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Black-shouldered Kite, *Elanus axillaris*.—On 8th August, 1933, a bird which had been wounded and captured was given to me. It was kept in a cage for a few days and then released. It appeared to be suffering from canker in the throat, similar to the poultry complaint. (I saw a bird of this species at Salisbury on 7th September).

Emu, *Dromaius novae-hollandiae*.—The first young Emu was seen on 23rd August, 1933. This appearance is very early for our district.

Barn Owl, *Tyto alba*.—Was observed on 29th August, 1933.

Black-winged Currawong, *Strepera melanoptera*.—Was noted feeding off a Jew, or Bearded Lizard (*Amphibolurus barbatus*) which it had seemingly killed. When I disturbed the bird it had consumed the flesh as far down as the shoulders.