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Phillip A. DuMont,
306 East Jefferson street,
Iowa City, Iowa.

Dear Sir:

I am working on the migration of the snow and blue geese for this newspaper and am attempting to trace their movements from the ~~xixx~~ Gulf to the north.

Mr. T. C. Stephens, with whom I have been corresponding, has suggested that I write you concerning the concentration of Blue geese in the Missouri Valley which he understands you were working on. Could you give me the location of this resting place, the number of birds in it, the dates of arrival and departure ? I would particularly like to know whether or not snow geese are mixed with the blues as at the present time, the flocks near Winnipeg contain about 10 percent of the snows. Later in the migration, the snows outnumber the blues by a great majority. At the present time I have obtained information of about 5,000 geese (90 per cent blues) but expect that the predicted south winds for Saturday and Sunday will bring up the big migration. Last year the flock was estimated to contain between 500,000 and 1,000,000 birds.

If you can supply any information, will you please

send it by wire marked " Night Press Rate, Collect "
to me, as early as possible.

I am,

very truly yours,

Burt Gresham

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