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The little Crimson Chats (*Epthianura tricolor*) are breeding again this season here in fair numbers. I first saw them in

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October, 1915, next in 1925, and they came here again in October, 1936. It is strange that they seem to arrive when a little caterpillar is plentiful. Only two or three Orange Chats (*E. aurifrons*) are about; they are rare this season. The Bee-eaters (*Merops ornatus*) have been here for several weeks and are nesting now. Two pairs of White-winged Trillers (*Lalage tricolor*) have been about for several weeks. I feel sure they are nesting, but I have not yet found the nests. A pair of Grey Shrike Thrushes (*Colluricincla harmonica*) have built in an apricot tree in my orchard, and are now sitting. I have not been able to see the eggs, as whenever I visit the tree a bird is always on the nest. I do not wish to disturb the birds, as this is the first occasion I have ever noticed a nest of this species in the orchard.

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