

*Bird Notes.**Micropus pacificus*, Fork-tailed Swift.

The following occurrences have been reported for this summer. The Adelaide highest shade temperatures are given in brackets below each record:—

14th December, 1932.—At Glen Osmond Mr. F. E. Parsons saw at 6.30 p.m. six birds flying almost due east (towards the Mount Lofty Ranges). ((9) 93.2 degrees; (10) 103.1; (11) 94; (12) 77.8; (13) 77.9; (14) 96.4).

Professor J. B. Cleland.—At Encounter Bay at 7.40 a.m. on 10th January, 1933, a number of these Swifts were seen hawking over the sea-front. Some flew low, about the height of the telegraph wires, the majority were two or three times as high, and sometimes a number were twice as high again. The

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weather was cloudy, the sun partly obscured by thunder-clouds, and a north wind, not a hot one, blowing. The temperature was warm and close, but not really hot. The birds were hawking, facing the wind, occasionally flapping the wings and moving gradually sideways towards the east. Many were flying in the air over the shore water. About 60 were counted in view at one time. They continued to be present in considerable numbers till 11.15 a.m. Several were again noticed at 12.15 p.m. The thunder-clouds gradually drifted eastwards, the wind went slightly to the north-west and the sky cleared. A real cool change did not arrive till late in the afternoon. ((6) 76.4 degrees; (7) 91.8; (8) 94.0; (9) 101; (10) 87.7).
