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Dear Sir, I suppose you are Dr. Bendorf, but since I am not sure, I used no title.

It has been years and years since I sent in any report. It

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occurred to me that I may have some items of interest. We live on top of the Bluff here at Hamburg so are on the flyway of several species. I either have missed the pelicans coming thru or they haven't yet.

Green-backed heron. He has been flying across our yard every morning and evening. Sometimes he rests in a tree before going on.

Golden eagle. On September 1st an immature flew around and sat in our tree at the end of the yard 300 feet more or less from our front door. The following day we had two immature goldenteagles. Haven't seen them since. Eastern bluebirds. At the same time as the eagles we had from eight to twenty-six juvenile birds with a few adults splashing in the bird bath. They stayed three days.

Carolina wrens. Some years ago we had a fiercely cold winter which wiped out the wrens in this area. They were gone from Bellevue, Nebraska where they nested in numbers. The group on the Tri-State Christmas count saw one in our area, along the Bluff road. Then this I heard what could have been three pairs calling and nesting. So they are back after these many years.

I have never seen so many of the following birds <sup>as</sup> this year. At times they covered lawns or used utility wires:

mourning doves, Eastern kingbirds, robins and Baltimore orioles.

I mean they were all over town or as in the case of the doves all along the roads in the country.

I don't know if you can use any of this material or not. Hopefully, you can.

Regards,

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