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FIELD REPORTS:

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NOTE: In the "OBSERVERS" column, if there is an * after the name, this designates the person who FIRST made the observation.

SPECIES	NO.	DATE	LOCATION	OBSERVERS
Least Bittern	1	18 June	Madison Co.- Armstrong's pond near Badger Creek Rec. Area	P & R Allen Armstrong's
	1	2 July	Fremont Co.-1 1/2 miles north of Waubonsie Wildlife Area off of old Highway #2	P & R Allen
Canvasback	1 pr	1 June	Lee Co.-Linger Longer Rest Area	P & R Allen
Northern Bobwhite	1	21 June	Buena Vista Co.-Wanata State Pk. NOTE: thought this was a little far north to be hearing this species calling.	P & R Allen
King Rail	1	2 July	Fremont Co.-1 1/2 miles north of Waubonsie Wildlife Area off of old Highway #2 NOTE: Photographs taken by Reid I. Allen enclosed.	P & R Allen
American Golden Plover	1	21 June	Sac Co.-dredge pond located just east of easterly edge of Black Hawk Lake	P & R Allen
Snowy Plover	1	14 June	Sac Co.-dredge pond located just east of easterly edge of Black Hawk Lake NOTE: Documentation and photographs enclosed.	P & R Allen
Marbled Godwit	3	21 June*	Dickinson Co.-1/2 mi. NW of Jemerson Slough on new waterfowl area being developed (Jim: this is the same location where the Common Black-headed Gull was observed last year--does the area have a name yet?) NOTE: these birds were observed in flight and from a standing position and there was no white and black markings on rumps of these birds. They were still in alternate plumage, with their bi-colored slightly upturned bills and their buffy-cinnamon wing linings.	P & R Allen

*2nd early arrival?!

Buff-breasted Sandpiper	1	27 July	Carroll Co.-Dunbar Slough (across P & R Allen road from new area being developed in the SW corner of Dunbar) Armstrongs' later drove up and saw this bird on the Dunbar Slough, or Greene Co. side of the road.
Northern Mockingbird	1	8 June	Warren Co.-3 miles SW of St. Mary's P & R Allen
Yellow-throated Warbler	1	1 June	Jefferson Co.-Whitman Woods P & R Allen
Prairie Warbler	1	2 June	Henry Co.-just west of the entrance to Mud Creek Park NOTE: Documentation and photographs enclosed. P & R Allen
Hooded Warbler	1	23 July	Warren Co.-Lake Ahquabi, near intersection with path to Camp Wesley Woods. P & R Allen
White-throated Sparrow	1	20 June-6 July	Polk Co.-1601 Pleasant Street, West Des Moines NOTE: a few years ago we had a similar summer visit from a White-throated Sparrow although it did not stay around for as long as this year's visitor. P & R Allen