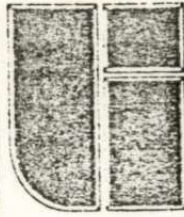


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FAYETTE, IOWA---This Sand Hill Crane was photographed just outside of Fayette on January 8, 1980. The bird had been around for almost two months feeding on grain at the Daryl McBride farm on Route 93 west of Fayette. It was noticed by Roger Kean, Conservation student at Upper Iowa University, who reported it to his Biology professor, Lew Churbuck. Another UIU student, Joe Schaufenbuel from St. Lucas, Iowa, is a member of the Iowa Ornithologists Union. Schaufenbuel stated, "This is the first time the bird has been seen in Iowa during the winter." Schaufenbuel went on to say that it is rare to see this shy bird in the state of Iowa at any time of the year.

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