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Black-necked Stilt
20 Apr 1902
Record Number: 81-BZ
Classification: NA

Sioux City, Woodbury Co., IA

Rich

Anderson 1907, Bio. Sur. Bull 35:21

REFERENCES

Cooke. Bio. Sur., Bull. 35:21 [not reviewed, in Anderson] Anderson 1907

VOTE (1981): 2-IV, 5-V

IV, Rich was good observer.

V, 'Iowa (Rich)' in Cooke Bio Sur Bull 35:21.

V, no details.

V, no data.

IV, No evidence, but rather distinctive species.

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91. (226). Himantopus mexicanus (Müll.). Black-necked Stilt.

This is a species of tropical America, only rarely venturing up the Mississippi Valley as far north as Iowa. It is listed by Allen (White's Geol. of Iowa, ii, 1870,426). "Has only been observed in Nebraska in the vicinity of Omaha, from where L. Skow and I. S. Trostler record it, the latter giving the following dates: May 18, 1893; May 6, 1894; April 10, 1895, and October 3 and 9, 1894" (Rev. Bds. Neb., 37).

County records: Mills-Pottawattamie—"scarce migrant" (Trostler). Sioux—"shot one female at Hawarden in 1890" (Berry). Webster—"several were killed here in summer of 1898"—Fort Dodge (Somes). Wayne—(Brown). Woodbury—"rare transient—Sioux City" (Rich).

Himantopus mexicanus (Müller). Black-necked Stilt

A casual visitor. Anderson (1907) included five dates of occurrence for the vicinity of Omaha, and listed the following county records: "Mills-Pottawattamie—'scarce migrant' (Trostler). Sioux—'shot one female at Hawarden in 1890' (Berry). Webster—'several were killed here in summer of 1898'—Fort Dodge (Somes). Wayne—(Brown). Woodbury—'rare transient—Sioux City' (Rich)." Cooke (Bio. Sur., Bull., 35, p. 21) recorded one seen by Rich at Sioux City, April 20, 1902. Reported at Carter Lake, Pottawattamie County, May 9, 1928 (Letter of Information of the Nebr. Orni. Union). Pierce (1930) recorded that a pair was seen frequenting some flood ponds north of Lamont, Buchanan County. The birds were discovered during August, 1924 by Mrs. R. I. Bordner, who saw them almost daily until September 8, 1924. There are no Iowa specimens.

Anderson 1907 p 214

DuMont 193**3** p 75