

Lawrence, Douglas Co., Kansas

Feb. 15, 1978.

Heard first song of cardinal this season. This morning made circumnavigation of Clinton Reservoir by call, entering all roads leading to lake area but all blocked off. At Coon Creek 2700 steel belted tires 78x15, brand new for fish protection.

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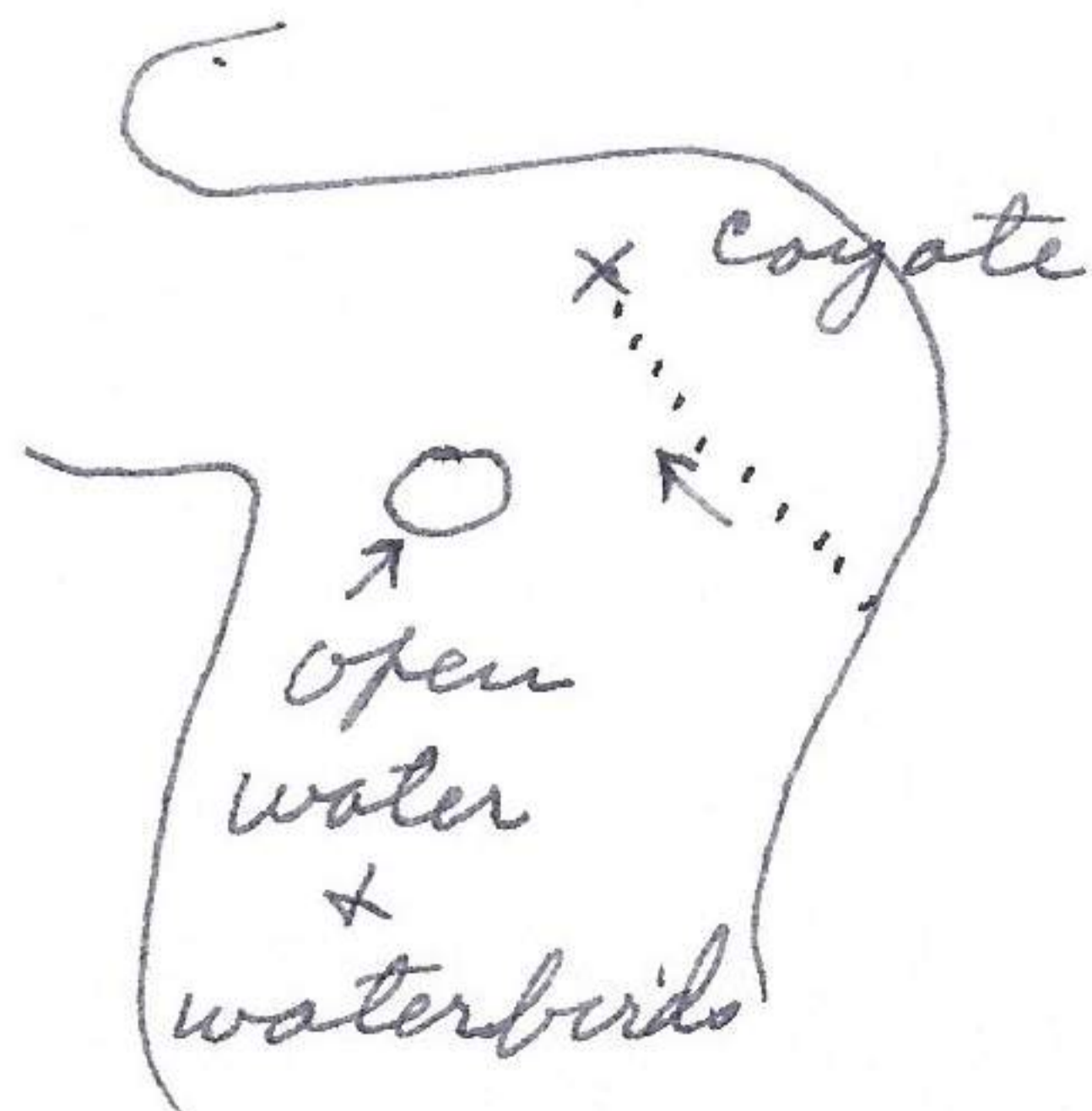
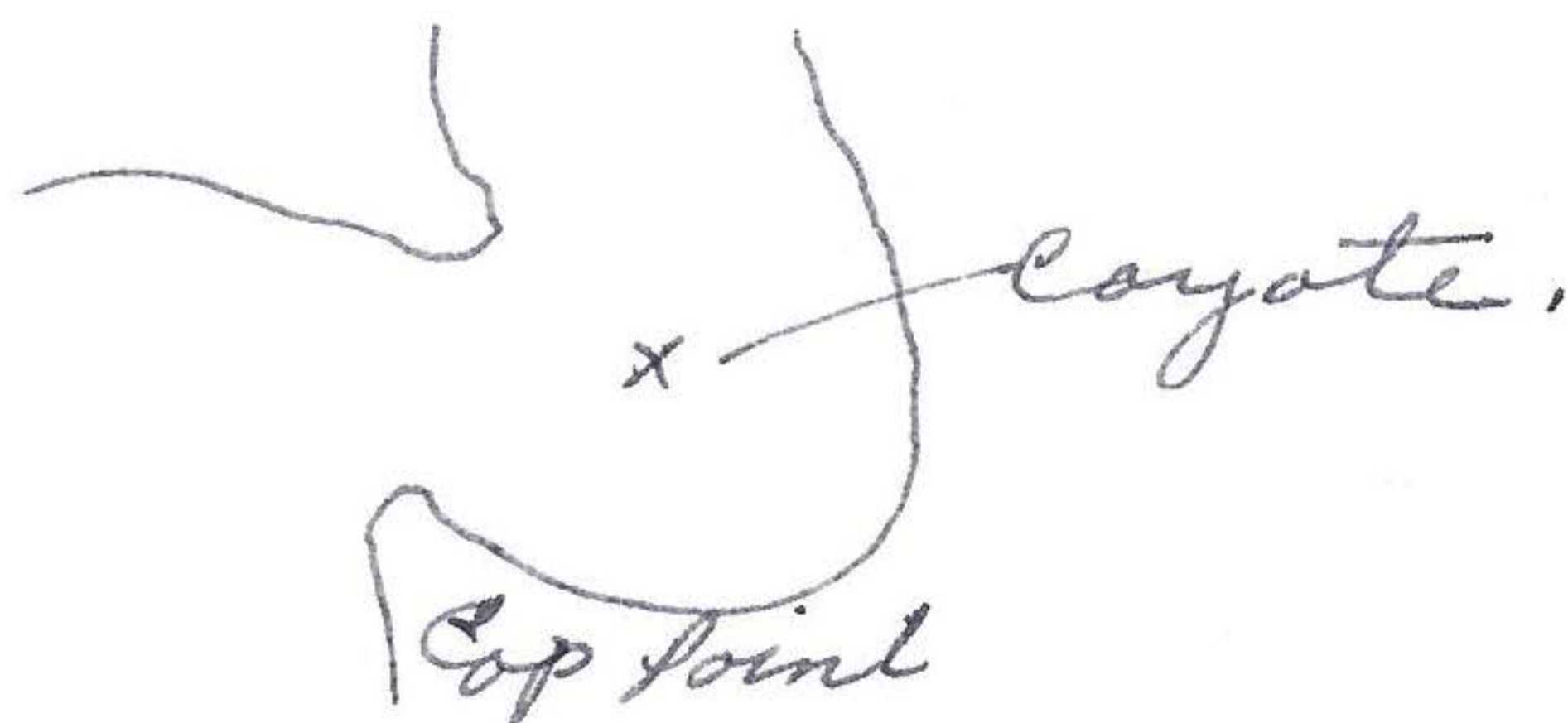
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Graduate student trapping on natural history Reservation reports high population of small mammals in January including: *Peromyscus maniculatus*, *Peromyscus leucopus*, *Reithrodontomys montanus*, *Reithrodontomys megalotis*, *Microtus pennsylvanicus*, *Microtus montanus*, *Ochrogaster* and *Sigmodon hispidus*. He claims that *Reithrodontomys megalotis* more aggressive than *Reithrodontomys montanus* when handling and can be determined on this character Greater length of tail but body measurement.

Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas

Feb. 19, 1978

Annette and I made trip to Perry Reservoir to check on bird. Did not take complete census but summarized: at ~~gap~~ Ozawkie (NE corner) counted over 2000 Canada geese, 1500 mallards, 24 snow geese and 13 blue geese and 1 white fronted goose in open water that has been maintained by the waterfowl. It is 1/3 smaller than previous trip. The only other birds were 250 mallards 1/10 mi. N of outlet at dam. They were on ice & snow. No open water N of dam. On west side of lake from W end dam to Ozawkie noted 3 redtails, 1 sparrow hawk, and ^{one} few other birds. In bay area NE of Gap Point noted a coyote resting on ice & snow in middle of lake. It was lying on side and would occasionally lift head to look around. On Perry Reservoir snow completely covering ice and no relief. At Ozawkie noted a coyote cross lake as indicated on



map. It walked and trotted most of the time but occasionally turned around to look back along his trail. At the open water did not see a bald eagle from at least 3:30 to 4:20 P.M.