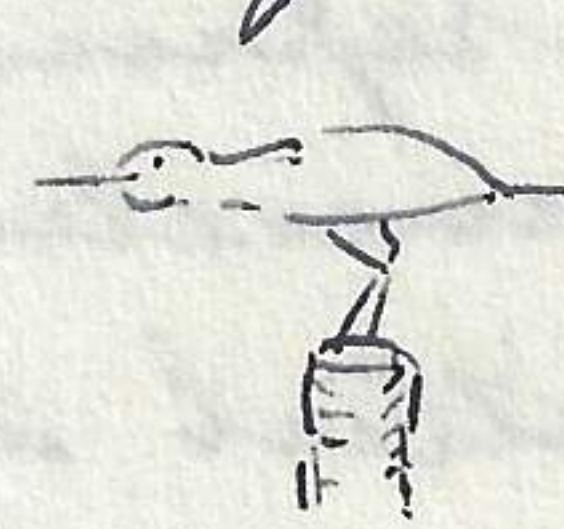


where the Creek enters the lake. This large, but shallow bay extends up creek some 4 or 5 blocks. At its upper end one finds the typical aggrade condition with meandering creek and swampy lands. It is here that the Heron are found to remain. When these forms leave the swamp & meadows they call and fly probably 300' and either alight in meadows again or preferable, as evidence from the manner of flight today, alight in top of a dead willow or upon a fence post. They anticipate the alighting for some 10 or 20 feet and with neck up make their somewhat ungainful landing. Upon landing the neck is thrust straight up into air as if they were still in the short grasses and desiring a clear and uninterrupted view around. The bird, which alighted upon the fence pole struck a horizontal repose before taking off.



Nellie reports last week he observed

5 birds at this point which compares favorable with the observations of today. Area of approx 6 acres.

Anas platyrhynchos platyrhynchos. Congregation of ducks at south end of lake in ponds. No ducks on lake proper. They had chosen such a setting because of the protection from the winds offered by the inland position and barrier of willows. Unless ♂ are indistinguishable from ♀ at this time of year am questioning if they were present. Approx 50 birds present mixed with pintail, Common teal and greenwings.

Querquedula cyanoptera. Probably 120 of these birds. Few Green wings accompanying them.

Nettion carolinense. Few accompanying Common teal.

Ardea herodias farrini. 3 in bay at mouth of Severich, 8 to the south along shore. 1 or 2 tremendously large birds and receding intrusion with bald calls. These calls do not disturb sleeping duck. One favorite place for these birds to perch is upon the high brush piles some 2 blocks inland from the lake shore. Also found them resting in top of Douglas Fir trees.