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Left sand cliffs at 3:10. Passed rock barrier at end of cliffs at 3:13. at 3:35 stopped on sandbar in river, set out a decoy and remained until 4:30. at sand bar heard 2 great horned owls, one on north side of river (to west of my position) and a second one on south side of river (NE of my position). The one to west called at the rate of 4 calls per minute while the one on my left called approx. 1 call per minute. These owls called from at least 3:15 when the one on the N side was first heard up river to 4:30 when I left area. There were intervals when they did not call at the regular interval. Photo 681123-6 of cones and late afternoon skies. at 3:45. Large commercial jet planes passed low under clouds on their way to Kansas City airfield. These planes arrived from the west in clear skies and when approaching cloud mass of cold front that passed over today, descended to make a long low approach under the clouds. This clear area at this time is just visible to the far west. at 4:10 5 mallards flew by at high elevation to N and at about the time they approached the curve of river near Saldier Creek, a train passed and the ducks reacted by climbing higher and turning west away from their general northern course. They finally turns and with set wings descended from their high position to that section of the river to the west where 3 mallards were observed earlier on this trip. Left 4:30. 4:50 arrived mouth Saldier Creek. 5:00 RR bridge at Linwood. Kingfisher flying about bridge as if trying to locate there for the night. Sky to W a brilliant red as sun shone from clear area west of the tail end of the cold front onto the underside of the <sup>cold</sup> front mass.

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Mary Pauline returned from Cheyenne Bottoms with Ross biology club. She reports the following interesting birds observed the area:

golden eagle  
hooded merganser  
pelican  
falcon (sp.?)

buffle head  
baldpate  
coot  
roughleg  
yellow crowned night heron