

BIRD NOTES

(*Artamus superciliosus*).—At Salisbury on 4/12/45, a male White-browed Wood-Swallow by “protesting” pointed out the site of the nest where the female was sitting. Two eggs seen on 14/12/45 were replaced next day by two nestlings covered with dark grey down. The male was seen on the nest on 16 and 17/12/45. On 20/12/45, the eyes were beginning to open; on 22/12/45 the sheaths of the wing-feathers were up to $\frac{1}{2}$ in. long; they first left the nest on 29/12/45. On 3/1/46, a nestling now 19 days old was approximately two-thirds of the length of the parents with a relatively short tail; the head, back and upper side of the wings were dark grey with an uneven appearance; the abdomen and lower part of the breast were pale chestnut; the upper part of the breast pale grey with dark streaks; no distinct white eye-brow and no white on tail tip. On 7/1/46, the nestling flew or glided noticeably stronger than on 3/1/46; the tail was longer; all the breast was streaked; a line through the eye was of a darker grey than the surrounding area. The nest from which it came was made of gum twigs, wire-weed, pine needles and fern roots; its outside diameter and depth were respectively $4\frac{1}{2}$ in. and 3 in., and the inside diameter and depth 3 in. and 1 in.—A. O. Crompton.