

Species: Piping Plover (Vernacular Name) Charadrius melodia (Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): 5-10-75 Time Bird Seen: 10:00 AM to

Locality: Red Lion Wildlife Area

Nearest Town: Crook County: Logan

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME	ADDRESS	TELEPHONE
<u>Van Ramzen</u>		
<u>Bob Anderson</u>		
<u>Bill Lybarger</u>		

Optical Equipment: 7x35 Binoculars

Light Conditions: clear

Distance from Bird (how measured): 300 ft estimate

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: Plumage: breeding

Overall Appearance and Size: shape much like song sparrow
about 5" long

Detailed Description (describe only what was actually observed in the field):

Bill (shape and color): short yellow with black tip

Legs (shape and color): yellow

Crown and Forehead: white crown light brown Eye (color): dark

Nape: light brown Face: dark Throat: white

Breast and Sides: white with partial black band on breast

Belly and Flanks: white

Undertail Coverts: white

Back: light brown

Wings: brown with white wing stripe

Underwings:

Rump: white

Uppertail Coverts: white

Upper Side of Tail: white with black terminal band

Under Side of Tail:

Shape of Tail: short rounded

Voice:

Behavior: running along beach

Habitat: sand dunes

Prior Experience with this Species: seen in Texas

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? none of the other plovers have an all white rump

This Report was Written From: Notes made during after X observation; Memory

Signed: Jim Sauer Street Address: 2995 Eagle Way #9

Date Prepared: 5-12-75 Town and State: Boulder Co. ZIP: 80501

Face white with faint brownish cheek red orbital ring

Accepted 9/10 8/5/75

Species: Piping Plover

Charadrius melodus

(Vernacular Name)

(Scientific Name-use binomial)

Date(s): 10 May 1975

Time Bird Seen: ~ 0945 to (10 seconds)

Locality: State Wildlife area S. of Jumbo Res.

Nearest Town: Sedgwick

County: Logan

Other observers who identified this bird:

NAME

ADDRESS

TELEPHONE

Steve Larson (found it)

Robert Andrews

Bill Lybarger

Optical Equipment: 10x50 binocs

Light Conditions: good - light overcast

Distance from Bird (how measured): 40' (guess)

Number of Birds Seen: 1 Sex: unknown Plumage: breeding adult

Overall Appearance and Size: size, shape, and general appearance exactly like Semipalmated Plover but obviously much paler like Snowy Plover

Detailed Description (describe only what was actually observed in the field):

Bill (shape and color): stumpy shape like Semipalmated; dark with pale base

Legs (shape and color): pale

Crown and Forehead: pale gray with dark stripe through crown connecting eyes

Eye (color): not noted

Nape: pale gray

Face: white

Throat: white

Breast and Sides: white with complete dark band through chest like Semipalmated Plover

Belly and Flanks: white

Undertail Coverts: not seen

Back: pale gray like Snowy Plover

Wings: pale gray - wing stripe in flight

Underwings: not seen

Rump: white (seen well as bird flew away from us) both Semipalmated and Snowy have dark rumps

Uppertail Coverts: white

Upper Side of Tail: dark spot covers most of tail - bordered in white

Under Side of Tail: not seen

Shape of Tail: like Semipalmated

Voice: "poip-poip" as it flew away from us - different from the "chuwoop" of Semipalmated

Behavior: standing on edge of bare shore - flushed directly away from us

Habitat: diked ponds in wet-grass meadow; bare shore

Prior Experience with this Species: twice in California

How Were Similarly Appearing Species Eliminated? Semipalmated - has dark rump, much darker plumage, and different call. Snowy - has dark rump, dark legs, in complete breast band, thinner bill, no stripe through crown

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Signed: Van Berman

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