

American Egret in Lake County, Indiana.—A flock of four Egrets (*Casmerodius alba egretta*) were seen July 29, 1932, two miles west of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana, by Mr. W. C. Nelson and the writer. These birds, in a small marsh, seemed not at all disturbed by the passing of automobiles on one of the principal highways less than 100 yards away.—PHILIP A. DUMONT, *Des Moines, Iowa.* ----

Some Iowa Birds in a Des Moines Collection.—While recently examining several collections of birds from Central Iowa, a number of specimens were found in the collection of Mr. D. J. Bullock of Des Moines, which are unusual enough from Iowa to warrant publication.

Mr. Bullock secured these birds principally in Story County, Iowa, but specimens are represented from Jasper, Polk, Hamilton, Grundy, Hancock, and Dickinson Counties, as noted below. The bulk of the specimens have been taken since 1927, but a few (from Jasper County) were collected in 1900-01. At the present time the collection has been loaned to the Des Moines Public Schools and it is kept in the Washington Irving Junior High School. Mr. Bullock has kindly allowed me permission to publish these records.

Horned Grebe (*Colymbus auritus*). One killed in October, 1928, at Eagle Lake, Hancock County. This and the next species were secured at the same time.

American Eared Grebe (*Colymbus nigricollis californicus*). Four specimens taken at Eagle Lake, Hancock County, during October, 1928. Bullock reported these two species as abundant, but as all of the specimens are in winter plumage it would be difficult in the field to determine the number of each that were present.

White Pelican (*Pelecanus erythrorhynchos*). One bird out of a flock of six was killed at Little Wall Lake, Hamilton County, in September, 1929.

Double-crested Cormorant (*Phalacrocorax auritus auritus*). Two specimens from Story County taken in October, 1927. Reported as a fairly common fall migrant.

Hutchins's Goose (*Branta canadensis hutchinsi*). A large flock of between fifty and seventy-five was seen in Story County during October, 1927. Of the two specimens secured one is preserved in this collection. This is the smaller of the three forms of Canada Geese visiting Iowa, hardly larger than a drake Mallard.

Lesser Snow Goose (*Chen hyperborea hyperborea*). Two killed out of a flock of seven in Story County, March, 1928. Both are now in this collection.

Blue Goose (*Chen caerulescens*). One bird collected in Story County during November, 1927.

Hooded Merganser (*Lophodytes cucullatus*). A male taken at Little Wall Lake, Hamilton County, in October, 1929. Bullock states that small flocks are common during fall migration in this locality.

American Merganser (*Mergus merganser americanus*). A male and female collected at Little Wall Lake, Hamilton County, during September, 1929.

Swallow-tailed Kite (*Elanoides forficatus forficatus*). An adult taken in Jasper County during the fall of 1901. This is the only record Bullock has of this species.

Eastern Goshawk (*Astur atricapillus atricapillus*). One taken in Jasper County during the winter of 1901.