

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas

Aug. 1, 1956

Departed 8:30 A.M. at mileage 9134 for Churchill, Canada. Alford Robinson of Topeka, George Young and myself made trip to collect material of arctic section of panorama at the Museum of Natural History, Univ. of Kansas. Arrived Rock Rapids, Iowa at 7:00 P.M. at mileage 9492 or 358 miles.

Rock Rapids, Iowa

Aug 2, 1956

Departed 7:15 A.M., route 75 all the way to Grand Rapids, North Dakota, thence west on highway 2 to Rugby, N. Dakota. Covered 485 miles today (mileage at Rugby 9977 mi.)

Rugby, North Dakota

Aug 3, 1956

Departed 7:30 A.M., highway no. 3 to Brandon, Canada. Rain all the way. Coats and grebes in lakes but ducks rare. Prairie (mountain form) to Dunseith, thence n to 500ft hills of aspen lake forests. Noticeable increase in ducks and hawks. Prairie intermediate between aspen and true prairie. Birds at international boundary on north side; mallard, pintail, eared grebe, coot, hawk sp?, mt. bluebird, crow, blackbirds, muskrats, cottontail. Fifteen miles north country drops down to prairie at 2,000 ft, as was the level of the prairie south of the boundary. Only trees are around houses. The hills are terminal moraines with lakes. Conspicuous birds beyond hills to north in order of abundance: red-winged blackbird, mourning dove, crow. Other birds include Eng. Sparrow, black tern, striped skunk (rd. kill), goldfinch, swallows. Lunch at noon north of Minnedosa at 10118 miles. Minnedosa River at 10122.9. Considerable erosion from side of valley.

Started census of crows from mileage 10126 (north of Minnedosa) to north, or properly from ~~Erickson~~ ^{10126 mileage}. Beginning of good aspen a few conifers on all slopes and exposures, not just in canyons as was true to the south.

10128.9	2 crows
10130.5	4 "
10131.4	1 "
10132.4	Erickson