

(2) IN THE CENTRAL, IN HAMILTON COUNTY, BLAINE KLADDENBACH, ^{LATE IN THE DAY} REPORTS 4 COMMON REDPOLLS ^{5-TIX} AT HIS FEEDER AT 316 WEST CURVE DRIVE IN WEBSTER CITY. ON THE 25TH.
ON THE 26TH IN NEWS FROM

(3) ~~IN~~ THE SOUTHWEST, A EURASIAN TREE SPARROW WAS OBSERVED AT A FEEDER ON THE MISSOURI CHRISTIAN COLLEGE ON THE 24TH. TO REACH THE LOCATION AT JOA MORGAN'S, ~~2391 MITTMAN ROAD~~, TAKE 61 BYPASS SOUTH TO SIMPSON ROAD, WHERE YOU GO WEST LESS THAN A MILE TO 2391 MITTMAN ROAD. IN JOHNSON COUNTY, A NORTHERN SAWWET OWL WAS IN CEDAR TREES ABOUT A HUNDRED YARDS NORTHWEST OF THE INTERSECTION OF COUNTY ROAD F-20 AND GREENCASTLE AVENUE.

(1) ON THE 28TH IN THE SOUTHWEST IN SCOTT COUNTY, ALONG THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER, AT LEAST 2 ^{FIRST-YEAR} THAYER'S GULLS, A FIRST-YEAR GLAUCOUS GULL, AND AN ADULT LESSER-BLACK BACKED GULL WERE AT LOCK & DAM # 14 AND THE MOUND-BETTENDORF WATERFRONT, WHILE A RED SHOULDERED HAWK WAS ^{AT OPEN PART} ALONG CONCORD DRIVE NEAR THE FOOT OF CREDIT ISLAND

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BIRDS MENTIONED:

Partridge in a pear tree
Common Redpoll
Hoary Redpoll
Black-billed Magpie
Oldsquaw
Barrow's Goldeneye
Glaucous Gull
Thayer's Gull
Lesser Black-backed Gull
Townsend's Solitaire
Red Crossbill
Snowy Owl
Northern Mockingbird
Common Goldeneye
Common Merganser
Canvasback
Black-legged Kittiwake
Rufous-sided Towhee
Northern Shrike
Greater Scaup
Hermit Thrush
Yellow-rumped Warbler
Killdeer
Rusty Blackbird
Eastern Bluebird
Golden Eagle
American Goldfinch

In addition to

Merry Christmas, and may you find a life ~~bird~~ in your stocking. ~~Besides~~ a PARTRIDGE IN A PEAR TREE, the week's highlights are COMMON and HOARY REDPOLLS, BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE, OLDSQUAW in the northwest, BARROW'S GOLDENEYE, GLAUCOUS, THAYER'S, and LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULLS, BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE, and OLDSQUAW in the southeast, TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE in the southwest, ~~and~~ RED CROSSBILL, and COMMON REDPOLL in the northeast. The SNOWY OWL in Marshall County has not been seen now since the 16th.

COMMON REDPOLL IN THE CENTRAL

In the northwest in Dickinson County on the 23rd, Lee Schoenewe studied ~~one~~ bird in a flock of fifty COMMON REDPOLLS at the state fish hatchery at Spirit Lake, that he felt was a HOARY REDPOLL. For more information, call Lee at (712)262-8194. The BLACK-BILLED MAGPIE was reported omce again in Plymouth County on the 17th. For details and location, call Bill Huser at (402)494-1657, or Randy Williams at (712)276-3618. At Cherokee, a female OLDSQUAW has been at Spring Lake on the south edge of town since November. Matt Kenne reported on the 18th that what may be a first record of NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD for Kossuth County ~~that~~ has been coming to a waterer at a farmstead west of Algona since December 1rst.

In the southeast in Lee County on the 18th, a male BARROW'S GOLDENEYE was discovered on the Keokuk Christmas Count on the Mississippi River at the south edge of Montrose. This bird was not relocated, ^{LATER IN THE WEEK} among the thousands of COMMON GOLDENEYES, COMMON MERGANSERS, and CANVASBACKS, but on the 20th three OLDSQUAWS and a first-year GLAUCOUS GULL were there. Other good birds on the Keokuk count included a BLACK-LEGGED KITTIWAKE just above Lock & Dam #19, ^{IN KEOKUK,} RUFIOUS-SIDED TOWHEE, NORTHERN MOCKINGBIRD, and NORTHERN SHRIKE. In Scott County on the Mississippi River on the 24th, a first-year THAYER'S GULL and an adult LESSER BLACK-BACKED GULL were at Lock & Dam #14, and nine GREATER SCAUP, of which seven were females, were at Princeton. In Marion County on the 21st, a first-year THAYER'S GULL was below the Red Rock Reservoir Dam, and a first-year GLAUCOUS GULL was just above the Dollar Bridge, which is three miles downstream from the Red Rock dam.

In the southwest in Pottawattamie County, the TOWNSEND'S SOLITAIRE continued to be seen south of Council Bluffs, at least through the 21st. The location is reached by going a quarter mile north from the intersection of hiways 275 and 370, and then east on Applewood Road for three-quarters to a mile.

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