

Rock Wren
16 Jun 1958
north of Sioux City, Plymouth Co., IA
William Youngworth
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Record Number: 81-BR
Classification: NA

REFERENCE

Youngworth, W. 1958. Rock Wren near Siouz City. IBL 28:60.
VOTE (1981): 3-III, 1-IV, 2-V, 1-VI
III, no description, but heard and seen by competent reliable
observer.
VI, no details.
V, insuf. details.
V, 2 records by single observers reported in single article
with no description of birds seen.
III, reliable observer, habitat correct and song heard.

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Rock Wren near Sioux City.—The last authentic record of the Rock Wren in Sioux City was made nearly 50 years ago by Walter W. Bennett and A. W. Lindsey, in Stone Park on April 1, 1910. The next valid record was made on August 10, 1941, by Jean Laffoon who found three Rock Wrens in a gravel pit near Hornick, Iowa. This was about 30 miles southeast of Sioux City. A new Rock Wren record was made on June 16, 1958, when I found a singing male in Plymouth County 4 miles north of the city limits of Sioux City. This bird was singing from a power pole near an abandoned shale pit when first seen. Later it flew to the pit and entered a crevice in the shale. It then returned to its singing perch. No attempt was made to find the nest, for the spritely singing of this rare wren was enough satisfaction for this observer.—WM. YOUNG WORTH, 3119 East Second St., Sioux City, Iowa.

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