


3 mi. W Lone Star Lake, Douglas Co., Kansas

April 16, 1965

Robert Pierson presented me with 6 snakes collected in the Lone Star Lake area. These snakes are preserved as follows:

- 650416-1 *Agkistrodon contortrix mokeson*, length of body 600 mm, length of tail 96 mm, weight 190 gms.
- 650416-2 *Agkistrodon contortrix mokeson*, length of body 532 mm, length of tail 78 mm, weight 115 gms.
- 650416-3 *Crotalus horridus*, length of body 840 mm, length of tail 88 mm, weight 440 gms. This snake has a reddish stripe down its back and a prominent dark stripe behind its eye  suggesting the characters of the subspecies *C. h. atricaudatus* (Canebrake rattlesnake).
- 650416-4 *Agkistrodon contortrix mokeson*, length of body 240 mm, length of tail 40 mm, wt 12 gms.
- 650416-5 *Elaphe obsoleta*, body length, tail, wt.
- 650416-6 *Elaphe obsoleta*, body length, tail, wt.

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas

April 17, 1965

Robins and starling actively carrying nesting material. Noted a pair of starling (nesting in box at 1620 Tennessee) to copulate on the ground while in the process of nest building.

Richland area, Douglas Co., Kansas

April 18, 1965

Made trip to heronry and to check the melanistic fox squirrel noted previously. This trip is the same route as followed April 10, 1965. Did not keep complete record but made the following observations: One elm near area of melanistic squirrel measured 16 feet in circumference, ^(C.H.) another measured 14 feet. marmot at first drainage from N. Many more trails along Wakarusa River than elsewhere I have examined. Trails cross at upper edge of bank when a barrier (land slide) is present. Yellow warbler in area. For the blue-gray gnatcatcher at certain times looks like a warbler. Feeds under logs near ground as well as in upper story of trees. 6 Great blue herons on nest, one on isolated nest to N. No fox squirrels along entire route both ways. No rattontails. 2 redtails at first drainage to N. 5 vultures in air. At 1/2 mi W of ~~the~~ S end of dam along main highway noted a scissor-tail flycatcher.