

Brant  
23 Apr 1927  
Polk Co., IA  
Watson and Nelson  
DuMont 1931

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Classification: NA

REFERENCE

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VOTE (1981): 1-III, 2-IV, 1-V, 3-VI  
IV, no description, although probably correct.

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AMERICAN BRANT, *Branta bernicla hrota* (Muller).

Fagen says that this bird was common in the '50's and early '90's. Reported March 8, 1925 (Watson); April 23, 1927, a flock of twenty-four birds was seen flying up the Des Moines River and positively identified (Watson and Nelson); October 26, 1925 (Watson).

The author is aware of the lack of acceptable records of this specie in the Mississippi Valley area, but because Mr. Watson is so familiar with this bird along the Atlantic Coast, accepts his records as unquestionable.

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