



noticed that in ideal snow, squirrel track  whereas cottontail  sides.  
 10:15 turn pike, no S on S side of slope, no snow but on flat country there is a covering of snow. Some brush and small trees had been cut under turnpike bridge and cottontails had eaten bark and many in area, none in open field. Slope of turnpike with active microtines (microtus) about every 10 feet. 10:50 railroad tracks (Santa Fe).  
 6.0 redwing blackbirds on elapsed slope. There is a correlation between numbers of runway of microtines and height of cut grass on right-of-way, many in long grass & none in short grass, at West Gate exit noted a redtail. 11:15 Iowa. 11:33 end creek now S to Peterson Rd. Only bird in Pond area and along creek was 1 cardinal.

Delaware River - Kaw River, N Leecompton, Jefferson Co., Kansas.  
 Feb. 21, 1979

Will check Delaware River from Highway 24 to mouth to see what effect a canal has upon the eagles. Left home at mileage 99056.7 at 9:20 A.M., clear sky, no wind, temp. 33°F. Should be 40° or above today. Will keep complete list of all birds enroute to Perry via Leecompton. 58.5 Farmers turnpike. 10% of fields are clear of snow (not areas controlled by drifting caused by county roads).

Ponds free of snow but still in ice.  
 63.0 fresh striped skunk roadkill.  
 64.5 Leecompton Rd, no birds along entire route so far. 70.8 Delaware River at highway 24, Open. At this time Mr. Van Hoesen of the Journal World newspaper of Lawrence had just returned at the bridge after making a trip down the Delaware River to its mouth and return. He was interesting in photographing the eagles for a news report. He claims that two other newspapers are trying to photograph the eagles. He uses a 500 mm and has an 800 mm available but was not satisfied this morning because the eagles <sup>(3 adults)</sup> left to far ahead and they did not return. He commented on the great number of beaver tracks and cut trees at the mouth of the Delaware.

