

Passer domesticus. Few in residential section. 420111-7

Asio flammeus flammeus. 3 birds flying together ~~in~~ weed field south of air port. 9:00 A.M. and sun shining. It is likely they use this field for resting and hunting. Many Song Sparrows in area. One bird observed flying in same area at late twilight.

Corvus brachyrhynchos brachyrhynchos. Extremely poor eastern flight this morning. Bird returned west at sundown and flying high. Their movement is east or up river at sunrise & down river at sun down.

Melospiza lincolni gracilis (sub. sp.?) One lone bird and one flock of about 12. Ruddy Song Sparrow follow it around as if for curiarity. Approached within 10' in the one case. When it flew it leaves and flies more directly and then drops abruptly as contrasted to the irregular short hops of the song sp. more abrupt flapping of tail when alighting. A flock of 12 did not let me approach except within 90'.

Turdus migratorius caurinus. Approx 15 in small groups.

Zonotrichia coronata. 8 birds observed in same area as of last week. One white Cr. Sparrow associated with them. Watched several bath in spring. These birds definitely remain in same area. One Zonotrichia leucophrys gambeli but questionable.

Capella delicata. 10 birds found in same area as of last week.

Psaltriparus minimus minimus. (sub sp.?) Only one group of 13 birds in ^a pure flock. It appears to me as if the Kinglet, Chukadees and bush tit are segregating into pure flocks.

Carpodacus mexicanus frontalis: 4 birds.

Sphyrapicus varius ruber: One bird feeding at twilight on cottonwood tree. Hole in same tree not 10' away. It may be used as a night nesting tree.

Oxyechus vociferans vociferans: Common, but not as prevalent as of last week.

Passerella iliaca fulgurosa. One bird.

4 1/2 birds. In many respects the picture of wild life remains the same but in other respects the situation is quite different. This silver thaw and cold weather has produced effects upon the following.

Interrupted morning movement of gulls and ravens.

Checked appearance of cormorant and ducks in ponds at edge of river.

Created fewer aggregations of bird groups.

Dispersed pipit flocks.

Decreased blackbird numbers.

Created ~~an~~ inhospitable river edge by ice packs and freeze.

Decreased gull activity.