

GRAY-CROWNED ROSY FINCH AT BISMARCK, N.D. — During February 1978 the Gray-crowned Rosy Finch (*Leucosticte tephrocotis*) was sighted on at least eight different dates in Bismarck, North Dakota. All sightings were at a feeder which was suspended just outside a window at the K. J. Johnson residence. The feeder was stocked with sunflower seed.

When visiting the feeder the birds stayed for extended periods of time permitting close and careful observation. Although only one bird ever appeared at any one time, there were at least two birds in the vicinity since both the regular race and the gray-headed race were seen. Identification of these birds was confirmed by several members of the Bismarck-Mandan Bird Club.

Although North Dakota is east of the normal range of this species, it has been recorded on several occasions in the extreme western portion of the state. It has, however, never before been reported in the Bismarck vicinity. A severe blizzard with strong southerly winds which hit the southwestern part of the state a few days earlier may have been a factor in moving the birds east of their normal range. — *K. J. Johnson, 1111 First St., Bismarck, N.D. 58501 and Robert N. Randall, 928 N. 16th St., Bismarck, N.D. 58501.*