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First nesting attempt of the Inca Dove for Oklahoma.—On 23 April 2000 at 12:30 CDT I observed an Inca Dove (Columbina inca) picking up sticks from the ground and carrying them to a nest site on a utility pole crossarm in the town of Hugo, Choctaw County, Oklahoma. On 27 April at 14:00 an Inca Dove was seen sitting on the nest for 10 min (G. Kamp, pers. comm.). On 21 May at 11:00 I observed no evidence of the nest or the dove.

Although Inca Doves have been reported in at least 11 Oklahoma counties (Baumgartner, F. M. and A. M. Baumgartner, Oklahoma bird life, University of Oklahoma Press, 1992), most records are during the fall and winter. This observation apparently represents the first attempted nesting of the Inca Dove in Oklahoma.—BERLIN A. HECK, 109 Kaye Dr., Broken Bow, OK. 74728. Received 19 September 2000, accepted 3 February 2001.

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First nesting record of the Tree Swallow for Choctaw County, Oklahoma.—On 1 June 2000 I observed a pair of Tree Swallows (Tachycineta bicolor) flying over a 0.8-ha pond 4.5 km northeast of Hugo, Choctaw County, Oklahoma. Several dead trees stood in the water, and I watched a Tree Swallow enter a cavity as another Tree Swallow perched above. On 2 June I observed one of the swallows take a feather from the air and carry it into the cavity. I later saw the two swallows copulating. On 25 June and 7 July I observed both swallows entering and leaving the cavity, and on 7 July one carried a fecal sac from the cavity. On 16 July I observed no Tree Swallows in the area.

Tree Swallows have recently been expanding their breeding range into eastern Oklahoma and southwestern Arkansas, using nest sites in dead trees that stand in reservoirs (Heck, B. A., Bull. Oklahoma Ornithol. Soc. 32:6-7, 1999). This breeding record for Choctaw County is consistent with that recent range expansion.—BERLIN A. HECK, 109 Kaye Dr., Broken Bow, OK. 74728. Received 19 September 2000, accepted 3 February 2001.

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