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a Great Horned Owl, which had been shot, ⁵⁰⁰⁰⁰⁰⁰ was laying on its back with one side partly eaten by a marsh hawk. The marsh hawk which was sitting on a post near the nest flew over the nest and paused for a moment which no doubt indicated that he was at least concerned with the partly eaten bird. The evidence was not conclusive but all facts pointed toward the marsh hawk. The fish and game commission had sponsored a drive on magpies and someone who no doubt was in the contest, had shot this owl for pleasure while the bird was resting upon its nest during the daytime. Many magpies were also found dead among the black willows here at mouth of Hobble Creek. In regard to the magpies found 14 dead birds in just a casual inspection. All but three birds had their heads decapitated which would indicate that they had been shot during the contest sponsored by the Springville Sportsman Group. I do not heartily agree with the policy of the Game Commission in exterminating the magpie because I found upon entering this area they started to call which in turn warned the other birds of the pending danger. The pheasants, in sure, took advantage of the magpie calls. Observed 25 W. Cr. Sparrows feeding on weed seeds along a wooden fence. They seemed quite friendly and fluttered along the fence railing as we proceeded along in back of them. This tree grove at the mouth of Hobble Creek west of Springville still bears the evidence of the tree nests used by the G. B. Heron of previous years. The L. E. Owl, G. H. Owl and magpie use this tree grove consistently.

3-1-30 (see note at late insertion page 20 (1930) ³⁻¹⁻³⁰)

a large flock of ducks were feeding off Salix plant at N.W. part of Mud Lake. The shallow water and duck food offered good feeding grounds.

3-10-30

First noticeable arrival of spring. A friend informed me that on March 10. the bluebirds were observed at Charleston.

3-15-30

Several miles down the valley from Charleston, at the Johnson ranch in river cottonwood trees found the red-tail hawk just completing its nest. It was placed in a cottonwood tree on a limb that extended out. It was 50' from the top of the tree to the ground and actually 49' from the ground looking up !! As we arrived the hawk left the nest. Shriek cries from the hawk and their concern indicated that the nest was under consideration although no eggs were present. A heavy snow storm arrived later in the day. As we returned down the same valley in the afternoon found both hawks sitting in tree near the nest. A rope will be required to reach nest which is placed out on a limb some 15' from trunk of tree.

3-22-30

Gulls sitting along mill race south of Provo in First Ward Pastures. 130 birds present. Sewer is emptied into this creek.

3-23-30.

Took picture no (1-3-23-30) today taken from the west canyon sidehill west of the fish hatchery 1 mile up South Fork Canyon from