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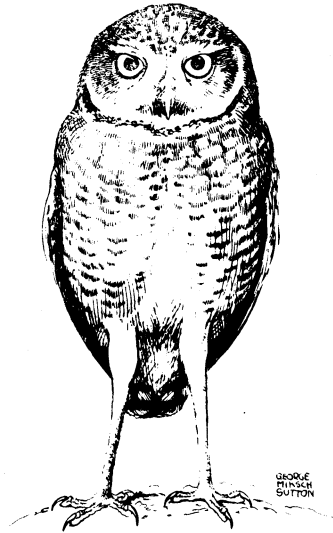
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## 1983 (FIFTY-EIGHTH) SPRING OCCURRENCE REPORT

Two hundred eighty-eight species are listed in this report, plus 2 possibles, from 13 locations. The comparable figures for 1982 are 287 from 15 locations; 1981 298 from 12; and 1980 298 from 14.

The symbols used in the tabulation are:

Ja, Fe, Mr, Ap, My, and Je for the months

1 column heading for the Northwest Edge

2 column heading for Lower Southwest Corner.

3 column heading for Otoe Co.

b and B see Lower Southwest Corner

c and C see Lower Southwest Corner

h and H see Lower Southwest Corner

P to indicate a species which is present all the year, although the same individuals may not be present during the whole year, and the number may vary greatly during the year.

- S to indicate a species which remained after 30 June. (Had the tabulator known as well for other columns as he did for Douglas-Sarpy what would be reported this fall, many of the late June dates in other columns probably would have been - S too.)

w see Lower Southwest Corner.

W - to indicate a species which was reported as present before 1 January.

W - S indicates much the same thing as "P", but is used in cases for which the pattern is not always true.

x in columns 1 and 3 to indicate species recorded on the date of the count; used in other columns instead of a date when the specific date in the month was not given.

Two dates indicate the first and last records for the location. The information is presented in a rough west (left) to east (right) order, with locations of about the same longitude presented in a north to south order. The number of species reported, the names of reporters (and of other observers, if known), and any special comments are given below in alphabetical order by locations. In making the species count "Empidonax sp." and the like are not counted if a specific species of that group is also reported.

Adams, Hastings, 124 species, Miss Bernice Welch, reporter. Elsie Helzer, Esther Kennedy, and Dorothy Marsh.

Boone, Albion, 150 species, Wayne J. Mollhoff, reporter. Mr. Mollhoff reported that only one pair of Turkeys was known to have made it through the winter. A Herring/Ring-billed Gull was seen 15 April. He is trying to confirm some pretty reliable reports of a Barred Owl. And this season he got his first personal proof that Eastern Meadowlarks were in the area.

Chase, see Lower Southwest Corner.

Dakota, South Sioux City, 118 species, Bill Huser, reporter.

Dawes, see Northwest Edge.

Douglas (and Sarpy), Omaha and Bellevue, 229 species, Tanya Bray, R.G. Cortelyou, Terry Cox, Ruth C. Green, and Babs and Loren Padelford, reporters, Russ Benedict, Duane Bright, Mrs. Fred Buffett, Mary Denney, Jim Ducey, Betty Grennon, Clyde and Emma Johnson, Sandy Kovanda, Joan Lastovica, Virginia Mason, Cathy Nelson, Bill and Becky Otto, Neal Ratzlaff, B.J. Rose, Alice Rushton, Andy Saunders, Phil Swanson, John Thomas. Six Cattle Egrets were in the flock seen 26 April, more than are usually seen at one time, and the same number were reported 16 May from Beaver Lake, Cass Co., by Gertrude Wood. There were 12 Black-crowned Night-Herons in a flock seen 16 April. An Accipiter was seen in the air at two different sites 16 April, but not well enough to determine the species. About a week before Memorial Day (the specific date was not noted) Jody and Val Kollath saw a Pileated Woodpecker in Fontenelle Forest. They had a bird guide with them, and had the time to check it against the bird, point for point. They reported it to Forest personnel, who understandably were rather skeptical. But Memorial Day weekend Jim and Sandy Kovanda saw it on North Stream Trail, and earlier Forest Director Bob Fluchel had heard the bird calling from east of Cottonwood Trail. The first week of June (again, the exact date was not noted) Mary Lou Stoffel saw one about a mile from Cris' Lake in southeastern Sarpy Co. A small, silent flycatcher seen 5 May was presumed to be an Acadian because it was so green. A Pipit, poorly seen under rainy conditions 17 May near some Horned Larks, was thought to be a Sprague's after a record was listened to later.

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	1	So.	Scotts	2	McPh.	Lin-	Howard		Boone	Lan-	Da-	Doug-	3
	Sioux		Bluff			coln	Hall	Adams		caster	kota	Sarpy	
Common Loon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 17	-	-	Ap 15 - Je 23
Pied-billed Grebe	-	-	Ap 28 Je 29	-	-	Ap 24	-	Ap 17	-	Ap 17 Je 27	Ap 4 My 29	Ja 1 - S	-
Horned Grebe	-	-	-	-	-	My 2	-	-	-	-	Ap 16 My 3	Ap 15 Ap 21	-
Eared Grebe	x	Ap 27	My 13	-	Je 22 Je 30	Ap 29	-	-	-	Ap 15 My 4	-	Ap 15 My 19	-
Western Grebe	-	Ap 15	Ap 30 Je 4	-	-	My 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
American White Pelican	-	Ap 17 Je 2	Ap 17 My 3	-	-	Ap 12	-	Ap 24 Je 12	-	-	Ap 17	Ap 12 My 5	-
Double-crested Cormorant	x	Ap 17	My 21	-	-	Ap 23	-	Je 12	-	Mr 31 My 11	Ap 17	Ap 15 Je 22	-
American Bittern	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 24	-	-	Ap 24 Je 15	Ap 23 Je 7	-	-	-
Least Bittern	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 22	My 22	-	-
Great Blue Heron	x	Mr 28 Je 30	Ja 9 b Je 30	Je 22	Fe 23	My 18	Ap 17	Je 12	Fe 26 Je 30	Ap 16 My 11	Ap 17 My 22	Ap 3 My 23	-
Great Egret	-	-	-	-	-	My 14	-	-	-	Ap 19 Ap 30	Ap 13	Ap 17	-
Snowy Egret	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 27	-	-	-
Little Blue Heron	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 19 My 21	-	Je 26	-
Cattle Egret	-	My 14	My 14	-	-	Ap 30	-	-	My 7	My 9 My 20	-	Ap 26	-
Green-backed Heron	-	-	-	-	-	My 5	My 14 Je 26	-	-	My 4 Je 25	-	My 9 Je 30	x
Black-crowned Night-Heron	-	My 15	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 17 Je 12	-	Ap 30 Je 16	My 22	Ap 16 Ap 21	-
Y-c.Night-Heron	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 4	-	-	-	-	-
Tundra Swan	-	-	-	-	Note	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Greater White-fronted Goose	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ja 16	Fe 17 Je 12	Mr 11	Mr 13 Mr 31	-	Fe 19 Mr 30	-
Snow Goose	-	-	Mr 26	-	-	Fe 27	Mr 16	Mr 12 Ap 17	Mr 11	Fe 19 Ap 3	-	W - My 22	-
Canada Goose	x	Ap 2	W - My 21	w	-	W - Ja 7	Ja 30 Mr 15	Mr 17 My 13	Fe 26 Mr 2	W - Je 30	-	W - Ap 15	-
Wood Duck	-	Ap 2	Ap 3 My 21	c	-	Mr 30	-	-	Mr 11 Je 30	Mr 13 Je 25	Ja 29 My 25	Mr 12 - S	-
Green-winged Teal	-	Fe 16	Mr 14 My 4	w	-	Mr 5	-	Ap 15	W - Ap 15	Ap 3 Je 24	-	Ap 2 My 7	-
American Black Duck	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ja 30	-	W - Ja 18	-
Mallard	x	P	P	C	Je 22 Je 30	W - Ja 7	My 14	Ap 15 Je 30	P	W - Je 27	Ja 29 My 3	W - - S	x
Northern Pintail	x	Mr 1 My 2	Mr 10 My 21	w	-	Fe 18	-	Ap 15 Je 5	Fe 26 Ap 15	Ja 30 Mr 31	Mr 12	W - My 1	-
Blue-winged Teal	x	Ap 2	Ap 18 My 21	w	-	Fe 14	Mr 16	Mr 12 Je 30	Ap 15 Je 30	Mr 31 Je 30	Mr 31 My 25	Fe 21 - S	-

	1	So.	Scotts	2	McPh.	Lin-	Howard		Boone	Lan-	Da-	Doug-	3
	Sioux	Bluff				coln	Hall	Adams		caster	kota	Sarpy	
Cinnamon Teal	-	-	-	-	-	My 21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Northern Shoveler	x	Ap 10	Mr 11	-	-	Mr 11	My 25	-	Ap 15	Mr 30	Mr 12	Mr 2	-
			My 21							Je 7	My 3	My 22	
Gadwall	x	Mr 28	Mr 11	-	-	Mr 23	-	Je 15	Ap 15	Fe 27	Mr 12	Fe 20	-
			My 4							My 27	Ap 21	My 7	
American Wigeon	-	Mr 3	Mr 10	-	-	Fe 27	-	Ap 15	W -	Fe 20	Mr 12	W -	-
		My 2	My 21					Je 5	Ap 15	My 9	Ap 17	My 3	
Canvasback	x	Ap 11	-	w	Je 22	Ap 2	-	-	Mr 13	Fe 27	Mr 12	Fe 23	-
		Ap 15			Je 30				Ap 15	My 28		Ap 6	
Redhead	x	Mr 1	Fe 21	w	Je 22	Fe 14	-	Ap 15	Mr 12	Fe 27	Mr 12	Fe 19	-
		My 10	Mr 31		Je 30					Ap 23	Ap 19	My 3	
Ring-necked Duck	-	Mr 3	-	-	-	Fe 27	-	-	Fe 27	Mr 12	Mr 12	Fe 22	-
		Mr 15							Ap 15	Ap 23	My 3	My 25	
Greater Scaup	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fe 20	-	Fe 22	-
												Mr 9	
Lesser Scaup	-	Mr 28	Mr 14	w	-	Fe 27	-	Ap 15	Mr 13	Fe 27	Mr 12	Fe 28	-
		Ap 25	My 4					My 7	Ap 15	My 11	My 3	My 13	
Common Goldeneye	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 12	-	Mr 13	W -	Mr 12	Fe 19	-
										Ap 15		My 3	
Bufflehead	-	Ap 20	Mr 11	w	-	Mr 11	-	Ap 15	Mr 13	Fe 27	Mr 12	Ja 30	-
									Ap 15	Ap 30	Ap 21	Mr 20	
Hooded Merganser	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 7	-	Ja 18	-
												My 19	
Common Merganser	-	-	Fe 21	w	-	-	-	-	Fe 11	Ja 30	Mr 12	Fe 19	-
			Mr 31						Ap 15	Ap 20	Ap 17	My 3	
Red-breasted Merganser	-	-	Ap 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 7	Mr 31	Mr 27	-
										Ap 24	Ap 19	Ap 21	
Ruddy Duck	x	Ap 20	-	-	Je 22	-	-	Ap 15	Ap 15	Fe 27	Ap 16	Mr 27	-
					Je 30			Ap 17		Je 27	My 3	Je 11	
Turkey Vulture	-	-	Ap 18	c	-	My 24	My 14	-	-	-	My 22	Ap 8	-
			Je 30			My 25						Je 23	
Osprey	-	-	Mr 6	-	-	Ap 23	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 15	-
			Ap 2									My 14	
Bald Eagle	-	Ap 6	W -	w	-	W -	W -	-	W -	Fe 20	-	W -	-
			Fe 13			Mr 13	Ap 12		Mr 13			Ap 10	
Northern Harrier	-	-	W -	-	-	Je 27	W -	Ap 15	W -	W -	Ap 17	Fe 19	-
			My 21			My 12			Ap 30	Ap 10		Mr 2	
Sharp-shinned Hawk	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 27	-	W -	Ja 22	-	My 4	-
									Ap 15	Ap 14		My 19	
Cooper's Hawk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 15	W -	-	-	-
										Ja 8			
Northern Goshawk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W -	W -	-	-	-
									Fe 26	Ja 30			
Red-shouldered Hawk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 24	-
												My 9	
Broad-winged Hawk	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 26	-
												Je 26	
Swainson's Hawk	x	Ap 18	Ap 5	-	Je 22	Fe 18	-	Ap 29	Ap 30	My 13	-	Ap 10	-
					Je 30			Je 30	Je 30			My 26	
Red-tailed Hawk	x	Mr 30	Mr 31	C	-	Ja 7	-	Ap 15	P	W -	Ap 10	P	-
			My 21							My 6			

	1	So. Sioux	Scotts Bluff	2	McPh.	Lincoln	Howard Hall	Adams	Boone	Lan-caster	Da-kota	Doug-Sarpy	3
Ferruginous Hawk	-	Ap 10	Fe 8	-	-	Ja 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
			Mr 11										
Rough-legged Hawk	-	Mr 20	Fe 21	-	-	W -	W -	-	Fe 26	-	-	Ap 16	-
			Mr 11			Ja 11	My 12						
Golden Eagle	x	-	Ja 15	-	-	-	Ap 24	-	W -	-	-	-	-
							Ap 25		Mr 13				
American Kestrel	x	-	P	C	-	P	P	P	P	W -	Ap 10	P	x
										My 21	Ap 17		
Merlin	-	-	-	-	-	Ja 7	-	-	-	Mr 27	-	-	-
Peregrine Falc.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 8	-	-	-	-
Prairie Falcon	-	Mr 20	W -	-	-	-	-	-	Ja 8	-	-	-	-
			Mr 23						Fe 11				
Gray Partridge	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	-	-	-	-
Ring-necked Pheasant	x	P	P	b	Je 22	P	P	P	P	P	Ja 1	P	x
					Je 30						My 25		
Greater Prairie-Chicken	-	-	-	-	Je 23	P	-	-	P	-	-	-	-
					Je 30								
Sharp-tailed Gr.	x	P	-	-	P	-	-	-	P	-	-	-	-
Wild Turkey	x	P	P	-	-	P	P	-	P	-	-	P	-
No. Bob-white	-	P	P	b	-	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	x
Virginia Rail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 14	My 11	-	-
										My 18			
Sora	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 7	Ap 27	My 19	My 3	-
									My 22	Je 6	My 19		
American Coot	x	Ap 11	Ap 19	-	Je 22	Mr 11	My 14	Ap 13	Mr 13	Fe 20	Ap 5	Mr 15	-
			My 21		Je 30			Je 30	Ap 15	Je 27	My 23	-	S
Sandhill Crane	-	Ap 2	-	-	-	Ja 7	Mr 21	Fe 18	Mr 14	-	-	-	-
						My 6	Ap 13	Ap 19	Ap 15				
Black-bellied Pl.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 7	-	-	-	-	-
Lesser Golden-Plover	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 5	-	My 5	-	-	-
										My 6			
Semipalmated Plover	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 6	-	Ap 21	-
										My 24		My 10	
Piping Plover	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 25	-
												Je 23	
Killdeer	x	Fe 26	Ja 3	b	Je 21	Fe 27	Mr 17	Ap 15	Fe 26	Fe 27	Ap 17	Fe 19	x
			Je 30		Je 30		Je 29	Je 30	Je 30	Je 29	My 25	-	S
American Avocet	x	Ap 20	Ap 17	-	-	Ap 14	-	Ap 24	-	-	-	My 7	-
			Je 29					Je 12					
Greater Yellowlegs	-	Ap 16	Ap 28	-	-	Mr 14	-	-	-	Ap 19	-	Ap 21	-
										My 6		My 9	
Lesser Yellowlegs	-	Ap 26	Ap 28	-	-	Ap 6	-	-	My 7	Ap 17	My 12	Ap 21	-
									My 8	My 22		My 14	
Solitary Sandpiper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 5	-
												My 10	
Willet	x	My 1	-	-	-	Ap 29	-	-	Ap 30	-	My 15	Ap 21	-
											My 3		
Spotted Sandpiper	-	-	My 14	-	-	-	-	-	My 20	My 9	My 22	My 1	-
			My 21						Je 30	Je 7	My 23	Je 23	

	1	So. Scotts	2	McPh.	Lin-	Howard		Boone Lan-	Da-	Doug-	3
	Sioux Bluff				coln	Hall	Adams	caster	kota	Sarpy	
Upland Sandpiper	x My 26	My 21	-	Je 29	My 14	My 14	-	Je 9	My 9	-	My 17
		Je 4		Je 30		My 28		Je 30	Je 25		
Long-billed Curlew	x My 13	-	-	Je 23	Mr 3	-	-	Mr 26	-	-	-
				Je 30							
Hudsonian Godw.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 24	-	My 7
Marbled Godwit	-	-	-	-	Ap 22	-	-	-	My 20	-	My 3
									My 21		
Ruddy Turnstone	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 24	-	My 30
											Je 4
Semipalmated Sandpiper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 7	My 5	-	Ap 28
									My 24		My 30
Least Sandpiper	-	-	-	-	-	My 14	-	My 7	Mr 16	-	My 10
								My 20	My 20		
White-rumped Sandpiper	-	-	-	-	Ap 23	-	-	My 20	My 5	-	My 7
									My 24		My 19
Baird's Sandpiper	-	-	Ap 27	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 15	-	Ap 15
			My 10						My 11		My 9
Pectoral Sandpiper	-	-	-	-	My 2	-	-	-	My 5	-	Ap 17
									My 24		My 14
Dunlin	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 24	-	My 10
											My 25
Stilt Sandpiper	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 20	My 16	-	My 10
											My 19
Sh-b. Dowitcher	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 7	-	-	-	-
Long-billed Dowitcher	-	-	Ap 28	-	My 6	-	-	My 7	My 5	-	My 19
			My 11								My 20
Common Snipe	-	Ap 22	-	-	Ap 25	-	-	W	My 5	-	-
								Ja 8			
American Woodcock	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 20	-	Ap 16
									Ap 24		Je 27
Wilson's Phalarope	x Ap 21	My 15	-	-	Ap 2	-	Ap 17	My 8	Ap 17	My 10	Ap 16
		My 21					Je 12	Je 25	Je 25		My 10
Franklin's Gull	-	-	My 9	-	Ap 23	Ap 16	Ap 17	Ap 12	Fe 27	-	Mr 2
					My 6	Je 30	Ap 30	Ap 17			My 10
Bonaparte's Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 15	-	Ap 21
									My 4		Ap 25
Ring-billed Gull	-	Mr 15	Mr 11	-	Fe 27	-	My 4	Note	Fe 20	Mr 12	Fe 27
		My 21					Je 5	Je 5	My 11		Je 22
Herring Gull	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 12	-	My 7
									Mr 27		My 10
Black-legged Kittiwake	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 23
											Ap 24
Caspian Tern	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 7
											My 19
Common Tern	-	-	-	-	-	My 14	-	-	Je 7	-	-
Forster's/ Common Tern	-	My 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 26
											My 10
Forster's Tern	x	-	-	-	My 14	-	-	-	Ap 15	My 3	My 3
									My 4	My 7	My 7

	1	So. Bluff	Scotts Bluff	2	McPh. coln	Lincoln	Howard Hall	Adams	Boone	Lancaster	Dakota	Douglass	3
Least Tern	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 9 - Je 23
Black Tern	x	-	My 21 - Je 4	-	Je 22 Je 30	My 14	-	My 7 Je 30	My 20 Je 30	My 4 Je 7	My 22 Je 30	Ap 30	- My 30
Rock Dove	-	P	P	b	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-
Mourning Dove	x	Ap 2	Fe 12 Je 30	b	Je 19 Je 30	Mr 29	W - Je 30	W - - S	Ap 6 Je 30	W - - S	My 15 Je 30	W - - S	- -
Black-billed Cuckoo	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 8 Je 30	My 25 Je 12	My 22 Je 30	My 25 Je 22	-
Cuckoo sp.	-	-	Je 22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 21	Ap 28	-
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	-	Je 28	-	c	Je 21 Je 30	Je 3	My 22 Je 26	My 9 Je 30	Je 8 Je 30	My 20 Je 29	Je 15 Je 30	My 10 - S	-
Common Barn-Owl	-	-	My 2 - Je 29	-	-	-	P	Ap 24	-	-	-	-	Je 29 -
E. Screech-Owl	-	-	P	-	-	-	P	P	P	P	-	P	-
Gr. Horned Owl	-	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	x
Snowy Owl	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 8 -
Burrowing Owl	x	Ap 12	Ap 27 Je 28	h	-	-	Je 20 Je 28	My 15 Je 30	-	-	-	-	-
Barred Owl	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Note	P	-	P	x
Long-eared Owl	-	-	My 21	-	-	-	-	-	Fe 11 Mr 13	Fe 20 Ap 3	-	-	-
Short-eared Owl	-	Mr 30	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fe 11	-	-	-	-
Common Nighthawk	-	My 27 Je 30	My 31 Je 30	-	Je 22 Je 30	Je 16	My 28 Je 29	Ap 11 Je 30	Je 11 Je 30	My 11 Je 24	My 31 Je 30	My 9 - S	-
Com. Poorwill	-	-	Je 7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chk-will's-wid.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 17	x
Whip-poor-will	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 22 My 19	-
Chimney Swift	-	My 10 Je 30	My 9 Je 30	b	-	My 11	Ap 28 Je 30	Ap 24 Je 30	Ap 30 Je 30	Ap 17 Je 29	My 3 Je 30	Ap 27 - S	x
Wh.-th. Swift	-	-	My 21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	-	My 20	-	-	-	-	-	My 14	-	-	-	My 5 Je 15	-
Br.-t. Humming.	-	Je 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belted Kingfisher	-	-	P	-	-	P	W - Je 15	Ap 15	P	P	Ap 30	W - - S	-
Lewis' Woodpkr.	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Red-headed Woodpecker	x	My 10 Je 4	My 15 Je 4	b	-	My 12	My 6 Je 30	My 4 Je 30	My 7 Je 30	My 6 Je 29	Je 30	W - - S	x
Red-bell. Wdp.	-	-	-	-	-	Ja 1	P	-	P	P	P	P	x
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 14 Ap 15	Ap 24	-	Ja 20 Ap 21	-
Downy Woodpkr.	x	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	x
Hairy Woodpkr.	x	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	-
No. Flicker	x	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	x
Pileated Woodpecker	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My Je	x x





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	Sioux	Bluff			coln	Hall	Adams		Boone	Lan-	Da-	Doug-	3	
	Sioux	Bluff			coln	Hall	Adams		Boone	Lan-	Da-	Doug-	3	
Tufted Titmse.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	x	
Red-breasted Nuthatch	x	-	W	-	-	-	W	Mr 12	Fe 15	Ap 23	-	W	-	
			My 21				Ap 16		Ap 3			My 24		
White-breasted Nuthatch	x	-	Fe 8	-	-	Mr 31	W	-	W	P	P	P	x	
							Ap 16		Ap 15					
Pygmy Nuthatch	x	Je 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Brown Creeper	x	-	W	-	-	My 23	W	Mr 5	Fe 11	W	-	W	-	
			Ap 7				Ap 17	Ap 28	Ap 15	Ap 24		Je 3		
Rock Wren	x	Ap 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Carolina Wren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Fe 2	-	Fe 1	-	
												My 15		
House Wren	x	My 10	My 9	-	-	Ap 6	Ap 28	Ap 26	My 7	Ap 24	Ap 30	Ap 26	x	
			Je 30				Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 27	Je 30	-	S	
Winter Wren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 15	Ja 30	-	W	-	
										Ap 10		Ap 24		
Sedge Wren	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 25	-	-	x	
Marsh Wren	x	My 23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 30	-	My 5	-	
												My 11		
Golden-c. King.	-	-	-	-	-	Ja 25	Mr 30	Fe 28	W	W	Ap 17	W	-	
							Ap 6	Ap 17	Ap 15	Ap 24		My 5		
Ruby-cr Kinglet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 12	-	Ap 2	Ap 17	Mr 13	-	
								Ap 24		My 3	My 19	My 19		
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 3	-	
												Je 22		
Eastern Bluebird	-	-	-	-	Note	W	Je 6	My 9	Ap 6	Fe 20	-	Fe 11	x	
						Ap 9	Je 16	My 10	Je 15	Je 6		Je 13		
Mountain Bluebird	x	Fe 25	Mr 8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
			Je 14											
Townsend's Solitaire	-	Mr 30	W	-	-	Fe 11	W	-	-	-	-	W	-	
			Ap 15				Ap 16					Ja 18		
Veery	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 15	-	-	My 13	-	My 19	-	
							My 16			My 24		Je 12		
Gray-cheeked Thrush	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 14	Ap 15	My 13	-	My 5	-	
										My 29		My 25		
Swainson's Thrush	-	My 4	My 10	-	-	My 14	-	Ap 30	My 8	My 7	My 15	My 3	-	
		Je 6	My 21					Je 13	My 20	My 31	My 23	Je 1		
Hermit Thrush	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 12	-	Ap 10	Ap 16	Fe 1	-	
								My 28		Ap 30		Ap 19		
Wood Thrush	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 16	Je 26	-	My 2	x	
									Je 18			-	S	
American Robin	x	Mr 1	W	-	b	Je 19	W	W	Fe 24	P	W	Mr 12	W	
			Je 30		Je 30	-	S	Je 30	-	S	Je 30	Je 30	-	S
Varied Thrush	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 6	-	
Gray Catbird	x	My 18	My 21	-	-	Je 7	Ap 25	My 13	My 20	My 11	My 15	My 1	x	
			Je 28				Je 14	Je 30	Je 30	Je 27	Je 30	-	S	
Northern Mockingbird	-	My 5	-	-	-	My 30	My 28	-	-	W	-	My 9	-	
							Je 28			Ja 18				
Brown Thrasher	x	My 9	My 14	h	Je 19	My 6	My 4	Ap 26	My 20	Ap 23	My 11	Ap 28	x	
			Je 29		Je 30		Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 29	Je 30	-	S	



	1	So. Sioux	Scotts Bluff	2	McPh.	Lincoln	Howard Hall	Adams	Boone	Lancaster	De- kota	Doug- Sарy	3
Palm Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 7 - My 19	-
Blackpoll Warbler	-	My 18 My 22	My 19	-	-	-	-	My 13 My 22	My 20	My 9 My 22	My 12 My 22	My 7 - My 25	-
Black-and-white Warbler	x	-	My 21	-	-	-	-	My 7 My 19	-	My 11 My 22	-	Ap 27 - My 23	-
American Redstart	x	My 7 My 30	My 13	-	-	My 14	My 14	My 7 My 13	-	My 11 My 22	My 11 My 19	My 5 - Je 30	-
Prothonotary Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 13 - Je 30	-
Worm-eating W.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 9 -	-
Ovenbird	x	My 15	-	-	-	-	-	My 9	My 19	My 6 My 24	-	Ap 30 - - S	-
Northern Waterthrush	-	My 22	My 19	-	-	-	-	-	My 8 My 20	Ap 30 My 21	My 10 My 19	Ap 3 - My 19	-
Waterthrush sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 21	-	-	-
Louisiana Waterthrush	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 21 - Je 30	-
Kentucky Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 20 - My 24	-
Connecticut Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 17 - My 28	-
Mourning Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 13	-	My 13 My 29	-	My 5 - Je 1	-
Common Yellowthroat	x	My 15 Je 4	My 7	-	-	My 13 Je 30	My 12 Je 26	My 7 Je 30	My 7 Je 30	Ap 30 Je 30	My 9 Je 30	Ap 28 x - S	-
Hooded Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 16 -	-
Wilson's Warbler	-	My 22 Je 4	My 13	-	-	-	-	Ap 26 My 22	-	My 18 My 20	My 10 My 19	My 5 - My 25	-
Canada Warbler	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 20 -	-
Yellow-breast. Chat	x	-	My 13 My 30	-	-	My 14	My 19 Je 16	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summer Tanager	-	-	Note	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Je 26 - Je 30	-
Scarlet Tanager	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 22	My 17 - Je 30	-
Western Tanager	x	My 12 My 24	My 12 My 13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
No. Cardinal	-	-	-	c	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	x
Rose-breasted Grosbeak	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 16 Je 16	My 13 Je 30	My 20 Je 30	My 5 Je 26	My 22 Je 30	My 1 x - S	-
Black-headed Grosbeak	x	My 24 Je 14	My 18	-	-	My 27	My 14	My 10	-	-	-	-	-
Blue Grosbeak	-	My 26 Je 30	My 21 Je 30	c	Je x Je 30	My 21	-	-	Je 8	Je 24	-	My 17 x - S	-
Lazuli Bunting	x	-	My 27 Je 25	-	-	My 25	-	-	-	-	-	-	x
Indigo Bunting	x	-	Je 7 Je 14	c	-	My 14	My 17 Je 16	My 8 Je 30	My 20 Je 30	My 11 Je 26	My 22 Je 30	Ap 28 x - S	-
Dickcissel	-	-	-	-	-	My 30	My 25 Je 29	Je 5 Je 30	My 20 Je 30	My 5 Je 30	My 22 Je 30	My 6 x - S	-

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	Sioux	Bluff				coln	Hall	Adams		caster	kota	Sarpy	
Green-tail, T.	-	-	My 12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rufous-sided Towhee	x	Ap 25	Ap 28	-	-	Ap 25	My 25	Ja 18	My 5	Fe 12	-	W -	-
			Je 30				Je 16	My 13		Je 26		-	S
American Tree Sparrow	-	Ap 16	W -	w -		Ja 3	W -	Mr 27	W -	W -	Ja 1	W -	-
			My 14				Ap 16	Ap 15	Ap 15	Ap 17	Ap 15	Ap 25	
Chipping Sparrow	x	My 1	Ap 26	-	-	My 14	Ap 24	Ap 15	Ap 26	My 3	My 7	W -	x
		My 25	Je 26				Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	My 21	My 23	-	S
Clay-colored Sparrow	-	My 7	My 11	-	-	My 14	-	Ap 19	-	Ap 30	-	My 5	-
			My 21					My 19		My 20		My 15	
Field Sparrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 25	Ap 19	Je 8	Ap 2	My 7	Ja 27	x
							Je 16	My 8	Je 30	Je 26	Je 30	-	S
Vesper Sparrow	x	Ap 20	Ap 23	-	-	-	My 16	-	Ap 30	-	-	Ap 28	x
												Je 16	
Lark Sparrow	x	Ap 26	Ap 24	b	Je 19	Ap 23	My 25	My 4	My 20	-	-	My 1	-
			Je 30	Je 30			Je 16		Je 30			My 24	
Lark Bunting	x	My 7	Ap 26	h	Je x	My 14	My 25	-	-	-	-	-	-
			Je 30	Je 30			Je 16						
Savannah Sparrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 20	Ap 15	-	Ap 25	-
									My 11	My 19		My 19	
Grasshopper Sparrow	-	Je 4	-	c	-	My 14	My 25	-	My 20	My 8	-	My 3	x
							Je 30		Je 30	Je 12		-	S
Le Conte's Sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 30	-	My 5	-
Sharp-tailed Sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 15	-	-
Fox Sparrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 27	Mr 31	Mr 12	Mr 14	-
									Mr 30	Ap 23		Ap 19	
Song Sparrow	-	Ap 1	My 10	-	-	Mr 17	-	Ap 15	Fe 11	W -	Je 8	P	x
			My 14					My 13	Je 30	Je 26			
Lincoln's Sparrow	-	Ap 29	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 26	Ap 27	Ap 25	My 7	Ja 1	-
		My 25						My 5	My 20	My 21		My 20	
Swamp Sparrow	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	My 8	Ja 2	-	Ap 24	-
									Je 30	Ja 8		My 1	
White-throated Sparrow	-	-	-	-	-	-	W -	Ap 15	-	W -	My 7	W -	-
							Mr 28	Je 10		My 14	My 10	My 19	
White-crowned Sparrow	-	My 1	W -	-	-	W -	W -	Ap 28	Fe 11	Ap 23	-	W -	-
		My 20	My 21			My 14	Mr 20	My 8		My 11		My 19	
Harris' Sparrow	-	-	My 8	-	-	W -	W -	My 8	W -	W -	-	W -	-
						My 14	Ap 24		My 20	My 22		My 15	
Dark-eyed Junco	x	Ap 16	W -	w -	-	Ja 1	W -	My 4	W -	W -	Ja 1	W -	-
			Ap 18				My 4		Ap 15	Ap 24	My 4	My 3	
McCown's Longsp.	-	Ap 16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lapland Longsp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Mr 27	-
Chestnut-col. L	x	Mr 29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bobolink	x	-	My 18	-	-	My 14	My 15	-	My 7	Je 25	-	My 9	-
			My 21			Je 30	Je 16		Je 30			-	S
Red-winged Blackbird	x	Fe 26	Fe 20	B	Je 19	Ja 4	Ap 16	Mr 23	P	W -	Mr 3	W -	x
			Je 30	Je 30			Je 30	Je 30		Je 29	Je 30	-	S
Eastern Meadowlark	-	-	-	-	-	My 14	My 30	-	My 8	Mr 13	-	Fe 10	x
							Je 16			Je 12		Je 28	
Meadowlark sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	-	W -	-	P	-
										Fe 27			

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Western Meadowlark	x Fe 26	P	b Je 19	P	W -	-	W -	P	Mr 5	W -	x
			Je 30		Je 30		Je 30		Je 30		S
Yellow-headed Blackbird	x Ap 22	Ap 26	- Je 19	Ap 7	Ap 16	Ap 15	My 7	Ap 17	Ap 19	Ap 20	-
		My 21	Je 30		Ap 24	Je 30		Je 27	My 29	Je 27	
Rusty Blackbird	-	-	-	-	-	-	W -	Fe 19	-	Fe 24	-
							Mr 12			Ap 25	
Brewer's Blackbird	-	-	My 14	-	Ap 29	-	My 14	W -	W -	-	Fe 11
			My 21				Je 30	Mr 12	Ja 2		Ap 20
Great-tailed Grackle	-	-	-	-	-	Ap 25	My 8	-	My 5	-	-
						Je 28			Je 27		
Common Grackle	x Ap 15	Ap 10	b Je 19	Ap 13	Mr 15	Fe 25	Ap 2	Fe 13	Mr 12	W -	x
		Je 30	Je 30		Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	- S
Brown-headed Cowbird	x Ap 23	My 10	b -	Ap 22	Ap 28	Ap 15	Fe 11	Ap 10	My 22	Ja 19	x
		Je 30			Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 27	Je 28		- S
Orchard Oriole	x My 25	My 21	b Je 19	My 13	My 26	My 6	My 10	My 7	My 17	My 6	x
		Je 30	Je 30		Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 24	My 22		- S
Northern Oriole	x My 22	My 18	c Je x	My 13	My 6	My 7	My 7	My 5	My 7	My 1	x
		Je 30	Je 30		Je 30	Je 30	Je 30	Je 26	Je 30		- S
Purple Finch	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	W -	-	W -	-
								Ja 30		My 6	
House Finch	x P	P	C	-	P	P	-	-	-	-	-
Common Redpoll	-	-	-	-	Ja 1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pine Siskin	x Ap 15	W -	-	Ap 9	-	Mr 12	-	-	-	Ja x	-
		Je 30				Ap 15					
Am. Goldfinch	x My 2	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	x
Eve. Grosbeak	-	-	Fe 23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
House Sparrow	x P	P	b P	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	x

Hall, see Howard.

Howard (and Hall), St. Libory and Grand Island, 110 species, Bill Schleicher, reporter, Tanya Bales, Vera Coons, George Stopkotte.

Hitchcock, see Lower Southwest Corner.

Lancaster, Lincoln, 197 species, Tanya Bray, Wm. C. Garthright, Ruth C. Green, Mabel B. Ott, and Babs and Loren Padelford, reporters, Terry Cox, Larry Einemann, Neva Pruess, Rick Wright. Mrs. Green commented that the Franklin's Gulls she saw at Branched Oak Lake 27 February were mature birds and one had the rosy breeding blush on its breast. This is the earliest record for the state that she can find. The Mockingbird was a patron at a feeder.

Lincoln, North Platte, 139 species, Marie Cunningham, reporter, W.H. Cunningham, Colsons, Eva Kieborz, McEvoy, Margaret Morton, Somerhalder.

Lower Southwest Corner, Chase and Hitchcock counties, 53 species, Wauneta, Iola Pennington, reporter, Sharon Alford. This is based on observations made in the two counties 10 June (c for Chase, h for Hitchcock, b for both), supplemented by comments on birds seen before 7 April (not designated by county). These are indicated by w, or if the bird was also reported for 10 June, by capitalizing that symbol, thus: C, H, or B.

McPherson, Tryon, 36 species, Mrs. Oona Bassett, reporter. The first dates are Mrs. Bassett's first records after she got back to the ranch in mid-June. Winter birds, and most migrants are thus not included. Neighbors reported seeing 4 Tundra Swans, but the next time they were seen there were only 3. The Eastern Bluebirds were seen for 3 days during the first blizzard.

Northwest Edge, Dawes, Sheridan, and Sioux counties, 97 species, Babs and Loren Padelford, reporters. These are observations made on 28 and 29 May. The Junco was a Gray-headed type, seen at Smith Lake, Sheridan Co.

Otoe, 55 species, Babs and Loren Padelford, reporters. These are observations made 19 June.

Sarpy, see Douglas.

Scotts Bluff, Gering, 139 species, Alice Kenitz, reporter, Cash Adcock, Dorothy Adcock, Mary Ann Banghart, Lydia Bolz, Joyce Brashear, and Helen Hughson. Two Cattle Egrets, seen by Helen Hughson near a feedlot south of Morrill, were a first — they have been singly before. A man who lives on the edge of Gering called Maud Witschy to report that he had a Raven in his yard on 2 February, and that a man who lives in a canyon in the hills southwest of Gering had 4 in his yard about the same time. Apparently they were identified on the basis of size. It certainly is possible that these were Common Ravens, but Mrs. Kenitz is not sure. There are a large number of Crows south of Gering in the winter, and she is not sure that these men have the expertise to tell the difference. The Tanager was observed by Mary Allison and her family on 13 June. This was one of the gray and drizzly days that are so common here about that time. They observed this red bird in a large spruce tree in their yard. Mary thought the mandibles were dark and so that it might have been a Hepatic Tanager, but Mrs. Kenitz is dubious because of the poor light conditions. A Summer Tanager was seen here several years ago, but she can't find any record of a Hepatic Tanager in Nebraska at all.

Sheridan, see Northwest Edge.

Sioux, see Northwest Edge and South Sioux.

South Sioux, Mitchell RFD, 126 species, David and Helen Hughson, reporters.

## BOOK REVIEWS

Wading Birds of the World, Eric and Richard Sootyhill. 334 pp., 6 × 9½, Blandford Press, England, Sterling Publishing Co. Inc., New York. Hardbound, indexed, \$29.95.

This book covers the sixteen orders of wading birds, over 300 species. The book consists of discussions of the individual species. As a minimum it gives "Description" and "Habitat and Distribution"; for the more important species it includes "Description", "Characteristics and Behaviour", "Habitat", "Food", "Voice", "Display" (surprisingly often "not recorded" or the like), "Breeding", "Distribution", a color photo or a line drawing (96 color, 70 line), and a map of the world (about two inches wide) showing the breeding distribution. For those species whose common name in America differs from that in Britain (this is a British book) the American name is given in the species account and included in the index. There is one exception — we regard the Black-necked Stilt as a separate species (*Himantopus mexicanus*). It is not indexed by either name, and the only indication in the book of its existence is the following sentence under "Distribution" of the Black-winged Stilt (*Himantopus himantopus*): "*H. h. mexicanus* breeds in southern and western USA, through Central America, the West Indies, and the coastlands of north-western South America (there is also a black-necked variety, with black head, hindneck, and upper face; with white forehead, and white patch over eye)." but once one knows this, there is no problem. The book's order is not that of the new *AOU Checklist*, but with the large number on Non-American birds the index would be quicker anyhow. There is a one page biography. (This book, like Palmer, lumps the White-faced Ibis with the Glossy Ibis. The index entry is a parenthetical entry under Glossy; no entry under W.)

The North American Black Duck (*Anas rubripes*); A Case Study of 28 Years of Failure in American Wildlife Management, John W. Grandy, Supplement to International Journal for the Study of Animal Problems, 4(4)1983. Washington, D.C.

A dismal, discouraging record of the continued failure of the authorities to do anything effective to reduce the continued decline in the numbers of the Black Duck.

Banquets for Birds, National Audubon Society, 28 pp. 6 × 9, softbound, \$1.60 postpaid from Information Services, National Audubon Society, 950 Third Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10022.

A quick summary of information on the subject: diversity, selectivity, and scientific observation; distribution, dependency, and timing; lazy landscapes, scalloped edges, and likely birds; food, feeders, and special needs; hazards, predators, and pests; relative attractiveness of bird feeds for some common birds; preferred foods of common birds (does anyone really want to attract House Sparrows and Starlings, or are they included so one will know what not to put out in order to decrease their numbers?); favorite hummingbird plants; a selection of plantings beneficial to birds; and a list of books on the subject.

The Bird Identification Calendar 1984, the Stephen Greene Press, Brattleboro, VT, 14 pp., 12 $\frac{3}{4}$  × 11, \$6.95.

As an engagement calendar it is like most of the others; the prime difference is in the seventy or so color pictures by John Sill, and the short comments that go with each, which may contain little items that you never knew, or had forgotten. This is a continuation of the series of such calendars prepared under the auspices of the Massachusetts Audubon Society.



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### NOTES

LATE WOOD DUCK BROODS. I don't know if weather affected the nesting of some Wood Ducks or not, but 8 August (1982) seems a little late for baby woodies. At the Iowa Settling Pond, there were two hens with new families; one hen had two ducklings that were about 5 to 6 days old, and another hen had a brood that was only a few hours out of the nest. The Wood Duck raises but one brood in a season in any part of its wide range, according to Bent, and has always been considered an early nester. I searched several waterfowl books for late nesting records and could find nothing later than the end of July - no mention of August records at all. It takes 60 days for young Wood Ducks to be able to fly, so October will catch these birds unprepared to migrate as early as they should.

—Ruth C. Green, 506 W. 31st Avenue, Bellevue, Nebraska 68005

**CATTLE EGRETS.** On 20 September 1982 I saw 7 Cattle Egrets and on 5 October 3, both times on Highway 34, about 1.4 miles east of spur 93 to I-80.

—Harvey L. Gunderson, 1200 Superior, Lincoln, Nebraska 68521

**PEREGRINE FALCON HARASSING GREAT HORNED OWL.** The Peregrine Falcon is a rare fall migrant at Mormon Island Crane Meadows (Lingle and Hay, *NBR* 50:31). At 8:45 A.M. on 12 October 1982 I was driving along the Platte River on Mormon Island Crane Meadows when I heard a series of gull-like calls which I did not recognize. As I approached an open view of the river I saw a Peregrine Falcon scolding and dive-bombing an object on a herbaceous island. I was within 60 m of the Falcon, and its black helmet and large size clearly identified it as a Peregrine. After seeing me, the Falcon flew downriver. As I got out of the vehicle a Great Horned Owl flew from the island area which the Peregrine was harassing. Mobbing behavior of many species of birds on Great Horned Owls is well known, but records of migrant Peregrine Falcons harassing Great Horned Owls are few, although Great Horned Owls are the major predators of Peregrine Falcon eyasses at reintroduction sites.

—Gary Lingle, Platte River Trust, 2550 N. Diers Ave., Suite H, Grand Island, Nebraska 68801

**WHOOPIING CRANE.** The spring 1983 report of Whooping Crane sightings, released by the Fish and Wildlife Service, Pierre, S.D. has three for Nebraska: On 14 April two adults and a radio-tagged young left Sheridan Co., Kansas (12 miles north and .5 mile east of Hoxie), where they had been for a couple of days, and flew to Furnas Co., a mile north of Hendley, where they spent the night of 14-15 April. They spent 15-18 April in Custer Co., 3 miles NNE of Callaway, and then went to Perkins Co., S.D. (5 miles SSW of Prairie City) for the night of 18-19 April. Two adults, not marked, spent the night of 15-16 April in Franklin Co., 5 miles south and 2 miles east of Hildreth. A third group — two adults and a young, and radio-marked spent 17-18 April in Mitchell Co., Kansas, 5 miles SE of Beloit, and the night of 18-19 April in Mellette Co., S.D., 12 miles NW of White River, with no known stop in Nebraska.

**BLACK-NECKED STILT.** In mid-morning of 11 May 1983 I saw a Black-necked Stilt from I-80, east of Gothenburg, Dawson Co.

—Ray Korpi, 2002 Dogwood Circle, Bellevue, Nebraska 68005

**FISH-EATING GREAT HORNED OWL.** On 15 June 1982, while working near Buck Creek, approximately 4.5 miles west of Peru, agricultural workers Randy Rohrs, Jim Whisler, and Ross Adams observed a young Great Horned Owl consuming a fish. When it was approached the young raptor clacked a warning and continued feeding. The observers stated that the fish appeared to be 8 to 9 inches long. The following day we collected fish scales at the site and sent a sample to Dr. Clayton True, Kearney State College, for identification. Dr. True stated that positive identification using scales is not an exact science. However, the size and coloration of the scales and the reported size indicate that the fish was a carp (*Cyprinus*). Due to the excessive rainfall this spring many of the ponds in the area overflowed, washing many fish out. Great Horned Owls do not usually prey on fish, but they are opportunistic feeders, and this appears to be the case in this situation.

—Steve Shupe, Box 151, Peru State College, Peru, Nebraska 68421

**CHUCK-WILL'S-WIDOW.** At 5 A.M. 12 May 1982 I heard a Chuck-will's-widow calling in the woods behind our house. It called for about 10 minutes, and I recorded it on tape. This is the only time I have heard this bird in Nebraska.

—Harvey L. Gunderson, 1200 Superior, Lincoln, Nebraska 68521

**BLUE-GRAY GNATCATCHER.** A Blue-gray Gnatcatcher netted in Garden Co. was said to be the first record west of Lincoln (*NBR* 50:7). I reported one from Bladen, but I can't say when, for I can't find some of my records. But Rapp *et al's* *Revised Checklist* cites Tout's *Lincoln County Birds* as saying the Gnatcatcher gets as far west as North Platte.

—Harold Turner, Box 333, Minden, Nebraska 68959

(The claim may have been based on a reading of the bird's current status in Johnsgard's *A Preliminary List* etc. A check of the *Review* for Mr. Turner's record was stopped when Earl Glandon's 1957 record from Stapleton, Logan Co., was found (*NBR* 25:52). — Ed.)

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SCOTT'S ORIOLE. On 17 June 1983 we (Vonna Jo Moody, Sharon Alford, and I) saw a bird in an isolated grove of trees on a hill top by Enders Dam, and on 25 June we saw a similar one in trees along the Stinking Water at Moody's, about five miles from Wauneta. We noted the black head, lemon yellow body, and distinct tail marks. The song, as the books say, reminded us of the Western Meadowlark's. Each sighting was a deliberate one, with reference books handy, and we used every possible means to check our accuracy.

— *L. Lola Pennington, 561 S. Tecumseh Avenue, Wauneta, Nebraska 69045*

In May of 1975 George W. Stoppkotte reported a Scott's Oriole on his farm just east of Grand Island. He saw it on about eight different occasions, and Bill Schleicher and Vera Coons were able to study it, too. (*NBR* 43:64).

MINDEN NOTES. On 20 July 1982 I heard what I feel sure was a Great Crested Flycatcher, and on 22 July out in the country, I heard a Blue Grosbeak and stirred up some Grasshopper Sparrows. On 1 August near the same area I saw 3 Great Blue Herons, more Grasshopper Sparrows, and what I took for a Savannah Sparrow. On 23 August I saw only 1 Great Blue, but several Killdeer and what I took for a Solitary Sandpiper. On 25 August I saw about 40 Purple Martins over town. My brother who lives southwest of Holstein a few miles, saw a lone American Bittern about 1 August, and had watched a pair of Burrowing Owls on the old home place (in Adams Co.) this past summer. As well as he could determine they raised 4 young. On 6 September another brother and I saw a Swainson's Hawk. On 19 September I saw a lone Black-crowned Night-Heron, apparently an immature. This was near where I had seen the Great Blues. The same day I flushed some Grasshopper and Savannah Sparrows, saw a Lincoln's and a Brown Thrasher and a Ferruginous Hawk.

— *Harold Turner, Box 333, Minden, Nebraska 68959*

CORRECTION TO 1982 CHRISTMAS COUNT. "Species reported" for DeSoto Bend NWR, *NBR* 51:17, should be 60 instead of 50.