

Jackson - Rowan

The following birds of note have been seen recently, at Morse Lake near Belmond, unless otherwise indicated

of special note  
to Dean Koosa

- { 1 Carolina Wren on May 14 (not seen after this)  
1 Florida Gallinule seen May 14, again on May 29.  
1 Least Bittern " " " "  
1 Virginia Rail seen May 15 only.  
1 American Egret seen May 14 only.

At least 3 Sora Rails seen May 14 and since then.  
Large flocks of Golden Plovers in the vicinity  
(and elsewhere) with a few Black-bellied.

Several ducks } 3 or more pairs Ruddy seen since May 14  
                  } at least one pair Shovelers "  
                  } " " " " Red-heads "  
                  } " " " " Pied-billed Grebe "

The following other birds of note, seen as indicated  
Wood Thrush, at least, near Goldfield May 15.

(1st time this variety has been seen by us  
in Iowa although common in New England)

Veery, 2 or more, near Rowan at Bingham Woods.  
Cooper's Hawk, 1, " " " <sup>← May 14</sup>  
Great Horned Owls, 2, near Goldfield, May 15. <sub>← Apr 17</sub>

### General comments

Warbler migration earlier than usual, appeared  
to reach height the 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> which is a week  
earlier than the usual peak observed in past  
years, 15<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup>. Very few or no chestnut-  
sided, worming, Cape May, Canada - usually seen.