

307 W. 23rd, Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas

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April 6, 1950

at trailer observed a ♀ Turdus migratorius test out the suitability of a nesting site in an elm tree. The bird would momentarily sit in crotch of tree and then get up and after turning around would sit again in a new position. At each time she would turn from one direction to another as if actually forming the cup of the future nest. After 2 1/2 minutes left. 9:50 A.M.

April 7, 1950

Robin of about testing another nesting site 18 feet from where observed yesterday. 9:00 A.M. Grackles still in flocks. The buds showing interesting in area a week ago seem to be present one day a gone the nest.

April 15, 1950

Observed the robin and Bronze Grackle carrying dried grass to nesting trees at 307 W. 23rd, Lawrence, Kansas.

April 16, 1950

Chimney Swift flying over area today. Cardinal copulating Museum of Natural History, University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

April 16, 1950

Night watchman reports 2 Great Horned Owls, one in the museum building (Dyche) and one 150' away on the museum of art across the street. They were calling back and forth at 1:00 A.M.

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April 21, 1950

Brown thrasher building nest in bush at Carl Stokes residence.

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April 24, 1950.

Robin starting to bring nesting material to nest site (see notes April 7, 1950). This final site was chosen just in front of trailer. A mockingbird passed thru the area.

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April 28, 1950.

Robin still building nest this A.M. at 8:00 (see notes April 7, 1950 and April 24, 1950). They appear to work mainly in the morning from day break to about 9:00 A.M. On 4 occasions in one hours observation of this nest, four Bronzed grackle and 1 English Sparrow robbed this robin nest of a mouth full of dried grasses. The sparrow took only a feather. First large groups of Myrtle warbler passing thru the area.