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REPORT FOR "AMERICAN BIRDS"
MIDWESTERN PRARIE REGION: I August-30 November 1976
for Vernon M. Kleen, Editor

Double-^Crested Cormorant: none seen

Sharp-shinned Hawk:

total of 22 seen, 8/29 to 10/5. Maximum seen (12) on
10/4, McBride Field campus between 11 & 12 o'clock.

Cooper's hawk: none seen

Red-shouldered Hawk: 1 adult, Hickory Hill City park, Iowa City,
10/15/76. Seen in good sun angle as it circled several times
overhead at maybe 150 feet, salmon-orange wing lining and
body, buteo shape with tail rather long. Alternating light
and dark tail banding, with light narrower than dark.

Broad-winged Hawk: Several large flocks. I ~~was~~^{had} gone up to
Duluth around September 10, but I had a better broad-winged
show in my ~~back~~ back yard.
9/18, 20 seen mostly perched in trees. Later the same morning
Mike Newlon saw about 200 in Hickory Hill.
9/22, 80 plus, forming several kettles about 9:30 a.m., *HICKORY HILL.*

Marsh Hawk: total of 15 seen at various Coralville Res. points
between 8/28 and 11/13. All female-immature type plumage.

Peregrine Falcon: 1 seen at Sand Point on CoR 9/27/76. The bird
had been seen the previous day by Mike and Carol Newlon.

American Kestrel: total of 6 between 8/28 & 10/3.

Black-legged Kittiwake: 1 immature seen at Coralville Docks on CoR
on 10/28. Found by N. Halmi the previous day. Description
enclosed since I had a good look at it.

Ruby-throated Hummingbird: "invasion" in Hickory Hill between
18 August and 9 ~~xx~~ September. Max. of 20 on 28 August.

Northern Shrike: 1 adult, Hickory Hill, 11/07. description encl.

White-eyed vireo: One, sometimes two, of rare white-eyed vireo
was regular in Hickory Hill from 28 Aug. to 9 Sept.

Warblers: A good migration began early, 18 August and was pretty
much over, except for orange-crowned and "myrtle", by 26 Sept.

LeConte's Sparrow: A large group found by the Newlon's at Sand
Point (CoR) on 9/26. I counted a minimum of 22 on 9/27, 15
on 9/29 (pictures taken), and 8 on 10/9. Also 2 at Kent Park,
Johnson Co. on 10/16, and 1 at Hickory Hill on 11/07.

Sharp-tailed Sparrow: 1 at Sand Point on 9/27. Found by Newlon, 9/26.

Snow Bunting: Flock of about 60 at Sugar Bottom, (CoR) 13 & 14 Nov.
Flock of 7 at Coralville Docks, (CoR) 13 November.

abbreviation CoR for Coralville Reservoir

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