

one row S into field and one row down into creek bed and across to other side; eastern phoebe at bridge with two colored bands on ^{right} leg, one distal a green and one above on proximal a red; 5:47 pair redwings; 5:48 2 bobwhites left dike and flew 100 feet to east on dike; 2 meadowlarks singing to N; 2 meadowlarks singing to S; others singing to N + S beyond range of observation; 5:50 2 brown thrashers flying east along dike in shrubs + trees; 5:51 g. h. owl left area of drainage gate and flew S along drainage to 1/2 way across fields + lit in tree, as it passed by, 3 redwings on territories chased it; *Rana pipiens* about one every 30 feet along drainage ditch, saw 5:54 water gates, checked 20 boards and down debris and found 1 immature 350 body, 102 tail, 20 gms 650501-1 and 4 *Peromyscus maniculatus*. They had nests under this debris. These are the boards that on previous dates have support great numbers of *Aegmodon* and other kind of snakes; 6:00 left area of old pld and continued east again on old dike; 6:01 cardinal ♂; 6:02 american bittern left edge of creek and waded up 3 feet to grasses among elm trees (30' high) where it remained quiet with head straight in the air, it move some but slightly, when approached at 25' it left and legs dangle characteristically until in flight; 2 killdeers in swale to right; stinging nettle wherever found is approx 1 1/2 feet high; 6:05 savanna sparrow; red-wing black-bird to left; 2 mourning doves to right; 2 meadowlarks flew in from field to S; 6:06 2 males redwing; cottonwood trees mainly in flower, some leaves present but small; 6:07 end of dike, now trending SE along same dike; one cottontail left dike; one yellow throat singing; 2 grackles + 2 redwings, creeked frog calling; the pond at east of bend of dike muddy and not like clear water of creek or other ponds; 6:07 ♂ + ♀ redwing in tree; 6:08 1 lesser yellowlegs and 2 solitary sandpipers (*Tringa solitaria*) in pond right of dike. The yellowlegs left calling and alighted in field 200' beyond. The solitary sandpiper have a complete body tilt and frequently wash ^{in water} bill, after feeding on insects or small molluscs. Their call is very soft and suggest the volume of a smaller sandpiper. They left in rapid flight and did not return to area. Remained at sandpiper area for 6 minutes and then continued on dike to bridge arriving at 6:15; heard first dickcissel call in field to W; continuing S along E edge of Haskell area (along W side ~~Louisa Ave~~ ^{Haskell} ~~Louisa Ave~~).