

4 mi. SE Forsyth, Taney Co., Missouri.

March 15, 1978 (see this date.) (insert)

A bald eagle was reported on this date and place. It was in a tree by a lake at noon.

Leecompton, Douglas Co., Kansas

March 30, 1978

Checked eagles <sup>area</sup> ~~side~~ along river (Kansas), 32 robins at home. Grackles throughout area of trip. Water high under bridge on causeway at Lake View. Sparrow hawk, at west end of Lake View Lake water forms a marsh n of where road crosses. Sparrow hawk at dike. No color in either the deciduous or riparian forests. Checked observation point at dike. One adult bald eagle, moved up river 11:40 P.M., also 2 woodchucks, 1 ring-billed gull, 1 snow goose (between 10:10 and 11:40). Water 9" below flood bank. No debris floating in river. 3 different kinds of butterflies. Along bank of river (above) counted 12 empty shotgun shells on ground from where some one had shot at target in the water. Eagles cannot tolerate this harassment. At usual place just before Oakley Creek observed a black phase redtail. It called. Also bluebird in area.

Kaw River, Leecompton area, Jefferson Co., Kansas

April 1, 1977

Checked n side Kansas River between Leecompton bridge and a point E approx. 8 miles. Will check for <sup>former</sup> bald eagle evidence (dead birds, roosting areas etc) and the use of trees as food by beavers. Left home 9:50 A.M. in Lawrence, arrived n side Leecompton bridge and by 9:57 started census at edge of river by the bridge. The entire area n of bridge at base was used by beaver, some 300 small trees, the largest 24" in diameter. 37 of the trees had been started but not cut thru. 90% of the cutting was of this winter's activity. Temperature 54° F, slight wind from the north, sky 95% clear of clouds, 10:08 3 beaver cut trees 66", 54", 50" <sup>circumference</sup> ~~diameter~~. Green plants on forest floor up 2" to 8". Redheaded woodpecker, Titmouse. 2 beaver cut trees 63" and 57" two beaver cut trees, the larger 60" in circumference. 10:19 Titmouse. on beaver cut tree 9" circum. 10:10 4 old beaver cut trees the largest 18" in circum. 10:25 5 trees cut by beaver in an area previously used by beaver. Largest of the 5 trees 80" in circumference. 10:28 One tree partly debarked by beaver in an area previously used