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STATE OF MICHIGAN - The Probate Court for the County of Oakland, in and for the City of Pontiac, Michigan, do hereby certify that the will of WILLIAM H. GIBSON, deceased, was admitted to probate in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, on the 17th day of March, A. D. 1960.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, on the 17th day of March, A. D. 1960.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

Notice is hereby given and it is hereby ordered that the time and place for hearing on claims against the above estate are further noticed and referred to prove their claims at said hearing and prior to said hearing to file written claim therewith, with this Court and with the Secretary of this estate, under oath, containing sufficient detail reasonably to inform the judicial officer of the nature and amount of the claim.

It is further ordered that notice be given to all interested parties as shown by the records in this cause by delivering a copy of this order to each of them personally, or by mailing such copy to each of them at their registered address, with their respective last-known addresses shown by the files and records in this cause.

And it is further ordered that public notice of this order and of the substance of a copy of this order each week for three successive weeks previous to the date of hearing in the BIRMINGHAM EVENING ECENTRIC a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

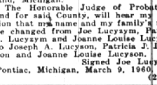
ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

George J. Fulkerson, Atty., 1028 East Maple Rd., Birmingham 12, Ala.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: Please take notice that on Monday, the 14th day of April, 1960, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at the office of the Judge of Probate at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, County of Oakland, Michigan.

The Honorable Judge of Probate in and for said County, will hear my petition that my name and my family's name be changed from Joe Lucyszyn, Patricia J. Lucyszyn and Joanne Louise Lucyszyn to Joseph A. Lucyszyn, Patricia J. Lucyszyn and Joanne Louise Lucyszyn.

Signed Joe Lucyszyn Pontiac, Michigan, March 9, 1960. (2-3-4)



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All Their Work Is for the Birds

By WALTER P. NICKELL
Special Writer

Karl Bailey and I have been on the road our first two weeks. We came down the Gulf coast of Texas, through Christburg, Kingsville, the capital of the famous King's Ranch, to Brownsville and the large muddy creek, noted as the Rio Grande.

At Brownsville we were held up four days by permit trouble but took full advantage of our time by visiting large concentrations of birds which are fascinating from states to the north, including Michigan.

AN ESTIMATED 30,000 cowbirds, red-winged blackbirds, common grackles, and mourning doves were found at a large cattle feeding station near Brownsville, and a few were banded from nets. The wind was blowing a gale, hence netting was bad.

Here we saw white-winged and Inca doves, great-tailed grackles, glossy ibis, wild turkeys, Audubon's caracaras, black vultures, turkey vultures, pyrrhuloxias, Hudsonian curlews, and several shorebirds and our first golden-fronted woodpecker. Mockingbirds were much in evidence.

Most of our first day's journey into Mexico was through the desert country of Tamaulipas. The temperature was about 100° F.

NEARLY ALL vegetation was armed with many forms of hooks, barbs and thorns—a paradise for a botanist wearing tin smith's gloves. Many dead animals (killed by trucks) were the festal places of hordes of turkey and black vultures and crows. Burros are probably the commonest mammal.

We saw many birds new to me in life as we moved about the desert and the milder coastal areas through Tampico, Tuxpan, Papanala, to Vera Cruz. The roadrunner, pyrrhuloxia, D. r. by greatcatcher, groove-billed ani and others.

For two days we have been netting at an ideal place on a large island surrounded by low mountains. The trees and shrubs are largely orange yellow, cedar, and several species of acacias.

TWO-THIRDS of the 37 species of birds we have caught are U. S. and Canadian. The list of northern migrants contains only two species which I have not banded before, the whirled vireo and the great-tailed grackle. The others I have banded from the nets below C.I.S. They are wood thrush, Swainson's thrush, yellow-breasted chat, yellow warbler, American red-start, magnolia warbler, Wilson's warbler, hooded warbler, an Empidonax flycatcher, scarlet tanager, blue-billed bunting, and others.

About 40 miles south of Villahermosa we set our nets up again below a tropical rain forest, capturing more of both northern and Mexican species. Added to the U. S. list here were the mourning dove, belted kingfisher, rose-breasted grosbeak, and black and white warbler.

THE ONLY duplication of species found at Catemaco banded here was the most beautiful sixty forms of the flycatcher group are found in Mexico, some large and colorful.

Bird sounds are everywhere in the towns and countryside. Perhaps the most noisy bird of all is a large jay, called "Pepe." Handling the one we captured was a two-man job. He not only flew and clacked like a gannet, but used his sharp claws as viciously as a great horned owl. Our Spanish vocabulary was not sufficient for the occasion so we had to revert to English in the strongest terms.

I AM AMAZED at the almost uncountable hordes of black vultures which gather at garbage dumps and every place and along the highways. The finest singer we have heard thus far is the melodious blackbird of the size of our common grackle but with his squacky-gate sound much more musical and well timed.

It is raining today and we are without raincoats, which were left

behind in the load lightening operations at C.I.S. I do have my boots—they are a must when we set up nets in marshy areas. I will try to find a raincoat or perhaps a poncho as nature does not appear to respect man's destruction of "the dry season."

Banding at the foot of mountains covered with tropical rain forest near Teapa, we captured

our first painted buntings, two brilliant males and a green female. The most curious bird we have netted so far is the groove-billed ani which follows cattle and horses even closer than does our headed cowbird of the north.

By the use of sulphur powder and 612 we have thus far avoided any difficulty from garapintins, chiggers, and biting gnats. We

come in at night looking like bees covered with pollen. A hot shower is very welcome when we can get one. As far as foods are concerned, the soups are good as is the bread; the others are endurable.

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