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WAMPOLE'S 1957-1959 ANNOTATED CHECKLIST OF BIRDS OF COOS BAY, OREGON  
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A. INTRODUCTION by Alan Contreras

John H. Wampole's list of the birds of the Coos Bay area from 1958-59 is one of few such compilations from that region, and the only reasonably accessible one from its era except for Giesler (1952), which covered only the Cape Arago region. Wampole's list has been circulating informally as a poorly reproduced typescript for many years, but has never to my knowledge been published. I was unsuccessful in attempts to locate the compiler or the others whose notes are used in this list. I hope that they would approve of its publication thirty-seven years later.

One of the reasons that I have always wanted to see this list published for a wider audience is that it contains a number of interesting and credible records. Among these are the earliest reports, to my knowledge, of Northern Parula and Blackpoll Warbler in Oregon, the only record of which I am aware of Black-backed Woodpecker in Coos County, Semipalmated Plover and Snowy Plover breeding at Bastendorff Beach, and additional less spectacular items of interest.

The text that follows is the same as that in the original list, except as noted, and with the following general exceptions or comments:

- 1) In the original each species name was underlined, which is not done in this reprint.
- 2) In the original the final sentence in the introductory paragraph was "Records of birds seen by other observers are in quotation marks." These additional observers were David and Sue Fables (1957a,b) and Larry Oglesby (1958). I have instead labeled such records by including the last initial of the observer (F for Fables or O for Oglesby) in parentheses after the record. When necessary a (W) is used to indicate which data are from Wampole. Wampole's original title said "1958-1959" but all of the Fables' records are from 1957, so the change seemed appropriate. David Fables was a well-known New Jersey ornithologist and author of a book on the birds of that state. I do not know why he and his wife were in Oregon that summer, but I surmise that they were visiting faculty at Oregon Institute of Marine Biology (OIMB) in Charleston. They also conducted a breeding bird census near Coos Head (Fables and Fables 1957b). David Fables died within a year or two of his visit to Oregon. I have no information about Sue Fables, John Wampole or Larry Oglesby and have been unable to locate copies of Fables and Fables (1957a) or Oglesby (1958).
- 3) The original text used numeric designations, full names, and abbreviated names for months apparently at random; in the reprint, all months are spelled out. Misspelled words and missing or inappropriate punctuation have been corrected, and an occasional apparently missing or clarifying word has been provided in brackets. Because the original sometimes used a confusing pattern of mixing numbers of birds and numeric dates, the word "on" has been inserted, the months spelled out, and the sentences rearranged slightly for clarity.
- 4) The original text uses the incorrect spelling "Bastendorf" throughout; this has been changed to the correct "Bastendorff," which is in common usage and is consistent with McArthur (1992). The incorrect spellings Yocum and

Yokum (designating the rocky point just west of Bastendorff Beach) are also changed, to the correct "Yoakam," also confirmed by McArthur. Also, readers should note that the area referred to as "North Bay, Cape Arago State Park" is now known as North Cove and the "North Bend Refuge" is now known as Pony Slough.

- 5) The names of several species (Green Heron, No. Harrier, Gray Jay, Bushtit, and American Dipper) were in parentheses, but it was not indicated why.
- 6) Species names have been changed to those in use by the AOU Checklist, Sixth Edition (1983) as supplemented, and current scientific names have been added.
- 7) A map has been added as an appendix in order to aid the reader in locating references in the records. This map did not appear in the original.
- 8) My comments for a few records are in brackets.
- 9) Finally, the format, with species names in a column on the left and comments on the right, is different from the layout in the original.

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Special thanks to Dr. Ben J. Fawver of Coos Bay who first gave me a copy of this list about twenty years ago. I'm sorry I took so long to do something with it.

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C. AN ANNOTATED CHECK-LIST OF BIRDS OF THE COOS BAY AREA, 1957-1959

Compiled by John H. Wampole

This list is based on observations made during the August 1958-July 1959 period. Observation stations include Cape Arago State Park, Cape Arago Lighthouse, Yoakam Point, Coos Head, Bar View and Haynes Inlet. Incidental records of the general vicinity are included. Records of birds seen by other observers [F=David or Sue Fables in 1957, O=Larry Oglesby in 1958] are marked with their last initial in parentheses.

Red-throated Loon (*Gavia stellata*). Less common than the Pacific Loon.  
Individuals seen during September, October, and March.

Pacific Loon (*G. pacifica*). From 1 to 42 birds were seen from early August through May.

Pied-billed Grebe (*Podilymbus podiceps*). On Haynes Inlet, individuals were seen in September, October, and April.

Horned Grebe (*Podiceps auritus*). From 1 to 4 seen during September-February near Coos Head, Lighthouse, Cape Arago State Park and Haynes Inlet.

Red-necked Grebe (*P. grisegena*). One seen on August 2 and 9, and April 18, near the Lighthouse.

Eared Grebe (*P. nigricollis*). Small numbers (1-25) seen in October, November, January, March, and April near Lighthouse, Cape Arago State Park, Bar View and Haynes Inlet.

Western Grebe (*Aechmophorus occidentalis*). Seen at all of the stations during August-June. A raft of from 66-120 was commonly seen between the Lighthouse Reef and Yoakam Point.

- Black-footed Albatross (*Diomedea nigripes*). Offshore (O, F).
- Pink-footed Shearwater (*Puffinus creatopus*). Offshore (O).
- Sooty Shearwater (*P. griseus*). Offshore (O, F).
- Fork-tailed Storm-Petrel (*Oceanodroma furcata*). Near Cape Arago Lighthouse (F).
- Brown Pelican (*Pelecanus occidentalis*). One bird seen September 6th as it circled the Lighthouse and returned in a southerly direction.
- Double-crested Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax auritus*), Brandt's Cormorant (*P. penicillatus*), and Pelagic Cormorant (*P. pelagicus*). Individuals of the three species were seen, usually in flocks of up to 200 at the Lighthouse Reef and Cape Arago State Park. Smaller numbers were noted elsewhere, with only an occasional bird seen inland as far as the Haynes Inlet station.
- Great Blue Heron (*Ardea herodias*). One bird seen on January 1, 1959 in North Bay, Cape Arago State Park. From 1-18 birds seen at low tide in Haynes Inlet, September through June.
- (Green Heron) (*Butorides virescens*). Seen up South Slough (O).
- [Black] Brant (*Branta bernicla nigricans*). 365 counted in several flocks flying over Haynes Inlet on October 19th. A wintering flock of up to 156 was observed off Bar View during March and April. On April 4th at least 800 birds were seen at this station, and 178 were counted off Cape Arago State Park.
- Canada Goose (*B. canadensis*). Seen in June at North Bay (O).
- Green-winged Teal (*A. crecca*). Seen on Haynes Inlet and the North Bend Refuge [Pony Slough] during November through April. From 1 to 62 in number.
- Mallard (*A. platyrhynchos*). Up to 30 birds were seen on Haynes Inlet at times during September-April. Others were seen on the North Bend Refuge.
- Northern Pintail (*A. acuta*). Seen on Haynes Inlet, September-April in numbers of from 3 to at least 150.
- American Wigeon (*A. americana*). From 6 to 266 birds were seen on Haynes Inlet at times during October-March. Probably these were part of the wintering population of several thousand ducks on the North Bend Refuge.
- Canvasback (*Aythya valisineria*). Common on Haynes Inlet, November through April. (9 to 200)
- scaup (*A. marila* or *affinis*). On Haynes Inlet in April. Some were definitely Greater Scaup [*A. marila*].
- Harlequin Duck (*Histrionicus histrionicus*). A pair seen on North Bay, Cape Arago State Park on December 27, 1958. One male seen on Haynes Inlet on March 10th. Four males were seen on June 19th near the mouth of Hubbard Creek, a few miles south of Port Orford. [Hubbard Creek enters the Pacific Ocean halfway between the Port Orford, Curry County, boat basin and Rocky Point, about 1.5 miles from each.]
- Black Scoter (*Melanitta nigra*). Seen in good numbers (173 on October 19th) during migration. Three seen off Bar View on March 14th.

Surf Scoter (*M. perspicillata*). Seen during August-June. On October 19th, 375 were counted as they passed the [Lighthouse or Bastendorff] Reef in small flocks.

White-winged Scoter (*M. fusca*). Seen in numbers of 1-60 during August-October. Individuals near the Lighthouse on into June.

goldeneye (*Bucephala clangula* or *islandica*). In March females and/or males in juvenile plumage were seen on Haynes Inlet; ? Species.

Bufflehead (*B. albeola*). On Haynes Inlet in March and April. (1-16)

Hooded Merganser (*Lophodytes cucullatus*). Three birds seen on November 23, 1958 and one on April 18, 1959 on Haynes Inlet.

Common Merganser (*Mergus merganser*). A few males (1 to 3) and either females or immatures (2 to 5) on Haynes Inlet during November and December. Single birds, female or immature, were seen at Yoakam Point (November 28th), and Cape Arago State Park (August 2 and 9, and September 21).

Red-breasted Merganser (*M. serrator*). Seen in March at Bar View, and during March and April on Haynes Inlet in numbers of from 1 to 13.

Ruddy Duck (*Oxyura jamaicensis*). 6, 4, and 6 birds seen at Yoakam Point, Lighthouse and Cape Arago State Park, respectively. From a few individuals to at least 250 (December) wintering birds were seen on Haynes Inlet from October to April.

Turkey Vulture (*Cathartes aura*). Single birds were seen over Cape Arago State Park in August, March, May and June. A single bird was seen near the Lighthouse on May 5 and 3 at Haynes Inlet on June 7.

Osprey (*Pandion haliaetus*). Prior to the violent storm through this area in late 1955 an Osprey nest was occupied at the top of a large dead stub on the north side of Haynes Inlet. During the storm the entire nest was blown out and not replaced until recently. During late summer, 1957 and May through August, 1958 one, two or three birds flew over and occasionally perched at the nest site. Two birds appeared to be investigating the "housing" situation in April, 1959. In late April and the first two weeks in May they were seen carrying dead sticks and branches to the site. By May 11 it appeared that incubation was under way. One bird was seen delivering a fish to the nest.

Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*). One adult seen at Haynes Inlet on March 28, 1958 (W). [Also] seen once at the bay entrance in July (O).

(Northern Harrier) (*Circus cyaneus*). Seen south of Shore Acres (O).

Sharp-shinned Hawk (*Accipiter striatus*). One bird seen at Bar View on March 24, others seen at Haynes Inlet on March 28, 1958.

Cooper's Hawk (*A. cooperii*). One [at] Cape Arago State Park on February 1, and singles at Haynes Inlet on January 10 and September 22.

Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis*). A single bird was seen at Haynes Inlet on October 19 and November 16.

Merlin (*Falco columbarius*). One seen at Haynes Inlet on October 19, 1958.

- Ring-necked Pheasant (*Phasianus colchicus*). At Coos Head, a cock bird was flushed near the lookout station November 11, 1958. One was heard on February 2, 1959. One of the Lighthouse personnel reports seeing a male pheasant on the grassy area near the Lighthouse early in the morning of April 4, 1959.
- Ruffed Grouse (*Bonasa umbellus*). One bird seen feeding on buds, January 1, 1958 at Haynes Inlet. One heard drumming in the same area on April 6. One bird was seen on November 23, 1958.
- Mountain Quail (*Oreortyx pictus*). A female with 6 young were seen on the north side of Haynes Inlet, August 23, 1957. One male bird was seen in the same area on March 21, 1959.
- American Coot (*Fulica americana*). From 3 to several hundred birds were seen on Haynes Inlet during October-April.
- Black-bellied Plover (*Pluvialis squatarola*). Migrant along Bastendorff Beach and the mud flats of Coos Bay (F).
- Snowy Plover (*Charadrius alexandrinus*). Resident on Bastendorff Beach (O). Breeds on Bastendorff Beach (F).
- Semipalmated Plover (*C. semipalmatus*). Common migrant after middle of July (O). Breeds on Bastendorff Beach (F).  
 [The breeding record is interesting in light of at least two pair found breeding at the north spit of Coos Bay directly north of Bastendorff Beach in 1994 (Hallett et al. 1995). The species bred at Ocean Shores, Washington in 1973 (Morris 1974), and birds have been seen there in subsequent summers. A few pair breed at Iona Island south of Vancouver, B.C., and a single pair has bred sporadically in recent years at Gray's Harbor, Washington (Paulson 1993).]
- Killdeer (*C. vociferus*). One seen at Coos Head November 11, and one to five at Haynes Inlet in October and December (W). Breeds on Bastendorff Beach (F).
- Black Oystercatcher (*Haematopus bachmani*). Two near the Lighthouse on December 27, 1958; one at Yoakam Point on January 1, 1959; and three in North Bay, Cape Arago State Park on May 16, 1959.
- Willet (*Catoptrophorus semipalmatus*). One seen on a North Spit marsh in July (O).
- Wandering Tattler (*Heteroscelus incanus*). Six at Yoakam Point on August 15. Near the Lighthouse: 10 on August 2; 3 on August 9, 1 on August 15, 1 on September 21; 1 on May 16. Cape Arago: 5 on September 6; 3 on September 21.
- Spotted Sandpiper (*Actitis macularia*). Resident on North Spit (O).
- Whimbrel (*Numenius phaeopus*). Two individuals present on Bastendorff Beach from July 25 to July 28, allowing close approach (F).
- Long-billed Curlew (*N. americanus*). A few on Bastendorff Beach in July (O).
- Ruddy Turnstone (*Arenaria interpres*). Migrant along the rocky coast, but scarcer than the Black Turnstone (F).
- Black Turnstone (*A. melanocephala*). Near the Lighthouse: 5 on September 21; 10 on November 11; 33 on November 28; 42 on December 27; 30 on January 1; 35 [in] February [no date given]. Cape Arago State Park: 12 on September 6; 8 on September 21; 30 on November 11. Yoakam Point: 2 on November 28; 16 on January 17.

- Surfbird (*Aphriza virgata*). Two August 2 and twelve August 15 at Yoakam Point. One to fifteen near the Lighthouse: 14 on August 9; 1 on January 1; 15 on February 22 with thirty-five Black Turnstones; and six on March 7. Six at Cape Arago State Park on April 4.
- Sanderling (*Calidris alba*). Uncommon migrant along Bastendorff Beach (O).
- Western Sandpiper (*C. mauri*). Most abundant "peep" along the coast during migration. The first southbound individuals appeared July 4 (F). Very common migrant in late July and August (O).
- Least Sandpiper (*C. minutilla*). Migrant on Bastendorff Beach and on Coos Bay mud flats (F). Always with the more numerous Western Sandpipers (O).
- dowitcher (*Limnodromus griseus* or *scolopaceus*). Thirty seen on beach at Haynes Inlet on April 4. [Species not noted.]
- phalarope, sp. (*Phalaropus* sp.). Yoakam Point: 1 on September 21; 1 on August 9; 3 on August 15; 33 on September 21. Cape Arago State Park: 1 on September 6; 1 on February 21.
- Red-necked Phalarope (*P. lobatus*). Common offshore in August (O). More than 100 seen from the fishing boats each trip. A few appeared in the vicinity of [the] south jetty in early August (F).
- Red Phalarope (*P. fulicaria*). Common offshore in August (O).
- Bonaparte's Gull (*Larus philadelphia*). 2 on the beach at Haynes Inlet, April 18, 1959.
- Heermann's Gull (*L. heermanni*). From 1 to 6 seen on several dates August through October. Two over Haynes Inlet, June 14 (W). Quite common, especially near jetties (O).
- Mew Gull (*L. canus*). Lighthouse: 178 on October 19; Haynes Inlet: 2 on November 1; 100 on November 23; Cape Arago State Park: 20 on April 4.
- Ring-billed Gull (*L. delawarensis*). Uncommon (O).
- California Gull (*L. californicus*). Frequent along Bastendorff Beach and generally along the coast (F), 1957. Quite common (O), 1958.
- Herring Gull (*L. argentatus*). From one to eight seen during February and March (W). Rarely seen (O), summer 1958.
- Western Gull (*L. occidentalis*). From two to sixty seen at all stations during August-June (W). The commonest gull (O).
- Glaucous-winged Gull (*L. glaucescens*). Individual birds seen in October at Yoakam Point, and over Haynes Inlet in March (W). A few seen all summer near jetties (O). Two individuals observed: one flying over Hanson's Wharf, Charleston, on June 25; one over North Bend, July 8 (F).
- Caspian Tern (*Sterna caspia*). One was seen in July at South Slough (O).
- Common Murre (*Uria aalge*). Seen in numbers from 1 to 100 at various times off Coos Head, Yoakam Point, Lighthouse Reef and Cape Arago State Park during August-March. On June 12, 11 were seen near the Lighthouse and 12 at Cape Arago State Park.

- Pigeon Guillemot (*Cepphus columba*). Seen in numbers of from 2 to 26 at Coos Head, Yoakam Point and Lighthouse Reef during August-September. Singles up to 8 were seen during March-May. On June 12, twenty were seen near the Lighthouse.
- Marbled Murrelet (*Brachyramphus marmoratus*). 1 seen at Cape Arago State Park, September 27.
- (Ancient Murrelet) (*Synthliboramphus antiquus*). One seen at mouth of Coos Bay in July (O).
- Cassin's Auklet (*Ptychoramphus aleuticus*). Uncommon offshore (O).
- Tufted Puffin (*Fratercula cirrhata*). Uncommon resident, often seen at jetties (O). [We] saw the species at Cape Arago Lighthouse (F).
- Rock Dove (*Columba livia*). Near towns (O).
- Band-tailed Pigeon (*C. fasciata*). 2 at Cape Arago State Park, May 8. 57 flying over Bar View, May 23. At Haynes Inlet, on April 11, 1958, 15 were seen feeding on Madrone blossoms. On July 29, at least 200 were flushed from among the Red-berried Elders where they were feeding. Other observations here are: 22 on October 12; 1 on November 1. The first birds seen in 1959 were 4 on April 12; 25 on April 18; 16 on May 3; 43 on May 9; 40 on June 14; and 2 on June 20. On June 21, two were seen picking off twigs from dead branches of Douglas-fir, and carrying them to a presumed nest site.
- Mourning Dove (*Zenaida macroura*). 3 on June 14 at Haynes Inlet. 1 at Bar View, March 24.
- Vaux's Swift (*Chaetura vauxi*). Seen inland from Bastendorff Beach (O). Seen over North Bend several times in [the] company of swallows (F).
- Rufous Hummingbird (*Selasphorus rufus*). Individual birds, occasionally 2, seen on the north side of Haynes Inlet during March-June. At Cape Arago State Park, 1 was seen on August 9, 1958; and 11 on June 12, 1959. From 1 to 3 were seen on five visits, March-June, near the Sitka Spruces.
- Belted Kingfisher (*Ceryle alcyon*). One bird seen near the Lighthouse during 1958 on August 2, 9, and 15; September 6 and 21; November 11, 22, and 28; during 1959: January 1 and 17; February 1 and 22; March 21; April 18; May 16; June 12. One or two birds per observation were seen October-April at Haynes Inlet.
- Red-breasted Sapsucker (*Sphyrapicus ruber*). On the north side of Haynes Inlet individual birds were seen on April 11, 16, and 20; May 3 and 4; October 9; and December 14, 1958. In 1959, April 5 and 12, June 20 and 22.
- Downy Woodpecker (*Picoides pubescens*). Individuals seen at Haynes Inlet on November 9, 22, and 30, 1958; March 1, April 5 and 25 (1 pr.), and June 20, 1959.
- Hairy Woodpecker (*P. villosus*). Coos Head (O).
- Black-backed Woodpecker (*P. arcticus*). An individual observed by Miles Peelle at Cape Arago State Park in early August (F). [This is the only record of which I am aware from Coos County. The species is extremely rare in lowland western Oregon. However, there are previous records away from the Cascades, including at least three records for Curry County.]

Northern [Red-shafted] Flicker (*Colaptes auratus*). Year-round resident.  
From 1 to 5 seen on 27 occasions.

Pileated Woodpecker (*Dryocopus pileatus*). 1 at Cape Arago, August 9. 1 at Haynes Inlet on August 9, November 11, January 17, February 21, and April 20.

Olive-sided Flycatcher (*Contopus borealis*). Coos River Valley (O). Breeds in the woods overlooking Bastendorff's Reef (F).

Western Wood-Pewee (*C. sordidulus*). Coos River Valley (O).

Western Flycatcher (*Empidonax difficilis*). 1 at Bar View, June 12. Individuals seen at Haynes Inlet, May 17, June 6, 14, 20, and 25. [Pacific-slope Flycatcher is the current name for the form of "Western Flycatcher" that breeds on the coast, however, the validity of the species is still subject to speculation.]

Western Kingbird (*Tyrannus verticalis*). Coos River Valley (O). [Still a local breeder at inland locations in Coos County.]

Purple Martin (*Progne subis*). Individuals seen during July and August over Haynes Inlet. On June 7, 3 were seen over the dunes to the northwest [this probably refers to the area west of North Slough], alighting in dead tree tops.

Tree Swallow (*Tachycineta bicolor*). Seen over Sunset Bay and North Bend several times (F). Coos Head (O).

Violet-green Swallow (*T. thalassina*). From 1 to 6 seen during April-June.

No. Rough-winged Swallow (*Stelgidopteryx serripennis*). Lighthouse: 5 on April 18, 7 on June 12. Haynes Inlet: 2 on June 14. Bar View: 3 on April 4; 8 on May 23; 5 on June 12 nesting in bank.

Barn Swallow (*Hirundo rustica*). Commonly seen near the Lighthouse, April-August. Seen in June at Cape Arago State Park and Haynes Inlet.

(Gray Jay) (*Perisoreus canadensis*). Coos Head (O).

Steller's Jay (*Cyanocitta stelleri*). 1 to 3 individuals seen on the north side of Haynes Inlet on September 28, October 12 and 25, November 1, 16, and 23, and December 7, 1958. One bird was seen gathering nest material on April 25, 1959.

American Crow (*Corvus brachyrhynchos*). Seen year round at Haynes Inlet. Young observed. Others seen at Coos Head, Yoakam Point, Lighthouse and Bar View.

Common Raven (*C. corax*). Seen most frequently early in the morning at Cape Arago State Park or about Bastendorff Beach (F).

Black-capped Chickadee (*Parus atricapillus*). North Spit (O).

Chestnut-backed Chickadee (*P. rufescens*). Individuals seen at Yoakam Point, Cape Arago State Park, and Bar View. From 1 to 6 seen almost weekly at Haynes Inlet (north side) during August through June.

(Bushtit) (*Psaltriparus minimus*). Coos Head (O). A family of six (young being fed) observed at Eel Creek Camp, north of Hauser [which is just west of Highway 101 and about 5 mi north of North Bend] on June 17 (F).

Red-breasted Nuthatch (*Sitta canadensis*). 3 seen on June 21 north side of Haynes Inlet. A young bird was being fed.



Brown Creeper (*Certhia americana*). Coos Head (O).

Bewick's Wren (*Thyromanes bewickii*). Coos River Valley (O).

Winter Wren (*Troglodytes troglodytes*). Yoakam Point: 1 on November 28, [also seen, no numbers given, on] January 1 and 17; February 1. Cape Arago: 4 on November 11. Haynes Inlet: 1 on September 18, October 4, 19, and 25; November 1, 16, and 22.

(American Dipper) (*Cinclus mexicanus*). Golden Falls on Millicoma River (O) [which is east of Coos Bay]. Resident of Silver Falls, about 13-14 miles east of Coos Bay region (F).

Golden-crowned Kinglet (*Regulus satrapa*). 1 seen at Yoakam Point, November 11, 1958. From 1 to 4 were seen on 16 occasions [on the] north side of Haynes Inlet during October-April.

Ruby-crowned Kinglet (*R. calendula*). Coos Head: 1 on December 27. Yoakam Point: 5 on November 11 and 1 on January 17. Lighthouse: 3 on March 21. Bar View: 1 on March 14. Cape Arago State Park: 5 each seen on November 11 and 28, 2 seen on February 1, 1 on February 21, and one on March 7. From 1 to 7 were seen on 14 occasions at Haynes Inlet during October through March.

Western Bluebird (*Sialia mexicana*). Cape Arago State Park: 2 on November 11 and 4 on November 22, 1958. On June 7, 1959, two birds were seen flying over sand dunes northwest of Haynes Inlet [this probably refers to the area west of North Slough].

Swainson's Thrush (*Catharus ustulatus*). From 1 to 4 individuals seen at Haynes Inlet August through June [presumably means June through August]. Occasionally at other stations. In the wooded area north of Haynes Inlet the music and calls of this species [were] seldom heard after August, although individual birds were seen later.

Hermit Thrush (*C. guttatus*). Haynes Inlet: 1 observed on October 25, November 1 and 16, and April 12. Cape Arago State Park: 1 observed on November 11 and 28.

American Robin (*Turdus migratorius*). Common at all stations, in numbers of from 1-20.

Varied Thrush (*Ixoreus naevius*). Lighthouse: 1 on December 27, 3 on January 1, 1 on January 17. Haynes Inlet: 2 on November 9, 3 on November 16, and 3 on November 22. Cape Arago State Park: 5 on February 21.

Wrentit (*Chamaea fasciata*). Common in thickets. Individuals seen or heard commonly during September through March, Haynes Inlet.

Cedar Waxwing (*Bombycilla cedrorum*). Seen in winter flocks of at least 36 individuals in fall and winter; in groups of from 1 to 8 in spring and summer. Bar View: June 12, 8; 1 bird being fed.

Hutton's Vireo (*Vireo huttoni*). 1 at Haynes Inlet, August 29.

Warbling Vireo (*V. gilvus*). Haynes Inlet, 1 on August 23.

Orange-crowned Warbler (*Vermivora celata*). Cape Arago: 2 on June 12. 1 bird seen on March 29, April 12, 19, and 25; May 9 and 17, June 7 and 14, at Haynes Inlet. [An additional record was listed as "5/6" but placed with the June records.]

Northern Parula (*Parula americana*). A male heard singing and seen in the Sitka Spruces in the woods above Bastendorff Beach. The bird was on territory from June 22 to July 3 [1957]. No female ever observed. Inasmuch as this is far from the normal range of the species--the record should be checked in subsequent seasons (F).

[A slightly more detailed account of this record appears in Fables [1957b]. This report is the earliest known of this species in Oregon. Perhaps because no further information is available regarding this record, the Oregon Bird Records Committee (OBRC) has not reviewed it according to Schmidt [1989] and subsequent reports of the OBRC.]

Yellow Warbler (*Dendroica petechia*). Coos Head (O).

Yellow-rumped Warbler (*D. coronata*). Lighthouse: 2 on February 1, 1 on February 22; 5 on March 21. Haynes Inlet: 1 male on April 10, 1 on April 18. [These were all treated as Audubon's form, however, "Myrtle" Warblers may be as common in late fall and winter on the southern Oregon coast.]

Black-throated Gray Warbler (*D. nigrescens*). Individual birds seen during April, May, July, August and September.

Townsend's Warbler (*D. townsendi*). At Haynes Inlet, individual birds were seen on September 14, November 1 and 23, and May 17.

Hermit Warbler (*D. occidentalis*). 1 bird seen on June 20 at Haynes Inlet.

Blackpoll Warbler (*D. striata*). A male heard singing and later identified by sight in our yard in North Bend on June 26 [1957]. This species was also far from the range given in the manuals, yet the date seems sufficiently late to preclude its being a migrant (F).

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Wilson's Warbler (*Wilsonia pusilla*). Cape Arago State Park: 1 on August 9. Haynes Inlet: 2 on August 20, 4 on August 24, 1 on May 9, 1 on June 7, and 3 on June 14.

Western Tanager (*Piranga ludoviciana*). Haynes Inlet: 3 on July 4, 1 on July 30, 1 imm. male on September 1.

Lazuli Bunting (*Passerina amoena*). One male seen as he flew across the skyline drive between North Bend and Coos Bay, May 31, 1959.

Spotted Towhee (*Pipilo maculatus*). One or two birds seen commonly during October through March at Haynes Inlet. One seen at Bar View, March 14, 1959.

Chipping Sparrow (*Spizella passerina*). Around Oregon Institute of Marine Biology [OIMB] in June (O).

Fox Sparrow (*Passerella iliaca*). Yoakam Point: 1 on September 21 and January 17; 2 on February 1. Lighthouse: 1 on November 28. Haynes Inlet: 1 to 3 individuals were seen on 11 occasions during the period September 18, 1958-March 1, 1959.

- Song Sparrow (*Melospiza melodia*). Yoakam Point: 1 on October 19, 1 on November 28, 2 on January 1, 1 on January 17, and 1 on February 1. Lighthouse: From 1 to 5 birds seen on 7 occasions from November 28 to June 12. Cape Arago State Park: From 1 to 9 individuals seen on 10 occasions from August 30, 1958 to June 12, 1959. Haynes Inlet: From 1 to 5 birds seen on 25 occasions from September 27, 1958 to June 14, 1959. Bar View: 1 or 2 individuals seen on 6 occasions from March 8 to June 12.
- Golden-crowned Sparrow (*Zonotrichia atricapilla*). Lighthouse: 3 on May 8, 1959. Cape Arago State Park: 3 on March 7, 1959.
- White-crowned Sparrow (*Z. leucophrys*) (Puget Sound Race). Bar View: 1 on March 14 and May 23. Cape Arago State Park: 3 in August, 1 in April, 3 in May, and 3 in June. At the Lighthouse from 1 to 5 were seen frequently during the August-June period. [June-August ?]
- Dark-eyed Junco (*Junco hyemalis*).  
[Slate-colored form]. Seen near the Lighthouse, March 21, 1959.  
[Oregon form]. Lighthouse: 8 on November 28, 1 on January 17. Bar View: 6 on March 14. Haynes Inlet: 8 on October 25, 1 on November 1, 6 on November 22, 4 on December 25, 1 on April 18, 1 on April 25.  
[Pink-sided form]. Haynes Inlet: 4 on April 19, 1 on October 12, 2 on October 25.
- Western Meadowlark (*Sturnella neglecta*). 1 bird heard and seen near the east side of the North Bend Airport.
- Brewer's Blackbird (*Euphagus cyanocephalus*). On Haynes Inlet, October 25, 1958, a flock alighting in alders and firs. Flocks, numbering hundreds of birds, were seen in grassy areas in North Bend and Coos Bay.
- Brown-headed Cowbird (*Molothrus ater*). Present throughout the summer in fields along the coast (F). Common cowbird at Bastendorff farm (O).
- Bullock's Oriole (*Icterus bullockii*). An immature individual first found feeding within the traffic circle at the road's end in Cape Arago State Park by Sue Fables on July 5, remained several days in [the] company of cowbirds.
- Purple Finch (*Carpodacus purpureus*). Lighthouse: 8 on August 15, 2 on October 19, 7 on May 16. Haynes Inlet: 1 on October 12. Cape Arago State Park: 3 on May 16. Bar View: 3 on May 23. Flocks that appeared to be made up of both this species and House Finches were seen at Haynes Inlet [as follows:] 12 on November 1, 40 on November 16, 30 on November 22. Similarly, 15 [were] at Cape Arago State Park on March 21, 1959.
- House Finch (*C. mexicanus*). Lighthouse: 6 on December 27, 2 on January 1, 5 on March 7 and 21, 12 on May 8, and 7 on June 12. Bar View: 3 on March 8, 5 on March 14, 6 on March 24, and 3 on April 4.
- Red Crossbill (*Loxia curvirostra*). One pair bred in a Sitka Spruce in the woods overlooking Bastendorff Reef (F).
- Pine Siskin (*Carduelis pinus*). In conifers at Shore Acres (O). Breeds in conifers along the coast (F).
- Lesser Goldfinch (*C. psaltria*). 2 males seen on the Lighthouse lawn, May 8, 1959. [The species is hard to find in the area today.]

American Goldfinch (*C. tristis*). From 1 to 4 individuals seen on several occasions during May, June and August at Yoakam Point, Lighthouse, Bar View, Cape Arago State Park and Haynes Inlet.

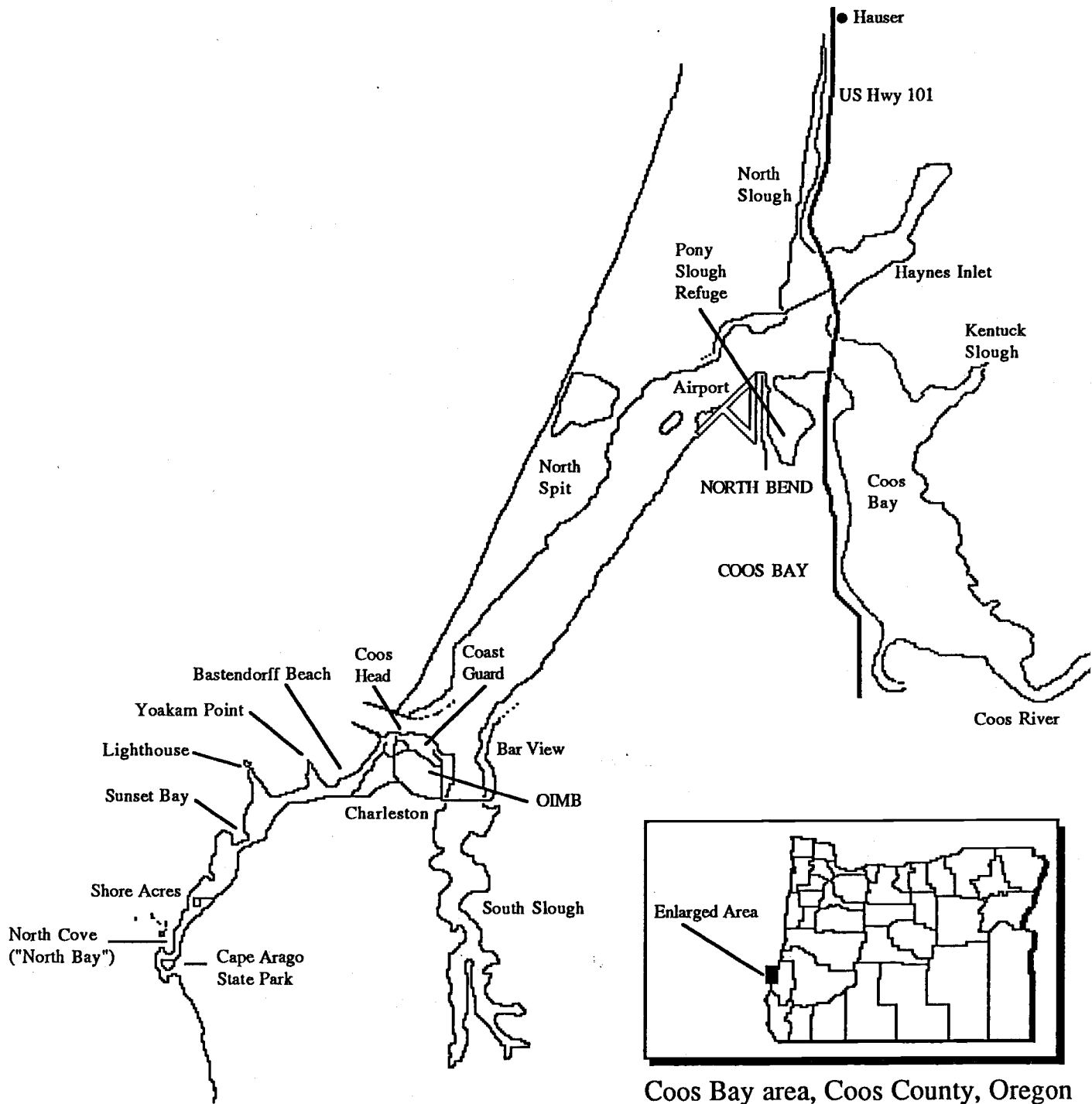
House Sparrow (*Passer domesticus*). Common resident of towns (0).

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