

Weather.

March. temperature 10 degrees below the normals. 8.8 in snow & 2.3 in of rain for total 5.35 with snow on ground most of the month.

April " about normal Rainfall 8.3 in. (making 5.6 above for year)

May " much above normal " about the normal.

May Temp. 6.9 above normal. high 88 & low 36. Rainfall 5.38 in (1.18 above normal)

The winter-like March delayed arrivals of early migrants until the end of the month, with the first big duck flight Mch. 31 (5000 mallards, 1000 pintail, 40 canvasback, and others). On April 2 still more ducks showed up but the pintails soon moved on and the later ducks moved through without much of a build-up. The usual arrivals of March did not show up until the first of April

April, too, was slow with only the common blackbirds and meadow larks in numbers.

May 1 produced the first large flocks of yellow-legs and pectorals, while no peeps were seen until May 18 (mostly least and semiplumated)

A mild wave of warblers on May 4 with variety but not numbers and again on May 8. Again only one or two of each species and there was a noticeable lack of numbers of myrtle warblers. But not of Tennessee warblers. Must have been ten times as many as all other warblers together.

More of -----Flickers, red-heads, redwings, goldfinches, and in town of robins.

Fewer of -- Shrikes, kingbirds, myrtle warblers, and all warblers, and migrating hawks.

Some rarer items.

Apr. 28 Horned grebe

" 30 Piping plover (in fine light)

" 18 Yellow-headed blackbird (Conesville) 1

May 19 2 Whimbrels at Conesville by Geo. Schrimper (a graduate student in Museum work, and a reliable observer. 75 ft with 8x)

Mch. 13 7 Saw-whet Owls (same area 100ft)

May 16 200 Black terns

18 First of Peeps in numbers more on May 22

" 23 15 Egrets also 10 on June 5 (nesting ?)

" 28 23 Franklins gulls (only 5 or 6 in mature plumage-- feeding in field)

" 31 Olive-sided Flycatchers 10-12 in several places. Also 6 trails in several places & big influx of Kingbirds (50) first real influx of flycatchers. Late !

" 31 Western Kingbird 1

" " Dunlins 12