

nest of one egg of the Black Billed Magpie. nest placed in a group of oak trees. nest seven feet high from ground. nest usual but massive roof above, at least 2 feet. male called continuously from the top of a telephone pole 200' away but female remained upon nest until near. It then left on own accord and quietly sneaked off, finally joining mate on top of pole. They remained on top of pole and then ♀ followed ♂. They did return during inspection of the nest. Nest inner cup lined with horse hair as well as the regular small rootlets. 1 mile south of the mouth of Rock Canyon. Two deserted and used nests were within 100' of this nest; placed in similar situations. One 10' high & one 5' high.

Examined another magpie nest further down the range. nest of 1 egg, placed in group of trees on steep north exposure of a steep gully. nest 5' high and made as usual. Protective material on top conformed to the slant of the upper tree foliage and not with the horizontal nest position. Male bird on watch 50' away but did not offer a sound. The ♀ left nest with -



out a sound. They both left quietly but when I started to investigate the nest the two birds were soon on the job and called continuously from 15' distance. Left bird still fussing. In two minutes later they subsided and became quiet again, as if nothing had ever happened. From a distance watch these birds readjust. They timidly approached the nest. While they were fussing during the inspection of the nest, two neighboring birds, ^(magpies) were attracted to the area where they remained within 100' of the nest. Another magpie nest 200' to the south did not, however, come to this center of disturbance. From these reactions expected to find another magpie nest north of this one. I was right in later inspection. It did not possess egg but nest completed. It was placed 15' in a tree, on top of a hill.

Examined another magpie nest at the mouth of Rock Canyon proper. nest under construction with rim of inner cup still wet with mud. no rootlets present. Protective roof roof 2 1/2 feet high. nest overall - 4" x 4" feet from ground. In small thicket of oak. Bird did not appear for some time but remained in same locality. Several Woodhouse Jay here also.

4-22-34.

Examined Prairie Falcon nest of 4-15-34 visitation. It now contained six eggs. The degree of nervousness was greatly increased in comparison with last weeks visit. 3 feathers present with a greater accumulation at the outward side of nest. Examined another falcon nest in quite a unique situation. It was placed in a natural hole in the face of a perpendicular cliff. The cavity was a semi circle. Floor 2 sqft.



3' high and 1 1/2' deep. Eggs on bare ground. Few feathers present. Bird left nest and mate arrived later. In short Canyon in about middle of west side of Lake Mt bordering valley ridge. Along with this unusual site found another unusual situation