

Goose Island State Park, Aransas Co., Texas

Jan 2, 1984

Temp. 50°F. this A.M.

Left camp 778.8 at 9:00 A.M. Sparrow hawk. 781.4 sparrow hawk, 782.0 now on highway 35 going E, shrike. 782.2 2 mockingbirds. mesquite to SE dead because of change of water drainage by road. 783.2 redtail, sparrow hawk, meadowlark, 20 redwings, mockingbird. 784.6 last of roadside development - stores, houses etc. (new in last few years). 785.1 <sup>approx.</sup> 100 redwings, redtail. 785.7 5 common egret, 2 snowy egret, 1 great blue heron in one small 10' diameter pond. Sparrow hawk. Boat-tailed grackle. 786.2 approx 150 boat-tailed grackles, 20 redwings and meadowlark & redtail. 786.3 80 boat-tailed grackles. 786.9 Common egret. 787.3 sparrow hawk. 787.6 sp. hawk. 787.8 Carrasco Creek, 2 boat-tailed grackles, snowy egret. (Census, as usual is 200' each side). 788.5 sp. hawk. 789.4 shrike. 789.5 redtail. 789.8 turkey vulture, sp. hawk. 790.4 redtail 790.7 t. vulture. 791.1 2 black vultures, 1 sp. hawk. 792.0 3 snowy! common egret. 792.2 marsh hawk, meadowlark. 793.7 redtail, T. vulture, 3 mourning doves. 794.9 redtail. 795.0 4 redwings, sp. hawk. 795.7 <sup>794.9</sup> turnoff to Aransas Refuge. 796.1 redtail. 796.2 2 turkey vultures, 15 meadowlark 796.5 sp. hawk 797.0 sp. hawk. 797.2 redtail, sp. hawk, kingfisher, 2 meadowlark. 798.1 turn road, 8 meadowlarks. 798.4 sp. hawk, meadowlark. 799.1 now S. 799.3 59 meadowlark. 799.9 sp. hawk. 800.2 sp. hawk. 800.7 sp. hawk. 800.9 sp. hawk. 801.8 sp. hawk. 802.5 sp. hawk. 803.1 sp. hawk. 803.7 sp. hawk, 2 turkey vulture. 805.2 now right to Aransas Refuge. 806.2 sp. hawk. 807.0 sp. hawk, 2 meadowlarks. 807.8 25 sandhill cranes, 7 snow geese. The geese occurred at random but nearer head of formation than elsewhere, group 2-3, sp. hawk. (At turn of road with lake on left. 8 turkey vultures feeding on armadillo killed this A.M. The armadillo measured. total length 720, tail 310, hind foot 95, ear 47 mm. Vultures fed from fractured on of carapace. (lower back and sides). 808.7 turkey vulture. 809.1 shrike. 809.2 2 mourning doves. 809.8 3 meadowlark. 810.1 turkey vulture, shrike, gophers all along way up to edge of pavement, shrike. 811.1 Common egret, killdeer, killdeer. 811.6 Entrance gates to Aransas Refuge. 812.0 Visitor Center 11:10. Employee at desk reported sighting a mountain lion 2 1/2 mi. E of gates just off refuge Jan 1 at approx. 7:30 A.M. It approached road from N and as car approached turn back again. It had a long tail.