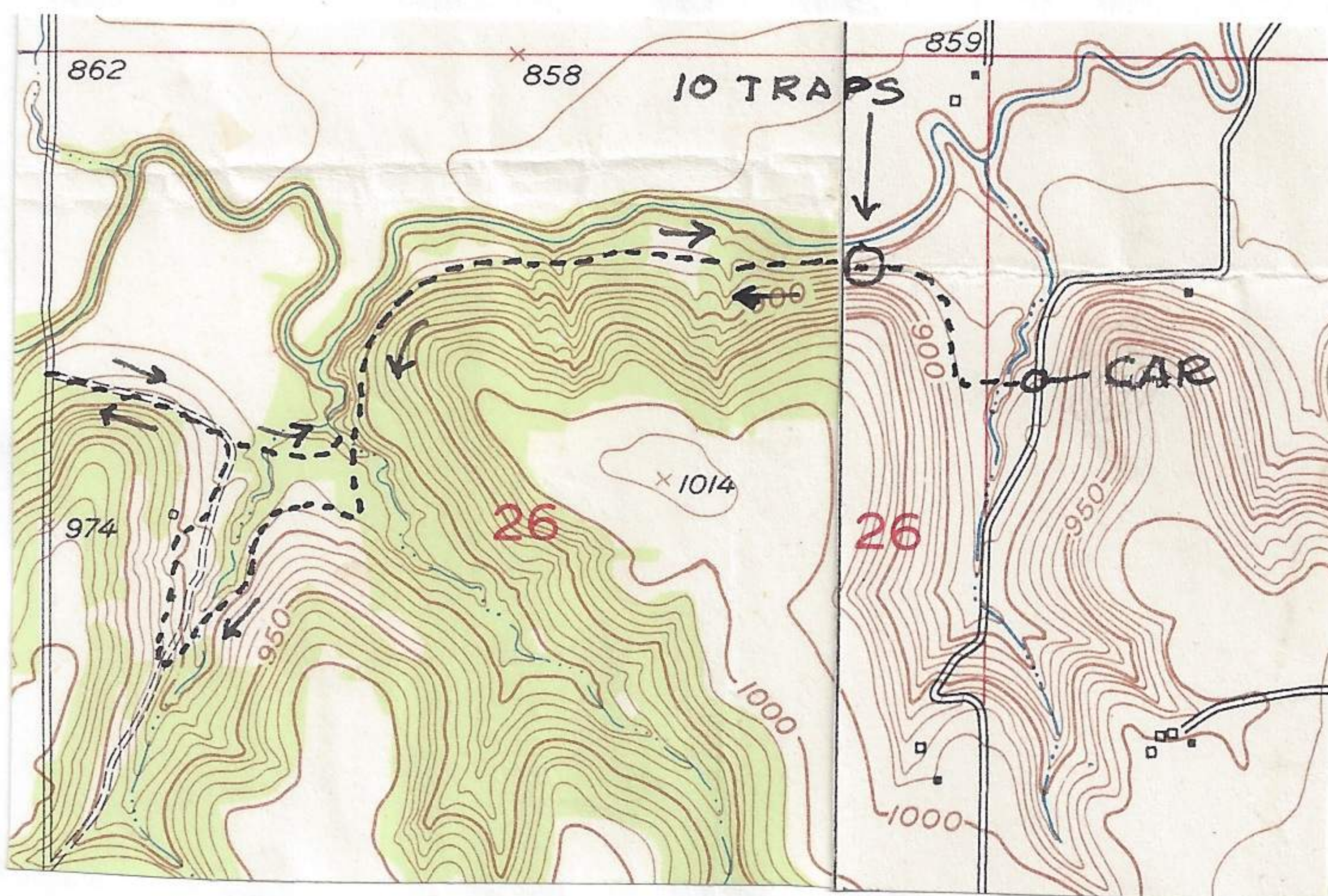


1 3/20 mi. S and 9/10 mi. E Clinton (center of town), Douglas Co., Kansas

March 22, 1963

made reconnaissance trip from mouth of canyon at east border of sec 26, T. 18 E, R. 13 S to road on west side of sec. 26. Followed base of slope at valley - hillside contact, and slightly above. Enroute set 10 traps in weedy field at above locality. At 1500 feet E and 1700 ft S of NW corner 26 sec at point where creek from S enters Rock Creek, noted ♂ + ♀ wood duck. They called as they left. Did not see any rabbits and only a few birds. This area is depauperate of birds, especially at canyon of abandoned farm in western part of sec 26. Enroute back to car. noted that small canyon along slope supported cold air and between canyons, warm. There is no evidence of springs or marsh areas



across sec 26, at least at contact between hill and valley. The area of 10 traps was used by *Microtus ochrogaster*. There were also a few patches around abandoned house in canyon

in west side of sec 26. no evidence or likely places for *Synaptomys*. Left car approx. 6:10 and set 10 traps at 20' apart. On return picked them up at late twilight at a light too dark to see animals in traps. The two animals captured are as follows: (locality is the one listed at heading above date:

630322-1 *Microtus ochrogaster* 144-31-17-10 - 33gms  
630322-2 *Reithrodontomys megalotis* 140-65-17-12 - 13gms

Rock Creek is too small for continuous navigation by canoe; it is however, a very beautiful creek with large trees bordering. noted one eastern fox squirrel enter a twig + leaf nest 30' high in tree bordering field. Many corn cobs and husks at base of 4 adjoining trees.