long tail. Has a large nest made of sticks and thorns. Lays two large white eggs. Can carry rabbits anywhere. They fly low to the ground and see the rabbits.

Sparrow Hawk.—Small, with a very long tail, spotted breast, big head, short bill, sharp claws, brown back. Eats sparrows and other small birds. Lays about two eggs in a small nest.

Turkey Buzzard.—Very large bird with a large bill and a naked head, dark-colored large wings, and short legs. Feeds on dead prey and animals. Lays two eggs about the size of a turkey under rocks and banks, in stumps and logs. Can stand severe weather. The young ones are white. They stay on the nest about three weeks.

Georgia Buzzard.—Not as large as the turkey buzzard, but blacker. Sails right fast and flaps its wings right quick. These two kind can smell very far. Lays two eggs in places like the turkey buzzard.

Rice Bird.—A common-sized bird with a large head, yellow breast and pretty long tail. Lays four to five eggs. Sometimes stay around here. They eat rice.

Night Owl.—Very large, stays in the woods in the daytime and rambles about hunting prey at night.

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Scream Owl.—A somewhat smaller bird than the night owl. Lays two eggs. Has a head like a cat, and little ears. The rooster is brown, while the hen is gray.

Short Tail.—A large bird with a red head, black back and white tail. Lays four eggs in a dead tree. Ranges in new grounds. Eats bugs and worms and other insects. Will ruin a patch of roasting ears.

Green Heron.—Large bird like the crane. Has a long neck and bill, long legs, short tail, bluish colored. Lays in a nest in a tree. Right flat eggs, blue, four to seven in number. Stays on creeks. Feeds on little fish.

Crane.—Very large bird; different colors. Ranges on creeks. Eats fish. Has a long neck, long bill, long legs, so it can get in deep water to catch fish. They are some very large ones.

Hanging Birds.—There are two or three kinds of hanging birds; one very small, one common-sized. The small one builds its nest of the old fur off of old oak boards, hangs it on a forked limb. Very small bird, lays four eggs. The larger one builds its nest the same way, but of grass; builds around the houses.

Phoebe Bird.—A very small bird. Hollows, "Thee, phoebe!" soon every morning and late every evening. Sits on dead limbs mostly. Has a small nest. Lays four eggs. Eats every fly they can get. You can see them sitting around pen or pasture catching the flies off the cows soon every morning and late every evening.

P. S.—I am a boy of the Crosbyville Institute. I love to go to school. Miss Ida Patrick, of White Oak, is my teacher. I like to go to her fine. I have written all this myself. My brothers used to laugh at me for counting every bird's nest that I found, the number of eggs in it, and finding out the name of the birds.

Editorial Note.—In transmitting the compositions in the bird contest to the committee who examined the papers, their attention was called to the fact that the principal thing was the writer's personal knowledge of the subject. Of the above paper the committee in its report says that in their opinion "it displays the greatest amount of originality, personal knowledge, and observation." They also add: "We feel grateful at the large number of papers handed in, some of which are excellent in quality and beautifully executed."

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