

Enroute to this area made complete censuses of birds beginning at the S end proposed Clinton Reservoir dam. Birds between Lawrence & dam are: Eng sp., grackle, meadowlark, cowbird, dickcissel, redwing, Indigo bunting, barn swallow. Wind from S and about 15 m.p.h. temp around 88. Sky with beautiful cumulus & 20% of sky.

92.9 S end dam, dickcissel, 93.0 dickcissel, dickcissel, meadowlark. 93.2 dickcissel, redwing, dickcissel. 93.3 dickcissel, meadowlark, redwing. 93.4 dickcissel. 93.5 redwing, dickcissel. 93.6 dickcissel. Field on both sides of this section plowed and no dickcissels or birds present. 94.1 mourning dove. 94.3 Rock Creek, water down to approx 1 foot. 94.4 meadowlark, dickcissel. 94.6 Collins farm, meadowlark, usual English sparrow at farm. 94.9 dickcissel. 95.0 2 grackles, cowbird, meadowlark. 95.4 redwing and to S., 2 bluebirds. 95.5 mockingbird, meadowlark. 95.7 meadowlark, dickcissel, redwing. 95.8 dickcissel, redwing, dickcissel. 95.9 meadowlark, shrike. 96.0 meadowlark. 96.2 dickcissel. 96.4 bridge over Rock Creek. meadow flycatcher. water muddy and about 8 inches above normal non-rain periods. <sup>corn approx. 3 feet high</sup> 96.5 Indigo bunting. 96.7 base of hill. 96.9 bluejay, Indigo bunting. 97.1 dickcissel, dickcissel, dickcissel. 97.2 now to E. 97.3 dickcissel, 97.4 4 bluebirds <sup>chipping sparrow</sup>. 97.5 end of census and leaving car.

3 7/10 mi. E and 8 1/10 mi. N Lawrence (P.O.), Douglas Co., Kansas

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From the above locality, collected a sex-lined racerunner no 680606-1. It measured 70 mm body, 139 tail, 11 gms.

A few observations are recorded:

A male redwing blackbird was sitting on a wire of a telephone line 35' from a railroad track. It was calling in protest as I passed by. At this moment a freight train (80 cars and traveling about 50-60 miles per hour) passed by. The redwing remained on the wire during the time the train passed. Its unconcern of this train indicated a highly specific degree of habituation for trains that passed thru his nesting territory. After the train passed a female joined the ♂. It was at a nest of young in the short shrubs below the ♂.