

By Edwin Ashby, Blackwood.

Regent Honeyeaters (*Zanthoniza phrygia*) arrived there on 12th May in fair numbers.

King Quail (*Excalfactoria chinensis*).—He obtained a specimen, ♂, on 7/2/1920, at Mount Compass. Another bird was seen at the same time and place.

By T. G. Souter, Kilkerran, from 20/10/1929 to 9/3/1930.

20/10/1929. — Three Australian Dotterels (*Peltohyas australis*) were feeding in a grass paddock in company with 22 Red-necked Stints (*Erolia ruficollis*). The Dotterels were about here until 9/12/1929, when three were again seen.

21/10/1929.—Two Crimson Chats (*Epthianura tricolor*) were seen, the first for the season. They did not stay as long this year as usual, no doubt owing to the good rains in the north. Last seen on 23/11/1929.

23/10/1929.—Eight nests of the Masked Wood-Swallows (*Artamus superciliosus*) were found within fifty yards of each other—one nest with one egg, six with two eggs each, and one with three eggs. There was quite a colony of this species here this year. Usually the Dusky Wood-Swallow (*A. cyanopterus*) is very plentiful, with an occasional pair of the Masked, but this year the reverse was the case. The first of the Masked was seen on 4/10/1929.

27/10/1929.—Two Galahs (*Kakatoe roseicapilla*), the first for the season, were seen near the house. A nest with four young was taken two miles north of Maitland, and that is the first record to my knowledge of their having nested in this district. The species were about until 5/2/1930.

4/11/1929.—One hundred and two White-backed Magpies (*Gymnorhina hypoleuca*) were between this place and Point Pearce Mission Station, seven miles away. They were scattered all along the road in twos and threes, except for one lot of 53 that were together in a paddock which had just been stripped of oats. On 24/11/1929, 121 Magpies were in a paddock of 180 acres, and appeared to be feeding on grubs. This species is still very plentiful about here. On 7/3/1930 I had occasion to go to another farm six miles away twice on the same day. On the first trip there I counted 49, returning 52; on the second trip, in the afternoon, going, 65, returning, 48.

15/11/1929.—Two Blue-winged Parrots (*Neophema chryso-stoma*) were seen in a sandalwood scrub at Point Pearce, three