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Dear George:

I received the copies of the Iowa Ornithologists' Union Check-List transmitted with your letter of May 20.

Both Fred Lincoln and I feel that your committee has done an excellent job in preparing this Check-List. We have both reviewed all of the names and can find absolutely no mistakes. You are certainly to be commended on the careful job you did in this preparation.

In the next Check-List the two dowitchers are treated as separate species. Limnodromus griseus will be called "Dowitcher". Under it will be listed three subspecies. These include L. g. hendersoni, L. g. caurinus, and L. g. griseus. The second species is Limnodromus scolopaceus, which will be known as "Long-billed Dowitcher." You have shown these correctly in the list. Evidently the call-notes are one of the best field clues. This might very well form the subject of an article for Iowa Bird Life.

I appreciate also having your list of birds seen at the annual meeting held in Estherville.

Sincerely yours,

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