

Water ouzel ³³⁰⁷²⁰⁻¹⁰ was standing on a log that was resting over the water very near where I was fishing. After watching for some time I noticed that the regular method of feeding was for one of the parents to arrive from either up or down stream, alight upon the log and offer the meal. It was not long, however, until the parent in bringing its variety of bugs had evidently picked up something that did not satisfy to the young ones appeal. With the feeding ways of before the parent insisted that the young one should make a display by leveling the body horizontally and vigorously vibrate its outstretched wings, at the same time offering an interest call. But not in this case. The parent bird tried willingly to force the bug, but the little imp simply turned away and ignored the treat. The bug or its resemblance was much larger than had previously been offered. It surely represented a pretty site to watch the mother bird stand near the little one and wait until she thought that it had paid its price in display. Of course the young did not rush for the food as would a pig, but repeated the exhibition until the parent bird stepped over to the young and presented the food, of which the young ate quickly. The sight of the refusal of the undesirable food offer, the parents desire for appreciation, and the sudden change from the clear air to an atmosphere of noise when adult approached the young one will always remain in my memory.

This year the ouzel seemed to be generally distributed in the canyon, both south fork, north fork & course of Provo River. One commonly sees the different families along the river from mouth of Canyon to head of Beaver Creek. Nests of these birds have been seen in south fork, north fork, Deer Creek, Hobbie Cr. Payson Canyon and practically every tributary entering Utah Valley. Some of the nests were placed under bridges, under several falls, where spray continually hits nest, in cliffs 30' from ground, along edge of creek on bank etc. Birds observed common in winter time.

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The turkey vultures appear to be quite generally distributed along the east mountains bordering Utah Valley. It is only natural to assume that such a bird as the vulture with its power of flight should cover considerable territory. So the data following should not necessarily represent different individuals of the country. These notes are not recorded in notes above so am including these site records to make more clearly the distribution of these birds. Can say that they have been seen along the entire east exposures of Utah Valley. On every trip on the east hills in the last three years have observed these birds, generally in 1 or 2, rarely more in company of each other. While watching a red tail and its young at the mouth of Provo Canyon, one bird flew directly over. In the canyon north of rock Canyon a bird left the cliff and flew south. A good nesting canyon. In spring of 1931 five