

Lone Star Lake, Douglas Co., Kansas

Sept. 27, 1969

Left Lawrence 7:50 A.M. Will keep complete record of birds from <sup>Wakarusa Bridge on 59</sup> city limits to Lone Star. Sky clear, slightly hazy, Temp 60°F. Slight wind from NNE. Rained last night. At 6:00 this morning, noted 68 night hawks fly E at about 200' altitude. They were in a loose formation. Wakarusa River slightly higher than usual summer level. Rocks showing in channel below bridge. Left highway 59 at 7:59 A.M. at mileage 31555. Dominant color along side of road is the yellow of sunflowers. Field green and unusual for this time of year. Hillside dark green with some evidence of yellow and <sup>tree foliage not dried.</sup> rarely red. It is a summer condition rather than a fall one. meadowlark 56.5 starling, 57.2 Washington Creek. 58.1 killdeer left road, 58.5 Banning Corners & now to S. 58.8 starling, 59.5 6 meadowlarks, some calling. 60.2 starling. 60.3 2 meadowlarks, 3 bluejays. 60.5 2 meadowlarks, 1 mourning dove. 60.9 redtail hawk on top of telephone post. A meadowlark arrived and alighted 8 feet away from the hawk. The hawk faced N but flew S. 64.4 village of Lone Star. 3 starling one Eng sparrow. A black walnut tree overhanging road and approx 50 nuts on ground. This has been an unusual good year for large and numerous walnuts. 65.4 2 Eng Sparrows 65.5 bluejay. Fox squirrel road kill. 66.8 East end of dam of Lone Star. Fox squirrel ran across road. Continued to W end of dam. 5 killdeers on main road some 40' from water, at 8:35. 3 bluejays, 4 crows, 1 redbellied woodpecker call in vicinity of dam. Left W end dam in canoe at 8:35. Will keep record of birds and mammals to S end of Lake (arm directly S of lake and dam). 8:40 2 redbellied woodpecker, one chasing the other. Sky clear, slight breeze on lake. 2 starling left group of 8 resting in top dead tree and flew E. across the lake. Fox squirrel along bank. 8:44 The yellow cabbage butterfly dominant and in unusual aggregation on open slopes of W. side of lake, occurring approx 1 per 10 feet. A few white ones present. Can hear several bluejays (3) calling in area. Wind from NE. 8:47 black-