


Gadwall. Next to the Baldpate in numbers. The white patch at the ~~front~~^{hind part of} end of wing  was diagnostic enough and was a character that was entirely used at far distances when the bird presented an undifferentiated appearance except for the white patch. When at a closer ^{range} the black bordering the white patch was very noticeable. In alighting upon the water would represent the manner in which the mallard drops in.

Scamp. The scamp were in evidence especially noticeable when flying past with such great speed. The black head, neck & breast is sharply contrasted against the white belly. When upon the water they have a habit of tossing their heads up and down in a nodding fashion. The white crescent of the ♀ is discernable when in flight. They favored the creek instead of the ponds to the south.

Green-wing Teal. Several small flocks. The manner of alighting represents the most reckless and carefree style approaching the water with quick and sudden deviations of its course. It retains to great speed right up to the time it attempts to alight at which time it checks its speed with rapid and forceful reverse wing beats practically stopping himself in ~~the~~ 5 or six feet. His abrupt stop is more of a plunge than a gliding stop with breast cutting the waters before him. The head of the male when seen at a close range is about the most diagnostic feature. When the ponds were approached for the first time and again when leaving my post the green-wing teal were the first birds to leave. Also when the hawks would sail a little too near to assure safety the teal again would be the first to show concern and change their position.

Red heads. A few red heads were seen, generally flying overhead to creek on the north side of dunes & creek course beyond. The red head could be seen quite distinctly when flying overhead.

Cinnamon Teal. Several feeding in pond, generally in pair or group of 3 or 4.

Mallard. The mallards seen were found feeding in the grasses or dry rushes.

Graveler. About 5 birds were seen, feeding separately but in pairs & single. The rufous sides,