

24.7 redtail. 25.7 redtail. 28.4 Kasold & Leecompton Rd. and will continue E to Iowa & thence to University. 30.1 Turnpike overpass & Iowa and end of census. Temperature got up to 58°F.

Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas

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Rain last night & ^{slight} snow.

Trip to Perry Reservoir, left 402 Yorkshire, Lawrence at mileage. 97936.4 at 9:20 A.M. Clouds but some blue low to W. Temp. 34.5°F ^{wind nnd.}
 At home Cardinal, ⁴² junco, Eng sp 36.4 18 meadowlarks in one group.
 36.6 bluejay. 38.0 Leecompton & Kasold Rd (1041), 2 crows. 38.5 Now n to Lake View. 39.5 Lake View Causeway, water all ice with trace of snow on top. 41.5 crows. 41.8 redtail. 42.0 8 goldfinches.
 42.1 at 9:45. 2 adult bald eagles first observed about 100' above cottonwood trees on E side Kaw River. They circled S to ridge (edge of river valley) where one alighted in the top of the highest tree on ridge while the second one was joined by a 3rd adult bald eagle from the W. These two birds circled upwards and one followed the other, at times making near contact and slightly tumbling at the moment. An downward & upward glide was established. After about 8 such circles upward ^{400ft} they parted and one sailed ^S beyond ridge and the other sailed W. The one that alighted in the tall tree displaced a redtail which flew to another tree but returned to back to the tree and alighted below the eagle.
 42.9 Crossing R.R tracks ^{Santa Fe} 43.0 now on hillside road, along river (Kaw). River open with coronalike effect with sand along shore, then snow, then sand in center of sandbar.
 44.4 bluejay. 46.0 Leecompton Rd. 46.8 Leecompton Bridge over Kaw River. To E on ^{Kaw} river row see 2 eagles perched conspicuously on black willow trees (1 1/10 mi) at edge of river, ^{on W side} (one juvenile, one adult) and 1 immature in tall tree on S side of river, ^(4/10 mi) at point where hill begins to contact river. The adult left perch and made 3 circles over river just E of the perching area and on each circle contacted the water with 2 to 3 thrusts of the feet, in no case with any force back of the thrust as if to capture fish but only a token contact. It then continued E down river for a short distance and then left river and flew S toward ridge. (See following page for position of these bald eagles)