

Season: Spring

Year: 1984

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Other Observers: _____

General Notes: a cold, wet spring until early May in N.W. Iowa, with 22.5 inches of snow at Larchwood in March-April. Warbler migrations seemed about 1 week later than usual. Water conditions excellent for Aquatic birds. Large Finch invasion in April and early May.

Species	No.	Date	Location--comments--other observers
✓ <u>Coopers Hawk</u>	<u>1-Imm.</u>	<u>5/3/84</u>	<u>Flew into window at Sheldon, (O'Brien Co.) sent to Boone</u> <u>& recovered & released</u> <u>Research Station</u>
✓ <u>Swainsons Hawk</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5/1/84</u>	<u>Near Inwood, Lyon Co.</u>
✓ <u>Swainsons Hawk</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5/4/84</u>	<u>Near Lester, Lyon Co.</u>
✓ <u>Harlan's Hawk</u> <u>(Red-tailed Hawk)</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5/10/84</u>	<u>Cayler Prairie, Dickinson Co., light-colored undersides</u> <u>& under tail, Tail w/ terminal band. Hunting over</u> <u>burned prairie.</u>
* <u>Prairie Falcon</u>	<u>1-Ad. ♀?</u>	<u>3/9/84</u>	<u>(see Documentation) Near Lester, Lyon Co.</u>
✓ <u>Scissor-tailed Flycatcher</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5/8/84</u>	<u>Near Milford, Iowa, Dickinson Co. 1 adult killed by</u> <u>cat & turned over to Audubon Society. I examined specimen</u> <u>and bird is being held in freezer at present. Another</u> <u>bird seen in same vicinity shortly after cat-killed</u> <u>specimen was picked up. (seen by landowner who</u> <u>discovered dead bird.)</u>
✓ <u>Summer Tanager</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>5/12/84</u>	<u>At Kettleston Hogsback wildlife Area near Spirit Lake,</u> <u>Dickinson Co. Immature male with partial Adult Plumage,</u> <u>I.D. by me and 6 Audubon Society members; viewed</u> <u>for 2-3 minutes with binoculars from about 20 yards.</u>
→ (insert in AOU order here)			
<u>Purple Finch</u>	<u>17-25</u>	<u>4/17-5/7</u>	} <u>all at feeders, Larchwood, Lyon County,</u> <u>Received many similar reports from</u> <u>feeders all over NW region from</u> <u>mid-April through mid-May; one of largest</u> <u>spring Finch invasions I've ever seen here.</u>
<u>Pine Siskins</u>	<u>10-28</u>	<u>5/3-5/14</u>	
<u>Am. Goldfinch</u>	<u>8-15</u>	<u>4/19-5/15</u>	
→ <u>White-crowned sparrow</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4/28-30</u>	<u>First wh. crowned sparrow I've seen at feeder</u> <u>here in 12 years in area.</u>