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Bird Census. Interstate Bridge east along shore line to McLaughlin or point opposite Portland Municipal Air port. Mainly along water front but occasionally dropping inland to investigate likely points. Shore line sandy in places and others rough with high steep erosional bank with isolated line of Cottonwoods, willows etc. Beyond this tree line is found agricultural fields and pastures. Left Barnes General Hospital at 8:00 A.M. and returned 5:00 P.M. Day clear but windy and frigid from 10:00 A.M. on. Birds observed.

Passer domesticus: Residential area.

Turdus migratorius coccineus. Approx 16 in groups of 3 or 4 resting on limbs or feeding on ground in association with blackbirds habitat.

Larus argentatus smithsonianus. One among a group of 80 other gulls at Pearson Air port.

Larus glaucescens. Common and dominant gull of area.

Larus delawarensis. 5 among above flock and others observed later flying along Columbia river course.

Larus calurus brachyrhynchus. About in numbers to ringbills but fewer if any. Gull flock at air port proportioned as follows.

80 glaucescens
1 smithsonianus
5 delawarensis
5 brachyrhynchus.

Melospiza melodia morphna: Dominant and generally distributed. Thirty in an area of about 1 acre. Tail pattern good identification mark up bird alighting in brush. Groups of 10 not uncommon. Birds not as alert or agile as other birds. Few singing. Probably several hundred.

Corvus brachyrhynchus hesperis. Present practically at all times mainly in morning. Several nests in Cottonwoods may be this species. 30 were mixed with flock of 90 gulls at air port in early morning. They left first upon approach and recollected in another area from gulls.

Spinus pinus pinus. 40 birds in one flock in residential section.

Phasianus colchicus torquatus. Occasionally observed. Not many conspicuous in a few fields.

Oxyechus vociferus vociferus. Probably 60 birds in fields and shoreline.

Thryomanes bewickii calaphonus. 25-30 observed during day.

Dendroica auduboni auduboni. 4 singles. One dead at base