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FIELD REPORT FORM

SEASON Summer (June-July) YEAR 1982

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| SPECIES                     | NO.  | DATE                                   | LOCATION - HABITAT - COMMENTS   |
|-----------------------------|------|--|---|
| ✓ Double-crested Cormorant  | 1    | 6-19-82                                | Louisville Bend Wildlife Area - in backwaters of Missouri R. Monona Co. T82N R46W Sec. 1  |
| ✓ " "                       | 1    | 7-19-82                                | flying over road near Dewey's Pasture - Clay Co. T97N R35W Sec 25   |
| Great Blue Heron            | 1    | 6-19-82                                | Louisville Bend Wildlife Area Monona Co. * also seen 7-10-82  |
| " "                         | 1    | 7-26-82                                | Flying over pond at edge of Guttenberg, Clayton Co.   |
| " "                         | 2+   | 7-19-82                                | Grover's Lake - near MN border. Dickinson Co. T100N R37W Sec 12   |
| ✓ Black-crowned Night Heron | 2    | 7-17-82                                | Silver Lake Fen. - immatures. - Dickinson Co. T100N R38W sec 33   |
| " "                         | 1    | 7-17-82                                | Kirchner Prairie. - Clay Co. T97N R35W Sec 19   |
| ✓ " "                       | ≥10+ | 7-19-82                                | Grover's Lake (see above) - rookery reported on IA side of lake   |
| ✓ Least Bittern             | 1    | 7-19-82                                | Grover's Lake (see above)   |
| Turkey Vulture              | 10+  | var. dates in June/July                | Quite common in Loess Hills of Harrison/Monona Co's.  |
| ✓ Osprey                    | 1    | 6-3-82                                 | Along Hwy 183 (flying S) ~ 4 mi N of Missouri Valley, Harrison Co. Bird seen clearly, followed for almost 1 mi.   |
| ✓ Bald Eagle                | 1    | 7-26-82 (approx. - I did not see bird) | Fledgeling observed next to nest in NE Allamakee Co. by Jim Ripple, Iowa Conservation Commission Wildlife Biologist. - Near confluence of Upper Iowa and Mississippi Rivers. Sev. miles S of previous nest. |
| ✓ Red-shouldered Hawk       | 1    | 7-27-82                                | Flying overhead S of Effigy Mounds Nat Monument, Allamakee Co. T96N R3W Sec 34.   |
| ✓ Virginia Rail             | 2+   | 7-17-82                                | Kirchner Prairie (see above) 2 birds flushed, perhaps young nearby as birds made many vigorous alarm calls. Habitat = edge of wet prairie near cattail marsh.   |

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| ✓ Lesser (?) Yellowlegs     | 5   | 7-17-82                | Seen in roadside pond just s. of Excelsior Fens Dickinson Co. T99N R38W (other shorebirds seen flying elsewhere in Dickinson Co. during weekend. - incl. yellowlegs and unidentified "peeps".)  |
| ✓ Piping Plover             | 1   | 6-19-82                | Feeding on mudflat at Louisville Bend Wildlife Area (see above). Pair seen first by Larry Farmer during Foray (~6-2-82). I visited site again on 7-10-82, but mud flat had been flooded and bird was not seen. -                      |
| ✓ Upland Sandpiper          | 2   | 6-1-82                 | Plowed fields in Missouri R. floodplain. Harrison Co. T78N R45W   |
| ✓ " "                       | 1   | 7-10-82                | Along farm track next to cornfield E of Louisville Bend WMA Monona Co. T82N R45W Sec 6<br>During July,<br>- Upland Sandpipers were not seen in several places where I had seen them in May or where they had been reported by others. |
| ✓ Forster's Tern            | 1+  | 7-19-82                | Grover's Lake (see above), Silver Lake Fen (see above)  |
| Black Tern                  | 5+  | 7-17/19-82             | Grover's Lake, Kirchner Prairie, other localities in Clay, Dickinson Co's.  |
| ✓ Frankin's Gull            | 20+ | 7-17/19-82             | Adults and juveniles seen at numerous localities in Dickinson Co.   |
| Black-billed Cuckoo         | 1   | 6-27-82                | Buck Creek Area. Clayton Co. T93N R3W Sec 16 - Wooded ravine.   |
| " " "                       | 1   | 7-10-82                | Dahn's Prairie/Woodman Hollow. Monona Co. T85N R44W Sec 19 - in shrub next to road  |
| Barred Owl                  | 2   | 7-11-82                | Loess Hills Wildlife Area. Monona Co. T84N R44W Sec. 9 - Edge of oak woodland. - Adults w/young had been seen near same spot 5-16-82.   |
| ✓ Burrowing Owl             | 2   | 6-3-82<br>+<br>7-10-82 | Near Onawa. Monona Co. First seen by Dean Roosa during Foray. Nest located in fallow brome patch w/ cottonwood stumps. - Pair still present through last visit (RWH) on 7-10-82. -  |
| ✓ Ruby-throated Hummingbird | 1   | 6-19-82                | Dahn's Prairie (see above), Monona Co. Feeding on <u>Penstemon grandifloris</u>   |
| ✓ " " "                     | 1   | 6-26-82                | (w/Darwin Koenig) White Pine Hollow State Preserve  |
| ✓ " " "                     | 1   | 6-27-82                | Buck Creek Area (see above)   |

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| Western Kingbird       | 1    | 6-19-82            | On wire (facing E) next to E Kingbird (facing W)! Tunin Loess Hills Preserve. Monona Co. T84N R44W Sec 33   |
| " "                    | 3-4  | 6-19-82<br>7-10-82 | Several seen along <sup>W</sup> base of loess hills adj. to Missouri R. Valley. - Harrison and Monona Co's.   |
| ✓ Northern Mockingbird | 1    | 7-11-82            | Flying along road to woody hedgerow (box elders?) near brome field. Woodbury Co. T86N R44W Sec. 31.   |
| Veery                  | 2+   | 6-26/28-82         | Heard singing in forests of White Pine Hollow (Dubuque Co.) and Andy Hollow (Clayton Co.)   |
| ✓ Loggerhead Shrike    | 2    | 7-31-82            | On wire next to road. Small prairie remnant nearby. - Row crops, trees near house = major features in immediate vicinity of birds. Near Ankeny. Polk Co. T80N R24W Sec. 9 (SW 1/4)  |
| ✓ Bell's Vireo         | 5+   | 6-82               | Seen rather frequently in brushy ravines in loess hills and in Missouri River floodplain. Harrison + Monona Co's.   |
| Yellow Warbler         | 1    | 6-27-82            | Buck Creek Area (see above). - No special effort was made to find this bird, but surprisingly few were encountered.   |
| ✓ Blue-winged Warbler  | 2    | 6-26-82            | White Pine Hollow State Preserve, NW Dubuque Co. Birds heard along Pine Creek. (w/ Darwin Koenig)   |
| ✓ " "                  | 1    | 6-27-82            | Buck Creek Area (see above) - at edge of maple-basswood forest near telephone corridor. -   |
| Cerulean Warbler       | 2    | 6-28-82            | Andy Hollow. - Forest/opening (cold-air slope) above Buck Creek. Clayton Co. T93N R31W S. 27  |
| Bobolink               | ≥100 | 6, 7-82            | Common, w/ juveniles in every native prairie visited in northwest and north central IA (Clay, Dickinson, Emmet, Kossuth, Palo Alto Co's.) Much less common or absent in Loess Hills prairies, though one seen near farmyard ~ 2 mi se Pisgah. - |
| Blue Grosbeak          | 3    | 6-82               | Individuals observed at 3 separate localities in Missouri River floodplain of Harrison/Monona Co's. Birds seen along roads in shrubby ditches or fence rows in heavily agricultural landscape.  |
| Lark Sparrow           | 4+   | 6, 7-82            | Widespread, though spotty, in Loess Hills of Monona + Harrison Co's. Seen most frequently along roads in farming areas of hills. (grazing)  |

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