

pursued by the second bird and escaped into a juniper tree. The pursuer did not continue the chase beyond the edge of the tree and after 30 seconds flew back to fighting area and sat motionless & low in spray of a sprinkler for about 2 minutes as if exhausted. I have never seen such closed and continuous fighting in the Common grackle or for that matter in any species of bird.

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas

May 4, 1965

The ♀ *Synaptomys cooperi* captured on March 23, 1964 (see notes of that day) and the ^{same} female which gave birth to 3 young, died today. This female & young had been in my possession since Nov. 20, 1964 (see notes of that date). This female measured: 136-20-20-10-42 gms. at time of death. This female was in captivity for approx 13 1/2 months and must have been at least one month old at the time she gave birth to the young so the minimum age was 14 1/2 months.

Wakarusa River, Douglas Co., Kansas

May 8, 1965

on Wakarusa River

Mary Reuline and I made census of birds and mammals from Wakarusa bridge on main road approx 6/10 mi. N and 17/10 mi. W Clinton to a bridge approx 1 1/20 mi. N and 27/20 mi. E Clinton. Trip by canoe approx 9 7/10 miles by river (as an ^{aerial line} ~~airline~~ is 4 1/2 miles). At this time of year water slightly above average height in water. Trip took approx 6 1/2 hrs (9:23 AM to 4:00 P.M.). Started at home in Lawrence. Left 8:30 A.M. at mileage 60.2. Will keep kinds of birds noted between home and S end of proposed Clinton Reservoir Dam and then complete census across proposed dam area to starting point of river trip (will follow regular highway to Clinton & beyond). meadowlark, starling, grackle, Eng Sparrow, house wren, crested flycatcher, martin, mourning dove, dickcissel, cowbird. Now at S end of proposed dam at mileage 68.7 (complete census): 68.9 red-winged blackbird; 68.9 cowbird, 69.1 3 barn swallow; can hear dickcissels in field; 69.6 mourning dove, dickcissel; 70.1 Rock Creek bridge; 71.0 red-winged blackbird; can hear meadowlarks and dickcissels in field to right & left; 71.3 four grackles, meadowlark; 71.7 2 turkey vultures; 72.0 red-wing blackbird; dickcissels all along the way; 72.7 English Sparrows in town (Clinton); 73.0 2 mourning doves; 7:31 meadowlark, mourning dove; 7:34 mourning dove & dickcissel.