

Fort Klamath Bird Count Turns Up Rare Great Gray Owls, Downy Woodpecker

FORT KLAMATH — On New Year's Day, January 1, the eighth annual Christmas count for this area was made by Mrs. Frank Strahan, Mrs. Bert Gray, Darla Dee Brewer and Lyle Brewer.

This group was assisted by Gretchen Wilson, who identified and counted birds in the area around her home at the Wilson Cottages.

In the vicinity of the Klamath Trout Hatchery south of here, the count was made by Mrs. Dick (Lenore) Evans, wife of the hatchery superintendent, assisted by her son Rocky and her two nephews, Richard and Allen Toon, who are visiting here from their home in the flood devastated area of Yuba City, California.

Mrs. Strahan is a member of the Nature Society of the Klamath Basin and the National Audubon Society; Mrs. Gray is a member of the Klamath society, and the entire group of ornithologists making the survey are all ardent bird and nature lovers.

Mrs. Strahan, Mrs. Gray and the two young Brewer children counted birds in the district starting in the north at the southern boundary of Grater Lake National Park and terminating to the south at Modoc Point, with side jaunts made to the Seven Mile area west of here, on the county road leading south, and to Collier State Park on Highway 97. On the seven mile trip, 70 miles were covered by car and one quarter mile afoot.

Weather conditions this year were very poor for bird counters, with snow flurries in the morning and overcast skies in the afternoon rendering visibility bad. The local bird lovers counted 412 birds of 27 different species during the day, the count falling far below that of previous expeditions. Contributing factors are thought to be the severe winter conditions prevailing since early November, many birds having left the region, and many others remaining hidden from view due to bad weather on New Year's Day.

Above figures include those observed and classified by Gretchen Wilson as well as one lone downy woodpecker noted atop a telephone pole by Bert Gray at his home here. Birds seen and listed are as follows: American magpie, 131; ruffed grouse, 1; red-tailed hawk, 16; American roughleg hawk, 21; great gray owl (a very rare species) 3; Steller's Jay, 10; Oregon Jay, 15; red-breasted nuthatch, 3; English sparrow, 25; valley quail, 1; mountain chickadee, 8; brown creeper, 3; blue heron, 3; mallard duck, 7; coot, 4; marsh hawk, 1; pied-billed grebe, 2; buffle-head duck, 10; Brewer blackbird, 108; yellowhead blackbird, 1; tri-colored blackbird, 6; pygmy owl, 1; golden-eye duck, 4; lesser scaup, 17; water puzel (dipper), 7; Wilson snipe, 3; downy woodpecker, 1.

Student Driver Course Described

A study of 1,115 high school driver training classes throughout the United States in 1954, just completed by the AAA, shows that on the average, students received 32.8 hours of class room instruction and eight hours behind-the-wheel practice, the Oregon AAA office reported today.

The study embraced classes in which 75,007 students were trained in approved driver training courses. An average of 68 students per school were trained in the courses with the dual control cars used being driven an average of 79.1 miles per student trained.

LEGAL ADOPTION
LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP)—A husband's legal adoption of his own wife figured in disposition of a \$64,000 estate today.

Mrs. Louise W. Graybill, the wife, is not automatically an heir at law in Kentucky, but the suit said Mrs. Graybill "was by an order of Fayette County court, adopted by the said Robert E. Graybill."



JUNIPER CHARTER, Order of DeMolay, of Redmond, gave a lecture at the recent installation of officers of Klamath Lodge 77 AF&M. Shown are Phil Hector (left), deputy master counselor; Ted Kromer, senior counselor; Gary Baker, marshal; Jim McCormick, chaplain; Ross Stephen, master counselor, and Steve Kasserman, junior counselor. Other program numbers were presented by Job's Daughters Bethel Six.



AIRMAN MICHAEL L. ERICKSON, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arvid C. Erickson, 2641 Front Street, is taking basic training at Parks Air Force Base, California. Prior to entering the Air Force last November, he attended Klamath Union High School.

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State Water Supply Outlook Reported Good For 1956

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The water supply outlook in Oregon for 1956 generally is good, W. T. Frost, snow survey supervisor for the Soil Conservation Service, said Monday.

Much early snow was removed by warm rains and winds, but the present water content of mountain snow cover averages 140 per cent of normal on the 38 snow courses measured. Last year at this time the snow cover was only 78 per cent of normal.

Frost said the snow cover is about equally above normal at stations above and below the 5,000 foot elevation.

Fifty per cent of the normal winter snowfall was recorded by Jan. 1. Normally, only about 35 to 40 per cent of the total winter's snow has fallen by then.

Soils in mountain watersheds, extremely dry at the beginning of the winter season, are now satisfactorily wetted throughout most of the state.

Stored water in 20 of the state's important irrigation reservoirs was down 3 per cent from the 15-year average of 1938-1952. However, the average was 18 per cent greater than last year.

Storage in the Malheur County reservoirs is only 35 per cent of the 15-year average and not yet

up to that of last year. Storage in Ochoco Reservoir above Prineville also is under that of last year but the total is nearly up to the average.

Elsewhere in the state, the water storage situation is brighter with Willamette flood control reservoirs temporarily storing more than their normal amounts.

Statewide precipitation between September and November averaged 120 per cent of normal for the 15-year period ending in 1952, ranging from 80 per cent of normal in Southeastern Oregon to 141 per cent of normal in the Lower Columbia area. Statewide December precipitation was about twice normal.

Stream flow for the period

October through December was about normal for the state. But December stream flow exceeding all previous records was reported in some areas, particularly the flood-plagued southwestern coastal areas.

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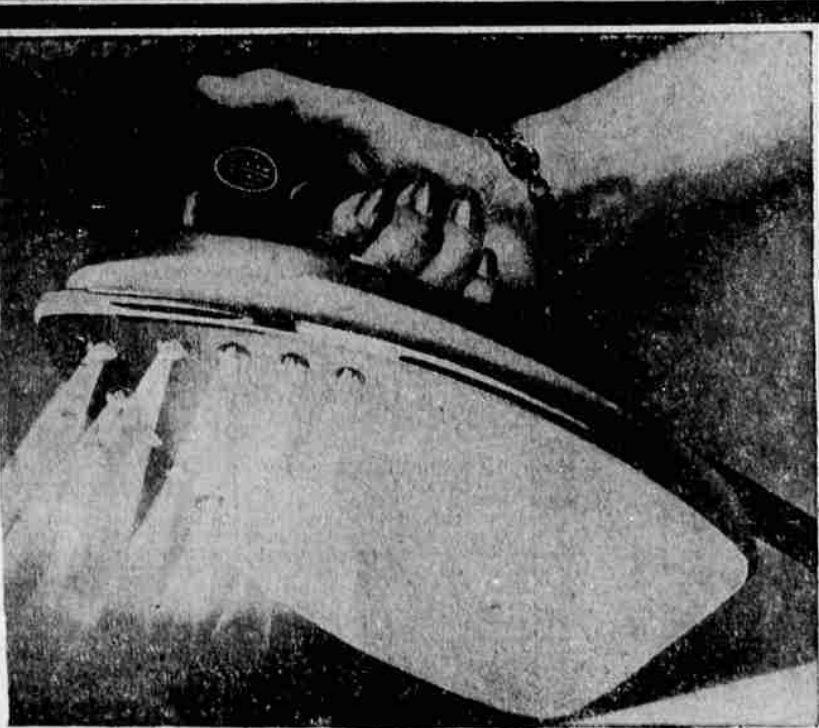
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