

Aug 10, 1988

Dear Jim,

Sorry to be late. Probably too late for inclusion in the report, but I'll send this in + get it off my mind.

We've had drought here, but not so bad as Eastern Iowa. In fact, Mills County + S. Pottawattomie County got rain beginning the last week of June + continuing for a month. The crops were sown (though they may lie now - drought has returned) and plants stayed reasonably green. Water levels low but ponds, lakes, streams still have water.

Conditions are drier as nearby as Red Oak + Clonesta, with plants wilting in the ground cover of woods.

Bobwhite are doing well. Pheasants seem to be OK too, though a few people feel they are doing badly.

Unless its being written up as a separate note, please include the information that there was a Bald Eagle nest in S.W. Iowa. That's a significant range extension.

An observer reports he saw an adult Bald Eagle repeatedly, on the Missouri by the Ft. Calhoun nuclear power plant this summer, most recently mid August.

Not much to report.

- Bob Wilson