

Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas
Dec. 27, 1969

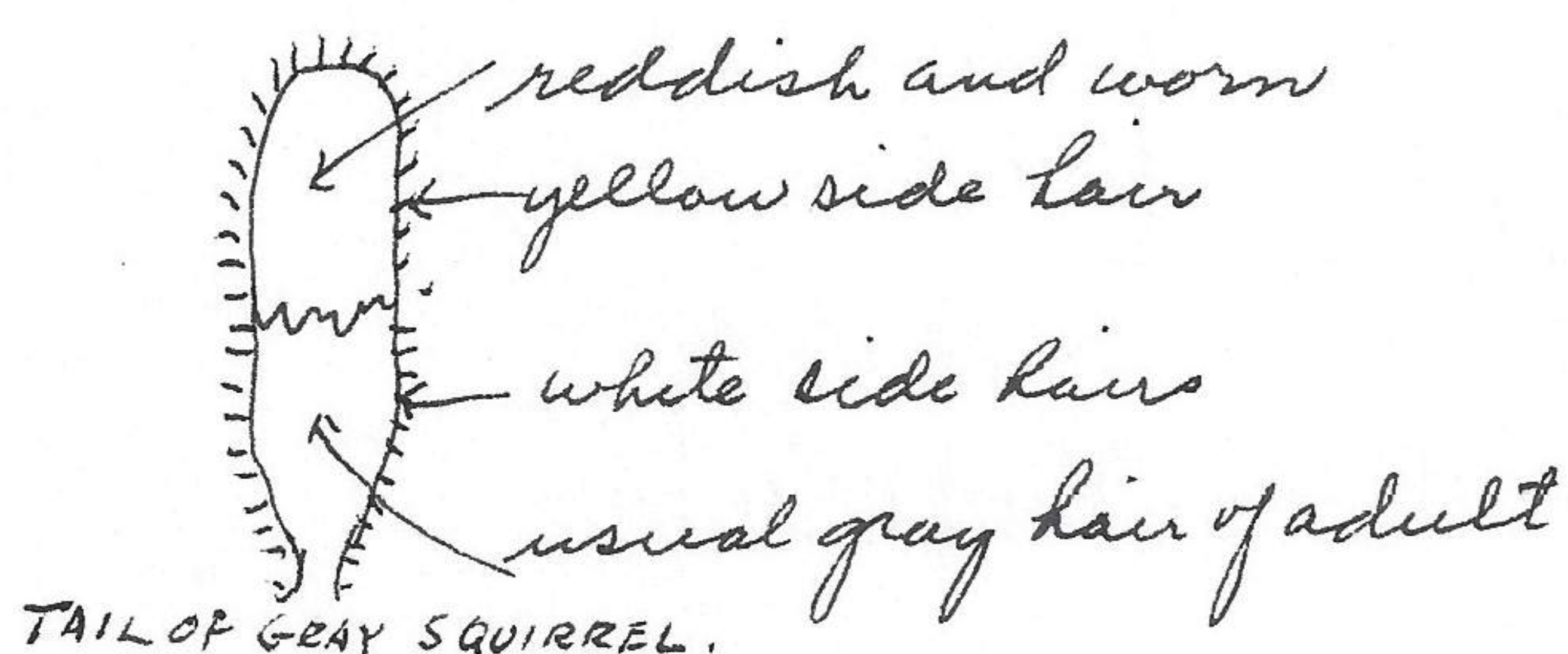
Annette P and I made trip to Ozawie, thence back to Oskaloosa, thence S to Highway 24, thence to Perry Dam and return to Lawrence. Trip from 10:00 AM to 2:00 P.M.

In morning roads a solid sheet of ice and navigation hazardous! Vegetation covered with ice. At Ozawie the entire reservoir was frozen and did not see a single duck or gull. On approach to Ozawie from E in Park area noted a kingfisher and a redheaded woodpecker. At Perry dam noted 35 green-winged teal, ♂ + ♀ goldpate in same identical area as observed the previous day. (E end dam). There was no ice today in this area.

at W end of dam (1/2 way between outlet gate and W. end dam) noted 4 godwits feeding at edge of water. Could not see as far N as Rock Creek or Gap Point ~~had~~ because of fog but in main reservoir N of dam up to those points there were no ducks or gulls. Water open. I would have expected many ducks here because of the frozen water in upper reservoir at Ozawie. Marsh bank at headquarters. Census selective.

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At 1620 Tenn. noted young gray squirrel to have similar tails correlated to pelage change. At this stage these



TAIL OF GRAY SQUIRREL.

squirrels could be confused with young fox squirrels, because tail (at least out area) is reddish. Body gray with reddish hair on back & sides behind front legs. Behaviourism is one

of the best ways to differentiate the two species. The gray is the more aggressive and will displace and chase the large fox squirrel, but at the same time will tolerate its own species.

At bird feeder the bird community averages:

10 - 20 starling, 8 cardinals, 25 Eng. sparrows, 1 downy, 1 hairy, 1 yellow-bellied sapsucker, 1 red-bellied woodpecker, 5 slate-colored juncos, 1 red-bellied nuthatch, 2 blue jays. The nuthatch feeds on suet for approx 8 seconds and then leaves to return as if not to disclose food resource any longer than possible. The yellow-bellied sapsucker is interested more in holes pecked in the tree than suet which is readily available.