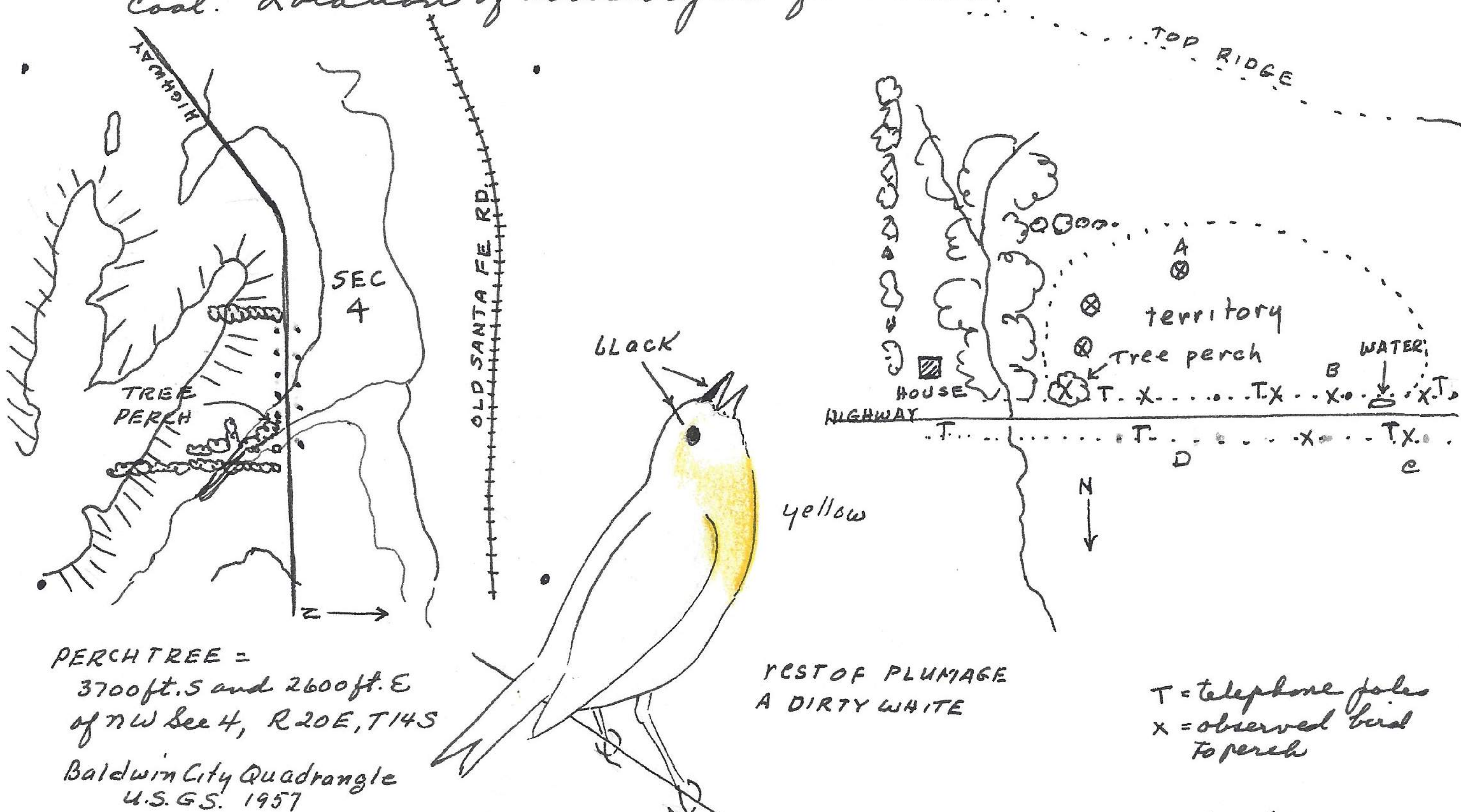


N.W. Vineyard, Douglas Co., Kansas

June 23, 1974

Checked albino dickcissel this A.M. at 8:00 A.M. Day clear and cool. Location of territory as follows:



Some observations of this bird are: First observed in top of tree as indicated in map. For first 20 minutes it remained in this area, perching on top of tree or on wire of telephone lines near the tree. At this time it chased 2 other male dickcissels that flew thru area. At one time it chased a bird with original intention ^{to defend territory} at point marked A some 200' from tree perch. At the time the bird was in this tree perch area it sang regularly and remained either on wire or in tree. After 20 min. it flew N to position B + then to C where it remained, in the general area, flying to ground from time to time to feed and singing as usual but less so than at tree area. After about 20 minutes it returned to tree area and continued to sing, thence to general area of B + C from time to time. Position A was as far as it left the general area and then to chase a male dickcissel. From my position at D could see ^{to W in open field to ridge} 6 dickcissels, 7 redwings, 3 barn swallows always cruising low over field, 1 crow, 1 bluejay, 2 eastern kingbirds, 3 meadowlarks, heard 1 bobwhite, phoebe and 8 barn swallows ^{dirty} at bridge.

The bird was mainly a slightly greyish ^{dirty} white except for light fusion of yellow on chest, under wings + front edge of wing. Bill lighter than other males and black ridge on top. Eyes black. Tail feather frayed.

Song same as other birds in area. Cylist reported seeing this bird in identical same place on June 16, 1974 at some time of day (8:00 AM). Field developing into good variegated grass, weeds + shrubs.