

Saturday, January 1, 1977

|    |                         |      |                 |
|----|-------------------------|------|-----------------|
| 1  | Canada Goose            | 300  | PEL             |
| 2  | Mallard                 | 1200 | PEL             |
| 3  | American Goldeneye      | 3    | PEL             |
| 4  | Red tailed Hawk         | 5    | AR-ER-PEL       |
| 5  | American Kestrel        | 3    | ER-AR           |
| 6  | Rock Dove               | 14   | o-ER-AR         |
| 7  | Great horned Owl        | 1    | AC              |
| 8  | Red bellied Woodpecker  | 5    | X-AR-AC         |
| 9  | Downy Woodpecker        | 3    | AR-X-PEL        |
| 10 | Horned Lark             | 11   | AR-PEL          |
| 11 | Blue Jay                | 12   | X-AR-AC-ER-PEL  |
| 12 | Common Crow             | 130  | AR-ER-PEL       |
| 13 | Black capped Chickadee  | 18   | AR-ER-AC        |
| 14 | Tufted Titmouse         | 7    | AR              |
| 15 | White breasted Nuthatch | 3    | AR              |
| 16 | Carolina Wren           | 1    | AR              |
| 17 | Mockingbird             | 2    | PEL             |
| 18 | Robin                   | 10   | bvk-AC          |
| 19 | Eastern Bluebird        | 2    | Mt. Auburn Cem. |
| 20 | Golden crowned Kinglet  | 1    | AR              |
| 21 | Cedar Waxwing           | 3    | AC              |
| 22 | Loggerhead Shrike       | 1    | ER              |
| 23 | Starling                | 75   | everywhere      |
| 24 | House Sparrow           | 35   | everywhere      |
| 25 | Meadowlark (sp)         | 10   | AR-o-PEL        |
| 26 | Redwing Blackbird       | 30   | o               |

|    |                                   |    |                        |
|----|-----------------------------------|----|------------------------|
| 27 | <del>Cardinal</del> Brown Creeper | 1  | AR                     |
| 28 | Cardinal                          | 15 | X - AC - AR - ER - PEL |
| 29 | American Goldfinch                | 10 | X - AR                 |
| 30 | Rufous sided Towhee               | 1  | AR                     |
| 31 | Dark eyed Junco                   | 20 | ER - AR - X            |
| 32 | Tree Sparrow                      | 15 | PEL                    |
| 33 | White throated Sparrow            | 1  | AR                     |
| 34 | Song Sparrow                      | 1  | ER                     |

Today was clear and cold but luckily no wind. The temperatures were low  $-4^{\circ}$  high  $25^{\circ}$ . Pearl and I drove through the Cemetery this morning then on out to Pony Express Lake. We came back to St Joseph by way of the Easton Road. After lunch we drove through the Gore Road between here and Ammonia + then this evening we drove through the Cemetery again.

### Sunday January 2, 1977

|   |                        |    |          |
|---|------------------------|----|----------|
| 1 | Rock Dove              | 35 | d.t. - X |
| 2 | Red bellied Woodpecker | 1  | X        |
| 3 | Downy Woodpecker       | 1  | X        |
| 4 | Blue Jay               | 1  | X        |
| 5 | Black capped Chickadee | 2  | X        |
| 6 | Starling               | 15 | X        |
| 7 | House Sparrow          | 25 | X        |
| 8 | Cardinal               | 2  | X        |
| 9 | American Goldfinch     | 8  | X        |

10 Dark eyed Junco

5

X

Today was cloudy and snowing most all day. The temperatures were low  $18^{\circ}$  high  $24^{\circ}$ . Except for taking Larry down town this morning to get a part for his car, I stayed home all day.

Monday, January 3, 1977

1 Starling

4

0 - X

2 House Sparrow

3

0 - X

Today was cloudy all day but not so cold. The temperatures today were low  $24^{\circ}$  high  $29^{\circ}$ .

Tuesday, January 4, 1977

1 Downy wood pecker

1

X

2 Black capped Chickadee

2

X

3 Starling

7

X

4 House Sparrow

12

X

5 Cardinal

1

X

6 American Goldfinch

2

X

7 Dark eyed Junco

15

bird - X

Today was clear and cold with snow falling all day. Our route men did not run their routes today. The temperatures were low  $28^{\circ}$  high  $29^{\circ}$ .

Wednesday, January 5, 1977

1 Snow Goose

3000

o.h. 0

2 Snow (blue) Goose

o.h. 0

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|--------------------------|-----|---|
| 3 Mourning Dove          | 2   | 0 |
| 4 Common Crow            | 125 | 0 |
| 5 Mockingbird            | 1   | 0 |
| 6 Starling               | 6   | 0 |
| 7 House Sparrow          | 42  | 0 |
| 8 Meadowlark             | 2   | 0 |
| 9 Cardinal               | 8   | 0 |
| 10 Dark eyed Junco       | 20  | 0 |
| 11 Tree Sparrow          | 12  | 0 |
| 12 Harris Sparrow        | 60  | 0 |
| 13 White Crowned Sparrow | 18  | 0 |

Today was cloudy and cold all day. The temperatures were low  $13^{\circ}$  high  $19^{\circ}$ . After work Pearl and I took a very short ride out east of town after work. We were looking especially for Harris & White Crowned Sparrows.

Thursday, January 6, 1977

|                   |   |   |
|-------------------|---|---|
| 1 Starling        | 3 | x |
| 2 House Sparrow   | 5 | x |
| 3 Dark eyed Junco | 2 | x |

Today was cloudy & snowing this morning, clearing off this afternoon. Temperatures were low  $5^{\circ}$  high  $25^{\circ}$

Friday, January 7, 1977

|                  |   |   |
|------------------|---|---|
| 1 Redtailed Hawk | 1 | x |
| 2 Starling       | 4 | x |

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|----------------------|----|---|
| 3 House Sparrow      | 15 | x |
| 4 American Goldfinch | 1  | x |
| 5 Dark eyed Junco    | 3  | x |

Today was cloudy most of the morning and clearing this afternoon. Temperatures were low ~~22~~<sup>28</sup> high 28°. I really missed a trip today that will probably turn up some good birds. This morning Mark Robbins, Dave Easterla and Drew Thate left Maryville at 1 P.M. They stopped in St. Joe and picked up Les Galloway and headed for St. Louis. They had planned on getting there about dawn. During this week there have been Hairy Woodpeckers, Iceland Gulls and a Thayer's Gull there at Alton Ham. They had asked me to go but I was off 13 weeks with my operations and Bette had already planned on taking today off and this is my Saturday work.

Saturday, January 8, 1977

|                          |    |       |
|--------------------------|----|-------|
| 1 Red bellied Woodpecker | 1  | x     |
| 2 Blue Jay               | 2  | o     |
| 3 Common Crow            | 12 | o     |
| 4 Starling               | 15 | x - o |
| 5 House Sparrow          | 20 | x - o |
| 6 Eastern Meadowlark     | 6  | o     |
| 7 Red wing Blackbird     | 20 | o     |
| 8 Cardinal               | 10 | o     |
| 9 American Goldfinch     | 6  | x     |
| 10 Dark eyed Junco       | 30 | + - o |

|                          |    |   |
|--------------------------|----|---|
| 11 Tree Sparrow          | 15 | 0 |
| 12 Harris Sparrow        | 50 | 0 |
| 13 White crowned Sparrow | 12 | 0 |

Today was clear, windy and cold. The temperatures were low  $2^{\circ}$  high  $11^{\circ}$ . When I got up this morning at 5:15 AM it was  $24^{\circ}$  and three hours later at 8:15 it was about  $9^{\circ}$ . Right now at 10 P.M. it is below zero. I stayed in all afternoon writing.

### Sunday, January 9, 1977

|                           |      |                 |
|---------------------------|------|-----------------|
| 1 Snow Goose              | } 70 | near HL         |
| 2 Snow (blue) Goose       |      | near HL         |
| 3 Red tailed Hawk         | 1    | LC              |
| 4 Rock Dove               | 12   | d.t. - ML       |
| 5 Common Flicker          | 2    | LC              |
| 6 Red bellied Woodpecker  | 1    | X               |
| 7 Downy woodpecker        | 1    | X               |
| 8 Horned Lark             | 15   | LC - ML - HL    |
| 9 Blue Jay                | 3    | X - LC          |
| 10 Common Crow            | 20   | LC - ML - 0     |
| 11 Black capped Chickadee | 2    | KP - LC         |
| 12 Starling               | 150  | everywhere      |
| 13 House Sparrow          | 35   | most everywhere |
| 14 Meadowlark (Sp)        | 7    | ML - LC         |
| 15 Red winged Blackbird   | 300  | near HL         |
| 16 Common Grackle         | 50   | ML - HL         |

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|-----------------------|----|-----------------|
| 17 Cardinal           | 12 | X - 0           |
| 18 American Goldfinch | 6  | X               |
| 19 Dark eyed Juncos   | 30 | X - LC - ML - 0 |
| 20 Tree Sparrow       | 50 | LC - 0          |
| 21 Harris Sparrow     | 2  | 0               |
| 22 Song Sparrow       | 5  | ML - 0          |

Today was cloudy and cold all day. The temperatures were low -  $8^{\circ}$  high  $1^{\circ}$ . It was too cold to get out and walk much today so I took a nice drive this morning and then stayed in all afternoon.

### Monday, January 10, 1977

|                    |   |   |
|--------------------|---|---|
| 1 Common Crow      | 6 | 0 |
| 2 Starling         | 2 | 0 |
| 3 House Sparrow    | 2 | 0 |
| 4 Dark eyed Juncos | 1 | 0 |
| 5 Harris' Sparrow  | 1 | 0 |

Today was clear and cold. The temperatures were low -  $12^{\circ}$  high  $5^{\circ}$ . I had to have my car started with jumper cables at work this evening before I could get away.

### Tuesday, January 11, 1977

|                        |     |                 |
|------------------------|-----|-----------------|
| 1 Common Crow          | 30  | Hy I 29         |
| 2 Starling             | 10  | 0 - Hy I-29 - X |
| 3 House Sparrow        | 10  | 0 - Hy I-29 - X |
| 4 Red winged Blackbird | 1 ♀ | X               |

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|---|-----------------|---|---|
| 5 | Cardinal        | 1 | X |
| 6 | Dark-eyed Junco | 3 | X |

Today was almost like summer compared to the last 2 or three days. It was cold but the sun was shining bright with no wind. The past two days we have had much wind 20 to 40 MPH with blowing snow. The temperatures today low  $-10^{\circ}$  high  $20^{\circ}$

### Wednesday January 12, 1977

|    |                 |     |   |
|----|-----------------|-----|---|
| 1  | Red-tailed hawk | 1   | 0 |
| 2  | Rock Dove       | 1   | 0 |
| 3  | Common Crow     | 40  | 0 |
| 4  | Starling        | 20  | 0 |
| 5  | House Sparrow   | 150 | 0 |
| 6  | Meadowlark      | 2   | 0 |
| 7  | Cardinal        | 5   | 0 |
| 8  | Dark-eyed Junco | 6   | 0 |
| 9  | Tree Sparrow    | 7   | 0 |
| 10 | Harris Sparrow  | 2   | 0 |

Today was clear & chilly. The wind was rather chilly. The temperatures were low  $-17^{\circ}$  high  $21^{\circ}$

### Thursday, January 13, 1977

|   |                  |   |   |
|---|------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Red-tailed Hawk  | 1 | 0 |
| 2 | Rock Dove        | 3 | 0 |
| 3 | Downy Woodpecker | 1 | X |

|   |                 |   |   |
|---|-----------------|---|---|
| 4 | House Sparrow   | 1 | 0 |
| 5 | Cardinal        | 1 | X |
| 6 | Worm-eyed Junco | 1 | X |

Today was cloudy and not so cold with a very light misting rain this morning which made for hazardous driving in many places. Temperatures were low 25° high 35°. Today the temperature went above the freezing point for the first time in the last 14 days.

Friday, January 14, 1977

|   |               |   |   |
|---|---------------|---|---|
| 1 | House Sparrow | 5 | X |
|---|---------------|---|---|

Today was mostly cloudy and cool. Clearing late this afternoon. Temperatures were low 19° high 29°. I don't know when was the last time I saw only one species of birds in one day other than maybe when I was in the hospital. And I didn't even see these until late afternoon at home.

Saturday, January 15, 1977

|   |                    |    |   |
|---|--------------------|----|---|
| 1 | Downy Wood pecker  | 1  | X |
| 2 | Common Crow        | 3  | X |
| 3 | Starling           | 7  | X |
| 4 | House Sparrow      | 20 | X |
| 5 | Cardinal           | 2  | X |
| 6 | American Goldfinch | 8  | X |
| 7 | Worm-eyed Junco    | 8  | X |

Today was cloudy and cold with snow practically all

day. I stayed home all day. I had planned on going out and doing a little birding today but the weather was just too bad. Although I feel real good all the time now I don't want to get out in this real cold weather and have something happen to the car. I have been told by my doctors not to breath in the real cold air. Temperatures low 2° high 12°

Sunday January 16, 1977

|    |                         |     |               |
|----|-------------------------|-----|---------------|
| 1  | Canada Goose            | 8   | PEL           |
| 2  | Mallard                 | 25  | PEL           |
| 3  | Red tailed hawk         | 10  | SQ - PEL      |
| 4  | Harlequin Hawk          | 1   | SQ            |
| 5  | Bald Eagle              | 2 a | SQ            |
| 6  | Marsh Hawk              | 2   | SQ            |
| 7  | American Kestrel        | 1   | Hy 59         |
| 8  | Bob White               | 10  | Hy - 6        |
| 9  | Ring necked Pheasant    | 3   | SQ            |
| 10 | Rock Plover             | 2   | Hy 36         |
| 11 | Red bellied wood pecker | 3   | X - SQ        |
| 12 | Red headed wood pecker  | 1   | Hy - 59       |
| 13 | Downy Wood pecker       | 3   | X - SQ        |
| 14 | Horned Lark             | 50  | Hy 59 - Hy 36 |
| 15 | Blue Jay                | 6   | X - SQ - PEL  |
| 16 | Common Crow             | 25  | SQ - AR - PEL |
| 17 | Black capped Chickadee  | 5   | X - SQ        |

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|----------------------------|-----|----------------|
| 18 White-breasted Nuthatch | 1   | SA             |
| 19 Robin                   | 3   | SA             |
| 20 Starling                | 75  | everywhere     |
| 21 House Sparrow           | 50  | everywhere     |
| 22 Meadowlark              | 40  | mostly Hy 6    |
| 23 Redwing Blackbird       | 75  | mostly SA      |
| 24 Common Grackle          | 6   | near SA        |
| 25 Brown-headed Cowbird    | 15  | Hy 6           |
| 26 Cardinal                | 20  | everywhere     |
| 27 American Goldfinch      | 20  | X - SA         |
| 28 Dark-eyed Junco         | 300 | all roadsides  |
| 29 Tree Sparrow            | 25  | SA - roadsides |
| 30 Harris Sparrow          | 5   | SA             |
| 31 White-crowned Sparrow   | 4   | SA             |
| 32 Song Sparrow            | 25  | SA             |

Today was clear and cold. The temperatures were low  $-12^{\circ}$  high  $2^{\circ}$ . We slept until 7:15 a.m. At about 9 a.m. Pearl and I headed for Squaw Creek. We didn't see a single water fowl at Squaw Creek. We got home at 12:15 p.m. and then decided to go to Pony Express Lake. We got stuck there trying to turn around in a road where we couldn't go any farther. Pearl and I then took turns at shoveling till we shoveled enough to get back in the road and turn around. Considering everything I have really enjoyed today. This is the first time I have ever been out in the cold and when I would try to look through my glasses they would fog over.

Monday, January 17, 1977

|   |                    |    |       |
|---|--------------------|----|-------|
| 1 | Rock Dove          | 3  | d. t. |
| 2 | Common Crow        | 1  | o     |
| 3 | Starling           | 16 | o - X |
| 4 | House Sparrow      | 10 | X     |
| 5 | Red-wing Blackbird | 1  | X     |
| 6 | Dark-eyed Junco    | 4  | X     |

Today was mostly clear + cold. The temperatures were Low  $-3^{\circ}$  high  $20^{\circ}$ .

Tuesday, January 18, 1977

|   |                    |     |       |
|---|--------------------|-----|-------|
| 1 | Starling           | 8   | o - X |
| 2 | House Sparrow      | 15  | X     |
| 3 | Red wing blackbird | 1 ♀ | X     |
| 4 | Dark-eyed Junco    | 4   | X     |

Today was clear and cold all day. The temperatures were low  $-2^{\circ}$  high  $16^{\circ}$ . This evening Larry and Galen brought two birds that Galen had picked up live from the edge of the road in the head lights of his car. One was a screech Owl which Galen said was trying to carry off the other bird. The other bird was an American Kestrel ♂. It had a torn area which looked like it was its crown. Since it was after dark when he found them it would be my guess that the Kestrel had either been hit by a car earlier in the day or shot. I don't think it will make it through the night. We turned the Screech Owl loose and it flew all right.

Wednesday, January 18, 1977

|                     |     |   |
|---------------------|-----|---|
| 1 Downy Woodpecker  | 1   | X |
| 2 Common Crow       | 4   | 0 |
| 3 Starling          | 12  | X |
| 4 House Sparrow     | 4   | X |
| 5 Redwing blackbird | 1 ♀ | X |
| 6 Cardinal          | 1 ♀ | X |
| 7 Dark-eyed Junco   | 6   | X |

Today was cloudy A.M. with an unexpected 3 to 4 inch snow I cleared off about 2:30 P.M. and went about the freezing mark for only the second day this month. Temperatures were low  $-1^{\circ}$  high  $37^{\circ}$

Thursday, January 20, 1977

|                          |    |   |
|--------------------------|----|---|
| 1 Downy Woodpecker       | 1  | X |
| 2 Black capped Chickadee | 2  | X |
| 3 Starling               | 3  | X |
| 4 House Sparrow          | 10 | X |
| 5 Redwing Blackbird      | 1  | X |
| 6 Cardinal               | 1  | X |
| 7 Dark-eyed Junco        | 3  | X |

Today was clear and pretty nice. The forecast was for today to be warmer than yesterday but I believe that it was a little bit cooler. Temperatures low  $17^{\circ}$  high  $33^{\circ}$ . About two nights ago Nanette Johnson called me to tell me that a Varied Thrush had been seen at a feeder in the K. C. area although it is in Kansas. I called Leo, John and Mark.

They have all seen the Varied Thrush and were not too much interested unless it shows up in Missouri. I am to call Nanette tomorrow. If it is still there and the weather is halfway decent then Leo will take me down Saturday morning. I called Nanette today and the last she had heard it was still there yesterday.

### Friday, January 21, 1977

|   |                  |   |   |
|---|------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Downy Woodpecker | 1 | X |
| 2 | Common Crow      | 5 | 0 |
| 3 | House Sparrow    | 4 | X |
| 4 | Cardinal         | 1 | X |

Today was clear & cool. The temperatures were low 4° high 32°. My nephew Joel Lawhon was out this evening and showed me some slides, mostly birds. Most of them were very good. He is continually getting better.

### Saturday, January 22, 1977

|   |                        |           |                   |
|---|------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| 1 | Red-tailed Hawk        | 3         | SG                |
| 2 | Bald Eagle             | 5 (2a-3i) | SG                |
| 3 | Rock Dove              | 2         | Oregon, Mo.       |
| 4 | Horned Owl             | 1         | SG                |
| 5 | Common Flicker         | 2         | AR - SG           |
| 6 | Red-bellied Woodpecker | 3         | SG                |
| 7 | Red-headed Woodpecker  | 1         | SG                |
| 8 | Hairy Woodpecker       | 1         | Leo Galloway home |

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|----------------------------|-----|------------------|
| 9 Downy Woodpecker         | 2   | 7. SA            |
| 10 Horned Lark             | 20  | AR               |
| 11 Blue Jay                | 6   | +AR-SA           |
| 12 Common Crow             | 40  | mostly SA        |
| 13 Black capped Chickadee  | 3   | SA               |
| 14 Tufted Titmouse         | 2   | SA               |
| 15 White breasted Nuthatch | 2   | SA               |
| 16 Carolina Wren           | 1   | SA               |
| 17 Robin                   | 2   | -SA              |
| 18 Townsends Solitaire     | 1   | Leo Gallows home |
| 19 Cedar Waxwing           | 17  | SA               |
| 20 Starling                | 50  | everywhere       |
| 21 House Sparrow           | 50  | everywhere       |
| 22 Meadowlark              | 12  | Hy 59 - I 29     |
| 23 Red wing Blackbird      | 175 | near SA          |
| 24 Common Grackle          | 10  | near SA          |
| 25 Cardinal                | 18  | X-AR-SA          |
| 26 American Goldfinch      | 4   | X                |
| 27 Dark eyed Junco         | 500 | all roadsides-SA |
| 28 Tree Sparrow            | 40  | all roadsides-SA |
| 29 White crowned Sparrow   | 1   | SA               |

Today was mostly clear & cool. Temperatures were low 26° high 30°. Pearl and I went to Squaw Creek this morning 8:10 AM until 1:15 P.M. I then stayed in until 4 P.M. when I went out to Leo Gallows home to see the Townsends Solitaire. Leo lives just about a mile & a half north & east from my home.

Sunday, January 23, 1977

|    |                        |    |                     |
|----|------------------------|----|---------------------|
| 1  | Rock Dove              | 1  | X                   |
| 2  | Mourning Dove          | 1  | A.C.                |
| 3  | Great Horned Owl       | 1  | A.C.                |
| 4  | Common Flicker         | 2  | A.C.                |
| 5  | Red bellied Woodpecker | 1  | X                   |
| 6  | Hairy Woodpecker       | 1  | A.C.                |
| 7  | Downy Woodpecker       | 3  | X - A.C.            |
| 8  | Blue Jay               | 5  | X - A.C.            |
| 9  | Common Crow            | 40 | X - A.C.            |
| 10 | Black Capped Chickadee | 5  | X - A.C.            |
| 11 | Red breasted Nuthatch  | 2  | X - A.C.            |
| 12 | Brown Creeper          | 1  | A.C.                |
| 13 | Robin                  | 1  | A.C.                |
| 14 | Eastern Bluebird       | 1  | A.C.                |
| 15 | Cedar Waxwing          | 7  | A.C.                |
| 16 | Starling               | 20 | X - A.C.            |
| 17 | Yellow-rumped Warbler  | 1  | <del>X</del> - A.C. |
| 18 | House Sparrow          | 17 | X - A.C.            |
| 19 | Red winged Blackbird   | 30 | X - A.C.            |
| 20 | Common Grackle         | 1  | A.C.                |
| 21 | Cardinal               | 5  | X - A.C.            |
| 22 | Purple Finch           | 3  | A.C.                |
| 23 | American Goldfinch     | 6  | X                   |
| 24 | Dark eyed Juncos       | 8  | X - A.C.            |

Today has been cloudy all day but pleasant. The temperatures were low 16° high 33°. I got up at 7:30 a.m. I sat and I

were going to go to Krug Park this morning to look for a Winter Wren but with a 3" snow last night on top of the snow we have now we decide not to go. Mark, Juals brother borrowed his car anyway. I just couldn't stay in anyway so I went to Ashland Cemetery and took a walk from 9:30 A.M. until 11 A.M. and then I went back again this afternoon 3 P.M. till 4:30 P.M. I had much better luck this afternoon.

### Monday, January 24, 1977

|                    |   |          |
|--------------------|---|----------|
| 1 Downy Woodpecker | 1 | X        |
| 2 Common Crow      | 4 | bird - 0 |
| 3 Starling         | 2 | 0        |
| 4 House Sparrow    | 3 | 0        |
| 5 Dark eyed Junco  | 2 | 0        |

Today was clear and nice, even if sloppy underfoot. The temperatures were low 10° high 36°

### Tuesday, January 25, 1977

|                 |    |        |
|-----------------|----|--------|
| 1 Starling      | 15 | near X |
| 2 House Sparrow | 4  | near X |

Today was mostly clear and cool. The temperatures were low 13° high 34°. With some of the snow now melting it is very sloppy underfoot. One of our route drivers, Paul Boyles is in the hospital with a Heart Attack. He went in yesterday morning

Wednesday, January 26, 1977

|   |                    |    |      |
|---|--------------------|----|------|
| 1 | Rock Dove          | 4  | d.t. |
| 2 | Starling           | 10 | X    |
| 3 | House Sparrow      | 20 | X    |
| 4 | American Goldfinch | 6  | X    |
| 5 | Tree Sparrow       | 1  | X    |
| 6 | Dark eyed Junco    | 6  | X    |

Today was clear and cool. The temperatures were low 18° high 36°. This was my day to go to the doctor for a checkup. My blood pressure was up some 160/80. I go back in two weeks. The tree sparrow at my home feeder is one bird we seldom get at our home.

Thursday, January 27, 1977

|   |                  |   |       |
|---|------------------|---|-------|
| 1 | Downy Woodpecker | 2 | X     |
| 2 | Common Crow      | 7 | 0     |
| 3 | Starling         | 3 | 0 - X |
| 4 | House Sparrow    | 4 | 0 - X |
| 5 | Cardinal         | 1 | X     |
| 6 | Tree Sparrow     | 1 | X     |

Today was mostly clear & nice, though sloppy underfoot. Temperatures were low 17° high 46°.

Friday, January 28, 1977

|   |                  |   |   |
|---|------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Downy Woodpecker | 1 | X |
| 2 | Starling         | 3 | X |
| 3 | House Sparrow    | 4 | X |

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|----------------------|---|---|
| 4 American Goldfinch | 2 | X |
| 5 Dark eyed Junco    | 3 | X |
| 6 Tree Sparrow       | 1 | X |

Today was clear and cold with strong winds. Temperatures were low ~~8~~ high 17°. On the radio today they sometimes announced the wind chill index at a minus 40° to 60°

### Saturday January 29, 1977

|                          |    |        |
|--------------------------|----|--------|
| 1 Red tailed Hawk        | 1  | 0      |
| 2 Downy Wood pecker      | 1  | X      |
| 3 Blue Jay               | 2  | X      |
| 4 Common Crow            | 8  | AC - 0 |
| 5 Black capped Chickadee | 2  | X      |
| 6 Tufted Titmouse        | 1  | X      |
| 7 Starling               | 20 | 0 - X  |
| 8 House Sparrow          | 15 | 0 - X  |
| 9 Red winged Blackbird   | 80 | 0      |
| 10 Cardinal              | 10 | 0 - X  |
| 11 American Goldfinch    | 6  | X      |
| 12 Dark eyed Junco       | 15 | 0 - X  |
| 13 Tree Sparrow          | 12 | 0 - X  |
| 14 Harris Sparrow        | 1  | 0      |

Today was clear and cold. The temperatures were low -2° high 29°. I worked this morning with Art LeFevre. I stayed in most of the afternoon while Pearl went to the grocery store with Lois. Then Pearl & I took a one hour drive east of here.

Sunday January 30, 1977

|    |                         |    |                |
|----|-------------------------|----|----------------|
| 1  | Red tailed hawk         | 4  | mostly SQ      |
| 2  | Marsh Hawk              | 1  | SQ             |
| 3  | Bob White               | 1  | P.H.           |
| 4  | Ring necked Pheasant    | 2  | SQ             |
| 5  | Rock Dove               | 4  | + - 0          |
| 6  | Great horned Owl        | 1  | SQ             |
| 7  | Long eared Owl          | 1  | SQ             |
| 8  | Common Flicker          | 1  | SQ             |
| 9  | Red bellied woodpecker  | 2  | X near SQ      |
| 10 | Red headed Woodpecker   | 2  | SQ             |
| 11 | Downy Woodpecker        | 3  | SQ             |
| 12 | Horned Lark             | 40 | AR - roadsides |
| 13 | Blue Jay                | 3  | + - SQ         |
| 14 | Common Crow             | 40 | SQ - AC - bvc  |
| 15 | Black capped Chickadee  | 3  | + - SQ         |
| 16 | White breasted Nuthatch | 1  | SQ             |
| 17 | Mockingbird             | 2  | near P.H.      |
| 18 | Cedar Waxwing           | 10 | AC             |
| 19 | Loggerhead Shrike       | 1  | near P.H.      |
| 20 | Starling                | 50 | everywhere     |
| 21 | House Sparrow           | 35 | everywhere     |
| 22 | Meadowlark              | 15 | roadsides      |
| 23 | Red winged Blackbird    | 30 | near SQ        |
| 24 | Common Grackle          | 25 | near SQ        |
| 25 | Cardinal                | 20 | X - SQ - AC    |
| 26 | American Goldfinch      | 15 | X - SQ         |

|    |                  |     |           |
|----|------------------|-----|-----------|
| 27 | Black eyed Junco | 150 | roadsides |
| 28 | Tree Sparrow     | 100 | roadsides |
| 29 | Harris Sparrow   | 1   | 80        |
| 30 | Song Sparrow     | 6   | 86        |

Today was clear and cold. The temperatures were low 3° high 17°. Pearl & I left home this morning at 9 a.m. & drove to Squaw Creek. We had heard where to look for the long eared Owl so that was the main reason we left. I recieved a letter from Olin Sewall Pettingill asking me to inform him of any good birding areas in the St Joseph Area. He has a book out that is quite a few years old named "Bird finding west of the Mississippi." It gives area of where to look for birds. So many of the areas are changed so much that he is updating his book. The only areas he lists under St. Joseph is Squaw Creek and out Mitchell Avenue Road. The Mitchell Avenue Road area is ~~good~~ no good any more because it has been built up and the best birding areas are now farm fields. I am going to add for him Honey Creek Wildlife Area, Pigeon Hill Wildlife Area and Bluff woods State Forest. So while I was on Interstate Highway this afternoon I took the mileage & routes to Honey Creek and Pigeon Hill. We got home about 2:30 P.M. I then went up to Krug Park and walked along the creek looking for the Winter Wren which I did not find and then Pearl and I drove out to Ashland Cemetery but all I found there was the Warwings

Monday, January 31, 1977

|   |               |    |   |
|---|---------------|----|---|
| 1 | Common Crow   | 20 | 0 |
| 2 | Starling      | 2  | 0 |
| 3 | House Sparrow | 3  | 0 |

Today was clear and cold. The temperatures were low  $-9^{\circ}$  high  $26^{\circ}$ . This evening I had my income tax filed. I will get back about \$293<sup>00</sup>.

Tuesday, February 1, 1977

|   |                  |    |   |
|---|------------------|----|---|
| 1 | Common Crow      | 3  | 0 |
| 2 | Starling         | 3  | X |
| 3 | House Sparrow    | 20 | X |
| 4 | Cardinal         | 1  | X |
| 5 | Black-eyed Junco | 2  | X |

Today was clear and cold. The temperatures were low  $-5^{\circ}$  high  $28^{\circ}$ . Thirteen days during January we had below zero temperature readings. We had only 8 days that the temperature went into the 30's and only one day in the 40's.

Wednesday, February 2, 1977

|   |                    |    |       |
|---|--------------------|----|-------|
| 1 | Downy Woodpecker   | 1  | X     |
| 2 | Robin              | 1  | brd   |
| 3 | Starling           | 5  | 0 - X |
| 4 | House Sparrow      | 15 | 0 - X |
| 5 | Cardinal           | 1  | X     |
| 6 | American Goldfinch | 3  | X     |
| 7 | Black-eyed Junco   | 6  | 0 - X |

8 Tree Sparrow

20

0 - X

Today was cloudy + cold all day. The temperatures were low 8° high 30°. We had light snow this afternoon and evening. Forecast is for more snow tonight.

### Thursday February 3, 1977

1 Downy Woodpecker

1

X

2 Common Crow

5

0 - X

3 Starling

4

0 - X

4 House Sparrow

10

0 - X

5 Cardinal

1

X

6 Dark eyed Junco

1

X

Today was clear and nice. The temperatures were low 5° high 39°. I'd like to see a few more days like today. Quite a bit of snow went off the streets today.

### Friday February 4, 1977

1 Rock Dove

2

d. t.

2 Common Crow

5

0

3 Starling

3

0

4 House Sparrow

3

0

Today was mostly cloudy and cool with strong north west winds. Temperatures today were low 25° high 40°. I sure hope that we find a nicer week end for birding this month than we did in January.

Saturday, February 5, 1977

|                          |       |                 |
|--------------------------|-------|-----------------|
| 1 Red tailed hawk        | 2     | o - B.W.        |
| 2 Bald Eagle             | 1 - i | LC              |
| 3 American Kestrel       | 2     | o - B.W.        |
| 4 Rock Dove              | 35    | L.T. - ML       |
| 5 Downy Woodpecker       | 1     | AC              |
| 6 Horned Lark            | 5     | near LC         |
| 7 Blue Jay               | 3     | X - o           |
| 8 Common Crow            | 150   | mostly L.C.     |
| 9 Black capped Chickadee | 2     | o - AC          |
| 10 Starling              | 200   | everywhere      |
| 11 House Sparrow         | 25    | everywhere      |
| 12 Red winged Blackbird  | 500   | o.h. AC         |
| 13 Meadowlark            | 10    | o - B.W. - LC   |
| 14 Common Grackle        | 3     | LC              |
| 15 Cardinal              | 5     | X - o - BW      |
| 16 American Goldfinch    | 5     | X - o           |
| 17 Dark eyed Junco       | 15    | X - o - BW - AC |
| 18 Tree Sparrow          | 15    | X - o - LC      |
| 19 White crowned Sparrow | 2     | o               |
| 20 Song Sparrow          | 6     | o               |

Today was clear + nice but chilly. The temperatures were low 18° high 42°. I worked till noon today with Bette. After lunch Pearl and I took a ride out east of town, down through Bluff Woods and back by Horseshoe Lake, Mud Lake and Lake Contrary. At 4:30 PM I took a <sup>walk</sup> ~~drive~~ through Ashland Cemetery.

Sunday, February 6, 1977

|                              |     |                |
|------------------------------|-----|----------------|
| 1 Red tailed hawk            | 6   | mostly SQ      |
| 2 Bald Eagle                 | 2-1 | SQ             |
| 3 American Kestrel           | 1   | I-29 Hy.       |
| 4 Ring necked Pheasant       | 2   | SQ             |
| 5 Rock dove                  | 20  | KP-Hi59-0      |
| 6 Great horned Owl           | 2   | SQ             |
| 7 Common Flicker             | 1   | SQ             |
| 8 Red bellied Wood pecker    | 4   | SQ             |
| 9 Red headed Wood pecker     | 1   | near HC        |
| 10 Downy Wood pecker         | 4   | SQ-0-X         |
| 11 Horned Lark               | 8   | AR             |
| 12 Blue Jay                  | 5   | X-AR-SQ        |
| 13 Common Crow               | 48  | AR-SQ          |
| 14 Black capped Chickadee    | 4   | near HC-SQ     |
| 15 White breasted Nuthatch   | 2   | near HC        |
| 16 Robin                     | 3   | SQ             |
| 17 Cedar Waxwing             | 18  | SQ-0           |
| 18 Loggerhead Shrike         | 2   | Hy 59          |
| 19 Starling                  | 75  | everywhere     |
| 20 House Sparrow             | 125 | mostly 0       |
| 21 <del>Red</del> Meadowlark | 10  | Hy 59-I29-0    |
| 22 Red winged Blackbird      | 100 | o.k. X near SQ |
| 23 Common Grackle            | 8   | near SQ        |
| 24 Cardinal                  | 15  | everywhere     |
| 25 American Goldfinch        | 10  | X-SQ           |
| 26 Rock eyed Junco           | 60  | most roadsides |

|    |                              |     |                |
|----|------------------------------|-----|----------------|
| 27 | Harkeyed Junco (Oregon race) | 1   | SQ             |
| 28 | Tree Sparrow                 | 150 | roadsides - SQ |
| 29 | White crowned Sparrow        | 1   | SQ             |
| 30 | Song Sparrow                 | 4   | SQ             |

Today was mostly clear and cold. The temperatures were low  $14^{\circ}$  high  $22^{\circ}$ . Pearl & I drove to Squaw Creek this morning leaving home at 7:55 AM & got back home at 2:30 P.M. I was very disappointed at my list of birds at Squaw Creek

Monday Sunday, February 7, 1977

|   |               |    |   |
|---|---------------|----|---|
| 1 | Common Crow   | 12 | 0 |
| 2 | Starling      | 3  | 0 |
| 3 | House Sparrow | 2  | 0 |

Today was clear and cold. The temperatures were low  $6^{\circ}$  high  $25^{\circ}$ . I worked until 4:30 P.M. Today

Tuesday, February 8, 1977

|   |                         |    |         |
|---|-------------------------|----|---------|
| 1 | American Kestrel        | 1  | Nw. bud |
| 2 | Common Crow             | 1  | 0       |
| 3 | Starling                | 1  | 0       |
| 4 | House Sparrow           | 12 | X       |
| 5 | <del>Red</del> Cardinal | 1  | X       |
| 6 | Harkeyed Junco          | 1  | X       |

Today was clear and nice. The temperatures were low  $15^{\circ}$  high  $42^{\circ}$ . I look like we are going to get a few days of nice weather

Wednesday, February 9, 1977

|   |                    |    |      |
|---|--------------------|----|------|
| 1 | Rock Dove          | 4  | d.t. |
| 2 | Robin              | 1  | o    |
| 3 | Starling           | 4  | x    |
| 4 | House Sparrow      | 10 | x    |
| 5 | Common Grackle     | 1  | bvd. |
| 6 | Cardinal           | 1  | x    |
| 7 | American Goldfinch | 4  | x    |
| 8 | Dark-eyed Junco    | 1  | x    |

Today was clear and nice. The temperatures today were low 25° high 49°. I went to the doctor today. I have to go back again in about 8 weeks.

Thursday, February 10, 1977

|   |               |   |   |
|---|---------------|---|---|
| 1 | Starling      | 2 | x |
| 2 | House Sparrow | 6 | x |

Today was clear and warm. The temperatures were low 36° high 58°. It is really sloppy underfoot now. Most all of the snow has melted except where it is on the shady side of buildings or such.

Friday, February 11, 1977

|   |                  |   |         |
|---|------------------|---|---------|
| 1 | American Kestrel | 1 | Nw. bvd |
| 2 | Rock Dove        | 7 | d.t.    |
| 3 | Common Crow      | 3 | o       |
| 4 | Starling         | 4 | x-d.t   |
| 5 | House Sparrow    | 6 | x       |

|   |                 |   |   |
|---|-----------------|---|---|
| 6 | Cardinal        | 1 | 0 |
| 7 | Dark eyed Junco | 1 | X |

Today was partly cloudy & nice. Temperatures were low 31° high 53°.

### Saturday February 12, 1977

|    |                      |                |            |
|----|----------------------|----------------|------------|
| 1  | Canada Goose         | 800            | SG         |
| 2  | Snow Goose           | 6000 }         | SG         |
| 3  | Snow (blue) Goose    |                | SG         |
| 4  | Mallard              | 350            | SG         |
| 5  | Black Duck           | 2              | SG         |
| 6  | Pintail              | 15             | SG         |
| 7  | Bald Eagle           | 28 (23 a-5 im) | SG         |
| 8  | Marsh hawk           | 20             | SG         |
| 9  | Ring necked Pheasant | 1              | SG         |
| 10 | Common Crow          | 6              | AR         |
| 11 | Starling             | 25             | X - 0 - SG |
| 12 | House Sparrow        | 6              | X - 0 - AR |
| 13 | Meadowlark           | 1              | I - 29     |
| 14 | Red winged Blackbird | 500,000        | SG         |
| 15 | Cardinal             | 2              | X - SG     |
| 16 | Dark eyed Junco      | 2              | X          |

Today was mostly clear, windy and nice. Temperatures were low 40° high 53°. I worked all day today. Pearl & I left home at 3:50 P.M. & headed for Squaw Creek. I was sure surprised at the number

of water birds. We went especially to try for Shore-laned  
Owls but didnt see any. We got home at 7:10 P.M.

Sunday. February 13, 1977

|                            |      |             |    |
|----------------------------|------|-------------|----|
| 1 Canada Goose             | 500  |             | SG |
| 2 White fronted Goose      | 10   |             | SG |
| 3 Snow Goose               | 1500 |             | SG |
| 4 Snow (blue) Goose        |      |             | SG |
| 5 Mallard                  | 3000 |             | SG |
| 6 Black Duck               | 2    |             | SG |
| 7 Pintail                  | 40   |             | SG |
| 8 Red tailed hawk          | 3    |             | SG |
| 9 Roughlegged hawk         | 1    |             | SG |
| 10 Bald Eagle              | 20   | 21a 5i      | SG |
| 11 Marsh hawk              | 4    |             | SG |
| 12 American Kestrel        | 3    | K Hy - I-29 |    |
| 13 Rock Dove               | 6    | o - H 59    |    |
| 14 Red headed Woodpecker   | 1    | near HC     |    |
| 15 Downy Woodpecker        | 1    |             | SG |
| 16 Common Crow             | 6    | bvd -       | SG |
| 17 Black capped Chickadee  | 6    |             | SG |
| 18 White breasted Nuthatch | 1    |             | SG |
| 19 Robin                   | 4    | K Hy -      | SG |
| 20 Starling                | 30   | everywhere  |    |
| 21 House Sparrow           | 10   | o - X       |    |
| 22 Meadowlark              | 1    | o           |    |

|                       |     |            |
|-----------------------|-----|------------|
| 23 Redwing Blackbird  | 250 | 50 - I 29  |
| 24 Common Grackle     | 4   | 50         |
| 25 Cardinal           | 6   | X - 50 - 2 |
| 26 American Goldfinch | 4   | X          |
| 27 Black eyed Junco   | 4   | 50         |
| 28 Song Sparrow       | 1   | 50         |

Today was a very pretty day until this afternoon late when it clouded up. Temperatures were low 30° high 50° I had to work today 8am until 12 Noon. After lunch Pearl + I drove to Squaw Creek again. Got home 5:10 PM

### Monday February 14, 1977

|                          |   |       |
|--------------------------|---|-------|
| 1 Hairy Woodpecker       | 1 | X     |
| 2 Common Crow            | 4 | 0     |
| 3 Black capped Chickadee | 1 | X     |
| 4 Starling               | 6 | 0 - X |
| 5 House Sparrow          | 5 | X     |
| 6 Black eyed Junco       | 5 | X     |

Today was mostly clear and cool. The temperatures were low 22° high 35°.

### Tuesday February 15, 1977

|                      |   |   |
|----------------------|---|---|
| 1 Hairy Woodpecker   | 1 | X |
| 2 Starling           | 1 | X |
| 3 House Sparrow      | 3 | X |
| 4 American Goldfinch | 1 | X |

5 Hark-eyed Junco

3

X

Today was clear & cool. The temperatures were low 17° high 32°. I got a call from Mark Robben this evening. He and Dave are planning a trip to Montrose Wildlife Area and maybe Schell Osage Wildlife Area this coming Saturday and have invited Leo Galloway and I to go along. Originally the trip was planned for two days in order to also cover a prairie area south & east of Sedalia, Mo. where I saw my Missouri Prairie Chickens.

Wednesday, February 16, 1977

|   |                    |    |   |
|---|--------------------|----|---|
| 1 | Downy Woodpecker   | 1  | X |
| 2 | Common Crow        | 4  | 0 |
| 3 | Cedar Waxwing      | 27 | X |
| 4 | Starling           | 1  | X |
| 5 | House Sparrow      | 3  | X |
| 6 | American Goldfinch | 1  | X |
| 7 | Hark-eyed Junco    | 2  | X |

Today was cloudy most all day and chilly. Temperatures were low 16° high 35°.

Thursday, February 17, 1977

|   |                |   |          |
|---|----------------|---|----------|
| 1 | Hawk (Buteo)   | 1 | 0        |
| 2 | Rock Dove      | 6 | 0 - d.t. |
| 3 | Mourning Dove  | 8 | 0        |
| 4 | Common Flicker | 2 | AC       |

|                          |              |       |
|--------------------------|--------------|-------|
| 5 Blue Jay               | 3            | 0     |
| 6 Common Crow            | 75           | 0     |
| 7 Black capped Chickadee | 2            | X - 0 |
| 8 Robin                  | 2            | AC    |
| 9 Townsends Solitaire    | 1            | AC    |
| 10 Cedar Waxwing         | 1            | AC    |
| 11 Starling              | 200          | 0     |
| 12 House Sparrow         | 10           | 0     |
| 13 Western Meadowlark    | 12 (Singing) | 0     |
| 14 Cardinal              | 2            | X - 0 |

Today was clear and warm though a bit windy. The temperatures were low 29° high 62°. After work this afternoon Pearl and I took about a 20 mile drive east and north of town. We heard the meadowlarks singing this evening for the first time this year.

Friday, February 18, 1977

|                      |   |       |
|----------------------|---|-------|
| 1 Rock Dove          | 5 | 0     |
| 2 Downy Woodpecker   | 1 | X     |
| 3 Common Crow        | 4 | 0     |
| 4 Starling           | 5 | 0 - X |
| 5 House Sparrow      | 6 | 0 - X |
| 6 Cardinal           | 2 | X     |
| 7 American Goldfinch | 2 | X     |
| 8 Dark eyed Junco    | 1 | X     |

Today was mostly cloudy, windy and chilly. Temperatures

were low 30° high 56°. Mark called me this evening at 7:30 so I guess we will head south tomorrow morning. They are going to pick me up at 6:00 a.m. at my home

Saturday, February 19, 1977

|    |                         |        |                         |
|----|-------------------------|--------|-------------------------|
| 1  | Great Blue Heron        | 2      | Montrose - Schell Osage |
| 2  | Canada Goose            | 750    | Montrose - Schell Osage |
| 3  | White fronted Goose     | 1      | " "                     |
| 4  | Snow Goose              | } 1500 | " - " "                 |
| 5  | Snow (blue) Goose       |        | " - " "                 |
| 6  | Mallard                 | 700    | " - " "                 |
| 7  | Black Duck              | 2      | near " -                |
| 8  | Pintail                 | 20     | - " "                   |
| 9  | Common Goldeneye        | 1      | " -                     |
| 10 | Hooded Merganser        | 3      | " -                     |
| 11 | Common Merganser        | 500    | " - " "                 |
| 12 | Coopers Hawk            | 1      | near Cole Camp          |
| 13 | Red tailed Hawk         | 12     | everywhere              |
| 14 | Rough legged hawk       | 4      | Taberville - Cole camp  |
| 15 | Bald Eagle              | 1      | Schell Osage            |
| 16 | Marsh Hawk              | 3      | Taberville - Cole camp  |
| 17 | American Kestrel        | 10     | everywhere              |
| 18 | Greater Prairie Chicken | 15     | near Cole Camp          |
| 19 | Killdeer                | 6      | Schell Osage            |
| 20 | Ring-billed Gull        | 4      | Montrose                |
| 21 | Rock Dove               | 3      | Interstate 70           |

|    |                   |      |                          |
|----|-------------------|------|--------------------------|
| 22 | Mourning Dove     | 3    | Montrose - Cole Camp     |
| 23 | Great Horned Owl  | 1    | near Cole Camp           |
| 24 | Kingfisher        | 2    | Montrose                 |
| 25 | Common Flicker    | 6    | Montrose - Schell Osage  |
| 26 | Horned Lark       | 30   | roadsides                |
| 27 | Common Crow       | 1500 | everywhere               |
| 28 | Mockingbird       | 6    | mostly Schell Osage      |
| 29 | Robin             | 7    | mostly Schell Osage      |
| 30 | Eastern Bluebird  | 2    | near Schell Osage        |
| 31 | Loggerhead Shrike | 4    | mostly near Cole Camp    |
| 32 | Starling          | 150  | everywhere               |
| 33 | House Sparrow     | 10   | Towns                    |
| 34 | Meadowlark (Sp)   | 15   | roadsides                |
| 35 | Common Grackle    | 7    | Cole Camp - Schell Osage |
| 36 | Cardinal          | 28   | everywhere               |
| 37 | Dark-eyed Junco   | 30   | most everywhere          |

I got up this morning at 4:40 a.m. Dave and Mark came by my home and picked me up at 6 a.m. We drove directly from here to Montrose Lake & Montrose Wildlife Area, from there south to Taberville Prairie, then to Schell Osage. It was 12 noon when we got to Schell Osage Wildlife Area. We ate lunch at a restaurant near there. We birded here about an hour and then headed east toward the prairie area near Cole Camp, Mo. Where I saw prairie chickens two years ago with Dave and Mark. We left there about 4 P.M. & headed for home. We arrived at my house about 7:30 P.M. We drove near 500

miles today. I was happy especially with the Cooper Hawk  
 & Prairie Chickens. Dave & Mark had hoped to see a lot of  
 gulls at Montrose and maybe ferruginous hawk and prairie  
 falcon in the prairie areas. Today was mostly cloudy, windy  
 & chilly. Temperatures were low 30° high 49°

Sunday, February 20, 1977

|    |                      |            |                  |
|----|----------------------|------------|------------------|
| 1  | Canada Goose         | 2500       | SQ - TR - P.E.L. |
| 2  | White fronted Goose  | 22         | TR               |
| 3  | Snow Goose           | } 11,000   | SQ - TR          |
| 4  | Snow (blue) Goose    |            | SQ - TR          |
| 5  | Mallard              | 3000       | SQ - TR - P.E.L. |
| 6  | Blackduck            | 1          | SQ               |
| 7  | Pintail              | 100        | SQ               |
| 8  | Green winged Teal    | 20         | SQ               |
| 9  | Canvasback           | 2          | TR               |
| 10 | Sharp shinned Hawk   | 1          | SQ               |
| 11 | Red tailed hawk      | 9          | SQ - Hy 59 + 36  |
| 12 | Bald Eagle           | 12 (7a 5i) | SQ               |
| 13 | Marsh Hawk           | 30         | SQ               |
| 14 | American Kestrel     | 5          | Hy 169 - 36 - 59 |
| 15 | Bob White            | 1          | AC               |
| 16 | Ring necked Pheasant | 50         | SQ               |
| 17 | Killdeer             | 1          | SQ               |
| 18 | Rock Dove            | 25         | TR - X           |
| 19 | Mourning Dove        | 1          | AC               |

|      |                        |         |                    |
|------|------------------------|---------|--------------------|
| 20   | Great horned Owl       | 2       | SQ                 |
| 21   | Common Flicker         | 1       | AC                 |
| 22   | Red bellied Woodpecker | 1       | near HC.           |
| 23   | Downy Woodpecker       | 2       | X - near TR.       |
| 24   | Horned Lark            | 20      | near TR - near PEL |
| 25   | Blue Jay               | 6       | X - near TR        |
| 26   | Common Crow            | 40      | everywhere         |
| 27   | Black capped Chickadee | 25      | everywhere         |
| 28   | Tufted Titmouse        | 3       | X - TR - near HC   |
| 29   | Mockingbird            | 1       | TR                 |
| 30   | Robin                  | 3       | AC                 |
| 31   | E. Bluebird            | 1       | near PEL           |
| 32   | Loggerhead Shrike      | 5       | near TR - near PEL |
| 33   | Sterling               | 60      | everywhere         |
| 34   | House Sparrow          | 18      | everywhere         |
| 35   | W. Meadowlark          | 7       | near TR            |
| 36   | Red winged Blackbird   | 100,000 | SQ                 |
| 37   | Cardinal               | 20      | everywhere         |
| 38   | American Goldfinch     | 7       | X                  |
| 39   | Dark eyed Junco        | 12      | X - TR - PEL       |
| 40   | Tree Sparrow           | 4       | TR - SQ            |
| * 41 | Red headed Woodpecker  | 3       | TR - near PEL - ER |

Today was clear + chilly but a beautiful day. The temperatures were low 31° high 51° Pearl & I birded. 8:15 a.m. till 7:00 p.m. with about an hour at home for lunch. We birded home to Trimble, to Pony Express Lake + home. Then home to Squaw Creek + back home

Monday - February 21/1977

|                          |     |            |
|--------------------------|-----|------------|
| 1 American Kestrel       | 1   | 0          |
| 2 Rock Dove              | 3   | 0          |
| 3 Mourning Dove          | 2   | AC         |
| 4 Common Crow            | 30  | AC - 0     |
| 5 Robin                  | 4   | AC         |
| 6 Starling               | 15  | 0          |
| 7 House Sparrow          | 25  | 0          |
| 8 W. Meadowlark          | 4   | 0          |
| 9 Redwinged Blackbird    | 150 | AC - 0     |
| 10 Cardinal              | 3   | X - AC - 0 |
| 11 Harris Sparrow        | 6   | 0          |
| 12 White Crowned Sparrow | 3   | 0          |

Today was clear, windy and warm. The temperatures today were low 27° high 68°. Pearl had a tooth pulled this afternoon so I picked her up and then I took a roll of film out to 3 erchers and we took a little ride east of town.

Tuesday, February 22, 1977

|                          |    |       |
|--------------------------|----|-------|
| 1 Red tailed Hawk        | 1  | 0     |
| 2 American Kestrel       | 1  | 0     |
| 3 Rock Dove              | 3  | 0     |
| 4 Common Crow            | 50 | X - 0 |
| 5 Black capped Chickadee | 2  | X     |
| 6 Starling               | 6  | + - 0 |
| 7 House Sparrow          | 10 | + - 0 |
| 8 Cardinal               | 1  | X     |

|                      |    |   |
|----------------------|----|---|
| 9 American Goldfinch | 10 | X |
| 10 Dark eyed Junco   | 1  | X |

Today was clear A.M., cloudy this afternoon. It was windy & fairly warm. Temperatures were low 40° high 62°. It was just forty one years ago today that Pearl and I had our first date. We went to the Crystal Theater which stood at the north east corner of the intersection of 5th St. and Charles Street. The name of the movie was "Shipmates Forever" with Wick Powell and Ruby Keeler as the stars.

Wednesday February 23, 1977

|                      |    |           |
|----------------------|----|-----------|
| 1 Hairy Woodpecker   | 1  | X         |
| 2 Common Crow        | 25 | 0         |
| 3 Starling           | 3  | 0 - X     |
| 4 House Sparrow      | 4  | 0 - X     |
| 5 Eastern Meadowlark | 2  | singing 0 |
| 6 American Goldfinch | 6  | X         |
| 7 Dark eyed Junco    | 3  | X         |

Today was cloudy, windy and chilly. Temperatures were low 40° high 65°. The wind out in western Kansas and Colorado are 90 to 100 mph. We had about .23 of an inch of rain during the night last night and it is forecast again for tonight.

Thursday. February 24, 1977

|   |                        |    |   |
|---|------------------------|----|---|
| 1 | Downy Wood pecker      | 1  | X |
| 2 | Common Crow            | 17 | o |
| 3 | Black capped Chickadee | 1  | X |
| 4 | Robin                  | 1  | X |
| 5 | Sterling               | 3  | o |
| 6 | House Sparrow          | 2  | X |
| 7 | Cardinal               | 1  | X |
| 8 | Dark-eyed Junco        | 3  | X |

Today was partly clear and windy + warm. Temperatures were low 37° high 55°. Pearl is sick with a cold now. I sure hope she is feeling better for the week end.

Friday. February 25, 1977

|    |                      |     |                     |
|----|----------------------|-----|---------------------|
| 1  | Pied-billed Grebe    | 1   | LC                  |
| 2  | American Kestrel     | 3   | X - HL              |
| 3  | Ring-necked P.asant  | 1   | LC                  |
| 4  | Rock Dove            | 35  | Lt. - HL            |
| 5  | Horned Lark          | 3   | near LC             |
| 6  | Common Crow          | 600 | mostly near LC + ML |
| 7  | Loggerhead Shrike    | 1   | near ML             |
| 8  | Sterling             | 60  | everywhere          |
| 9  | House Sparrow        | 10  | everywhere          |
| 10 | Red-winged Blackbird | 1   | HL                  |
| 11 | Common Grackle       | 1   | ML                  |
| 12 | Cardinal             | 1   | X                   |

Today was partly cloudy + nice. Temperatures low 35° high 47°. After work Pearl + I drove down around Lake Contrary + Mud Lake and

Horseshoe Lake. I have seen more dead fish just lately than I have ~~any~~ ever seen before. On television news tonight Phil Rice who is over 14 northwest Missouri Counties for the Missouri Conservation Commission made the statement that in his 31 years as a Conservation agent this is the worst he has ever seen. The reason is due to low water from the drought of last year, the excessively cold weather and the snow.

Saturday, February 26, 1977

|    |                         |     |               |
|----|-------------------------|-----|---------------|
| 1  | Red tailed hawk         | 2   | B.W. - LC     |
| 2  | American Kestrel        | 3   | o - near B.W. |
| 3  | Rock Dove               | 60  | L.C. - ML     |
| 4  | Red bellied woodpecker  | 1   | B.W.          |
| 5  | Downy woodpecker        | 1   | X             |
| 6  | Horned Lark             | 4   | LC - ML       |
| 7  | Blue Jay                | 6   | BW - ML       |
| 8  | Common Crow             | 200 | everywhere    |
| 9  | Black capped Chickadee  | 5   | X - BW        |
| 10 | Robin                   | 18  | o - BW        |
| 11 | Loggerhead Shrike       | 1   | near ML       |
| 12 | Starling                | 125 | everywhere    |
| 13 | House Sparrow           | 50  | everywhere    |
| 14 | Meadowlark (sp)         | 1   | near BW       |
| 15 | Red winged Blackbird    | 40  | BW - ML       |
| 16 | Common Grackle          | 15  | BW            |
| 17 | <del>Red</del> Cardinal | 12  | X - BW - ML   |

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|-----------------------|----|---------|
| 18 American Goldfinch | 5  | + - BW  |
| 19 Black eyed Junco   | 15 | X - BW  |
| 20 Harris Sparrow     | 3  | BW      |
| 21 Lapland Longspur   | 12 | near ML |

Today was Cloudy, damp and chilly. The temperatures were low 33° high 38°. I worked till noon today with Betty and Art Lefever. After lunch Pearl<sup>23</sup> took a drive down through Bluff Woods State Forest, around Mud Lake, Lake Contrary and by Browning Lake at the Airport. The water was open everywhere but no water birds.

### Sunday, February 27, 1977

|                         |                |                   |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 1 Canada Goose          | 400            | SQ                |
| 2 White fronted Goose   | 15             | SQ                |
| 3 Snow Goose            | } 10,000       | SQ                |
| 4 Snow (blue) Goose     |                | SQ                |
| 5 Mallard               | 1500           | SQ                |
| 6 Pintail               | 20             | SQ                |
| 7 Green winged Teal     | 75             | SQ                |
| 8 Red tailed Hawk       | 4              | SQ                |
| 9 Bald Eagle            | 42 (20 a 22 i) | SQ                |
| 10 Marsh Hawk           | 4              | SQ                |
| 11 American Kestrel     | 2              | Hy 59 - River Rd. |
| 12 Ring necked Pheasant | 1              | SQ                |
| 13 Killdeer             | 11             | near HC           |
| 14 Rock Plover          | 6              | KP - Hy 59        |

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|----|-------------------------|-----|----------------------------|
| 15 | Mourning Dove           | 2   | AC                         |
| 16 | Common Flicker, Y.S.    | 4   | SG-AC                      |
| 17 | Common Flicker, R.S.    | 1   | SG                         |
| 18 | Red bellied Woodpecker  | 2   | near HC-SG                 |
| 19 | Red headed Woodpecker   | 7   | near HC-Hy 59-SG-River Rd. |
| 20 | Downy Woodpecker        | 2   | X-SG                       |
| 21 | Horned Lark             | 8   | AK                         |
| 22 | Blue Jay                | 4   | X-near HC                  |
| 23 | Common Crow             | 50  | everywhere                 |
| 24 | Black capped Chickadee  | 10  | near HC-SG                 |
| 25 | Tufted Titmouse         | 4   | near HC-SG                 |
| 26 | White breasted Nuthatch | 4   | near HC-SG-AC              |
| 27 | Red breasted Nuthatch   | 1   | AC                         |
| 28 | Mockingbird             | 1   | X                          |
| 29 | Robin                   | 25  | mostly bvd.                |
| 30 | Townsend's Solitaire    | 1   | AC                         |
| 31 | Starling                | 50  | everywhere                 |
| 32 | House Sparrow           | 25  | everywhere                 |
| 33 | Meadowlark (Sp)         | 4   | AR                         |
| 34 | Red winged Blackbird    | 150 | mostly SG                  |
| 35 | Common Grackle          | 10  | near SG                    |
| 36 | Cardinal                | 15  | X-near HC-SG-AC            |
| 37 | Purple Finch            | 1   | AC                         |
| 38 | American Goldfinch      | 6   | X-SG-AC                    |
| 39 | Dark eyed Junco         | 60  | X-SG-AC                    |
| 40 | Tree Sparrow            | 10  | SG                         |

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|---------------------------|---|----|
| 41 White throated Sparrow | 2 | AC |
| 42 Song Sparrow           | 2 | SG |

Today was cloudy early a.m. with very light snow. Clearing off around 10 AM. Beautiful the rest of the day. A bit windy. Temperatures were low 28° high 44°. Pearl and I birded from 8:45 a.m. until 5:15 p.m. My last hour of birding was a walk through Ashland Cemetery.

Monday, February 28, 1977

|                      |    |       |
|----------------------|----|-------|
| 1 Rock Dove          | 3  | 0     |
| 2 Mourning Dove      | 1  | 0     |
| 3 Common Crow        | 3  | X - 0 |
| 4 Robin              | 25 | X - 0 |
| 5 Starling           | 4  | 0     |
| 6 House Sparrow      | 3  | X - 0 |
| 7 Eastern Meadowlark | 1  | 0     |
| 8 Cardinal           | 1  | X     |
| 9 Dark eyed Junco    | 5  | X     |

Today was mostly cloudy, windy & chilly. Temperatures were low 26° high 52°. I washed my car this evening. I know it has been at least 7 months since it was washed.

Tuesday, March 1, 1977

|                   |    |        |
|-------------------|----|--------|
| 1 Red tailed Hawk | 2  | 0      |
| 2 Rock Dove       | 5  | 0      |
| 3 Mourning Dove   | 10 | AC - 0 |

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|----|------------------------|-----|------------|
| 4  | Great horned Owl       | 2   | AC         |
| 5  | Barred Owl             | 1   | bvd        |
| 6  | Red bellied Woodpecker | 1   | AC         |
| 7  | Blue Jay               | 1   | AC         |
| 8  | Common Crow            | 150 | AC - 0     |
| 9  | Robin                  | 18  | AC - bvd   |
| 10 | Starling               | 40  | everywhere |
| 11 | House Sparrow          | 60  | everywhere |
| 12 | Eastern Meadowlark     | 3   | 0          |
| 13 | Western Meadowlark     | 1   | 0          |
| 14 | Red winged Blackbird   | 40  | 0          |
| 15 | Cardinal               | 4   | X-AC       |
| 16 | American Goldfinch     | 5   | X          |
| 17 | Harkeyed Junco         | 1   | AC         |
| 18 | White crowned Sparrow  | 1   | 0          |

Today was Clear, windy, and chilly all day. The temperatures were low 20° high 42°. After work we took Chad home so while we were out we took a drive out east of town and through Ashland Cemetery

Wednesday, March 2, 1977

|   |                   |      |       |
|---|-------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Snow Goose        | } 40 | 0     |
| 2 | Snow (blue) Goose |      | 0     |
| 3 | Horny Woodpecker  | 1    | X     |
| 4 | Common Crow       | 200  | 0 - X |
| 5 | Starling          | 3    | 0     |

|                      |    |       |
|----------------------|----|-------|
| 6 House Sparrow      | 12 | X - 0 |
| 7 Eastern Meadowlark | 1  | 0     |
| 8 Cardinal           | 2  | X     |
| 9 American Goldfinch | 9  | X     |

Today was cloudy all day with light rain all afternoon and evening. The temperatures were low 34° high 45°. I recieved my copy yesterday of "Nature Notes" from the Webster Groves Nature Study Society. In it I found out that J. Carl Comfort died on February 20, 1977. I didn't know him nearly as well as I did his nephew Jim Comfort but he was no less dedicated to the preservation of our wildlife and our natural resources.

It didn't say what he died of but I will probably find out soon. Word of this bird travels among birders.

Thursday, March 3, 1977

|                          |           |              |
|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| 1 American Kestrel       | 1         | 0            |
| 2 Rock Dove              | 1         | 0            |
| 3 Mourning Dove          | 3         | 0            |
| 4 Downy Woodpecker       | 3         | X - NW Bud   |
| 5 Common Crow            | 1000 sets | 0 - 0 NW Bud |
| 6 Black capped Chickadee | 4         | NW bud       |
| 7 Starling               | 6         | 0            |
| 8 House Sparrow          | 5         | X - 0        |
| 9 Cardinal               | 2         | NW bud       |
| 10 American Goldfinch    | 1         | X            |
| 11 Dark eyed Junco       | 4         | X            |

Today was cloudy, windy + chilly all day. Temperatures today were low 37° high 56°. After work I took a walk in timber in Nw. Blvd. system.

### Friday, March 4, 1977

|    |                    |     |     |
|----|--------------------|-----|-----|
| 1  | Rock Dove          | 1   | 0   |
| 2  | Downy Woodpecker   | 1   | X   |
| 3  | Common Crow        | 100 | X-0 |
| 4  | Robin              | 2   | 0   |
| 5  | Cedar Waxwing      | 12  | X   |
| 6  | Starling           | 3   | 0   |
| 7  | House Sparrow      | 8   | X-0 |
| 8  | Cardinal           | 1   | X   |
| 9  | American Goldfinch | 1   | X   |
| 10 | Black-eyed Junco   | 3   | X   |

Today was cloudy, damp + chilly. The temperatures were low 32° high 38°.

### Saturday, March 5, 1977

|   |                        |    |           |
|---|------------------------|----|-----------|
| 1 | Red-tailed Hawk        | 6  | 0-BW-LC-X |
| 2 | Marsh Hawk             | 1  | ML        |
| 3 | Killdeer               | 2  | LC        |
| 4 | Rock Dove              | 50 | d.t. - ML |
| 5 | Mourning Dove          | 3  | 0-BW      |
| 6 | Common Flicker         | 2  | BW        |
| 7 | Red-bellied Woodpecker | 2  | BW        |

|    |                        |     |            |
|----|------------------------|-----|------------|
| 8  | Red headed Woodpecker  | 5   | BW         |
| 9  | Downy Woodpecker       | 2   | X-BW       |
| 10 | Horned Lark            | 8   | O-ML-LC    |
| 11 | Blue Jay               | 1   | O          |
| 12 | Common Crow            | 150 | O-LC       |
| 13 | Black capped Chickadee | 3   | X-BW       |
| 14 | Tufted Titmouse        | 2   | BW         |
| 15 | Mockingbird            | 1   | O          |
| 16 | Robin                  | 6   | O-BW       |
| 17 | Eastern Bluebird       | 2   | O          |
| 18 | Starling               | 175 | everywhere |
| 19 | House Sparrow          | 20  | everywhere |
| 20 | Eastern Meadowlark     | 1   | O          |
| 21 | Western Meadowlark     | 2   | O          |
| 22 | Red winged Blackbird   | 60  | O-BW       |
| 23 | Common Grackle         | 35  | BW         |
| 24 | Cardinal               | 12  | X-BW       |
| 25 | American Goldfinch     | 6   | X-BW       |
| 26 | Dark-eyed Junco        | 2   | X          |
| 27 | Harris Sparrow         | 1   | O          |

Today was clear and nice. The temperatures were low 27° high 50°. I worked until noon with Art Lefevre. Pearl & I after lunch took a ride down around the lakes, through Bluff Woods State Forest and out east of town. Pearl was sick all night and didn't feel a bit well. Today I sure hope she feels better tomorrow.

Sunday March 6, 1977

|    |                        |     |      |    |
|----|------------------------|-----|------|----|
| 1  | Canada Goose           | 300 |      | TR |
| 2  | White fronted Goose    | 1   |      | TR |
| 3  | Snow Goose             | 5   |      | TR |
| 4  | Snow (Blue) Goose      | 6   |      | TR |
| 5  | Mallard                | 125 |      | TR |
| 6  | Pintail                | 50  |      | TR |
| 7  | Green winged Teal      | 12  |      | TR |
| 8  | American Wigeon        | 4   |      | TR |
| 9  | Shoveller              | 2   |      | TR |
| 10 | Red head Duck          | 10  |      | TR |
| 11 | Ring neck Duck         | 100 |      | TR |
| 12 | Canvasback             | 40  |      | TR |
| 13 | Lesser Scaup           | 4   |      | TR |
| 14 | A Common Goldeneye     | 10  |      | TR |
| 15 | Bufflehead             | 1   |      | TR |
| 16 | Ruddy Duck             | 1   |      | TR |
| 17 | Common Merganser       | 40  |      | TR |
| 18 | Red tailed Hawk        | 6   | AC - | TR |
| 19 | American Kestrel       | 3   | 0 -  | TR |
| 20 | Killdeer               | 4   |      | TR |
| 21 | Ring billed Gull       | 2   |      | TR |
| 22 | Rock Dove              | 10  | X -  | 0  |
| 23 | Mourning Dove          | 6   | 0 -  | TR |
| 24 | Great horned Owl       | 1   |      | AC |
| 25 | Common Flicker         | 4   | AC - | TR |
| 26 | Red bellied Woodpecker | 3   | X -  | TR |

|    |                         |     |                  |
|----|-------------------------|-----|------------------|
| 27 | Red headed Wood pecker  | 3   | near TR          |
| 28 | Downy Wood pecker       | 3   | x - AC           |
| 29 | Horned Lark             | 8   | near TR          |
| 30 | Blue Jay                | 15  | near TR - o - x  |
| 31 | Common Crow             | 28  | o - x - AC - TR  |
| 32 | Black Capped Chickadee  | 5   | x - AC - near TR |
| 33 | Tufted Titmouse         | 3   | near TR          |
| 34 | Brown Creeper           | 1   | near TR          |
| 35 | White breasted Nuthatch | 3   | near TR          |
| 36 | Mockingbird             | 2   | o - x            |
| 37 | Robin                   | 25  | everywhere       |
| 38 | Townsend's Solitaire    | 1   | AC               |
| 39 | Toggerhead Shrike       | 3   | near TR          |
| 40 | Starling                | 150 | everywhere       |
| 41 | House Sparrow           | 60  | everywhere       |
| 42 | Eastern Meadowlark      | 15  | o - near TR      |
| 43 | Western Meadowlark      | 18  | o - near TR      |
| 44 | Red wing Blackbird      | 20  | TR               |
| 45 | Common Grackle          | 6   | TR               |
| 46 | Cardinal                | 20  | everywhere       |
| 47 | American Goldfinch      | 8   | x - TR           |
| 48 | Slate colored Junco     | 50  | AC - x - TR      |
| 49 | Tree Sparrow            | 3   | TR               |
| 50 | Song Sparrow            | 2   | TR               |

Today was a beautiful day. It was pretty cool this morning but other than that it was clear and nice all day with no

wind. We got up at 6:30 a.m. We ate breakfast and then at 8 a.m. we (Pearl & I) left for Trimble Wildlife Area.

The water there is real low and there was close to half of it with a lite shim of ice on it. We got back home at 12:20 P.M. Then all afternoon Pearl, Larry, Mike Redden and I worked at cleaning up brush and sawing down a large tree trunk in our front yard. Then late this afternoon Pearl & I went to Ashland Cemetery to pick up two birds to make my list of 50 for the day. Temperatures low 28° high 52°

### Monday March 7, 1977

|   |                    |   |   |
|---|--------------------|---|---|
| 1 | Rock Dove          | 1 | 0 |
| 2 | Common Crow        | 3 | 0 |
| 3 | Robin              | 3 | 0 |
| 4 | Starling           | 4 | X |
| 5 | House Sparrow      | 3 | X |
| 6 | American Goldfinch | 2 | X |
| 7 | Masked Jay         | 2 | X |

Today was clear and nice. The temperatures were low 28° high 61°. Along about 2 P.M. this afternoon I began feeling bad. About 2:30 P.M. I slipped and fell in our large flower cooler and really took a hard fall. I will probably wake up tomorrow morning with black & blue spots but I don't think that was the cause of my feeling so bad this evening. I didn't eat any supper & I went to bed right away.