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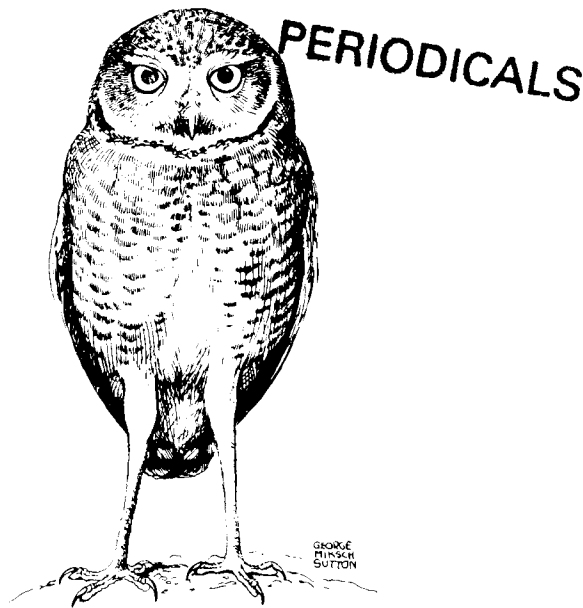
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1987 TREASURER'S REPORT

		Cash This Year	To/From other years	Invest- ments	Current Account	Total Assets
Balance 1 January 1987		1,228.61	964.42	10,010.68		10,274.87
Accounts payable paid		(387.92)	(387.92)			
Prepaid items used below		(576.50)	(576.50)			
RECEIPTS						
Member- ships	166 Active	1,161.50				
	68 Family Active	680.00				
	14 Sustaining	210.00				
	8 Family Sustaining	160.00				
	16 Student	48.00				
	4 Life	400.00			2,659.50	
Subscrip- tions	16 Domestic agency	152.50				
	4 Domestic direct	40.00				
	3 Foreign agent	33.00				
	1 Foreign direct	12.00			237.50	
Miscel- laneous	Review copies	11.50				
	Field cards	23.85				
	Check lists	206.50				
	Arm patches	16.00				
	Miscellaneous	20.71				
	Interest	116.22		827.41		
	Spring meet (net)	(192.00)				
	Fall meet (net)	255.24			1,285.42	
Total receipts		3,355.02		827.41	4,182.42	
EXPENSES						
Publi- tions	Review	1,081.14	286.91			
	Newsletter	413.89				
	Postage	360.00			2,141.94	
Officer's expenses	President	34.51				
	Secretary	11.16				
	Treasurer	53.29				
	Editor	141.82			240.78	
Miscel- laneous	Atlas and Records Committees	110.05				
	Checks	8.04				
	Corporate fee	20.00			138.09	
	Total Expenses	2,233.90	286.91		2,520.81	1,661.61
Prepaid subscriptions		66.00	66.00			
Prepaid memberships		560.50	560.50			
Gifts		100.00				100.00
Investments		(1,351.10)		1,351.10		
Balance 31 December 1987		760.71	(913.41)	12,189.19		12,036.38
				1,000.00		
				1,055.68		
				1,117.25		
				1,322.33		
				2,392.88		
				2,572.39		
				2,728.66		
				12,189.19		

AN INCA DOVE IN NEBRASKA, IN WINTER

On 28 October 1987 my uncle, Lee Johnson, and I saw a small dove on the bird bath at my home in Kearney. We did not use binoculars ~~but~~, and thought it was a small Mourning Dove. On 2 November my son Gary Paine, and I saw it and used binoculars on it, noting its small size and rufous wings. We thought it was a Common Ground-Dove, and reported it to Dr. J. C. W. Bliese. On 2 December it was seen again on the bird bath and in trees. This time Margaret Triplett identified it as an Inca Dove, and the identification was confirmed then and later by other observers, who came from all over the state to see it.

The identification was based on the small body, about sparrow-sized, scaly back, rufous on wings which showed only in flight or when the wings were moved. The eyes showed red at times. The beak was long, slender, and dark. It had black and white on a long, pointed tail. Noreen Schutz, who lives about a mile from us, saw a bird feeding and drinking in her yard 12 and 13 December which she thought was the Inca Dove, but there have been no other indications of where it may have spent its time between appearances here. It was last seen at my home on 3 March, but it was seen 7 March a block away at the Warren Miller's.

--- Eileen Paine, 1716 7th Avenue, Kearney, Neb. 68847



Nothing was observed to indicate that it might be an escaped captive. *The A.O.U. Check-list*, 6th ed., says that it is a resident of "extreme southeastern California, central Arizona, southern New Mexico, and central Texas south through Mexico", and that it "wanders casually to ... Kansas ...". The origin of some of the vagrants ... may have been individuals escaped from captivity." This seems to be the first record for Nebraska.

1987 CHRISTMAS COUNT

There were two new reporting areas this year - Loup City, and the Nebraska portion of the Sioux City count. One hundred fourteen species are included in the report, but two of them were only from Loup City and one only from Sioux City, to leave 111 species from areas that reported 109 species last year. One species was reported present during the count period, but not included in any count last year. This year's report form did not include a tabulation of such species. The total individual count this year was 408,096, with 394,127 from the areas that reported last year. This compares with 279,291 last year, and 124,642 in 1985. Some of the larger differences, with 1987 total first, 1987 comparable areas, and 1986, are: Snow Goose, 36,368, 38168, 61,618; Canada Goose 7,053, 7,015, 18,001; Mallard 89,038, 77,538, 43,393; Crow 1,791, 1,758, 4,222; Robin 10,410, 10407, 213; Starling 33,404, 33,069, 35,364; Red-wings 189,244, 189,140, 80,803; Tree Sparrow 4,268, 3,977, 3,002; House Sparrow 13,483, 13,163, 13,975; sub-total 385,164, 374,235, 260,591; all others 22,882, 19,892, 18,700; total 408,046, 394,127, 279,291.

The columns are arranged in an approximate west (left) to east (right) order, with the northernmost of those with about the same longitude given first. The symbol H is used to indicate a species which was present during

the count week, but not recorded on the count day (no longer included in the official report form, but in this case volunteered by Scotts Bluff and Norfolk). Figures which were underlined on the reports are underlined in the table, to indicate high counts. Sightings reported as "species" are not included in the count of species reported if any of that group were reported.

Beaver Valley, center NW corner of Sec. 5, T21N, R7W, 1.5 miles S and 4 miles W. of Petersburg, including Petersburg, Raeville, Loretto, and Akron (all in northwestern Boone Co.); elevation 1850 to 2150 feet; habitat coverage: farmland 52%, native grassland 40%, bushy swamp 4%, deciduous woods 2%, coniferous woods 1%, shelterbelts 1%; 22 Dec., 7:15 AM to 5:15 PM; Temp. 23° to 38° F.; wind W, 5 - 10 mph, no snow cover; still water partly open, moving water open, AM clear, PM partly cloudy. 6 observers in 1 - 2 parties, total party-hours 14, party-miles 68. 6 hours and 8 miles on foot and 8 hours and 60 miles by car. Harlow Butcher, Robert Freiberg, Ray Korpi, Wayne J. Mollhoff (compiler), David Stage, Duane Wolff. Mr. Mollhoff commented that there had been no real winter weather prior to count day.

Calmus-Loup, center at NW corner Sec. 35, T22N, R17W, 5 miles N. and 6 miles E. of Taylor. The circle lies mostly in Loup and Valley counties. Taylor and Burwell lie on the SW and SE edges of the circle, respectively, which includes the entire lake behind the new Calmus River dam. Elevation around 2100 to 2350 ft.; 17 Dec., 8:15 AM to 5:15 PM, Temp. 16° to 34° F.; wind SE 5-10 mph; no snow cover; stillwater partly open; moving water open; AM clear; PM partly cloudy; 4 observers in 1 - 2 parties, total party-hours 10 and party-miles 125; 6 hours and 10 miles on foot; 4 hours and 125 miles by car; observers Wayne Mollhoff (compiler), Jerry Probst, David Stage, and Duane Wolff. Mr. Mollhoff commented: no real winter weather prior to the count, plus a superabundant crop of cedar berries may account for an estimated minimum of 50,000 Robins in the count circle. (And see comments for Loup City).

DeSoto NWR, center Refuge headquarters building, west to Blair, and east to Missouri Valley, Iowa, including all of the Refuge, Wilson Island, and Fort Calhoun, elevation 992 to 1375 ft.; habitat coverage: cultivated fields 40%, woodlands and open brush 40%, water 5%, urban and residential 15%; 3 Jan. 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Temp. 13° to 27° F., wind NW 15-25 mph; .1 inch snow cover; Still water partly frozen, moving water open, clear all day. 36 observers in 7 parties, 1.5 hours and 3 miles owling; total party-hours 64.5 and party-miles 551; 25 hours and 25 miles on foot, 39.5 hours and 526 miles by car; Betty Allen, John Brenneman, Ron Cisar, Lisa Currier, K. L. Drews (compiler), Lori Foresman, Stephanie Fryers, George E. Gage, Sue Gentes, James A. Glathar, Ruth Green, Alan Grenon, Elizabeth Grenon, Chris Hoffman, Eunice Kawamoto, Ray Korpi, Raymond C. Korpi, Jim Kovanda, Sandy Kovanda, Eunice Livisay, Nalani McCutcheon, Pat Miller, Harold Morrow, Jennifer Nass, Babs and Loren Padelford, Kirk Payne, Donna Peschio, Chris Rasmussen, Neal Ratzlaff, Alan Rose, B. J. Rose,

	Scbl.
Pied-billed Gr.	-
D-c. Cormorant	-
G. B. Heron	-
Gr. W-f. Goose	-
Snow Goose (all)	-
(blue form)	-
(white form)	-
(undesignated)	-
Ross' Goose	-
Canada G. (all)	1,606
(large forms)	<u>1,006</u>
(small forms)	<u>600</u>
(undesignated)	-
Wood Duck	-
Green-winged T.	-
Am. Black Duck	-
Mallard	7,642
Northern Pintail	15
No. Shoveler	-
Gadwall	-
American Wigeon	<u>244</u>
Canvasback	-
Redhead	-
Ring-necked D.	-
Lesser Scaup	-
C. Goldeneye	1
Bufflehead	-
Hooded Merg.	-
Common Merg.	-
Ruddy Duck	-
duck, sp.	-
Turkey Vulture	-
Bald Eagle (all)	6
(adult)	4
(immatute)	2
(undesignated)	-
Northern Harrier	5
Sharp-shin. H.	-
Cooper's Hawk	-
Red-tailed Hawk	4
Ferruginous H.	-
Rough-legged H.	3
Buteo, sp.	3
Gold. Eagle (all)	1
(adult)	1
(immatute)	-
(undesignated)	-

N.P. Kear.	Cal.	Loup	G.I.	B.V.	Norf.	Linc.	S.C.	DeS.	Omaha	T.S.
-	-	<u>1</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	1	1
-	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>237</u>	-	32,323	1,580	2,228
-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>60</u>	-	13,566	630	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>177</u>	-	18,757	950	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,228
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
505	2,826	186	38	207	-	960	-	615	70	40
-	-	-	38	-	-	<u>960</u>	-	290	70	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	325	-	-
505	2,826	186	-	207	-	-	-	-	-	40
-	-	-	-	<u>3</u>	-	4	-	2	<u>1</u>	-
-	-	28	12	<u>15</u>	26	-	-	1	-	<u>2</u>
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	2	-
165	88	5,800	1,500	<u>10,652</u>	11,000	1	<u>762</u>	10,000	34,974	769
-	2	4	-	3	3	-	-	2	1	4
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	-
-	-	10	-	1	-	1	4	-	4	<u>16</u>
-	-	-	-	18	-	-	8	1	7	<u>6</u>
-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	9	<u>7</u>
-	1	2	-	-	-	-	2	1	3	<u>15</u>
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	11	<u>18</u>
-	2	-	-	-	-	-	<u>37</u>	-	6	<u>12</u>
-	2	35	-	-	-	-	6	17	60	<u>151</u>
200	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>25</u>	-	-	-
6	-	<u>1</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	2	10	-	3	-	-	<u>69</u>	11	22	<u>186</u>
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6	17	5	-	<u>10</u>	1	1	1	2	52	26
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-	-	2	-	<u>7</u>	-	-	-	-	23	21
6	17	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	2
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-	2	1	-	2	1	1	4	-	5	-
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3	6	11	-	<u>25</u>	14	13	<u>47</u>	1	48	70
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1	1	2	1	3	-	2	2	-	5	2
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-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-

Douglas Rose, David Starr, Robert Starr, Jacqueline Straub, Betty Stuhr, Jerry Toll, Eric Volden, Ione and Al Werthman, Gretchen White.

Grand Island, center NW $\frac{1}{4}$, NW $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 1, T10N, R10W, to include all of Grand Island, Cornhusker State WMA, south half of Hall Co. Airport, and Crystal Lake; elevation from 1840 to 1945 ft.; habitat coverage: woodland 50%, freshwater 30%, residential 10%, open fields/cropland 10%; 20 Dec., 7:30 AM to 5:34 PM; Temp. 28° to 42°F.; wind WNW 5-20 mph; no snow cover; still water partly open, moving water partly frozen; AM clear, PM partly cloudy; 16 observers in 4 - 5 parties, 3.5 hours and 40 miles owling; total party-hours 37.5 and party-miles 417; 15 hours and 12 miles on foot, 22.5 hours and 405 miles by car. .75 hours and 35 miles by air; Jerry Brabander, Dave Carlson, Paul Currier, Betty Elder, Craig Faanes, Dennis Grundman, Gary (compiler) and Kari Lingle, Connie McCartney, Jim Meyer, Gene and June Miller, Scott Purdy, John Sidle, Laurie Smith, Steve Walker.

Kearney, center bridge over the Platte River south of Kearney, including Kearney Cemetery, Harmon Park, Cottonmill Lake Park, Platte River bridges, Fort Kearney State Park and Bike-Hike Trail, Fawn Meadows Woods, connecting roads, sandpits, and local feeders; elevation around 2150 ft.; habitat coverage: parks and cemetery 30%, river bottomlands 30%, roadsides 30%, feeding stations 10%; 28 Dec.; 8 AM to 4:30 PM, Temp. 13° to 26° F.; wind, calm to light from north; 6 inches of snow; river open with slush ice floating; clear most of the day, partly cloudy to cloudy later; 14 observers in 1 party, plus 7 at feeders; 64.5 party-miles, 4.5 on foot, 60 by car. George W. Brown (compiler), Laurie Brown, Mildred Eckwert, Robin Harding, Glen Hasalbarth, Richard and Marty Mathesen, Ward and Norma Schrack, Ken and Marie Strom, John Taylor, Mark Urwiller, Mark Walker, and at feeders John and Margaret Bliese, Marian Brown, Ken and Bev Kimball, Gary Paine, Norma Radford. The Inca Dove is the subject of a separate article, page 3.

Lincoln, center South Coddington and West A streets, to include Pioneers Park, about 8 miles of Wilderness Park, Lagoon Park, Yankee Lake and Conestoga Lake areas, eastern half of Pawnee Lake, and Wyuka Cemetery; elevation 1000 to 1300 ft.; habitat coverage: deciduous creek bottoms 40%, rural farmland 25%, coniferous woods 15%, residential and cemeteries 10%, lakes 5%, city landfill 5%; 20 Dec., 4:05 AM to 5:50 PM; Temp. 25° to 45° F.; wind NW-SW 5-20 mph; no snow cover; still water partly open, moving water open, AM partly cloudy, PM clear; 28 observers in 8-13 parties, plus 13 at feeders. 21.5 hours at feeders, 7.2 hours and 51 miles owling, total party-hours 88.7 and party-miles 373, 61.3 hours and 76 miles on foot, 27.4 hours and 297 miles by car. Irene Alexander, Jan Burch, Helen Campbell, Cindy Cochran, David Cochran, Kevin DeGarmo, Larry Einemann, William Garthright, Daryl and Margaret Giblin (compilers), Everett Gross, Mildred Gross, Karla Kaufman, Paul Kaufman, Timothy Knott, Thomas Labedz, Thomas Mackey, Peter Maslowski, Marilyn McCluskey, Richard McCluskey, Rosalind

	Scbl.
American Kestrel	17
Merlin	2
Peregrine Falcon	-
Prairie Falcon	1
falcon, sp.	-
Gray Partridge	-
Ring-necked Ph.	14
Gr. Prairie-Ch.	-
Sharp-tail. Gr.	-
Wild Turkey	-
No. Bobwhite	28
American Coot	-
Killdeer	1
Common Snipe	-
Ring-billed Gull	-
Herring Gull	-
gull, sp.	-
Rock Dove	107
Mourning Dove	-
Inca Dove	-
E. Screech-Owl	-
Great Horned O.	4
Barred Owl	-
Long-eared Owl	-
Short-eared Owl	-
N. Saw-whet Owl	-
owl, sp.	-
Belt. Kingfisher	1
Red-head. Wood.	-
Red-bell. Woodp.	-
Yellow-bell. Sap.	-
Downy Woodp.	12
Hairy Woodp.	1
No. Flicker (all)	37
(Yel.-shaft)	9
(Yel.xRed.)	5
(Red-shaft.)	23
(undesignated)	-
Horned Lark	52
Blue Jay	28
Black-b. Magpie	87
American Crow	77
Bl.-c. Chickadee	42

N.P.	Kear.	Cal.	Loup	G.I.	B.V.	Norf.	Linc.	S.C.	DeS.	Omaha	T.S.
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-	210	-	3	<u>9</u>	1	-	-	-	7	18	53
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2	1	<u>1</u>	-	6	-	-	-	25	11	-	-
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223	-	1	-	-	-	-	24	-	-	9	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	-	-	-	-
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7	49	2	4	128	20	443	455	-	212	170	64
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1	-	2	-	<u>7</u>	1	2	20	-	16	8	6
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7	8	15	4	9	23	64	62	6	114	147	16
3	3	4	2	3	4	29	17	4	8	10	6
4	15	12	1	24	17	25	13	23	157	125	8
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4	15	-	-	24	-	-	-	23	-	-	-
-	1	9	750	21	10	153	5	-	474	6	1
1	9	2	4	23	17	41	129	5	202	180	43
2	4	7	2	13	3	31	-	-	-	-	-
20	76	77	30	269	47	193	410	3	91	423	75
17	40	54	15	125	67	300	386	24	399	822	53

Morris, Kenneth Reitan, Hazel Scheiber, Donald Showen, Francis Taylor, Betty Vlasnik, Angela Williams, Donald Williams, Maxine Zimmerman.

Loup City, NE corner of Sec 13, T15N, R15W, Sherman Res., $\frac{1}{4}$ miles N. of junction of highways 10, 58, and 92, Loup City. 1 Jan. 9AM to 5:45 PM, Temp. -10° to 15° F.; wind NW 10-15 mph; 6 inches snow cover. still water frozen, moving water partly open, clear all day. 1 observer in 1 party; total party hours 8.75 and party-miles 89. 3.75 hours and 4 miles on foot, 5 hours and 85 miles by car. Wayne J. Mollhoff, (compiler). Mr. Mollhoff commented: It is interesting to compare this count with the Calmus Loup count, done 2 weeks earlier, 30° warmer, and with no snow. The two count circles are about 40 mles apart, and have a similar mix of habitat and terrain, except that part of the Calmus-Loup area is sandhills pasture, while Loup City has clay/loess hills grassland.

Norfolk, intersection of US 275 (business route) and US 81, (13th St. and Norfolk Ave.); elevation 1500 to 1600 ft.; habitat coverage: river bottom timber and shelterbelts 45%, farmsteads and farmlands 35%, residential 15%, marshlands and springs 5%; 19 Dec., 8 AM to 5 PM; Temp. 30° to 42° F.; wind NW 5-10 mph; $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 inch snow cover; still water frozen, moving water open; AM cloudy, foggy, light rain, PM cloudy; 26 observers in 7-10 parties, plus 2 at feeders; 3 hours at feeders; total party-hours 57 and party-miles 364; 27 hours and 20.5 miles on foot, 35 hours and 343.5 miles by car. Pauline Blake, Joyce Borgelt, Ed Brogie Mark Brogie, Harlow Butcher, Roger and Isolde Cutshall, Ara Jane Dunlap, John and Sandi Homan, George Jenkins, Francis Kirch, John and Wiletta Lueshen, Wayne Mollhoff, Dick and Nancy Jo Powers, Hebert Schrein, John Schwertly, Dave and Louise Stage, Delmore and Jan Uttecht, Richard and Kathy Votta, Duane Wolff (compiler). Mr. Wolff commented: We had a very mild fall as far as temperature and lack of snowfall were concerned. Food supplies seemed good this year, with plenty of open water and a lot of standing cover. Again this year we missed finding our state bird, the Western Meadowlark, on count day, but it was seen during count week.

North Platte, This count does not conform to the NAS rules, because they want to include all of Lincoln Co. 19 Dec. 8 AM to 4:30 PM; 32° F.; windy and cold; snow cover not mentioned. 12 observers, Betty and Pat McEvoy, Harold Cunningham, Carol and Bert Somerhalder, Irma Grille, Margaret Morton, Nancy Jones, Esther Newhouse, Greg Hoover, Wilma (compiler) and Howard Wyman. Mrs. Wyman commented: The Turkey Vultures were sighted near the North Platte River by 4 well-qualified observers. It is unusual for them to be here that late. The Mountain Bluebirds seem to spend at least part of our winter season in the protected canyons southeast of North Platte. Adequate food supply and privacy there.

Omaha, center Offutt Air Force Base Lake, to include Fontenelle Forest, Lake Manawa (Iowa) State Park, Plattsmouth Waterfowl Refuge, and portions of the Platte and Missouri rivers; elevation 985 to

	Scbl.
Tufted Titmouse	-
Red-br. Nuth.	1
White-br. Nut.	-
Brown Creeper	-
Carolina Wren	-
Winter Wren	-
Marsh Wren	-
Gold.-cr. King.	1
Eastern Bluebird	-
Mt. Bluebird	-
Townsend's Sol.	6
American Robin	5
Gray Catbird	-
No. Mockingbird	-
Brown Thrasher	-
Cedar Waxwing	H
Northern Shrike	3
Loggerhead Shr.	-
Euro. Starling	1,012
Y-r. (Myrtle) W.	-
North. Cardinal	-
Rufous-sided To.	-
(Spotted)	-
(Eastern)	-
Am. Tree Spar.	89
Chipping Spar.	-
Vesper Sparrow	-
Song Sparrow	4
Lincoln's Spar.	-
Swamp Sparrow	-
White-throat Sp.	-
White-cr. Sp.	19
Harris' Sparrow	4
sparrow, sp.	-
Junco (all)	117
(Slate-colored)	19
(Oregon)	41
(undesignated)	57
Lapland Longsp.	-
Red-w. Blckbrd.	352
Meadowlark (all)	195
W. Meadowlark	168
Meadowl. sp.	27
Rusty Blackbird	-

N.P. Kear.	Cal.	Loup	G.I.	B.V.	Norf.	Linc.	S.C.	DeS.	Omaha	T.S.
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	62	24
3	1	-	-	-	-	1	3	-	-	1
2	14	9	8	10	20	45	59	3	81	153
-	3	10	2	1	6	12	31	-	10	17
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	4
-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	3	4	-	1	13	3	81	-	26	23
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	3	19
38	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	2	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
402	58	<u>9,500</u>	3	19	<u>300</u>	71	3	-	40	9
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-
3	18	2	-	-	11	28	-	-	60	79
5	-	-	1	2	1	2	1	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-
853	350	845	335	1,145	161	1,566	2,539	-	1,641	22,490
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	9
2	24	8	3	8	3	18	101	3	202	296
-	-	2	1	-	4	-	2	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
22	23	169	245	188	440	1,654	257	46	755	284
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
-	-	-	1	1	-	3	5	2	5	30
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	1	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	5	1	21	50	12	83	165	-	52	2
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
106	33	43	95	131	108	768	802	15	1,246	898
-	-	10	3	-	22	768	355	-	1,246	897
-	-	3	1	-	2	-	11	-	-	1
106	33	30	91	131	84	-	436	15	-	-
-	-	-	8	3	-	-	-	-	-	-
297	2	1	103	58	87	38	503	1	736	187,065
1	25	-	19	125	-	H	95	-	41	131
1	25	-	19	125	-	H	3	-	-	77
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	92	-	41	54
-	-	-	7	-	-	35	-	1	2	10

1200 ft.; habitat coverage: woodlands 50%, cultivated fields 30%, meadows and grassy fields 8%, roadside ditches 5%, rivers and lakes 5%, residential, parks, and cemeteries 2%; 26 Dec., 5:30 AM to 5:30 PM. Temp. 15° to 37° F.; wind calm, 1 inch snow cover; still water frozen, moving water partly open; AM clear, PM partly cloudy, 37 observers in 13 parties, plus 1 at feeders. 6 hours at feeders, 6 hours and 44 miles owling, total party-hours 119 and party-miles 677; 70 hours and 57 miles on foot, 49 hours and 620 miles by car. Roger Benedict, Russell Benedict, Shelly Bonsall, Duane Bright, Barb Brukner, David Brukner, Ric Chamberlin, Kelly Clarke, Stephanie Fryers, Sue Gentes, Jim Glathar, Ruth Green, Alan Grenon, Betty Grenon (compiler), Rick Helprin, Clem Klaphake, Eric Klaphake, R. C. Korpi, Ray Korpi, Jim Kovanda, Sandy Kovanda, Eric Molho, Ralph Morocco, Bill Otto, Babs Padelford, Loren Padelford, Donna Preschio, Chris Rasmussen, Neal Ratzlaff, Ross Silcock, Bob Starr, David Starr, Bob Steinauer, Ron Stirling, Marlene Weber, Barb Wilson, Donna Woods, Gary Woods. Mrs. Grenon commented: This is the highest species count we have ever had. It is the first time in 10 years that we have had a Carolina Wren on the count, and the first time ever that we have had a House Finch.

Scottsbluff, center bridge over North Platte River at S. Broadway, to include Scottsbluff and Gering; elevation 3810 to 5030 ft.; 19 Dec., 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM. Temp. 25° to 41° F.; wind NW 8-12 mph., NE 13 mph.; no snow cover; still water partly open, moving water open; AM clear, PM partly clear; 16 observers in 5 parties. Total party-hours 34.5 and party-miles 305, 7.5 hours and 11 miles on foot and 27 hours and 294 miles by car. Mary Allison, Jason Arizmendez, Lucile Bigelow, Lydia Bolz, Jason Branson, Joyce Brashear, Helen Hughson, Alice Kenitz (compiler), Bob Kruger, Bob Larkin, Gary Lofing, David McNair, Loni Schlothauer, Sam Schlothauer, Nora Mae Vance, Rick Wright.

Sioux City, centered on the Sioux City Auditorium, elevation around
Continued on facing page.

1987 (THIRTIETH) FALL OCCURRENCE REPORT

Two hundred ninety-six species (plus the possibility that the Waterthrush species was a Louisiana, and the Empidonax sp. reported was not one listed) were reported from fourteen "full-time" locations, plus four "spot-check" locations. The figures for 1986 were 293 and one possibility from 13 "full-time" and 4 "spot-check" locations; 1985 283 and one possibility from 11 "full-time" and 8 "spot-check" locations; 1984 278 from 12 locations.

The information is presented in a rough west (left) to east (right) order, with locations of about the same latitude listed with the northernmost first. Two dates indicate the first and last records for the period.

The symbols used are:

Jl. Au. Sp. Ot. No. and Dm for the months.

NR for species reported as probably present, but for which no records were made.

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

(p) for species probably present all year

	Scbl.
Brewer's Blkbd.	-
Common Grackle	-
Brown-head. Co.	-
blackbird, sp.	-
Purple Finch	-
House Finch	72
Pine Siskin	81
Am. Goldfinch	42
Even. Grosbeak	-
House Sparrow	531
Species	44
Individuals	12,575
Common Loon	- Ot 14 Ot 28
Pied-billed Grebe	- Sp 17 Sp 19
Horned Grebe	- -
Eared Grebe	- Au 4 Ot 28
Western Grebe	- S - No 11
Am. White Pelican	- Sp 16 Ot 14
D-c. Cormorant	- S - Ot 28
American Bittern	- -
Great Blue Heron	Sp 10 P
Great Egret	- -
Snowy Egret	- -

N.P. Kear.	Cal.	Loup	G.I.	B.V.	Norfolk	Linc.	S.C.	DeS.	Omaha	T.S.	
-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	
2	2	-	2	-	2	1	-	1	158	4	
-	3	-	11	-	1	-	-	-	6	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	
-	1	-	-	3	-	-	1	3	1	-	
98	7	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
2	3	3	1	7	9	21	53	13	109	34	
51	35	325	16	196	44	202	297	12	195	26	
-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	
187	300	70	320	2,603	500	1,734	2,483	-	2,569	1,458	791
42	55	53	45	63	50	51	66	32	65	70	50
3,308	4,350	17,467	3,678	16,221	13,228	7,910	11,476	10,241	77,842	219,610	10,140

1100 ft., 3 observers in 1 party, 7.25 party-hours and 8 party-miles on foot, 1 feeder observer. Chuck Hinrichsen, Bill Huser (compiler), Jenelle Huser, Bob Nickolson. Sioux City has been included before (1984, *NBR* 53:23), but at that time the count was only in Iowa. This time Mr Huser has provided a count on the Nebraska birds only, on and beyond Snyder's Bend Lake. The restricted area and type of habitats gives peculiar results, e.g. no Starlings or House Sparrows.

Tristate, center Mile 556 on the Missouri River, to include Nebraska City and the Missouri River bottoms and farmlands in Nebraska, Waubesa State Park and Hamburg in Iowa, and extreme northwest Missouri down to the Nishnabotna River; elevation 900 to 1270 ft.; habitat coverage: farmland 50%, park and residential 25%, woodland 18%, streamside 5%, riverbank 2%; 20 Dec., Temp. 25° to 37° F.; wind NW 0-10 mph; no snow cover, clear all day. 5 observers in 2 parties, 17 total party-hours, 206 party-miles, 3 by foot, 203 by car; .75 party-hours and 1 party-mile owing. Tanya Bray, Ione Getscher, Ross Silcock (compiler), Douglas Rose, Barbara Wilson.

Dawes	T	McPh.	Lin-	Howard	Knox	Pierce	Polk	La-	Da-	Saun-	W	Doug.
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	d	-	Au 3	Au 2	-	Sp 13	Jl 12	Au 9	Au 23	S -	Sp 12	h Au 25
-	-	-	Ot 3	-	-	No 13	No 24	Ot 18	- W	Sp 25	Ot 31	l Au 11
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 18	-	Ot 11	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sp 9	-	No 22	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 19	-	No 22	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No 2	-	No 22	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No 4	-	No 29	-	-	-
-	b Jl	1	-	Sp 26	-	-	S -	Ot 11	Sp 29	-	-	i Sp 12
-	d Ot	30	-	-	-	-	Ot 25	-	No 8	-	-	Ot 10
-	d	-	Jl 30	f	-	Sp 13	S -	-	Sp 17	No 22	-	i Sp 9
-	-	-	No 30	-	-	Ot 18	No 18	-	No 26	-	-	j No 20
-	-	-	-	Sf-	-	Sp 13	-	Ot 4	Sp 5	-	-	- Ot 20
-	-	-	-	Au 15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	d Jl	1	Sp 4	Sa-	Sp 8	Sp 6	S -	S -	Jl 4	S -	S -	g S -
-	Ot 1	Dm 17	Auf 23	Ot 30	No 13	No 13	No 18	No 1	No 11	SpE20	Dm 12	l No 16
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sp 21	-	-	Jl 18	-	-
-	-	-	*	-	-	-	-	Sp 6	Au 6	-	-	- Ot 30

for which few or no records were made during the period.

S - to indicate a species which was present before 1 July and which was reported in the Spring Occurrence Report.

S - W to indicate a species which was reported before 1 July and was still present after 31 December. It is similar to P, but the pattern is not always true.

- W to indicate a species which remained after 31 December (but the lack of such an indication does not necessarily mean the species did not remain).

x when the exact date in a month is not provided.

* to indicate a comment in the text.

° to indicate that there were no records between the dates given, and that information is given with the report form.

The more specialized symbols are explained in the text for the specific column.

The number of species reported, contributors (to the extent known), and special comments are:

Adams, Hastings, 88 species. Miss Bernice Welch, reporter, Glen Kramer, Lavina Kramer, Elsie Helzer, Esther Kennedy, Judy Kestner, Dorothy Marsh. Neither Mr. Kramer nor Mrs. Kestner remember any Ruby-throats, although both saw the other hummingbirds. Mr. Kramer provided this information on the hummingbirds: "On 21 August, at 1123 N. Denver, Hastings, Lavina Kramer saw a hummingbird, and with the help of Kenneth Kramer, identified it as a Broad-tailed Hummingbird. It was feeding at a hummingbird feeder located six feet from the kitchen window. Other family members also saw the bird. When I got home and was told of the occurrence, I commented that it probably was a Ruby-throated, as the other would be somewhat rarer here. Later in the afternoon the bird returned. We carefully watched the bird and checked Robbins, Peterson, and the Audubon *Master Guide*. The bird was a perfect match for the female shown in the *Master Guide*. Especially notable were two features: the buffy color on the flanks almost to the center of the belly, and the other was the gorget, the dark spotted appearance being a perfect match. The bird also sat on the clothesline, near the kitchen window. (You will recall that that weekend was cool and rainy). The next day the bird returned and a male accompanied it. The male was more distinctive than the female. It had a gorget which would be characterized as rose red. The iridescent green of the back and sides extended almost to the center. At one observation I could see the coppery color on the retrices, but I could not tell whether it was on the second or third feather from the outside feathers. The gorget appeared black from the sides. The male grew more aggressive towards the female as the days

	Scotts Sioux Bluff
Little Blue Heron	- -
Cattle Egret	- -
Green-backed Heron	- -
Black-crowned Night-Heron	- Sp 16
Y-c. Night-Heron	- -
White-faced Ibis	- -
Trumpeter Swan	- -
Greater White-fronted Goose	- Ot 15
Snow Goose	Dm 19 Dm 14
Ross' Goose	- -
Canada Goose	(p) P
Wood Duck	- S - No 11
Green-winged Teal	- Sp 2 Dm 10
Am. Black Duck	- -
Mallard	(p)r P
Northern Pintail	Dm 19 Sp 30 Dm 10
Blue-winged Teal	- Au 18 No 11
Cinnamon Teal	- -
Northern Shoveler	- Au 18 No 23
Gadwall	- Sp 16 Dm 4
American Wigeon	Dm 19 Au 15 Dm 21
Canvasback	- Ot 15 No 11
Redhead	- Au 4 No 28
Ring-necked Duck	- Sp 36 No 28
Greater Scaup	- -
Lesser Scaup	- Sp 16 No 11
Black Scoter	- -

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went on, and it was during one of these confrontations at the feeder that the male lived up to the Broad-tailed description. The male almost always made the wing clicking sound when he flew. The male was really aggressive towards the House Sparrows, House Finches, and especially toward the Black-capped Chickadee. The male stayed until 30 August (on which day the slides were taken), but the female was last seen two days earlier. Judy Kestner, president of the Brooking Bird Club (a neighbor), saw the male at some distance, but heard the distinctive wing clicking. As a side note, Kenneth Kramer, who helped first correctly identify the birds, lives in Phoenix, Arizona, where his three hummingbird feeders are dominated by Black-chinned Hummingbirds.

"On 13 September 1987, at 12:25, a Rufous Hummingbird was seen at our feeder. It was a male, displaying the distinctive color over most of the body. The gorget was edged by a white collar, and was flame color, very orange-red. Judy Kestner was called immediately, and even from across the backyard she was able to identify the bird. The bird returned at 5:15. 6:15. 7:15, and the next morning at approximately 7:30 AM. Pictures were taken. The bird was seen by Lavina, Ivan, Gale, and Glen Kramer.

"This was prepared shortly after the sightings from our notes."

Cherry, see Thomas.

Clay, see Hamilton.

Dakota, South Sioux City, 129 species. Bill Huser, reporter, Jerry Probst; plus 37 species (marked E) observed by Larry Einemann in Ponca State Park, Dixon Co., on 22 and 23 August. Mr. Huser reported: "In the early morning of 5 May 1987 an adult Common Moorhen (*Gallinula chloropus*) was found feeding amongst the downed cattails of Crystall Cove Marsh in South Sioux City. Although of the general shape and size of an American Coot, the bird was distinguished by the all black plumage, except for white diagonal flank lines and white lateral undertail covert patches; the yellow-tipped red, coot-like bill with the red culmen extending as a flat plate on to the forehead, and the relatively long, greenish legs that showed a red band at the juncture of the skin and plumage. The bird was seen two days later by me, and on subsequent days by Jerry Probst and Randy Williams. On 18 May 15 members of a local birding class, lead by me, found a pair of adult Moorhens (also a Yellow-crowned Night-Heron as a bonus). On 30 May several IOU and NOU members, participating in the IOU spring meeting in Sioux City, viewed the pair. Only one adult was found on 12 June, but on 18 July an adult was accompanied by 5 downy chicks.

	Scotts Sioux Bluff	
Surf Scoter	-	-
White-winged Scoter	-	-
Common Goldeneye	-	No 11 Dm 19
Bufflehead	-	Ot 15 Dm 14
Hooded Merganser	-	Ot 28
Common Merganser	-	Au 4 Dm 14
Red-breasted Merganser	-	-
Ruddy Duck	-	Sp 16 No 11
Turkey Vulture	(p)	Au 10 Sp 16
Osprey	-	-
Blk-should. Kite	-	-
Mississippi Kite	-	-
Bald Eagle	Dm 22	No*11 Dm 22
Northern Harrier	(p)	P
Sharp-shinned Hawk	-	-
Cooper's Hawk	-	-
Red-shouldered Hawk	-	-
Broad-winged H.	-	-
Swainson's Hawk	Sp 17	Au 18 Dm 14
Red-tailed Hawk	Spr 9	Au 18 Dm 19
Ferruginous Hawk	Sp 9	-
Rough-legged Hawk	Ot 10	Sp 2 Dm 21 Dm 19
Golden Eagle	(p)	Au 17 Dm 19
American Kestrel	(p)	P
Merlin	-	Ot 14 Dm 19
Peregrine Falcon	-	-

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The young were black down-plumaged, with disproportionately long legs and a short light-tipped red bill. Their overall length was about 5-6 inches from bill to tail. Seven juveniles were seen with an adult on 5 August. Although the adult appeared just as it had in May, the young were now soft gray below, with darker brown-gray dorsally and one small white spot on the flank, and undertail coverts similar to the adults. Their legs were greenish and their bills mottled red and yellow, with a frontal plate. They were adult-sized and still downy in appearance. An adult and 3 juveniles were seen on 26 August. Three days later 3 adults and 4 juveniles were stalking through the cattails. The juvenile-plumaged birds were grayer than the adult, with a white flank patch and an indistinctly marked two-tone bill. One or more of the adult-plumaged birds could be the older members of the original 7 chick brood."

Dawes, Crawford, 50 species, Jim Minyard, reporter. Richard C. Rosche. In the *Newsletter* Mr. Rosche reported the 12 Ibis were at the west end of Box Butte Reservoir and a male Cardinal was at Chadron feeders in mid-November. A male Cardinal was reported west of Chadron 4 June 1984 (*NBR* 53:44), which was supposed to be the first since three were seen in Chadron State Park in the 1950s.

Dixon, see Dakota.

Douglas (and Sarpy), Omaha and Bellevue, 202 species. Tanya Bray, R. G. Cortelyou, Ruth Green, Babs and Loren Padelord, David Starr, reporters, Benny Cohen, B. J. Rose, Chris Rasmussen, Alice Rushton, Jerry Toll, Al and Ione Werthman, Rick Wright. A blue phase Snow Goose was sitting on an empty nest in Fontenelle Forest in July. An immature Bald Eagle was seen in the Forest 11 July, with green markers on the wings. A raptor rehab center in Minneapolis marks their birds in that manner. A Peregrine Falcon seen in the Forest July was presumed to be a released bird, also. The only other record of a Peregrine was 12 September. The Saw-whet Owl flew into a mist net in Mrs. Green's yard. It was an After Hatching Year male (determined by measuring the wing chord). A Rare Bird Alert brought 51 people to see it. Rick Wright reported 2 White-throats Dm 26 through Ja 5 "at least 5 Ja, "at millet".

Hall, see Howard.

Hamilton (and Clay), 59 species, these were recorded on visits by Paul Bedell to rainwater basins J1 24, a; J1 26, b; Au 2, c; Au 12, d; Au 16, e; Au 17, f; Au 19, g. These symbols are shown in the Howard Hall column. The single Short-billed Dowitcher was identified by its call note and shorter bill.

	Scotts Sioux Bluff
Prairie Falcon	Sp 10 P
Gray Partridge	- -
Ring-necked Pheasant	(p)r P
Greater Prairie-Chicken	- -
Sharp-tailed Grouse	(p) Ot 22 Dm 31
Wild Turkey	(p) P
Northern Bobwhite	(p) P
Virginia Rail	- -
Sora	J1R27 J1 13
Common Moorhen	- -
American Coot	Ot 3 S - No 28
Sandhill Crane	No 18 Ot 1 No 8
Whooping Crane	- -
Black-bellied Plover	- -
Plover sp.	- -
Lesser Golden-Plover	- -
Semipalmated Plover	- Sp 22 Sp 30
Piping Plover	- -
Killdeer	Spr10 P
Blk-necked Stilt	- -
American Avocet	Au 8Sp 2
Greater Yellowlegs	- Sp 19
Yellowlegs sp.	Au 20 -
Lesser Yellowlegs	- Au 18 Sp 30
Solitary Sandpiper	J1R27 Au 2 AuT7 Ot 28
Willet	Au 20 -

Dawes	T McPh.	Lin-	Howard	Knox	Pierce	Lan-	Da-	Saun-	W Doug.
h		coln	Hall Adams		Poik	caster	kota	ders	a Sarpy
-	d	-	-	-	-	Ot 29 - W	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	(p)	-	-	-	-
-	d J1 1 No 11	P h	P	(p)	Sp 9 No 14	P*	(p)	P	P g P
-	d J1 1 No 11	(p)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	d J1 1 No 11	-	-	-	Ot 17	-	Dm*21	-	-
P	-	-	P	-	Ot 18 No 14	(p)	-	NR	S - - (p) Ot 10
-	d	Auh 3	P	-	Sp 5 No 20	P	Au 30 (p) Ot 11	NR	S - g (p) No 28
-	-	Au* 9	-	-	-	Sp 6	-	-	-
-	-	-	Auc 2 f	Au 11	Sp 13	Sp 24	Sp 6	Sp 5	S - Au 14
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	S*- Au 29	-
-	d	Sp 7 Dm 19	Auc 2 f	-	Sp 6 Ot 18	S - Dm 15	J1 19 Ot 4	Au 23 Dm 5	S - Dm 26
Ot 14 No 2	d	-	Ot 16 Ot*27	No 12	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	Ot 12	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	g	-	Sp 18 No 5	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 18 No 8	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	Sp 18 Ot 20	-	-	-	-
-	-	J1 30	-	-	Sp 6	Au 5 Au 13	Au 9 Au 6	Au 30	- Au 11 Au 23
-	-	-	-	-	-	Au 23	Au 9	-	S - Au 8
-	d S - Sp 20	J1 30 Ot 15	S - Ot 9	Ot 30	Sp 6 Ot 18	S - No 20	S - No 8	S - - W	S - Au 30
-	a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	c	-	J1 20 Ot 1	Au 23	Ot 17	-	- Au 11
-	d	Au 19	Au 20 d	-	Sp 6 Less	J1 3 Sp 13	S - Ot 14	Au 23	- Ot 3 - Sp 11
-	-	-	-	-	-	J1 5 Ot 12	Au 3	-	- Ot 6
-	-	Au 8 Sp 11	J1a 5 Aud20	-	Sp 6 Sp 13	J1 15 Ot 20	J1 5 No 18	Au 19 Au 29	J1 31 Au 30
-	-	Au 19	J1 25 Au 20	-	-	J1 19 Sp 27	Au 6 Au 29	J1 23 Au 29	J1 18 Au 1
Ot 28	-	-	-	-	-	J1 7 Sp 21	-	-	-

Hayes, 29 species, Iola Pennigton. These birds (marked "h" in the Lincoln Co. column) were seen 9 July on a bird route north from Hamlet to the Stinking Water.

Howard (and Hall), St. Libory, 124 species. Bill Schleicher, reporter, Paul Bedell, Gary Lingle, Ray Kuzak, Clara McCann, Pat Scoggins, Helen Seim, Jack Zlomke. The letters in this column are records for Clay and Hamilton counties. See Hamilton. The waterbird observations for Au 2 and 9 were by Mr. Lemburg at a couple of pot holes "about six miles east of our place, and three or four miles south. Back in the Sand Hills." An adult Bald Eagle was at Mormon Island Crane Meadows 1 August. Gary Lingle reported that the first real push of Sandhill Cranes was 27 September, so the last date would be later than that.

Knox, Creighton, 118 species. Mark Brogie, reporter, Ellen Brogie. The Brogies were out of the state in July and early August, and so those dates are missing.

Lancaster, Lincoln, 179 species. Tanya Bray, Larry Einemann, Bill Garthright, Paul and Karla Kaufman, Thomas E. Labedz, Mabel B. Ott, Babs and Loren Padelford, reporters, Craig Faanes, Daryl and Margaret Giblin, Ray Korpi, B. J. Rose, Rick Wright. Mr. Faanes saw the Black-shouldered Kite flying north across I80 near NW 48th St. This is the third Nebraska record. Wachiska Audubon Society's Bluebird Project fledged 266 Eastern Bluebirds from 227 nest boxes, and 64 pairs of Tree Swallows fledged 233 young. The Kaufmans have had a Chickadee (Frosty) with a nearly pure white nape at their feeder in the fall. Frosty first showed up 21 September 1986 and stayed for several days, came back on 27 September 1987 and stayed through 5 October.

Lincoln, North Platte, 99 species. Verna M. Gunlicks, reporter, Thomas Labedz, Howard and Wilma Wyman. The "h" indicates records in Hayes Co., and is covered there. Gary Lingle reported a Snowy Egret on Jeffries Island in the Platte River in adjacent Dawson Co. on 27 July. The Wymans saw an adult Virginia Rail and about 8 black, downy chicks crossing N25 west of Sutherland Reservoir. This was about 6 PM.

McPherson, Tyron, 48 species. Mrs. Oona Bassett, reporter. Mrs. Bassett does most of her birding from her window overlooking the bird bath. Because she does not drive off the roads she misses the water birds, but she reported "We did have Swans on near by lakes this summer."

Pierce, 159 species. Mark Brogie, reporter, Ed M. Brogie, Ellen Brogie, David and Lois Stage, Larry Roper, Roger and Isolde Cutshall. The Snowy Owl was first observed 12 November, by Dan Sutherland, Manager of Willow Creek Recreation Area. It was seen alive on the evening of 18 November and found dead the morning of 19 November

	Scotts	
	Sioux Bluff	
Spotted	J1R27 J1 13	
Sandpiper	J1R28 Au 18	
Upland	- J1 23	
Sandpiper		
Long-billed	Au 15 J1 1	
Curlew		
Marbled Godwit	- -	
Sanderling	- Sp 16	
	Ot 28	
Semipalmated	J1R27 -	
Sandpiper		
Western	- -	
Sandpiper		
Least Sandpiper	J1R27 -	
	J1R28	
White-rumped	- -	
Sandpiper		
Baird's	- Au 18	
Sandpiper	Ot 29	
Pectoral	- -	
Sandpiper		
Dunlin	- -	
Stilt Sandpiper	- -	
Buff-breasted	- -	
Sandpiper		
Short-billed	- -	
Dowitcher		
Dowitcher sp.	- -	
Long-billed	- J1 23	
Dowitcher	Ot 29	
Common Snipe	(p) (p)	
American	- -	
Woodcock		
Wilson's	- Au 18	
Phalarope		
Red-necked Phal.	- -	
Red Phalarope	- -	
Franklin's	- Sp 15	
Gull	Sp 19	
Bonaparte's Gull	- -	
Ring-billed Gull	- S -	
	No 28	
Herring/Rb Gull	No 20 -	
Herring Gull	- Au 18	

Dawes	T McPh.	Lin-	Howard	Knox	Pierce	Lan-	Da-	Saun-	W Doug.
h		coln	Hall Adams		Polk	caster	kota	ders	a Sarpy
-	-	-	Jl 25	-	S -	Jl 19	Au 6	Au 26	S -
			a		Sp 28	Au 9	Au 23	Au 30	Sp 5
-	-	Jl 30	Sa- Au 5	-	S -	S -	Jl 4	-	-
			Auc28		Au 30	Jl 19	Au 31		Jl 1
-	-	S -	-	-	Jl 14	-	-	-	-
	Jl 6								
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Au 6	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	Au 10	-	-	-	-
					Au 13				Au 11
-	-	-	Jla25	Sp 6	Au 13	S -	Au 19	Au 30	-
			Auc20		Sp 22	Au 23	Au 23		Jl 30
-	-	-	a	-	Jl 4	-	-	-	-
					Au 17				
-	-	-	Jl 25	Sp 6	Jl 2	S -	Au 6	Jl 23	-
			c	Sp 13	Ot 13	Ot 4	Sp 5	Jl 31	-
-	-	-	-	-	Jl 19	-	-	-	-
					Au 9				Jl 30
-	-	-	-	Sp 13	Jl 20	Jl 26	-	Jl 31	-
					No 8				Au 8
-	-	-	Jla25	Sp 6	Jl 21	Jl 26	Au 6	Jl 23	-
			Aud20		Ot 13	No 8	Au 23	Au 30	-
-	-	-	-	-	Sp 22	-	No 13	-	-
					Ot 18				
-	-	-	Jla25	Sp 6	Jl 20	Jl 26	Au 6	Au 2	-
			Aud20		Sp 7		Au 19		-
-	-	-	-	-	Sp 5	-	-	-	-
					Sp 24				Au 31
-	-	-	d*	-	-	Au 9	-	-	-
									Au 15
-	d	-	-	-	-	Jl 26	-	-	-
						Ot 18			Ot 10
-	-	-	a	-	Jl 15	Jl 12	Au 6	-	-
			d		Ot 17		Au 23		
-	-	-	f	Sp 13	Sp 22	Sp 27	Au 23	Au 29	-
				Ot 18	No 8	Ot 18	Dm 24		g Sp 27
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			Au 10						
-	-	-	d	Jl 9	-	Jl 19	-	-	-
			g			Sp*20			Au 23
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					Sp*26	-	-	-	
-	-	-	f	Sp 13	Jl 1	Jl 5	Ot 11	-	Ot 24
				Ot 19			No 11		-
-	-	-	-	-	No 14	-	Ot 10	-	-
							Dm 24		
-	d	-	Dm 19	c	Sp 6	Jl 21	-	Au 19	Au 2
					Ot 18	Dm 20	-	W SpE20	Sp 5
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-	-	-	-	-	Dm 12	-	Ot 17	-	-
					Dm 17		Dm 31		Dm 29

by Larry Roper, Assistant Manager of the Area. Mr. Brogie took this picture on 15 November.

The Red Phalarope is the subject of a separate note, on page 22.



Polk, Polk, 146 species. Norris Alfred, reporter, Lennis Lind, Lee Morris. Canada Geese were seen again on 1 January. The Osprey date is actually "before Ot 4" and the Bald Eagle "before No 8". A bird not well seen No 1 probably was a Merlin. Mr. Alfred wrote of a flock of Pheasants seen 12 November: "I counted at least ten cock pheasants. The hens were numerous. Most pheasants in one bunch I've seen this year or in the past two or three years." Mr. Morris commented that the Sharp-tails (a pair) were the first he had ever seen in the area. A possible Wilson's Phalarope was seen 11 October. Mr. Alfred commented on the Bluebirds he saw 15 November: "Largest flock of bluebirds I've seen in many years. At a minimum I would guess twenty and there could have been double that number." Probable Connecticut Warblers were seen 27 September.

Sarpy, see Douglas.

Saunders, Morse Bluff, 103 species. Rev. Thomas A. Hoffman, reporter. He commented: "My last visit to Saunders Co. was on 12 December; I don't know how many of the birds were still present after the new year. As in the last several winters, sparrows and finches, while in good numbers in October and early November, seem to disappear by the beginning of December, even though there seemed to be adequate food supplies. The Red-shouldered Hawk was a first for me at Morse Bluff."

Scotts Bluff, Gering, 147 species. Mrs. Alice Kenitz, reporter, Lydia Bolz, Joyce Brashear, Felix and Lucy Koenig, Bob Kruger, Rick Wright. Mrs. Kenitz commented: "A man who lives along the river believes they are seeing more Bald Eagles than usual. Eastern Bluebirds once again nested in the Wildcat Hills. The 5 December date for the Eastern Bluebird was at Riverside Park in Scottsbluff. Joyce Brashear had the Brown Thrasher in her yard in November and December. Bob Kruger saw the flock of Rosy Finches (Gray-

	Scotts Sioux Bluff	
Sabine's Gull	-	-
Caspian Tern	-	-
Common Tern	-	-
Forster's Tern	-	-
Least Tern	-	-
Black Tern	Sp 3	-
Rock Dove	JIR26 P JIR31	
Mourning Dove	Otr20 S - Dm 12	
Black-billed Cuckoo	-	-
Cuckoo sp.	-	Jl 1
Yellow-billed Cuckoo	Aur20	Jl 19
Common Barn-Owl	Sp 9	Jl 1 Sp 2
E. Screech-Owl	No 17	P
Great Horned Owl	(p)	P
Snowy Owl	-	-
Burrowing Owl	Sp 29	S - Sp 19
Barred Owl	-	-
Long-eared Owl	-	-
Short-eared Owl	-	-
N. Saw-whet Owl	-	-
Common Nighthawk	Sps 1	S - Sp 3
Common Poorwill	-	S - Sp 9
Whip-poor-will	-	-
Chimney Swift	Spr10	S - Sp 2
White-throated Sw.	-	NR
Ruby-throated Hummingbird	-	-
Broad-tailed Hummingbird	Au 14	-
Rufous Hummingbird	-	Au 2

Dawson	Thompson	McPherson	Lincoln	Howard Hall	Adams	Knox	Pierce	Polk	Lancaster	Dakota	Saunders	Winters	Douglass
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 10 Ot 13	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Au 23 Au 31
-	d	-	-	d*	-	-	-	-	Sp 17	Au 2	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	f*	-	-	Jl 14 Sp 27	-	Au 17	Au 22	-	-	Au 11 Au 17
-	-	-	-	a	-	-	-	Au 9	-	Au 2	S - Au 29	-	S - Au 23
-	-	-	-	Jla26 f	-	-	S - Au 24	Au 30	Au 23 Sp 5	Au 2 Au 30	-	-	Jl 10 Au 23
-	b d	-	-	P	(p)	Ot 11 No 14	P	(p)	P	P	-	-	P
S - Sp 18	b d	S - Sp 30	Au 2 Ot 3	S - No 5	Ot 19	Au 27 Ot 17	S - Dm 28	S - No 13	S - W	SE- Dm 31	S - Dm 12	-	S - Dm 1
-	d	-	-	-	-	-	-	Jl 5	-	AuE22 Au 27	Au 1	-	Au 8 Au 19
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Jl 26	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	Au 3 Sp 6	S - Sp 6	Jl 9	-	Au 24 Sp 7	S - Au 30	S - Au 29	S - AuE22	S - Au 12	-	S - Sp 11
-	d	-	-	P	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	d	-	-	P	(p)	Sp 5 Ot 27	-	-	(p)	(p)	P	-	(p)
P	d	No	x	(p)	P	(p)	Sp 13 Ot 18	P	(p)	P	NR E	P	- P
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No*12 No 18	-	Dm 30	-	-	-	-
-	b d	-	Sp 11	S - Sp 17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	(p)	-	-	-	(p)
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Dm 31	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	Ot 29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 18 No 7
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot*31
S - Au 21	-	-	Sp 4 Sp 21	S - Au 30	Sp 25	-	Jl 6 Sp 19	Sp 6	S - Ot 4	S - Au 22	Sp 4	-	S - Sp 26
S - Au 15	d	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	NR E	-	-	-
-	-	-	h	S - Sp 17	Sp 10	Au 22 Sp 18	S - Sp 28	S - Au 29	S - Ot 8	SE- Sp 19	S - Au 8	-	S - Ot 10
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-	-	-	-	Au 17 Au 23	*	-	-	-	Jl 18 Au 23	-	-	-	S - Sp 8
-	-	-	-	-	Au*21 Au 30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	Sp*13 Sp 14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

crowned) on Scotts Bluff National Monument. About 40 in the flock. Mr. Wright reported a Common Grackle on 20 Dm "flighted and to all appearances healthy".

Sheridan, see Thomas.

Sioux, Mitchell RFD, 130 species. Helen and David Hughson, reporters, Paul Bedell, Larry Einemann, Rick Wright. 116 species were reported by the Hughsons from the south end of Sioux Co.; the others reported 70 (56 of them also recorded by the Hughsons, 14 only from the northern part of the county) from Ft. Robinson and Toadstool State Park 26-31 July (Mr. Einemann) and there and at Gilbert Baker Special Use Area 6-8 August (Mr. Bedell). Species recorded only by Mr. Einemann are marked "R", only by Mr. Bedell "T", those Mr. Einemann recorded which were also recorded by the Hughsons are marked "r", by Mr. Bedell are marked "t", and by both "s", with the Hughsons' date. Mr. Bedell saw the Lewis' Woodpeckers on isolated dead trees on the north edge of Gilbert Baker Area. He saw all three species of nuthatches in nearly the same spot in Smiley Canyon, where he also saw two Townsend's Solitaires, one in juvenile plumage. Mrs. Hughson commented: "The Varied Thrush was feeding on the ground near our creek, in a patch of goldenrod. It flew to a tree branch overhead as I approached, and flitted around in trees as I watched for about 20 minutes. I saw it again Tuesday, 22 September, on the ground in our back yard. It was pretty much alone - a few robins around, but the thrush stayed by itself."

Thomas, 106 species. This is a report of birds regarded by Ruth Green as notable, seen at Halsey Forest (Thomas Co.) and Sheridan Co. (Stilt) 12 July (marked "a"); birds (marked "b") reported by Larry Einemann from around Valentine, Cherry Co. 25 July; a report by Wilma Wyman (marked "c") from Cherry Co. for September; and the count from the Fall Field Day (marked "d"), 3-4 October at Halsey.

Washington, DeSoto NWR, 54 species. This is a compilation of observations by Steve Dinsmore Ot 31 (f); Babs and Loren Padelford No 1 (g), No 2 (h), No 6 (i), No 8 (j); B. J. Rose No 10 (k); Padelfords No 11 (l); Jerry Toll No 14 (m); and Steve Dinsmore and Andrew S. Fix (from *Iowa Bird Life* 58: 18) No 25 (n).

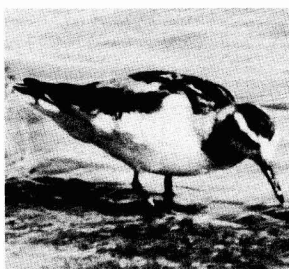
NOTES

RED PHALAROPE. On 29 September 1985 Mark A. and Ed M. Brogie reported the occurrence of a Red Phalarope (*Phalaropus fulicaria*) at Willow Creek Recreation Area, Pierce Co., Neb. This bird was the first recorded sighting for the county and the second documented record for Nebraska (*NBR* 52:72-73). On 26 September 1987 the authors observed and photographed a Red Phalarope

	Scotts Sioux Bluff
Belted Kingfisher	(p)r P
Lewis' Woodp.	AuT7 -
Red-headed Woodpecker	Aus29Jl 8 Sp 5
Red-bellied Woodpecker	- -
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker	- Ot 11
Downy Woodpecker	(p)s P
Hairy Woodpecker	(p)s P
Northern Flicker	(p)s P
Olive-sided Flycatcher	- -
Western Wood-Pewee	Sps 7 Au 13 Au 27
Eastern Wood-Pewee	- -
Willow Flycatcher	JIR31 -
Least Flycatcher	- -
Empidonax sp.	- -
Eastern Phoebe	- -
Say's Phoebe	Sps 7 S - Sp 2
Great Crested Flycatcher	- -
Cassin's Kingbird	Spt 7 -
Western Kingbird	Sps 5 S - Au 31
Eastern Kingbird	Spr 7 S - Au 31
Horned Lark	(p)r P
Purple Martin	- -
Tree Swallow	- -
Violet-green Swallow	AuT6 Jl 22 Au 4
N. Rough-winged Swallow	Sps 7 Au 13 Sp 14
Bank Swallow	Au 20 -

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along the beach near the group camping area on the south side of Willow Creek Recreation Area. The bird was quite unwary, and at one instance we were able to approach it within two yards distance



as the bird swam and foraged near the water's edge. The bird was intermediate between immature and fall plumage, as the neck, breast, and crown were brownish buff, while the upper wing feathers were quite gray. A brownish-black eye stripe, starting just in front of the eye, ran horizontally through the orbit to the rear of the cheek. The forehead, throat, lower face, and underparts were whitish in color, while the bird's upper back and primaries were a mottled brown. In flight the white wing stripes were clearly evident. The bill was dark and noticeably heavier in appearance than that of a Red-necked Phalarope - a species seen in the same location two days prior. When first found, the Phalarope was actively foraging among the plants on the water's edge and continued to do so throughout our presence. At times it would get up and fly to another feeding area, although the distances covered by these flights were never more than 20 yards. We watched the bird for approximately 45 minutes and when we left around 6:00 PM it was still busily feeding.

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WHOOPING CRANE REPORT. The Fish and Wildlife Service office in Grand Island has released its report of Whooping Crane sightings of the Aransas flock, which reports eight sightings in Nebraska:

Two adults 4 October in Lincoln Co., 2 mi. E. and 13 mi. N. of Sutherland, T16N, R33W, Sec. 15, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Two adults 21-22 October, Buffalo Co., 1.25 mi. E of Gibbon Bridge, on Platte River.

Two adults and a juvenile 31 October-3 November in Loup Co, North Loup River, 23 mi. NW of Taylor, T22N, R20W, Sec. 25, NE $\frac{1}{4}$, NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Four adults and one juvenile 31 October-3 November in Cherry Co., 5 mi. W and 1.5 mi. N. of Valentine NWR headquarters, T30N, R30W, Sec. 14, SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Sec. 11 NE $\frac{1}{4}$.

Five adults 3 November in Custer Co., flying 5 mi. E. of Callaway.

One adult 7 November in Lincoln Co., 3 mi. S. and 4 mi. W. of Maxwell, T12N, R29W, Sec. 10, SW $\frac{1}{4}$ and SE $\frac{1}{4}$.

One juvenile 8 November in Scotts Bluff Co., flying 4 mi. E. of Scottsbluff.

	Scotts Sioux Bluff
Cliff Swallow	Aur29 S - Sp 19
Barn Swallow	Otr 3 S - Sp 19
Blue Jay	(p)s P
Pinyon Jay	(p)t Ot 25 Dm 5
Clark's Nutcrack.	(p) -
Black-billed Magpie	(p)r P
American Crow	(p)r P
Black-capped Chickadee	(p)s P
Tufted Titmouse	- -
Red-breasted Nuthatch	(p)s Au 9 * Dm 19
White-breasted Nuthatch	(p)s - *
Pygmy Nuthatch	AuT6 Dm 19 * Dm 21
Brown Creeper	- -
Rock Wren	Sps20 Au 22
Carolina Wren	- -
House Wren	Spr 9 S - Ot 12
Winter Wren	Ot 11 -
Sedge Wren	- -
Marsh Wren	Au 15 -
Golden-crowned Kinglet	Ot 3 Ot 5 Dm 19
Ruby-crowned Kinglet	Au 20 - Ot 11
Blue-gray Gnatcatcher	- -
Eastern Bluebird	- J1*15 Dm 5
Mountain Bluebird	Otr30 J1 1 No 8
Townsend's Solitaire	Spt 9 Sp 19 Dm 30
Veery	- -
Gray-cheeked Thr.	- -

Two adults and one juvenile 9 November-3 December in Phelps Co., Johnson Basin, 7 mi. N. and 3 mi. E. of Holdrege, T7N, R18W, Sec. 23 and 24.

The release noted that there was apparently no oversummer mortality, a circumstance which has not occurred since 1976. However, two adults disappeared after arriving at Aransas and are presumed dead. A chick is wintering alone, near Amarillo, Texas, and

	Scotts Bluff	Dawes	McPh.	Lin-	Howard	Knox	Pierce	Polk	Lan-	Da-	Saun-	W Doug.
				coln	Hall	Adams			caster	kota	ders	a Sarpy
Pine Grosbeak	-	-	-	-	-	No 5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Purple Finch	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 16	No 14	-	Ot 29	Dm 26	Ot 31	No 10
House Finch	(p)r	P	-	(p)	-	Au 22	-	-	-	-	-	Dm 25
Red Crossbill	JlR31 AuT7	P	d	-	-	-	Au 30	-	-	-	-	-
Common Redpoll	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 7	-	-	-	-	-
Pine Siskin	Ot 3	P	d	-	Ot 18	Ot 3	No 17	No 14	-	No 15	Sp 29	No 22
American Goldfinch	(p)r	P	S - b	-	JlH25	P	(p)	Sp 5	P	SE-	S -	-
Evening Grosbeak	-	-	-	-	Jl 29	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
House Sparrow	(p)r	P	b	S -	P	(p)	Au 27	P	P	SE-	P	-
			d	No 8			Dm 31			-		

Swainson's Thrush	Sp 7	Sp 8	Scotts Bluff
Hermit Thrush	Ot 3	-	
Wood Thrush	-	-	
American Robin	Otr 3	P	
Varied Thrush	Sp*20	-	
	Sp 22		
Gray Catbird	Sp 9	Sp 5	
		Sp 19	
Northern Mockingbird	-	-	
Sage Thrasher	-	-	
Brown Thrasher	Spr 9	Sp*1	
		Dm 12	
Water Pipit	-	-	
Cedar Waxwing	Sp 11	Sp 12	
		Dm 18	
Northern Shrike	Sp 20	No 1	
		Dm 30	
Shrike sp.	-	-	
Loggerhead Shrike	Sp 7	Au 15	
		Sp 19	
European Starling	(p)r	P	
Bell's Vireo	-	NR	
Solitary Vireo	-	-	
Yellow-throated Vireo	-	-	
Warbling Vireo	-	S -	
		Jl 14	
Philadelphia Vireo	-	-	
Red-eyed Vireo	Au20	-	
Tennessee Warbler	-	-	
Orange-crowned Warbler	Sp 7	-	
Nashville Warbler	-	-	
Northern Parula	-	-	
Yellow Warbler	Au20	S -	
		Sp 7	

Dawes	T	McPh.	Lin-	Howard	Knox	Pierce	Polk	Lan-	Da-	Saun-	W	Doug.
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-	-	Sp 27	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 12	-	-	-	Sp 8
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S -	d	S -	(p)	S -	No 2	Au 27	S -	S -	S -	SE-	S -	g S -
No 20	No 11	No 11		Dm 12	Dm 23	Dm 22	- W	Dm 20	Dm 31	Dm 12	h	Dm 28
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-	-	Sp 18	Ot 24	Sp 3	-	-	Au 24	Sp 20	Ot 19	Sp 22	No 7	Sp 27
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-	-	-	-	Au 24	-	-	-	-	Jl 18	-	-	-
-	-	-	Au 3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S -	d	S -	Sp 15	S -	Sp 10	Sp 9	S -	S -	S -	SE-	S -	- S -
Jl 29	Ot 5	No 26	Dm 24	-	-	-	No 15	Au 30	Dm 20	Sp 29	Sp 26	Sp 22
-	d	-	Au 6	-	-	-	Sp 22	-	Ot 11	-	-	-
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 19	-	-	-	-	-
-	d	-	Ot 15	Au 19	-	Sp 12	Sp 29	Ot x	Sp 7	Au 31	Au 8-	S -
NR	-	-	Ot 23	Ot 17	-	Ot 24	Ot 27	- W	Ot 22	Dm 31	Dm 5	No 11
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-	-	-	Sp 8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	d	-	Au 13	No 14	Au 3	Ot 17	Ot 19	S -	S -	-	-	S -
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-	-	-	Jl 30	P	(p)	Sp 13	P	P	P	P	E	P
-	-	-	Dm 15	-	-	Dm 31	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	Ot 13	-	-	-	-	-	Jl 4	-	Au 29-	Jl 5
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Au 23	-	-	Sp 11
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sp 11	Sp 8	Sp 26-	Sp 7
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-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	S -
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sp 8
-	-	-	-	Sg-	Jl 9	Sp 5	Jl 3	-	S -	SpE 8	S -	- S -
-	-	-	-	Au 8	-	-	Jl 24	-	Sp 23	Sp 8	Sp 5	Sp 12
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Au 22-	Au 30
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Au 29	Sp 8
-	-	-	-	S -	-	-	Au 24	-	Sp 26	AuE29	Sp 8-	S -
-	-	-	-	Au 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sp 13
-	d	-	-	Ot 10	-	-	Sp 12	-	Sp 26	-	-	Au 12
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 4	-	-	-	-	Sp 7
-	d	Sp 30	-	-	Ot 14	-	Sp 12	Ot 4	Au 22	Au 14	Sp 19-	Au 11
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 16	Ot 7	Ot 20	Ot 31
-	d	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sp 6	Au 22	Sp 8	Au 22-	Au 18
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 2	No 3	Sp 28	Ot 10	Ot 13
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NATIONAL WILDLIFE MIDWINTER EAGLE SURVEY Greg Wingfield, Regional Coordinator for the Survey commented: "Generally, winter weather conditions were much more severe than the mild, open conditions recorded during the 1987 survey. A total of 650 Bald Eagles were observed, including 150 on the Missouri River and 500 for the rest of the state. The total of 650 Eagles this year is still noticeably greater than the 1980-1986 average of 476 Bald Eagles." There were changes

	Scotts Sioux Bluff	Dawes T McPh.	Lin- coln	Howard Hall	Adams	Knox Pierce	Polk	Lan- caster	Da- Saun- W Doug.
Lapland Longspur	-	-	-	-	-	Dm 31 Dm 24 Dm 31	-	-	-
Chestnut-col. L.	Sp 19	-	-	-	-	Dm 31 Dm 24 Dm 29	-	-	-
Snow Bunting	-	-	-	-	-	Dm 31 Dm 24 Dm 29	-	-	-
Bobolink	-	-	-	-	-	S - S - NR Jl 22 Jl 2	-	-	-
Red-winged Blackbird	(p)r	P	-	b S -	Auh 5 S -	Ot 30 Sp 6 S -	S - S -	S - h S -	S -
Eastern Meadowlark	-	-	-	d No* x	Dm 18 No 5	No 14 No 19	- W	Dm 31 Dm 26	Sp 5 j Dm 29
Meadowlark sp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Western Meadowlark	(p)r	P	S - d	S -	Jlh 29 S -	Dm 31 Au 27	P	Dm 20 S -	P
	No 2	Jl 1	Dm 30	Dm 24	Ot 24	P	Dm 20	S -	S -

Blue Grosbeak	Au 10 S - Sp 10								
Lazuli Bunting	- S - Jl 15								
Indigo Bunting	JlR27 - AuT7								
Dickcissel	- -								
Green-tail. Towh.	- Sp 19								
Rufous-sided Towhee	Ots11 S - Ot 14								
American Tree Sparrow	Sp 7 Ot 23 Dm 31								
Chipping Sparrow	Sps 7 S - Sp 24								
Clay-colored	Sp 7 - Sp 9								
Brewer's Sparrow	- -								
Field Sparrow	- -								
Vesper Sparrow	Aut20 Au 31 Sp 19 Sp 19								
Lark Sparrow	Ots 3 S - Sp 19								
Lark Bunting	Sps19 S - Au 6								
Savannah Sparrow	- -								
Grasshopper Sparrow	Au 29 S - Jl 25								
Le Conte's Sparrow	- -								
Sharp-tailed Sp.	- -								
Fox Sparrow	- -								
Song Sparrow	- Sp 10 Dm 15								
Lincoln's Sparrow	Ot 11 -								
Swamp Sparrow	- -								
White-throated Sparrow	- Ot 4 Ot 15								
White-crowned Sparrow	Sp 7 Sp 19 Dm 31								
Harris' Sparrow	Dm 10 Ot 17 Dm 19								
Dark-eyed Junco	Au 20 Ot 5 Dm 31								
McCown's Longspur	Sp 9 -								

Dawes	T McPh.	Lin-	Howard	Knox	Pierce	Lan-	Da-	Saun-	W Doug.		
h		coln	Hall	Adams	Polk	caster	kota	ders	a Sarpy		
-	a	-	Jl 28 g	Jl 9	-	Au 13 Au 24	S - Sp 6	-	NR	-	S - Jl 21
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	-	-	Sd- Au 21	S - Jl 9	-	S - Jl 28	Jl 5 Jl 26	S - Sp 19	S - Sp 10	S - Au 1	S - Ot 4
-	b	-	Jl 27 Auf23	Sc- Jl 9	-	S - Ot 14	S - Au 30	S - Au 23	S - Au 8	S - Jl 18	S - Ot 12
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
S - Sp 5	d Sp 9 Ot 23	Oth 9 Ot 26	S - Ot 17	Sp 30 Ot 6	Ot 11 Ot 17	Sp 22 Ot 19	Sp 20 Ot 4	S - Dm 24	S - Au 8	S - Ot 20	S - Ot 13
P	- No 9 Dm 19	Dm 4 Dm 28	Ot 10 Dm 28	No 17 Ot 6	Ot 7 Dm 31	Ot 12 Dm 31	Ot 18 - W	Ot 23 Dm 20	No 1 - W	Ot 24 Dm 5	g Ot 18 i Dm 30
S - Au 21	d Sp 2 No 9	-	S - Au 24	No 3	-	Au 24 Ot 13	Sp 27 Ot 11	S - Ot 25	-	-	S - Sp 6
-	d	-	-	-	Sp 9 Ot 7	Sp 12 Sp 22	Sp 6 Ot 11	-	-	-	Ot 4 Ot 6
-	- Ot 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	d Sp 21	-	S - Au 25	Ot 4 Ot 16	Sp 9 Ot 7	Jl 1 Ot 18	Jl 19 Ot 4	S - No 3	S - Au 8	S - Ot 24	S - Ot 18
-	d Sp 21	Au 15 Sp 20	-	-	Ot 7 Ot 18	Sp 8 Ot 18	Ot 11 Ot 18	Au 3 Sp 26	-	-	-
S - Sp 19	b S - d Jl 1	Jlh25 Sp 30	S - Au 20	-	-	Jl 19 Sp 22	Jl 26 Au 9	Au 6 Au 8	S - Au 8	-	-
S - No 16	b Jl 1 No 16	Sp 5 Au 20	Sg- Au 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
-	d	-	-	-	Sp 20 Ot 7	Sp 21 Ot 18	Sp 20 Ot 18	Au 3 Ot 12	-	-	Sp 27 Ot 10
-	b d	Auh 3 Au 22	S - Au 22	-	-	Au 13 Au 23	S - Au 23	S - Au 22	S - Au 8	S - Au 29	S - Au 8
-	-	-	-	-	Ot 7 Ot 11	Sp 21 Ot 17	Sp 20 Ot 11	-	-	-	Ot 1 Ot 18
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 10
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Ot 20 No 10	-	-	-	Ot 10
-	d	-	f Au 5	Jl 15 No 30	No 17 Ot 18	Sp 5 Ot 19	Sp 24 No 1	P	S - Dm 26	S - Ot 31	g S - Dm 13
-	d	-	-	-	Sp 20 Ot 18	Sp 12 Ot 19	Sp 20 Ot 11	Sp 17 No 3	Sp 20 Ot 7	Sp 26 Ot 10	- Sp 27 Ot 18
-	d	-	-	-	Sp 5 Ot 11	Sp 24 Dm 12	Sp 6 Ot 4	Sp 26 No 5	Sp 25 Dm 26	Ot 3 Ot 10	- Sp 27 No 12
-	d Ot 13 Ot 26	Ot 5 No 16	-	Ot 30 No 2	Ot 7 Ot 11	Sp 28 No 24	Ot 18 Ot 24	Sp 29 Dm 27	Sp 23 Ot 15	Sp 26 No 7	- Ot 3 Ot 30
Sp 2 Sp 10	d Sp 21 Ot 16	Ot 9 Ot 19	Dm 19 Dm 22	Ot 4 Ot 8	Ot 7 Ot 11	Sp 21 Ot 23	Ot 4 No 1	Ot 23 Dm 31	-	Ot 10 Ot 24	- Ot 18
-	d Ot 17 Ot 28	Au 3 Ot 28	Ot 10 Dm 31	Ot 16 Dm 31	Ot 7 Ot 24	Sp 28 Dm 18	Ot 18 No 8	Ot 14 Dm 20	-	Ot 3 No 21	g Sp 27 j No 30
P	d Sp 21 No 8	Ot 10 Dm 15	Ot 9 Dm 31	Sp 30 Dm 31	Ot 11 Dm 31	Sp 27 Dm 31	Ot 11 - W	Sp 26 Dm 31	Ot 7 - W	Ot 3 Dm 12	- Sp 19 Dm 31
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in locations of some counts between 1987 and 1988, so the following tabulation can not be compared with 1987 for some lines. (River sites are stretches of the river.) Mr. Wingfield also warns that there were changes in reporting procedures on the Missouri River count, and any one interested in that comparison should check with him (Game and Parks Commission) for details.

Site	Bald						Golden		To-	Site	Bald						Golden		To-
	Ad	Im	Ad	Im		Ad	Im	tal		Ad	Im	Ad	Im		Ad	Im	tal		
North Platte R.	6	33	35	3	-	71			N. Cherry	3	3	1	-	-	4				
Platte River	9	130	72	-	-	202			Valentine NWR	1	-	-	2	-	2				
South Platte R.	1	3	-	-	-	3			Thos.-N Linc.	3	1	-	1	2	4				
Republican R.	3	34	33	-	-	67			Buffalo	1	3	-	-	-	3				
Middle Loup R.	2	8	2	-	-	10			Sherman Res.	1	2	-	-	-	2				
North Loup R.	1	4	1	-	-	5			Loup Co.	1	4	1	-	1	6				
Loup River	1	9	3	-	-	12			Wheeler/Boone	2	6	1	3	-	10				
Snake River	1	1	-	-	-	1			Lanc./Thayer	2	1	1	-	-	2				
Niobrara River	5	33	5	-	2	40			S. Central	4	5	3	-	-	8				
Missouri River	4	122	28	1	-	151			Chase	2	3	6	1	-	10				
Dawes/Sioux	4	-	-	2	2	4			S. Lincoln	2	37	14	3	-	54				
Sheridan	3	2	-	2	1	5													
Box B/Morrill	4	-	-	7	-	7													
Garden	2	-	-	5	1	6			Total	68	444	206	30	9	689				

SPRING 1987. Eight Pectoral Sandpipers, coming into alternate plumage, were feeding in a roadside pool near Lowell, Kerney Co., on 4 April 1987.

A Northern Shrike was 4 miles S. of Mullen, Hooker Co. It had a thin black mask terminating at the base of the bill, eye protruding on the upper side of the mask, a pale bird over all, large bill distinctly hooked, faint barring visible on ventral side, strong flight with less wing motion than a Loggerhead Shrike. It was viewed under good conditions from 50-120 ft. along the road edge. I had the opportunity to compare this bird with a nearby Loggerhead. I think this is a rather late record.

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