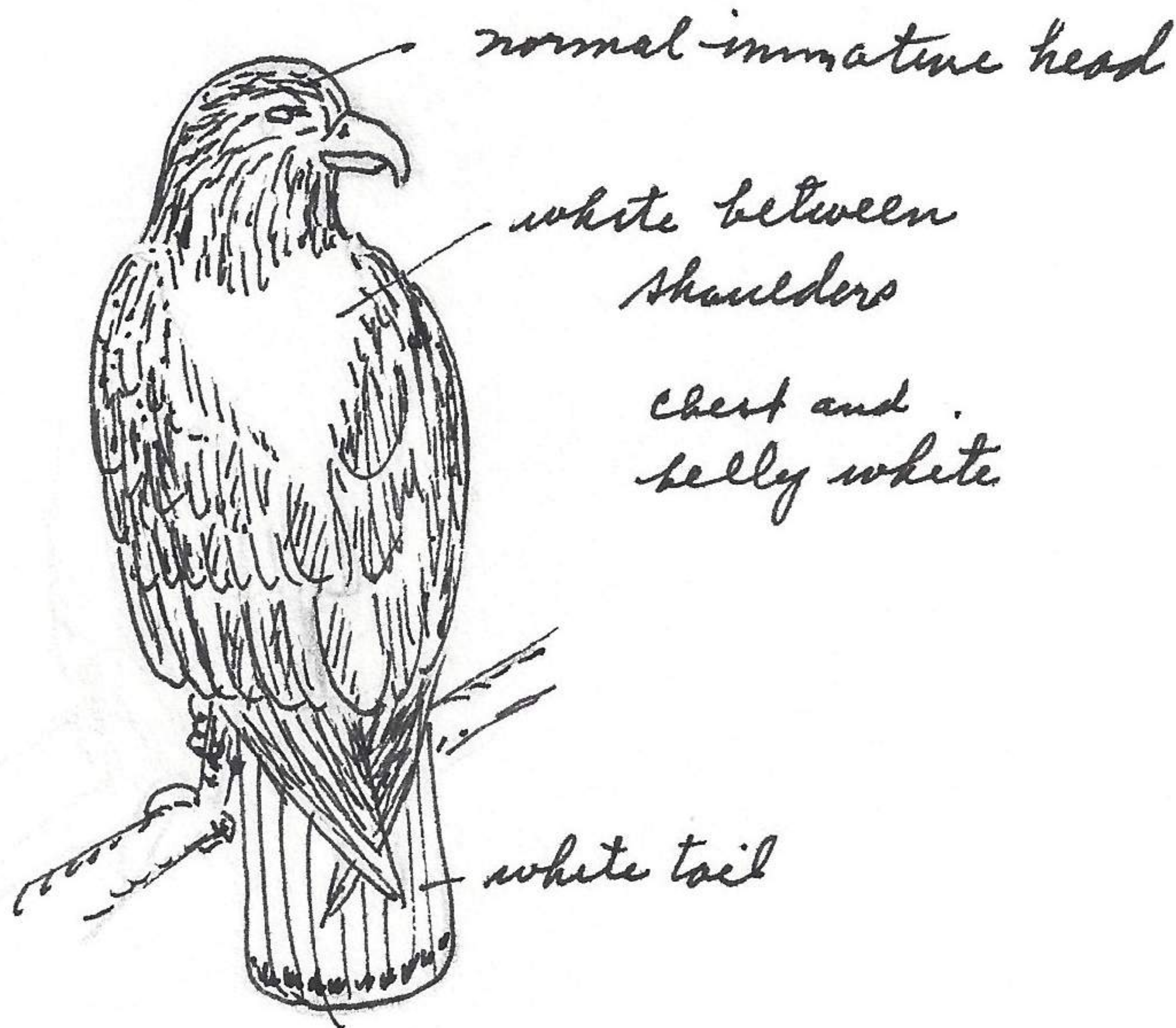


is stopped will leave the area and fly north across the river and alight in large Cottonwood trees. The number of eagles observed were 16 today, 9 adults and 7 immatures. One of the immatures was partially albanistic with white tail and fine black terminal border, white patch between the shoulders, 90% white on breast and belly, head mottled.

There seems to be an increase in numbers of bald eagles this season as compared to previous years. Water open in normal meander channels of river but all other slower moving water frozen and this water and sand under complete covering of snow. On return home



noted a sparrow hawk 1/10 mi. W of intersection of Kasal and Farmers Turnpike

Kaw River between Leecompton and Lake View Lake, Douglas and Jefferson Counties, Kansas.

Jan 21, 1978

Left 9:30 A.M., 84726.1 mileage, sky overcast, visibility 1 mile, temp 6°F, some snow in the air.

Checked bald eagles on Kaw thence to Perry Reservoir to check on ducks. See map of Jan 17 for distribution of eagles observed. These are superimposed on map of Jan 17 and are sight records made from car and from 5 vantage points along the river marked x on map. The six adult eagles labeled 17 thru 22 were in one tree and were so aligned. These 6 eagles were in area along river that was completely covered with ice and snow. Open water was some 1/10 mile up stream. Most open water follows N side of river against the bank. No moving ice blocks. At mileage 31.8 where dike contacts road left car and walked to river to a vantage point where eagles in this area could be counted. The 6 aluded to above were observed from here. Enroute to the point on river counted 14 tracks of Peromyscus (probably maniculatus) leading from dike area to old bean field some 15 feet beyond the grass covered dike. These tracks were not associated with trees. As I approached the cottonwood trees of the riparian community, some 30 feet this side, noted first cottontail tracks and then nearer the trees, fox squirrel tracks. In the tree area along side of the field there were many tracks of the squirrel,