

Four avocets feeding on north shore of Mud Lake. Arrived at the south shore of mud lake at the N. E. section. The geese were few in number in the vicinity of Goose Island. There were from 80 to 90 Pelicans on the east side of both islands and a large flock of Gulls resting on the sand bar between the island and the mainland. After making careful observation with the telescope, located one Canadian Goose sitting on bar between the two islands and one resting on the east end among a group of ducks. As I approached the island the first mentioned goose rose, after circling the islands and making one long circle out over the lake returned and took its former position. The pelicans left, some swimming while others flying out a short distance into the lake alighting on the water. As I approached the west island a goose jumped off her nest not over 10' in front of me. It left with considerable concern and flew over to the south east portion of the bay and lit with its mate. The nest indicated very careful construction, made of dry rushes, each placed in position. The nest mass was placed among dry rushes. It measured 3' wide, and 9 inches high. The cup measured 13" wide and an egg and a half deep. It was lined with a few feathers but not as many as when incubation advanced. The outer top edge of the nest was slanted down to cup edge. There were six nest stained eggs and 1 white egg. The geese were still calling as I left this island and made my way across to the island to the east. I had penetrated 25' into this island when a goose flew up honking and glided slowly over the rushes, looking curiously at me and lit in the bay with its mate. The nest was constructed in a similar manner to the one just examined but being smaller and flat on top. The nest was completely lined with feathers. It contained 7 eggs, 6 nest stained and one practically white egg. The nest was placed directly on the sand among the rushes. The third nest was found at the east end of this same island constructed as the others. Six eggs made up the clutch. The owner of this nest flew around the nest several times and then lit in the bay to the south. The visit was made as short as possible, so wading to the mainland left the islands in quiet an upset condition. On the mainland found a pintail nest with 1 egg. Nest placed in a dry field without much vegetation, nest placed in a weed mat. The bird was flushed from its nest.

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Located the nesting site of the Western Red-tailed Hawk. The nest of this hawk was situated in a narrow, deep canyon. The enormous blackish cottonwood trees and the noisy creek, snuggled in the canyon made a beautiful site, and the cool evening breeze and deep shadows added to the memories of this occasion. As we neared the grove one of the hawks was resting on the upper limb of a tree near the nest. Here we saw a large mass of sticks with a bird sitting upon it, so crossed the creek and examined it. It was over two and 1/2 feet in diameter of large scaly bark. The tree being so large made it very hard to climb but the first 20' was reached. After resting I managed to climb the remain-