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Gentlemen:-

Under separate cover in two separate envelopes I am to day sending you my 1925 bird migration report covering 153 varieties of birds from this station (Ogden, Iowa) during 1925.

According to your instructions I am placing 100 cards in one envelope and the remaining 53 in another and they cover the entire calendar year as I do not make separate spring and fall reports but include it all in one.

This is the largest single years list that I have ever sent you and it required 74 recorded field trips and 170 hours of tireless tramping and wading to secure the field records and nearly as many hours indoors to compile them in proper form for mailing and preparing a copy for my own files.

While this is a pleasure to me to do this work still it does seem very unreasonable that the government should expect such a mass of work to be done absolutely gratis. It would seem that a reasonable compensation might be given to certain competent observers which would cover at least the shoe leather and gasoline consumed if nothing more.

The birds listed this year were all observed in this County and all within a few miles of Ogden and I have listed nothing unless I was real certain of my bird. My list contains 16 birds never before observed here by me which are all listed on a separate sheet and enclosed herewith.

My most unusual records were the American Roughlegged Hawk and the Bald Eagle both of which were killed near here and which I had in hand and examined very carefully. Also the Carolina Wren appeared here this fall and remained here for almost two weeks although I saw it but once however I had a competent observer tell me that it remained that long on their premises where I saw it.

I also reported to you during the summer that I had found the Woodcock nesting in this County and saw four Arkansa Kingbirds together on a wire fence and watched them for some little time.

Many birds formerly recorded here were missed during 1925 however my total list for this County has now reached 179 and I hope to be able to increase this to 200 by the end of 1927

Any comments or criticism of my report will be gratefully received.
Yours respectfully,

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Local observer :- W.M.Rosen, Ogden, Iowa.

List of birds formerly observed here
but not observed during 1925.

Franklin Gull
Least Tern
White Pelican
Hooded Merganser
Black Duck
Green Wing Teal
Red Head Duck
Dowitcher
Marbled Godwit
Buff Breasted Sandpiper
Harlan Hawk
Duck Hawk
Pigeon Hawk
Barn Owl.
Short Eared Owl
Barred Owl
Yellow Bellied Flycatcher
Lapland Longspur
Savanna Sparrow
Grasshopper Sparrow
Northern Shrike
White Eyed Vireo
Chestnut Sided Warbler
Pine Warbler
Wilson Warbler
Gray Cheeked Thrush

Total 26 varieties.

List of birds observed at this
station for the first time and all
new birds on my list, for 1925.

Baldpate
Lesser Snow Goose
Northern Phalarope
Stilt Sandpiper
Pectoral Sandpiper
Least Sandpiper
Semipalmated Sandpiper
Greater Yellowlegs
Cooper Hawk
American Rough Leg Hawk
Bald Eagle
Philadelphia Vireo
Nashville Warbler
Tennessee Warbler
Blackthroated Green Warbler
Carolina Wren.

Total 16 varieties

My total list Dec 31 1924 was 163

New birds added this year 16

Total list to Dec 31 1925 - - 179

Weather conditions made it an exceptional year for shore birds and while I missed 26 varieties formerly seen here I listed 16 varieties of sparrows and 5 Vireos and 17 Warblers I finally increased my list 23 over my last years report.

Please send me the necessary supplies and blanks for the 1926 reports.

W.M.Rosen.