

Sept 6, 1954

Blue jay picked up creada and the insect continued to drum its call until the jay had almost completely consumed the insect. This jay was in area of the mourning dove research project 540511-1.

1 mi W and 5 mi. S Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas.

Sept 8, 1954

Large flock of grackles about 2 blocks long wheeling south-east. many thousands of birds were in this flock.

Museum Natural History, Univ. Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas.

Sept. 14, 1954

Research project 540511-1. Mourning dove nest with two eggs. Grackle killed at Law Building.

Sept 15, 1954

Research project 540511-1. Mourning dove nest with one egg and one young.

Sept. 16, 1954

Research project 540511-1. Mourning dove with 2 young.

Sept 28, 1954

Research project 540511-1. One adult and 2 young mourning doves roosting 2 feet from nest. When flushed at 6:00 P.M they flew about 100 feet into a tree. No nesting of these doves after this date.

Summary:

May 11, mourning dove on nest of 1 egg.

" 12, nest deserted and egg gone.

June 10, new nest 1 meter from old nest. 1 egg (30 days after desertion above)

June 11, second egg in nest

June 12, both eggs still in nest.

June 23, 1 young, 1 egg. 14 days incubation

" 24, 2 young.

July 3, adult remaining continuously with young which have crowded adult off nest.

July 6, only at nest for feeding young. Before this date adult remained at nest all day.

July 8, young at nest in evening

July 9, young left nest.

July 12, adult on nest (4 days after young had left).

July 14, new nesting material on same nest used above.

July 17, 1 egg at 9:00 A.M, ♂ & ♀ on nest.