

closed tight. But if taken in the hand its wings would spread and its closed eyes would pop wide open. If one's finger were placed in front of the young it would quickly and vigorously thrust its wide mouth at it, at the same time offering its soft squawking notes. It was certainly a beautiful site to see the young ones walk about with their wings held up in the manner of a sea gull after alighting upon the ground or water with wings held high. The young birds were about 4 feet from their nest which held fragments of egg shells and droppings. The protective coloration of these young birds are so thoroughly coordinated with the surroundings that while I was examining the nest I did not see the young young for 30 seconds. This nest was on the east side of Wallshung valley. Found another nest of 2 eggs on the point of hatching. The nest received the morning sun but was protected from the hot scorching sun of the afternoon. Placed at the base of a sage bush. Another nest found with 2 young. In strawberry valley found a nest of young some 5-6 days old. This nest was placed in the sage brush on the side of a hill that protruded into the valley. near the strapping dam along the Strawberry river. Located another nest from the road by watching the activity of the bird in the air. Another nest of young was also found near here.

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a flock of 13 Rocky Mountain Pine Grosbeaks flew into a tree 100 feet from the south end of Mirror Lake in the Montana. The lone conifer stood in the clearing. From beneath the tree and with binoculars was able to observe them very closely. The ♀ outnumbered the males. They seemed to be most interested in the seeds usually being able to reach them from the end of the upper cone bearing limbs. It was not very long until some of them had ranged over to a near by tree and occasionally some would fly down to the low stumps. From a position on the lower shrubs and stumps the fullest and truest red color of the bird seemed to be at an advantage. The birds seemed to be fearless even at our close range. This occasion brought to my mind experiences with this same bird in Utah County. I am positive that I met this bird, or rather a pair of birds, near the divide of N. Fork in back of mt. Timpanogas. mt. while on a skung trip around the loop in February of 1933. Their actions were entirely different from those birds at Mirror Lake. These winter birds here were very noisy and flew from tree to tree in advance keeping quite well out of site. The birds at Mirror Lake were fearless and quiet being unconcerned about our presence. John B. Gassford of Provo described a bird that fit the description of this bird which was occasionally seen during the summer time near Aspin Grove. Such a record from description should be held doubtful.

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while fishing down a stretch of H₂O near Vivian Park I observed what I considered representative of a human trait. One young