

*Bird Notes.*

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Under date of 20th July, 1931, he writes:—It would not surprise me to find the Banded Stilts (*Cladorhynchus leucocephalus*) nesting on the islands in any of the Coongy Lakes. No person would trouble to plough through bog for a mile or so unless he was really interested. That sort of thing is only done when your food supply gives out and you are looking for eggs to eat. On the 4th instant Mr. Gurr and myself saw about 400 Flock Pigeons (*Histriophaps histrionica*) between Pandborough and Cooncherie, along the edge of the flood waters of what is termed Goyder's Lagoon. I thought these birds had left the district, as the blacks had been living on them for some time, but I have heard there were also a few hundreds on the Herbert, not far from Bert's Waterhole. The country never looked better than it does at present and birds are very plentiful. I have seen an odd Bustard (*Eupodotis australis*). These birds are usually very numerous when we have a good season.