

2 W Kingbirds, Lark bunting 24.4 Grinnell on 40 highway.
 swallow, swallow, W Kingbird, few small sparrows, 2
 mourning doves, W Kingbird, W Kingbird, W Kingbird,
 W Kingbird, 5 swallows, W Kingbird. 33.9 back on
 highway 70 at Oakby, at 6:44 P.M. and end of census. First
 pheasant at Colby turnoff. With fading lights continued
 to a ^{lost} rest area ^{in Kansas} and arrived at 8:00 P.M. at mileage 8905.0
 having travelled 388 miles today.

Ruleton, Sherman Co., Kansas

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min. temp 65°F, rain and high wind last night. Left at
 9:00 A.M., rain stopped and now sky clear, and forecast of a
 hot day. 13 lined ground squirrel in buffalo grass. 1 and
 1 1/2 high, curly and brownish in color. Grasshoppers
 along shoulder about 10 per 10' and local in occurrence.
 890 12.4 Colorado State line. 026.9 first 13 lined ground
 squirrel since morning, also a cottontail. Temp. 87°F.
 045.0 now in artemisia. Birds rare today as they were
 yesterday, especially during hotter part of the day. 094.0
 striped skunk rd. kill and opossum. 096.8 10 antelope.
 098.4 redtail. 101.2 Limon at 10:00 A.M. 116.2 since
 Limon has not seen birds of any kind. 125.3 3 ground
 squirrels in 2 miles and none before or after. 132.6 ^{starting at 11:00 A.M. mt. time} dropokae
 Co. line will keep complete list of birds. Swallow, 141.3
 meade Bijou Creek, no birds so far. mourning dove. 160.2
 spit 88. 232.8 first Calif. gull. at meade turnoff. 292.4
 antelope, 296.4 Virginia Dale. Continued up highway 287
 to Virginia Dale Camp arriving at mileage 89299.9 or
 294.7 miles today. Set 50 traps among ponderosa pine,
 mainly around rock outcroppings. Artemisia in area.
 while on trapline observed small cottontail that looks
 like a rock rabbit, several chipmunks, several actively
 used meade deer beds, aspen trees and cliff rose important
 plants in area. Grass rather short in open areas and
 longer among rocks and among ponderosa pines. This area
 is of unusual ^{scenic} ~~scenic~~ country which is on a plateau of hills
 and swales and unusual granite outcroppings of a reddish
 color. The savannas are sagebrush and the slopes and
 plains around rock of ponderosa and aspen trees. It
 is a place where one can travel for great distances
 and just about select the grade of travel.