

LARK SPARROWS NESTING NEAR ROCKGLEN, SASKATCHEWAN

A pair of Lark Sparrows built a nest in one of our spruce trees and raised two families in it. Thanks to this busy pair I had no insect damage in my garden. I noticed the pair in the spruce trees on June 15, 1972, but did not like to investigate too closely until I saw them carrying insects on June 20. On June 25 the nestlings were out of the nest in the surrounding bushes and being fed by the busy parents. By July 19 the parent birds were again feeding their second family in the old nest.

In his National Museum report, *Birds of the Cypress Hills and Flotten Lake Region*, W. E. Godfrey describes the Western Lark Sparrow as an "uncommon summer resident". On June 1948, two observations of these birds were made in this area — one in willow shrubbery of a coulee, 5 miles south of Maple Creek, and another at a caragana plantation at an abandoned ranch house on the dry plains just north of Willow Creek near the Montana border. — Effie Mattson, Rockglen, Sask.

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KLUANE NATIONAL PARK.

A Perspective from the National and Provincial Parks Association of Canada

By J. B. Theberge.

Available from the National and Provincial Parks Association of Canada, Suite 18, 43 Victoria St., Toronto. 70 pp. \$2.00.

This special publication by NPPA takes a hard, thorough look at the new Kluane National Park in the Yukon. The book begins with a preface by NPPAC President, Dr. J. Gordon Nelson, after which the author examines the park and surrounding areas in terms of social costs and benefits of both mining and the park. The significant geographical, geological, faunal and floral features of both the park and its surrounding areas are described and discussed. The text is well illustrated with excellent photographs by the author, Val Geist, Dierdre Griffiths, Manfred Hoefs and Dalton Muir, and with several maps. An appendix of birds observed there in 1971 and 1972 is included, as well as a "Literature Cited" which is actually a list of footnotes, including both literature and personal communications.

As explained by Dr. Nelson, the report was originally commissioned as a recommendation for preserving the area and later revised as a comment on the present park. Two basic conclusions will be reached by the reader of the book: (1) a wilderness park is definitely needed in the area, and (2) the present boundaries are not satisfactory. Major geographical, geological, faunal and floral areas of significance are excluded from the park, most of which could be included with the addition of another 2,200 square miles. Of the 10 major valleys which the author feels should be *entirely* within the park, four are included, three partially included, and three totally excluded. Of seven "priority ranges" of the four "most important large mammals of the area (Dall Sheep, Barren Ground Caribou, Grizzly Bear and Gray Wolf), only two are found in the park. Similar omissions are plentiful.