

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas
Feb. 3, 1969

In the last 3 previous days (including today as one of the 3) only approx. 1/30th the number of birds have visited the feeder at 1620 Tenn. Previously the feeder was heavily used by Eng. sparrows, cardinals, ^{startling} slate colored juncos, tree sparrows, blue jays and occasionally by goldfinch, red-bellied woodpeckers and downy woodpeckers. The fox squirrels continued to use the feeder on a regular basis.

Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas

Feb. 8, 1969

Annette and I made trip to Perry Reservoir to make census of birds along highway being constructed as part of the road system of the new reservoir (east side). Census began at east entrance at mileage 83.4 (temp 30°F, 11:30 A.M.). 2 redtails circling point to E. 84.3 headquarters. 3 redtails circling above dam. 85.1 outlet gate. 80% water in ice. One lake directly N of gate (beyond dredged channel) open. 88.0 E entrance. 89.4 Slough Creek. 89.4 blue jay. 92.6 stuck in mud and rest of day shot. In walking approx. 3 miles N for help, observed only one group of birds consisting of 6 cardinals, 28 slate-colored juncos and 18 tree sparrows. Elsewhere birds extremely scarce. Cold NE wind on ridges. Considerable meretric activity in fields. The individual who towed me out was a brother-in-law of John Sheppard of the Lawrence Police Force.

Kaw River, NW Eudora, Jefferson Co., Kansas

Feb. 9, 1969

Pally and I made short trip along Kaw River. Late afternoon, temp 50°F. At a point ^NSW of Eudora made photo 690209-1 of Kaw River fringed with Cottonwood. Exposed sand, a channel and the Kaw River in distance. River free of ice and relatively high. Continued by car to R.R. tracks on N side river and walked E along tracks to river. Photo 690209-2 and 690209-3 of Pally at a cabin above river. Photo 690209-4 of river at bend below cabin. No ice in flowing river but some along sides, especially in protected areas. Small (2"-3") fragments of Indean soap floating in river (1 per 20') and accumulations at bends and eddies.