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Common Eider 30 Oct 1942 Trumbull Lake, Clay Co., IA W. A. Stevens, Severson Musgrove and Musgrove 1943, Brown 1971

REFERENCES

Musgrove, J.W., and M.R. Musgrove. 1943. Waterfowl in Iowa. State Conservation Commission, Des Moines. p 109.

Brown 1971

VOTE (1981): 1-II, 5-IV, 1-V

V, no description.

IV, no details.

IV, Not acceptable on reputation of observers, unless can be shown to be reliable. Musgrove considered the record acceptable, however.

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COMMON EIDER, 160 Somateria mollissima dresseri SHARPE. Recorded in the Ruthven area October 30, 1942, when ten birds were observed; four were shot on Trumbull Lake in this area and one was closely examined by Ward A. Stevens and Conservation Officer Severson. However, none of the specimens was preserved. DuMont in Birds of Iowa, listed the American Eider on the basis of one specimen shot in Woodbury county, which is now in the Sioux City Public Museum collection. This specimen was identified by Dr. Guy C. Rich and A. F. Allen. On page 203 of The Wilson Bulletin for September, 1934, Philip DuMont recorded a PACIFIC EIDER, 161 Somateria mollissima v-nigra GRAY, on the basis of this same specimen which he had formerly listed as the American Eider.

Common Eider Somateria mollissima (Linnaeus)

Brown 1971 p 402

Accidental

The only recent record refers to 4 birds shot at Trumbull Lake, Clay Co., on 30 October, 1942 (Musgrove and Musgrove, 1943).