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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 for 2/25/91 SNOWY OWL and PRARIE FALCON in north central Iowa are the top birds this week.

In Cerro Gordo County, both a PRARIE FALCON and an immature SNOWY OWL were seen in the same general area on both February 23rd and 24th. These birds should be looked for southwest of Mason City in a five mile section between hiway 107 on the east, and county road S-14 on the west, and bounded by 150th and 170th streets on the north and south. On the 23rd, the SNOWY OWL was seen along Cardinal Avenue, and the PRARIE FALCON was seen along S-14, a half mile south of county road B-55. For more information call Jan Walter at (515)424-1413. A male WHITE WINGED CROSSBILL reappeared on the 23rd at the feeder of Carolyn Fischer at 48 Lakeview Court in northwest Mason City. You can call for updates at (515)423-9909.

In the central, two TRUMPETER SWANS have been in Story County in the Colo area the past week. They have been seen at various locations including the Colo ponds, in a wet spot three miles east of town along new hiway 30, and at Hendrickson Marsh. Also in Story County, a MERLIN was spotted near Zearing. In Hardin County, the RED SHOULDERED HAWK continues through the 24th where a wooded creek crosses Hardin County Road D-65 about three and a half miles west of Union.

In the southeast, there are thousands of gulls and waterfowl on pool #19 of the Mississippi River between Montrose and Keokuk. Most of the gulls are RING-BILLED, with a few HERRINGS, but a first winter THAYER'S GULL was observed just south of Montrose on the 20th. Most of the ducks are COMMON GOLDENEYE, COMMON MERGANSERS, and CANVASBACKS, but two GREATER SCAUP were noted just north of Keokuk on the 24th. The three swans, two TRUMPETERS, and the TUNDRA SWAN were still present on the Iowa River in Johnson County, at least through the 22nd, when they were all seen north of Iowa City.

In the south central, a MERLIN was observed south of Monroe on the 23rd, and in Clarke County, two LONG EARED OWLS were located at Tetner's Tree Farm southeast of Osceola on the 23rd. AND 177 BALD EAGLES WERE COUNTED AT THE REAST ANEA ALONG THE DES MOINES RIVER SOUTH OF THE NIVAY 92 ENDLE INTERNATIONAL COUNTY OF

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IN THE WARTHERST, AN ADULT GOLDEN EAGLE LUBS OBSÉRUED IN ALLAMAKEE LOUNTY OUER THE UPPER TOWN RIVER BLUFFS ON THE NORTH SIDE OF COUNTY ROAD A-26 ABOUTY MILES SOUTHWAT OF NEW ALBIN ON THE 23KD [30] From: JFULLER at dentistry-po 2/28/91 8:30AM (1305 bytes: 17 ln)

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Iowa Birdline (319)338-9881 Update for 2/28/91 In new reports received since 2/25, in the northwest, a TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE was discovered in eastern Woodbury County on the 23rd at Hickory Hills Public Hunting Area, one and a half miles south of Correctionville. For more information, call Bill Huser at (402)494-1657. In the southwest, birds seen at the Riverton Wildlife Area in Fremont County on the 24th included 10,000 SNOW GEESE, 300 WHITE-FRONTED GEESE, 100 CANADA GEESE, plus about 7,000 PINTAILS and 70 BALD EAGLES. On the Mississippi between Moline, Illinois, and Bettendorf, a first winter THAYER'S GULL was present on the 26th. Beth Brown of Osceola reports banding about 250 PURPLE FINCHES at her home since January 6th, and she also noted that almost 200 BALD EAGLES entered the roost area south of the hiway #92 bridge over the Des Moines River on the 21rst.

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