

Philip A. DuMont lived in Iowa, graduated from Drake University and had graduate work in vertebrate zoology at the University of California in Berkeley. During another year's work at the University of Iowa he completed the "Revised List of the Birds of Iowa" published by the University in 1934. He has written over 200 articles on birds, mostly on their migration and distribution, and recently wrote a chapter on refuges for "Birds in our Lives".

Mr. DuMont has been interested in birds for over 62 years, and his field work has included all 50 States, Mexico, several Central and South American countries, and some work in Europe, the upper half of the East African Coast, and 16 months collecting for three museums in Madagascar. He was one of the first biologists to do research on the albatross-airplane problem on Midway Islands.

His professional work in wildlife conservation began with the Iowa Fish and Game Commission when J.N. "Ding" Darling was a member. His 37½ years in the National Wildlife Refuge Program started on Malheur Refuge, and first manager on Sand Lake Refuge. In 1939, he became Administrative Assistant to J. Clark Salyer, Chief of the Refuge Division, and, later, Chief of the Branch of Interpretation which included the production of over 600 refuge leaflets, bird, and mammal lists, and other leaflets, and suggestions on nature trails, and visitor centers.

Since retirement in 1972, he has done writing, considerable travel in and out of the country, and is a recognized authority on the growing and exhibiting of daylilies, serving as chairman of the National Capital Daylily Club Show for 12 years.

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