

Stenknäck (*Coccothraustes coccothraustes*) sågs i två ex. vid Johannisberg, V Västerås, den 7.4.1950. De höllo till högt uppe i ekar.

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Kungsörn (*Aquila chrysaetos*). Den 24.3.1950 sågs ett ex. segelflyga över Offerlund i Lundby s:n invid Västerås.

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Summaries:

1. **Some observations of the Two-barred Crossbill (*Loxia leucoptera*).** In 1929-1930, when crossbills were numerous in South Sweden, a flock of ab. 12 *Loxia leucoptera* was seen at Limhamn near Malmö, S. Sweden. In April, 1930, 4 specimens were observed at Skållerud, prov. Dalsland, and in the winter 1949-50 a flock of 7 birds was noted at Fröseke, prov. Småland.

2. **Waxwings (*Bombycilla garrulus*) in Gothenburg (Göteborg).** Large flocks were noted in November and the beginning of December 1952. As seen from the photo, the birds alight by preference very high up in places commanding free sight in different directions.

3. (a) **The Little Ringed Plover (*Charadrius dubius*)** was found breeding at lake Mollsjön, southern Västergötland in 1948 and 1952 but not in the interjacent years, owing to higher water level.

(b) **The Great Black-backed Gull (*Larus marinus*)** has been breeding at this same lake since 1948. At the lake Stora Björsjön in the same Province two pairs were breeding in 1952 and probably some years before. This species usually does not breed at fresh-water in Sweden, but is regular in lake Vänern.

4. **The Little Ringed Plover (*Charadrius dubius*) breeding at Uddevalla.** A nest of *Charadrius dubius* was found on May 21, 1952, near a railway track in the harbour of Uddevalla, prov. Bohuslän.

5. **Nesting records of Dunlin (*Calidris alpina*) and Long-tailed Skua (*Stercorarius longicaudus*) from Härjedalen.** One nest of each (and also vagrant flocks of the latter species) in the border district between Härjedalen and Jämtland in 1950. Earlier information on the breeding of these birds in Härjedalen is very scanty.

6. **The Black-headed Gull (*Larus ridibundus*) in Bohuslän.** Two new breeding-places are reported from the south of Bohuslän. The species now exists in scattered localities in the coastal region of this province north to Strömstad.

7. **The effect on birds of the cold spell in the spring of 1952.** This cold spell, in late March and early April following a period of favourable weather that had stimulated the migration of many birds, had a regrettable effect especially on starlings, lapwings, and certain water-fowl. Examples are given from Småland and from the island of Öland, where many birds were found dead, and others, e. g. flocks of lapwings (*Vanellus vanellus*), invaded the farms to be fed by man.

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