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**OUR COVER**—The Connecticut Warbler was drawn by Chris Marsh of Raleigh, N.C., who is a student at North Carolina State University. This species is especially appropriate for the present issue because warblers, including the rare Connecticut, were unusually abundant on the 1974 Spring Bird Count in the Carolinas.