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 Questionnaire For a New Birds of Iowa

During the past several months I have been assembling in-
 CHECK LIST for a revised list of the Birds of Iowa. This list
 incorporate the recent changes in nomenclature as given in
 Observer _____ U. Check-List (1931). The status and distribution
 occurring in the state at the present time will be
 Locality _____ for full details of the occurrence of rare or acci-

This is a provisional list
 It contains three hundred and
 tain status have been omitted. (subspecies) to be included in one race or subspecies
 given, but in recording observations it is necessary to attempt to recognize these distinctions. Species that are
 of such rare or accidental occurrence that their being seen is improbable are included in brackets, and special caution
 is urged in making identifications of such birds in the field. An asterisk before a name signifies that the species so
 marked has become extinct in Minnesota within recent years. The names printed in heavy faced type are the common
 names used in the American Ornithologists' Union Check-List for 1931. In a few instances additional names, better
 known locally, are given.

DIRECTIONS FOR RECORDING DATES. SUMMER PERMANENTS—First nest. WINTER VISITANTS—When first seen in
 common, and first nest with fresh eggs. Fall: when last seen. PERMANENT RESIDENTS—First nest. WINTER VISITANTS—When first seen in
 seen, when common, and when last seen. PERMANENT RESIDENTS—First nest. WINTER VISITANTS—When first seen in
 the fall or winter and last seen in the spring. Use separate sheets for reporting spring and fall observations.

Name of Species	First seen	Common	Last seen	First nest	Name of Species	First seen	Common	Last seen	First nest
Loon, Great Northern Diver (two races):					Shoveler, Spoon-bill. Rare, very seen 3 times in 20 yrs.				
o x Common Loon. <i>seen here Apr. 15-1919-3-11-1928</i>					Wood Duck. Rare - seen perhaps 5 times in 20 yrs.				
Lesser Loon. <i>not seen</i>					Redhead. <i>very rare only once seen in 15 yrs</i>				
x [Red-throated Loon.]					Ring-necked Duck, "Blue-bill," "Black Duck."				
o x Holboell's Grebe, Red-necked Grebe. <i>seen (on path) 4-10-1927 & 4-12-1927</i>					Canvas-back. <i>Very rare 10-26-1925 two seen</i>				
Horned Grebe. <i>Not seen</i>					* [Greater Scaup Duck, Big Blue-bill.] <i>None seen</i>				
Eared Grebe. <i>Not seen</i>					Lesser Scaup Duck, Little Blue-bill. <i>Rare but a few seen</i>				
* Western Grebe, Swan-necked Grebe. <i>not seen</i>					American Golden-eye, Whistler. <i>Very rare only 2 seen in 10 yrs</i>				
Pied-billed Grebe, Hell-diver. <i>Rare seen a number of times</i>					* [Barrow's Golden-eye.] ✓				
White Pelican. <i>Not seen</i>					Buffle-head, Butter-ball. <i>Not seen</i>				
Double-crested Cormorant, Black "Loon." <i>May 2-1920 One seen</i>					Old-squaw. <i>Not seen</i>				
Great Blue Heron, Blue "Crane." <i>Rare but seen very yr.</i>					White-winged Scoter. <i>Not seen</i>				
[American Egret.] <i>Not seen</i>					Surf Scoter. <i>Not seen</i>				
x [Snowy Egret.] <i>Not seen</i>					* American Scoter. <i>Not seen</i>				
Eastern Green Heron. <i>Fairly common</i>					Ruddy Duck. <i>Not seen</i>				
Black-crowned Night Heron. <i>Rare but seen very year</i>					Hooded Merganser, Little Saw-bill. <i>Rare but seen occasionally</i>				
American Bittern. <i>Rare - have seen about 10 in 20 yrs</i>					American Merganser, Big Saw-bill. ✓				
Eastern Least Bittern. <i>Not seen</i>					Red-breasted Merganser. ✓				
x [White-faced Glossy Ibis.] <i>Not seen</i>					Turkey Vulture. <i>Rare but seen about once a yr.</i>				
Whistling Swan. <i>Not seen</i>					x [Swallow-tailed Kite.] <i>see Palimpsest Vol. 5 page 133</i>				
x *Trumpeter Swan. <i>Not seen</i>					Eastern Goshawk. <i>Very rare</i>				
Canada Goose, Honker (three races):					Sharp-shinned Hawk. <i>Rare</i>				
Common Canada Goose. <i>Rare - but seen very year</i>					Cooper's Hawk. <i>Fairly common, nests here</i>				
x [Lesser Canada Goose.] ?					Red-tailed Hawk, (four forms): <i>Common or fairly so but</i>				
[Hutchins's Goose.] ?					Eastern Red-tailed Hawk. <i>am not prepared to state</i>				
White-fronted Goose, Speckle-belly. <i>Not seen</i>					Krider's Hawk. <i>comparative forms. Nests</i>				
Lesser Snow Goose, White Brant. <i>Rare but seen occasionally</i>					[Western Red-tailed Hawk.]				
Blue Goose, Blue Wavy. <i>Not seen</i>					[Harlan's Hawk.]				
* [Fulvous Tree-Duck.] <i>Never seen here</i>					Northern Red-shouldered Hawk. <i>Fairly common, Nests</i>				
Common Mallard. <i>Nest very rarely Common a few weeks each yr.</i>					Broad-winged Hawk. <i>Rare</i>				
Red-legged Black Duck, "Dusky Mallard." <i>Rare - few seen</i>					Swainson's Hawk. <i>Fairly common, Nests</i>				
Gadwall, Gray Duck. <i>Rare - very few seen</i>					American Rough-legged Hawk. <i>Rare</i>				
* [European Widgeon.] ✓					✓ [Ferruginous Rough-leg.] <i>Very rare only 2 seen in 20 yrs.</i>				
Baldpate, Widgeon. <i>Seen 4-2-1923 - 4-29-28 - 10-22-31</i>					Golden Eagle. <i>Rare, very</i>				
American Pintail. <i>Common some seasons, Rare others</i>					Southern Bald Eagle. <i>Rare</i>				
Green-winged Teal. <i>Fairly common</i>					Marsh Hawk. <i>Fairly common, Nests here</i>				
Blue-winged Teal. <i>Fairly common, Nest occasionally</i>					Osprey, Fish Hawk. <i>Rare, Do not think it nests here</i>				
* [Cinnamon Teal.] <i>not seen here</i>					Gyrfalcon (two races):				

Additional Notes.

"Birds of Early Iowa" - by E. L. Naiman. Palimpsest, Vol. 5, 1924, pp. 133-135.

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[White Gyrfalcon.]					Semipalmated Sandpiper. Rare				
[Black Gyrfalcon.]					x [Western Sandpiper.] ?				
x [Prairie Falcon.] Not seen					x [Buff-breasted Sandpiper.] Rare				
Duck Hawk. Not seen					✓ Marbled Godwit. Very Rare				
Eastern Pigeon Hawk. Rare but seen occasionally					✓ Hudsonian Godwit. None seen				
Eastern Sparrow Hawk. Common, nests here					✓ Sanderling. Very Rare				
Canada Spruce Grouse.					x *Avocet. None seen				
Ruffed Grouse, "Partridge" (two races):					x *Black-necked Stilt. None seen				
Eastern Ruffed Grouse. Very rare none seen 10 yr					Wilson's Phalarope. None seen				
Canada Ruffed Grouse.					Northern Phalarope. None seen				
[Willow Ptarmigan.]					x [Parasitic Jaeger.] None seen				
Greater Prairie Chicken. } Formerly common but none					x [Long-tailed Jaeger.] None seen				
x Prairie Sharp-tailed Grouse. } in this part of state for 12 yr.					x [Glaucous Gull.] None seen				
European Partridge, Hungarian Partridge (introduced). None in this part state					x [Iceland Gull.] None seen				
Eastern Bob-white, Quail. Common - increasing					Herring Gull. Rare ?				
Ring-necked Pheasant (introduced). A few seen - nests					Ring-billed Gull. Rare ?				
x *Eastern Turkey, Wild Turkey (?) all extinct now here					Franklin's Gull. Rare but seen occasionally				
✓ [Whooping Crane.] Very rare or accidental					✓ Bonaparte's Gull. Rare. Saw 2 in 10 yr.				
Sandhill Crane (two races):					Forster's Tern. ? } so few seen here that I am				
[Little Brown Crane.] None seen					Common Tern. ? } not competent to identify				
Sandhill Crane. Very rare or accidental					Caspian Tern. ? } them in the air or at distance				
King Rail. Very rare					Black Tern. Irregular - seen in flocks of 25 or more some times				
Virginia Rail. None					[Dovekie, Little Auk.]				
Sora. Rare					[Ancient Murrelet.]				
Yellow Rail. None					Western Mourning Dove. Common, nests here.				
Florida Gallinule. Rare but a few seen					*Passenger Pigeon. Extinct see Palimpsest Vol. 5, p. 1				
American Coot, Mud Hen. Rare.					Yellow-billed Cuckoo. Common nests				
x [Piping Plover.] None seen					Black-billed Cuckoo. Rare nests				
* [Western Snowy Plover.] None seen					[Groove-billed Ani.]				
Semipalmated Plover. Rare but few seen					Barn Owl. Rare ?				
Killdeer. Common, nest here.					Screech Owl (two races): com, nests				
American Golden Plover. Rare					Eastern Screech Owl. ?				
✓ Black-bellied Plover. Rare					? Aikin's Screech Owl. ?				
Ruddy Turnstone. None seen					Great Horned Owl (three races):				
American Woodcock. Rare but a few seen					x Arctic Horned Owl. Not here				
Wilson's Snipe. Fairly com, a few days					Great Horned Owl. Rare, nests here				
* Long-billed Curlew. None seen					Montana Horned Owl. Not here				
* Hudsonian Curlew. None seen					Snowy Owl. Very rarely one is seen				
x * Eskimo Curlew. None seen					* American Hawk Owl. None seen				
Upland Plover, Bartramian Sandpiper. Rare few seen					* Western Burrowing Owl. None seen				
Spotted Sandpiper. Fairly common, nests					Barred Owl (two races): common, nests				
Eastern Solitary Sandpiper. Rare					Northern Barred Owl. ?				
Western Willet. None seen					Minnesota Barred Owl.				
Greater Yellow-legs. Rare					* Great Gray Owl. accidental				
Lesser Yellow-legs. Fairly com, a few weeks.					Long-eared Owl. accidental				
* [American Knot.] None seen					Short-eared Owl. Rare, saw one 12-25-1932				
Pectoral Sandpiper. Rare					* Richardson's Owl. None seen for 35 years				
White-rumped Sandpiper. Rare					Saw-whet Owl. None seen				
Baird's Sandpiper. Rare					Eastern Whip-poor-will. Rare but nests here				
Least Sandpiper. Rare					Nighthawk (three races):				
Red-backed Sandpiper. Rare very					Eastern Nighthawk. Rare but nests here				
Long-billed Dowitcher. Rare					* Howell's Nighthawk. None seen				
x Stilt Sandpiper. None seen					x Sennett's Nighthawk. None identified				

Additional Species Reported For Iowa

- x Pacific Loon *None seen*
- x Brown Pelican *Reported seen near here but not authentic.*
- * Anhinga *None seen*
- * Man-o'-war-bird *None seen*
- * Little Blue Heron *None seen*
- * Yellow-crowned Night Heron *None seen*
- * Wood Ibis *None seen*
- * Eastern Glossy Ibis *None seen*
- * Brant *Have records of these birds flying over 1919-1924-1927-1929 but no specimen and not*
- * Common Black Duck *Reports? [positively identified]*
- * Harlequin Duck *None seen*
- x American Eider *None seen*
- x King Eider *None seen*
- x Mississippi Kite *None seen*
- * Harris's Hawk *None seen*
- x Richardson's Pigeon Hawk *None seen*
- * Mexican Goshawk *None seen*
- * Black Rail *about May 1-1912 saw one within 6 feet, Oct 1-1925 saw one in 15 feet.*
- * Purple Gallinule *None seen*
- * Red Phalarope *None seen*
- * Laughing Gull *None seen*
- x Sabine's Gull *None seen*
- Least Tern *None seen*
- x Brunnich's Murre *None seen*
- * Louisiana Paroquet *None seen*
- * Nuttall's Poor-will *None seen*
- * Lewis's Woodpecker *None seen*
- * Say's Phoebe *None seen*
- x Acadian Flycatcher *See a few birds here nearly every season that I iden.*
- x Carolina Chickadee *None seen* *typical as Acadian but I never took a specimen*
- x Russet-backed Thrush *None seen*
- x White-eyed Vireo *call it Blue Vireo, Do not know whether the White eye is here*
- x Worm-eating Warbler *yes have seen several near here*
- * Sycamore Warbler *yes seen very rarely*
- * Northern Prairie Warbler *None seen*
- x Northern Water-Thrush *Fairly common migrant*
- x Kentucky Warbler *None seen*
- * Hooded Warbler *None seen*
- * Gray-crowned Rosy Finch *None seen*
- x Arctic Towhee *None seen*
- * Bachman's Sparrow *None seen*
- * Montana or Shufeldt's Junco *None seen*

x = Rare, represented by at least one specimen.
 * = No Iowa specimen.

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Chestnut-sided Warbler.		Fairly com. migrant			× Canadian Pine Grosbeak.				Have not seen it
Bay-breasted Warbler.		Rare migrant			Alaska Pine Grosbeak.				
Black-poll Warbler.		Common migrant			[Hepburn's Rosy Finch.]				
✓ Northern Pine Warbler.		Very rare mig.			× Hoary Redpoll.				Not seen
[Kirtland's Warbler.]					Redpoll (three races):				
Western Palm Warbler.		Com. mig. some to have			Common Redpoll.				Rare winter resident
Oven-bird.		Rare summer resident nests			× [Holboell's Redpoll.]				None seen
Grinnell's Water-Thrush.		and not prepared to say			× [Greater Redpoll.]				None seen
Louisiana Water-Thrush.		whether the com. mig. here is this or the northern			Northern Pine Siskin.				Not seen
Connecticut Warbler.		Rare mig.			Eastern Goldfinch, Wild "Canary."				Com. Resident nests
Mourning Warbler.		Very rare mig.			Red Crossbill.				Have not seen it here, reported so north
✓ Northern Yellow-throat.		Com. summer resident			× White-winged Crossbill.				None seen here
[Yellow-breasted Chat.]		Rare summer resident, nest			Red-eyed Towhee, Chewink.				Fairly common, nests
Wilson's Warbler.		Com. mig.			Lark Bunting.				None seen
Canada Warbler.		Rare mig.			Savannah Sparrow (two races):				?
American Redstart.		Com mig. a few nest			Eastern Savannah Sparrow.				?
English Sparrow (introduced).		abundant nuisance			? Western Savannah Sparrow.				a few - seen don't know
Bobolink.		Rare summer resident nests			Western Grasshopper Sparrow.				Fairly com. in meadows
Eastern Meadowlark.		Com. summer resident nests			× Baird's Sparrow.				Don't know it
Western Meadowlark.		Rare " " "			Leconte's Sparrow.				Not seen
Yellow-headed Blackbird.		accidental			✓ Western Henslow's Sparrow.				Very rare
Red-winged Blackbird (two races):		Com. some resident			× Nelson's Sparrow.				Not seen
Giant Red-wing.		None			Eastern Vesper Sparrow.				Fairly com. some nest, nests
[Thick-billed Red-wing.]		?			Eastern Lark Sparrow.				Rare summer resident nests
Orchard Oriole.		Rare summer resident nests			Slate-colored Junco.				Com. winter resident, don't nest
Baltimore Oriole.		Com. " " "			Eastern Tree Sparrow.				Com. winter resident, don't nest
Rusty Blackbird.		Com. migrant			Eastern Chipping Sparrow.				Fairly com. some nest, nests
✓ × Brewer's Blackbird.		Rare migrant, never took a specimen			Clay-colored Sparrow.				Rare ?
Bronzed Grackle.		Com. summer resident nests			Eastern Field Sparrow.				Com. some nest, nests
Cowbird (two races):					Harris's Sparrow.				Fairly com migrant
Eastern Cowbird.		Common summer resident			White-crowned Sparrow (two races):				
Nevada Cowbird.		?			White-crowned Sparrow.				Rare migrant
[Western Tanager.]					Gambel's Sparrow.				?
Scarlet Tanager.		Rare summer resident nests			White-throated Sparrow.				Com. migrant
× [Summer Tanager.]		am not quite sure seen it,			Eastern Fox Sparrow.				Fairly com migrant
Eastern Cardinal.		Saw the first one Jan 1910 (now com.)			Lincoln's Sparrow.				Rare, but a few seen each year
Rose-breasted Grosbeak.		Com. summer resident, nest			Swamp Sparrow.				Rare summer resident nests
Indigo Bunting.		Com. summer resident, nests			Song Sparrow (two races):				?
× [Lazuli Bunting.]		None seen			Dakota Song Sparrow.				Com. during migration
[Painted Bunting.]					Eastern Song Sparrow.				but rare in summer and winter, don't know race
Dickcissel.		Fairly com. some nest, nests			× McCown's Longspur.				None seen
Eastern Evening Grosbeak.		Rare have seen three			Lapland Longspur.				some winter quite common
Eastern Purple Finch.		Irregular don't know nests			[Smith's Longspur.]				None seen
[Common House Finch.]					Chestnut-collared Longspur.				?
Pine Grosbeak (two races):		?			Eastern Snow Bunting.				None seen

Please state below the general weather conditions prevailing during the season for which the report is made and any other pertinent observations.

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