

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas.

April 14, 1977

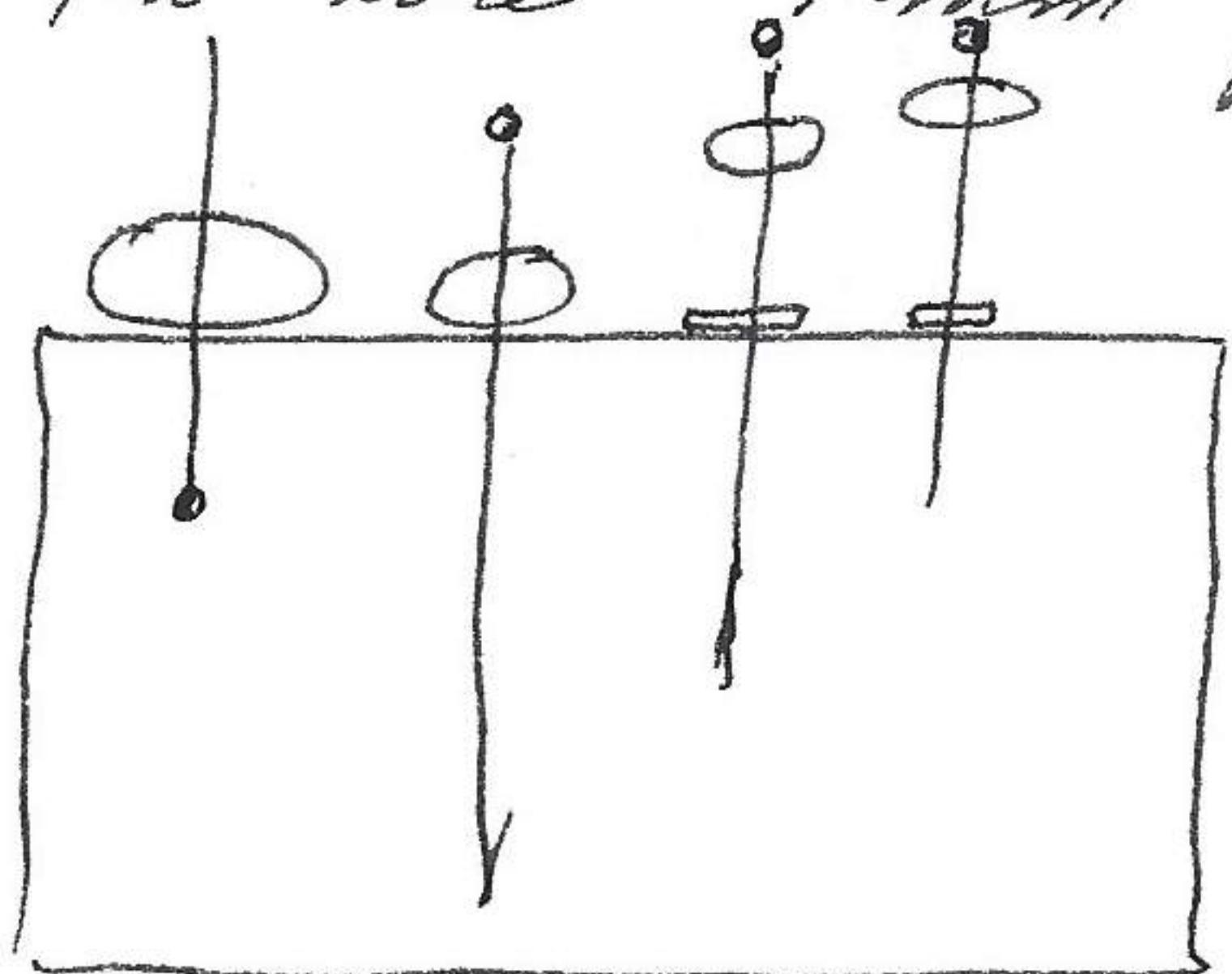
Recorded the measurements of a pinning block that is considered standard at the Snow Entomological museum

First hole 10 mm deep and used to align large insects to proper height by inserting head of pin onto hole.

Second hole 25 mm in depth and alecno insect to proper height.

3rd hole 20 mm for locality label.

4th hole 7 mm for identification label.



Museum Natural History, Univ. Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas

April 15, 1977

Mr. Ron Clarey of 2424 Brighton, K.C., Missouri. brought a turtle to museum and reported some interesting facts about this animal:

It is a hybrid between *Terrapene carolina truquii* and *Terrapene o. ornata* and has been in his family for the last 18 years. It has not grown since that time. It weighs 1 pound, curved carapace 166 mm X 113, plastron 131 X 78, length bill 14 mm, height 68 mm. It lives in his basement and there is no light except when bulb is turned on. When one enters the basement it will follow you around. It is less aggressive than the 3 toed. At one time it went thru a complete wash in washing machine and one year from Oct to Nov it was rolled in an ovenmg.

Catches mice. Eats hamburger, dog food, bananas, water bugs, lettuce, and most everything else. Hibernates a week at a time then becomes active. In warm parts of house does not hibernate. It has lost color with age. It is said that they will live for as long as 100 years. It yawns. Skin is now thin and paperlike and wrinkled.

Lake View, Douglas Co., Kansas

April 18, 1977

Lake pond now 2 feet lower than when last checked. many specks of surface agitation from either insects or gas bubbles. No fish surfacing.