

many places. An old building (log) N Clinton was a station as is a building just E of the proposed down set where the road is a Y at Wabamusa bridge crossing. At lake noted 8 red-headed woodpeckers. The following information is taken word for words from a tape recorder of the voice of Mr Peterson as we drove around his farm. "This was swamp here (Wabamusa valley flood plain S of his farm) we put this dike in along base of hill so that when it rained it would not form a lake in our fields. As you would go that way (E and S) it was so bad that there was a railroad bridge across it at the intersection (where road from rattlesnake hill joins main EW road in Wabamusa valley) and they fished there. Now these old timers told me that they sat on the bridge and catch fish so you can see how badly it was down there. A lot of people don't realize how bad it was down there. Swamp grass grew here and you can see some growing along the road where the sign is, you'd see some there. Well, a man would ride there on a horse and you would not see the horse but you would just see the man. Swamp grass is not good for anything, you know. The ducks stayed here all summer long. When we go by the house I tell you what the old ^{fellows} told me. There is a window in the south and he had a big old telescope which you pull out you know and he would look out of the window and look down to the swamp and they would see the ducks & geese here and that's where they hunted. The muskrat and otter were here too, there are beaver here now. There is a beaver dam on the Wabamusa down there and when I was down there you could walk across it. Now there's the swamp grass right there. It was all over this swamp. It is rare you see mallards around here but teal stay around here all summer. They stay down on that one there, people don't bother it too much and a few stay down there below our house on that little pond and nobody is around it much. This is rattlesnake hill. Well, I wish we could bring back more marsh land. We ^{sure} ~~have~~ made a mistake, didn't we. I was just talking to Mr. Wultzberger, the conservation man that died not long ago and he said, I said, what would we do if we know what we know now and taken charge of it as it you know, as it was first, and he said well, were making mistakes now and don't know it and probably make more