

A.F. notes winter 1964-5 Iowa City Ia F.V. Lent

Weather

- Doubtless same as years - so will not repeat - (except for winter like march)

Feb. 4~~th~~

12-15 Canada Geese (Below Coralville Reservoir Dam.)

18

12 Robins

Mch. 13

7 Saw-whet Owls in small clut of Cedars - Had them (one to 3)
all winter - (on Coufal Road - north of River)

" 31

First big wave of ducks (2 weeks late) - mostly mallards & pintails
(but 40 Canvasback & some others)

Winter population at minimum level, with no northern types -

normal population of hawks - red-tails, rough legs & marsh -

Long-eared & short-eared owls only in single locations - (4 to 10 birds)

Reports of fewer birds at bird feeders - a few Purple Finches -
Severe cold in early Dec. sent birds south?

Sorry not to get to Ernie's funeral - but night before came back from CR.

Bird club banquet in blizzard & freezing rain - and next morning took me 40 min. to get to office on icy sheets - so gave it up -

Good duck migration here but short. Reservoir now way up with water everywhere - couple students thought they had a Glaucous Gull - what say? also pelicans - Still slow on spring arrivals -
Fred.