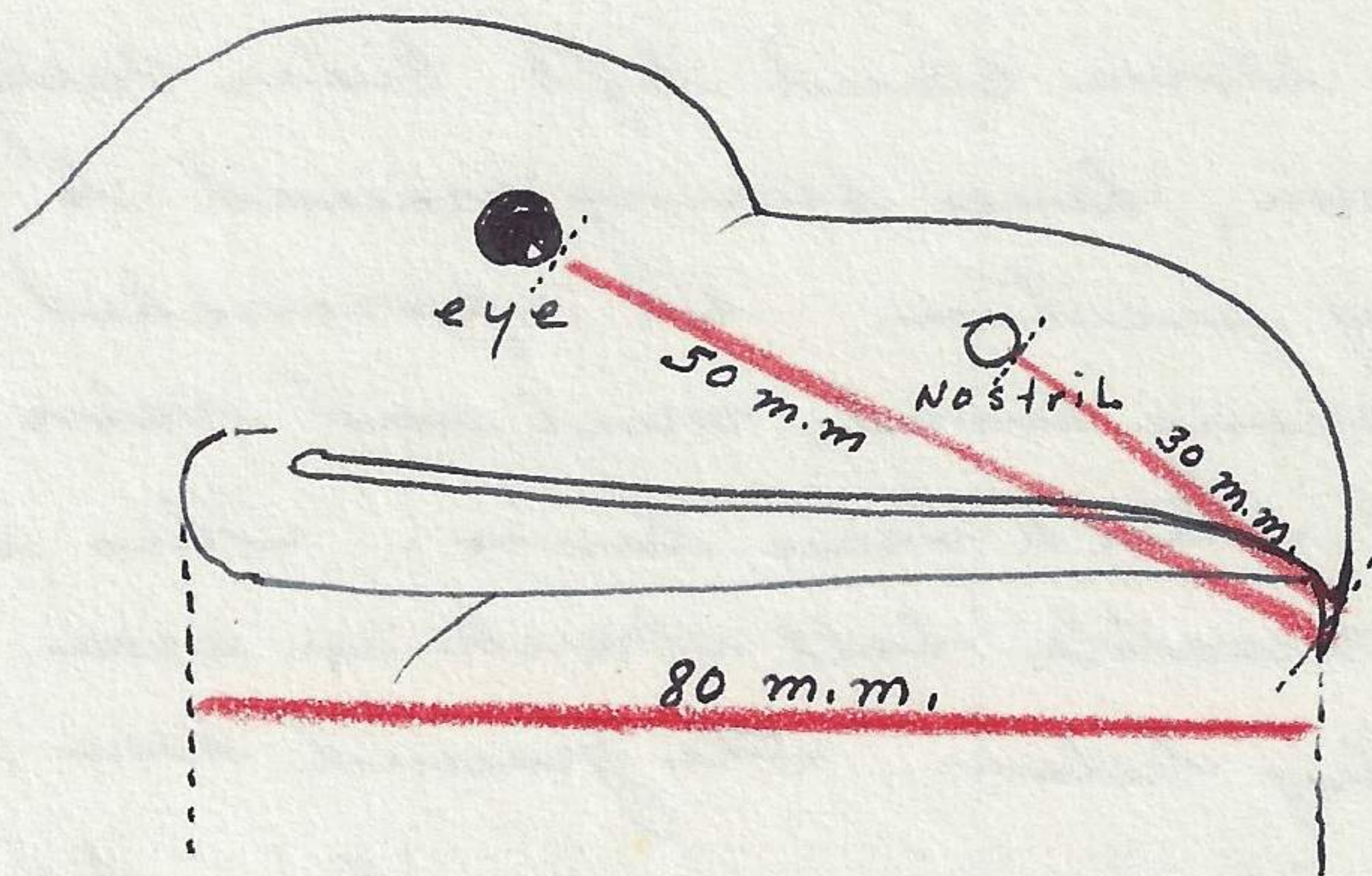


too glad to ⁴¹⁰³²⁰⁻²³ descend into a more gentle and less vigorous passion. On way past nest examined the structure. Nest placed on west side of trunk 12' up in tree and about 4' down from uppermost growth of live limbs. 2 1/2 to 3' m from outer peripheral edge of tree. Tree malformed with dead branches generally distributed throughout tree. Nest a fragile platform of about 50 small mahogany sticks 1/8" wide and 4 to 8 inches long. They approached nest from the west entrance. Will take picture on a subsequent trip. Snow, or most of the ground around tree. Before and after the first part of the storm a *Myadestes townsendi* called continuously about 800' west of the Clark Crow nest. This contact with these birds indicated to me how variable the actions of a bird or animal will be in obedience to the many factors operating in the environment and how unsafe it is for one to judge all actions of the forms from too inadequate information, at least from evidence not including the many different situations and conditions under which the forms might be operating. To me, natural relationships are too intricate to make conclusive statements from our more or less superficial observations.

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Eagle taken from a nest at Halden, Utah. Apparently it had become entangled in nest structure and had died from starvation and inactivity and exposure. The foot measured 60 m.m (middle toe without claw) measurement of head from nostril to end of beak; from eye to end of beak; and length of lower jaw.



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Dr. Beck and I made trip to Rock Island in Utah Lake to check upon the progress of California Gull nesting (*Larus Californicus*). As we approached the island found the Gulls ⁽³⁰⁰⁾ flying over the nesting area. As we entered harbor they flew to the peripheral edge. Some places looked as if they had excavated a nesting foundation but no nesting material had been deposited upon the island. No birds flying while we made our inspection tour. All adult gulls present. Very little white excreta on island as compared to layers of it later on during