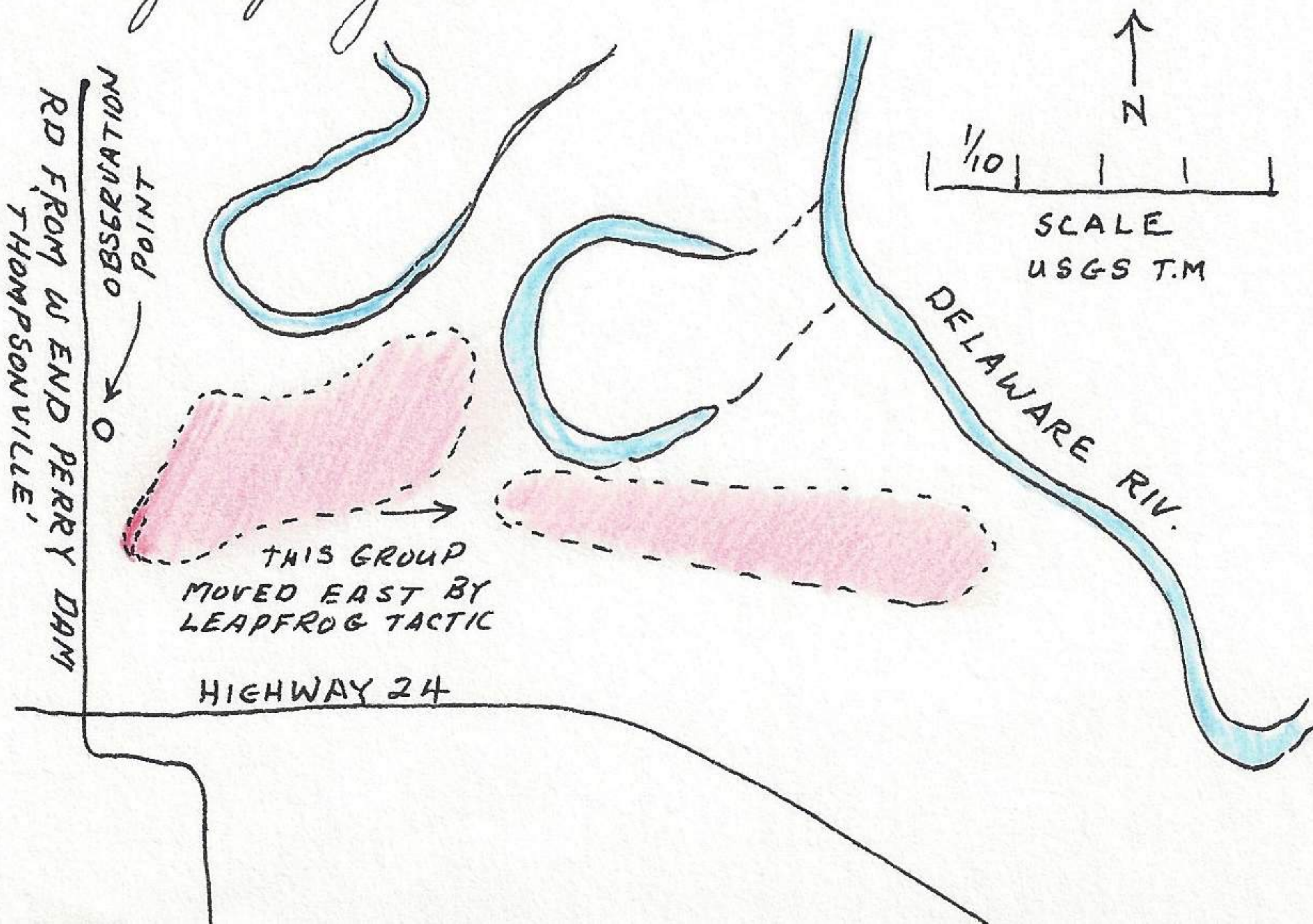


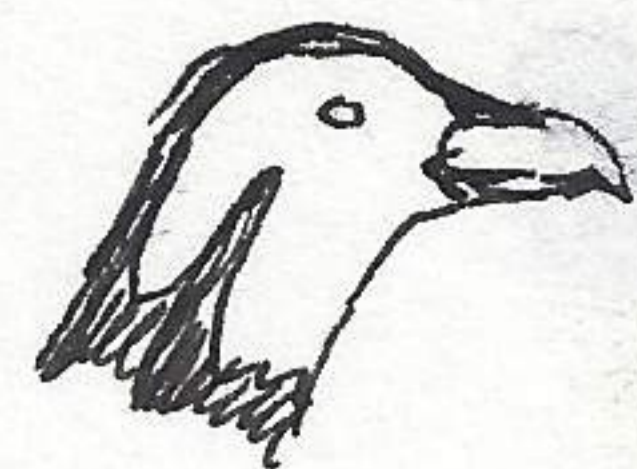
From this observation point and looking W down road bordered by weed patches can see tree sparrows flying back and forth from one side to the other. A count is as follows: 3S, 2N, 2<sup>with south</sup>, 3S, 1N, 1N, 1S, 1N, 1S, 2S, 1N, 3N, 1S, 1N, 1S, 1S, 2N, 1N, 1N, 1N, 1S, 2S, 1N, 2S, 1S, 1N, 2N, 1S, 1N, 1N, 1N, 1N, 1N, 2S, 1S, 2S, 1N, (1:06) end of census. Summary 28 to N, 23 to S. There have been flocks of about 50 that have been fly N-S at the shoreline level. I would estimate there are 600 tree sparrows in this <sup>area</sup> along the road. During the time 12:15 to 1:06 P.M. a cloud mass of high cirrus move from the horizon to ~~5~~ <sup>5</sup> ~~W~~ to <sup>25</sup> <sup>blue</sup> of sky. Discrete cloud fragments preceded this solid mass. It rapidly moved to 170° excluding the sun.

Left Ozawie. Little Slough Creek 98.4 Creek now open. 02.6 sparrow hawk. 02.7 Turnoff to Big Slough Park. <sup>3,6</sup> ~~06.3~~ gates closed so returned. Made lateral drive down Simedo Rd. + returned. 05.5 Ferguson Rd. At 1:30 sky now cloud mass to 90° and faint high cirrus the rest to 170° to N.

Bay at marina (swimming beach) 1/2 in ice (upper half). 10.1 east end dam. no white caps but waves. Water level 889.80. 30 ducks in Delaware to S. 3 pairs mallards only in lake to N and three at W end dam. 12.2 Overlook Point. 51 Canadian geese <sup>(in water)</sup> on west shore of SW corner of Big Slough Park. They acted like ducks, chasing each other by flying just over water, bathing, sometimes as if rolling over and exposing white breasts (may be mating maneuver along with bathing). The albino (partial) was present. Approx 300 mallards on bank in this area. Left 1:55 P.M. Continued W + then E thru Thompsonville. <sup>13.8</sup> At a point N of highway 24, <sup>(2:00 P.M.)</sup> observed approx. 30,000 blue and snow geese in field, some remained at 150' from road as cars passed by. On ground the percentages of blues to snows appeared to be about 60 blues, 40 snows, in air just the reverse so an average of 50-50 might be about right. They moved progressively to the E jumping over the mass as horn larks or other birds are proved to do.



There is considerable variation in plumage of blues and some in the snows. The yellowish orange lead varies in both kinds. The dark neck of blues extend to top of head & sides in various degrees as is true of amount of white on belly and neck regions. Some white geese have a faint greyish modeling.



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