

\* Documentation attached

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G.B. Heron - the colony along the river south of the Saylorville dam did not do well, despite attempts. Corp construction of the nearby bike trail, followed by raccoons were damaging.

In early July one left a nest and I could see no young. Many herons in area, though (23 nests in '84)  
Y.C. Night heron - their usual habitat was dry all summer - not seen

Canada goose - at least <sup>one</sup> pair raised young (at Big Creek)

and 2 more were in the Saylorville area all summer  
Wood duck - one young pair observed. Many nest boxes around the lake  
Mallard - several pairs summered; young on 7/29 (6)

\* Ring-necked duck - a male spent 5-26 to 7/29 on a farm pond north of the lake; as of 7/29, no others seen

Truly culture - present all summer, up to mine at one time

\* Looper hawk - at least 2 fledged, 6/29, heavy woods, west side of Saylorville  
gray partridge - 3 flushed 6/1, near the shooting range, east side of Saylorville, ? the furthest south for this species?

Spotted sandpiper - only 2 pairs down from previous years  
Woodcock - total of 5 in country flight March-April; observed Boat ramp area  
Forster's tern - 6 observed 7/20

Black tern - 2 observed 7/20

Caspian tern - 1 observed 7/7, 3 on 7/20

R.B. Gull - 3 observed 7/20

Y.B. Loon - common

B.B. Loon - not seen

G.H. Owl - nest = 2 young 4/27, Saylorville; another pair  $\frac{1}{2}$  mi

Barned Owl - <sup>any</sup> nest not found - pairs present all throughout early summer & spring (March-April-May)  
Whip-poor-will - one calling, Saylorville, some spot x 4 summers

R.T. Hummingbird - neptun, vicinity of Saylorville Corridor

Hairy Woodpecker - 2 pair - Jester Park, Saylorville

Pileated Woodpecker - 1 observed, June 30, usual location below dam  
Wood Pewee - common

Phoebe - one in Justice Park, nest not found

Willow Flycatcher - common in shelterbelts, Big Creek

Downy Woodpecker - 2 houses

Tree Swallow - pairs in 3 locations, Soyfornille

RW Swallow - colony on river, below Soyfornille

Bank Swallow - 2 pairs, 2 Soyfornille locations

Cliff Swallow - 2 colonies, Dam, & bridge below dam, Soyfornille

Marsh Wren - 6 singing, upland locations, Big Creek, Soyfornille

Blue bird - at least 3 locations

\* Veery - singing 6/29, heavy woods, West side Soyfornille

Wood thrush - 7 singing " "

White-eyed vireo - not found this summer

\* Bell's vireo - common in shelterbelts, Big Creek (6 males in 6 'belts)

V.T. Vireo - 2 pairs, Justice & Soyfornille

Whiskered vireo - common in Justice park, scattered other Soyfornille locations

\* Cerulean warbler - 4 singing, heavy woods, west side of Soyfornille 6/29

prothonotary warbler - 1 pair in elk pen (oxbow) at Justice, 1 pair

Kentucky warbler - not found this summer

Oven bird - 13 singing in a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mile stretch, heavy woods  
west side of Soyfornille 6/29

Towhee - not found when they raised a brood last  
year

Scarlet Tanager - 2 pairs in Justice, 4 pairs west side of Soyfornille

Indigo bunting - 1 pair with at least 2 fledging on a sandy  
east shore of Soyfornille 6/7

grasshopper sparrow - common in prairie restoration area along  
bike trail east of Soyfornick 7/26; in May, along down  
Bobolink - 2 pairs, north of Big bend, between shellbells  
orchard circle 1 immature, " , in shellbells, 6/7

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My compliments on your excellent book!  
I returned home to Iowa in 1980 & have found your  
book a valuable reference.

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