

many swallows and chimney swifts in area and flying low over water.

Sept 29, 1963

Collected the following birds at the sandpits: (the locality is the same as Sept. 27). Between 10:00 A.M. + 12:00.

630929-1 greater yellowlegs, 338 mm total length, 180 gms weight, ♂, testis 3 mm. This bird was alone and fed with the green-wing teal and blue-wing teal, passing back and forth in shallow water where the teal were foraging. The water was about 3 inches deep. As the aquatic insects were disturbed by the feeding teal, the yellowlegs would pick them up. Some insects escaped from the area and the yellowlegs would pursue them. This bird fed with the teal for at least 1/2 hour. Pond grown to Chara and other aquatic plants.

630929-2 lesser yellowlegs, 256 mm total length, 80 gms weight, ♂, testis 2.5 mm long. This bird was very fat. Because of the shorter legs, this bird is not able to wade as deep as the greater yellowlegs and is excluded from following feeding ducks.

630929-3 pectoral sandpiper, 205 total length, 55 gms weight. ♀, ovary 5.2 mm length, very fat on body.

630929-4 pectoral sandpiper, 222 mm total length, 86 gms wt. ♂

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630929-6 " "

There was not, at this hour, blackbird activity in the area, but when one penetrated the deep weeds and grass (shoulder high) one found the birds resting near the base of the weeds. These birds were hidden from above and were no doubt resting during the middle of the day. Thousands of birds were present in area but all concealed. Three great blue heron in area and 1 green heron.

1 1/10 mi. N and 1 1/2 mi. E Lawrence (P.O.), Douglas Co., Kansas

Oct. 3, 1963

Collected the following birds from the sandpits: (6:00 P.M.)

631003-1 Stilt sandpiper 204 mm total length, 50 gms ♂

631003-2 pectoral sandpiper

The stilt sandpiper is best identified by white tail in flight and relative size in comparison to lesser yellowlegs. The stilt sandpiper was feeding with pectoral sandpipers. Birds in area of lake: coot 4, ducks 45, red-billed grebe 6, great blue heron 2, bittern, blackbirds & cowbirds, large flocks, swifts, swallows, Wilson snipe 2.