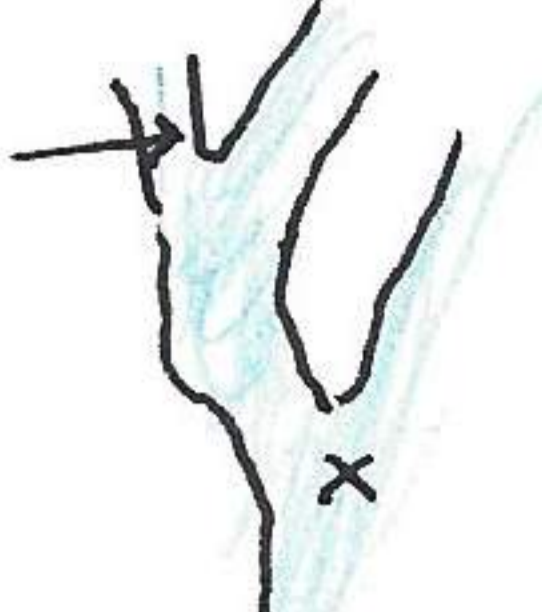


It would appear that beaver are just starting house construction for winter with new branches on old house or new ones just starting.
 2 kingfishers. 9:55 mouth Mud Creek and good beaver house just a few yards to left of its entrance. 10:15 end of high mass of island. Good beaver house across river to NE. 2 kingfishers. 3 crows calling to SW and probably harassing a g. horned owl. 10:16 drainage to right which includes short cut channel. 
 Temp up to 55°F. 10:28 major drainage to left. 3 American mergansers about 2/10 miles down stream including 2 males and 1 female. Even at this distance they were weary and started to swim down stream. 10:58 now at bend of river. The mergansers had moved down to this point and left down river as we approached to within approx 300 ft. No pelican this trip although they were observed here on two previous trips.
 11:00 2 kingfishers. 11:06 drainage from N. 11:17 double drainage with trees between. Temp 60°F overcast and some low stratus nimbuslike clouds. Slight wind. 11:25 kingfisher. 11:27 small flock longspurs on sands to SW. 11:30 the 3 mergansers left water 400' ahead of us, flew down river, circled and then returned up river past us. 11:31 3 meadowlarks at sandbar and bathing in water. 11:42 3 large Panapipiens, one of which left rocks. Kingfisher. Dead carp noted on last trip not on sands at edge of water as noted previously. None noted appear 12 dead gizzard shad in water since Lawrence. Some minnow action at edge of river at places, jumping out of water. No large carp activity today. Kingfisher here. Arrive Eudora bridge at 11:55 having covered 9 1/2 miles in a leisure 3 hrs and 21 minutes or approx.

Summary of large birds:

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| red-tail hawks no hawks! | crow 2-3-3- |
| great blue herons 2- | American mergansers 3 |
| kingfisher 1-1-2-2-2-1-1-1- | killedeer 1- |

Kaw River, Douglas Co., Kansas

Checked Kaw River at first N bend beyond Eudora. ^{Nov 27, 1966}
 High winds on river from NW and white caps on all exposed waters. Turbulence particularly great where waters + currents were greatest and on long stretches exposed to NW winds. Sand as clouds on sand bars. 