Weather.

Dec. one of coldest on record (10degrees below ave)   Precipitation only .42 in (below ave)
Jan. one of warmest on record (4 " above ave.)   "   " .27 "   "
Feb. also warmer than ave.   (2.5 "   )   "   " .66   "
Mch. warm first 2 weeks & cold last 2 weeks (3 degrees below ave.)   " .73   "

for first 3 mo. of year precip. 2.4 in below ave.

Dec. 6 a flock of 50-60 snow buntings.
" 13 some 5000 mallards and a few of other species still around the last bit of open water in reservoir .
          after the total freeze-up a few ducks were found in bit of open water below the dam. Unusual
" 24   were wood duck and a grebe.
"   2 harris sparrows and a western towhee.
   28 (See Xmas count)
Jan 9   Snowy Owl (Laudes, at gun club corner)
" 12-26, 6-8 Red crossbills.
" 18   19 long-eared owls in 3 places. good population all winter. also short-eared and Marsh Hawks.
" 19   5 Saw-whet owls in area along "E" road (north of Dupont bridge)
Feb. 5   (6 species of owls in 2 hour trip with Coggswell)
" 16   200 Longspurs.
" 21   a Goshawk (imm. close up - good view) also one in early winter- same area.
   nigh 47   A fine mature specimen flew into a picture window(chasing a pigeon) in Cedar Rapids on
               Mch 14 and was given to the Museum for a specimen (Robt. Vane)
Mch 6   first big influx of ducks (usual distribution) and a very fine population of ducks continued for
          a month. Perhaps the partial freeze-up the later part of the month held them here but it was
          one of best seasons we have had. More of- bladpates, ring necks, redheads & green-winged teal
          or, at least very good numbers. A100 canvasback for ten days. Very few ruddy ducks.
          Surprising numbers of pintails around into April.
" 9   saw 4 kind s of geese at Conesville.
" 14   5 blad eagles (reservoir)
   18 a woodcock (always a treat) how many do you get a year?

Item.- Dr Vane(C.R.) fed soem 30 Evening Grosbeaks from early Dec. to into Apr. (250 lb. of seed)

"   good population of white-crowned sparros all winter (on one trip some 40-50)
        Redpolls twice. Purple Finches all winter - many reports -

Hope to go to Decorah - Send Fred Lesher a program - He said
he would try to make it.   Whats doing ?

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