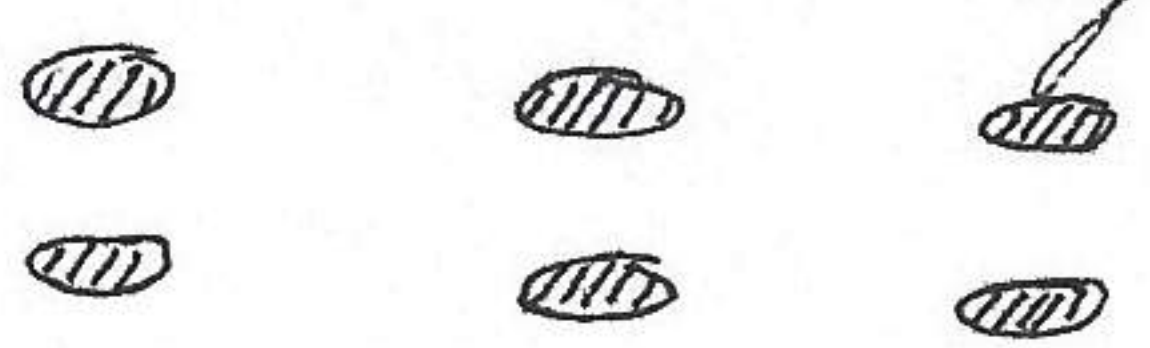

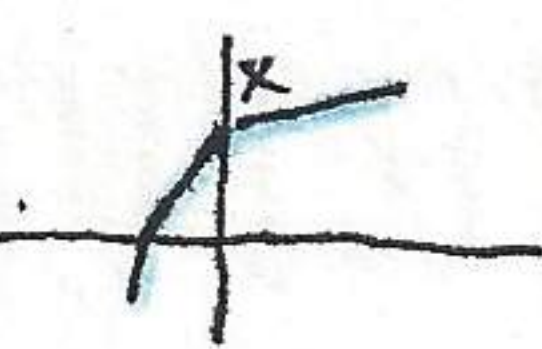


approached run to the west. This coyote was followed the entire return trip to dike. Tracks measure (front paw) 77 mm. (see map) Temp 45°F

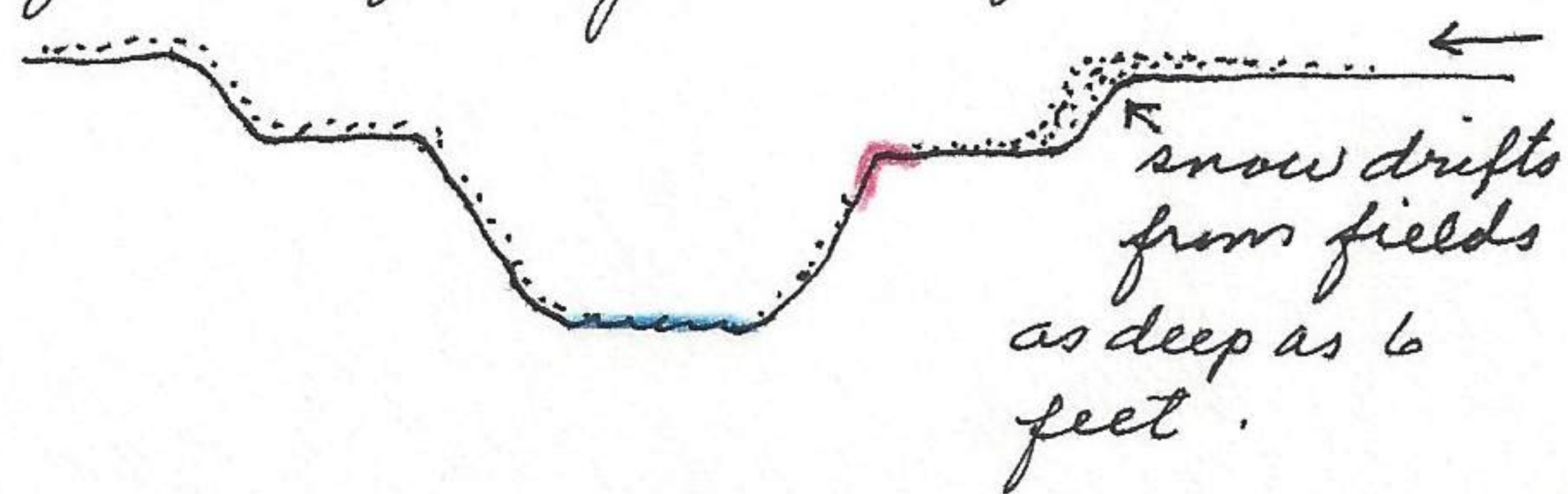
Left Channel at 12:23. At high ridge the coyote passed N end by climbing to top and over rather than an end run around the N end. This required prior knowledge of the area as I found the north slope impassible and I like the coyote climbed up the steep slope to continue. Coyote running most of the way. At construction it used establish animal trail. From juniper tree could hear frog calling from opposite side of Delaware River. Some beaver activity on E side river but nothing like S side near mouth. Steep banks exclude trees on W side here. Continued same way back to end dike, thence to car arriving at 1:50 P.M. Only line for squirrel at railroad bridge across the Delaware River. Raccoon tracks are:  the hind foot placed in front foot imprint.

not much coyote activity between end of dike & car. I had noticed that man places its foot into and out of snow much like other mammals with sliding movement at insert and perpendicular withdrawal  Continued E thru Perry, thence

Leesumpton bridge (four eagles) thence to levee at first eagle observation point, having checked intermediate points along the way. Left car at levee and walked to river. From here observed 8 eagles (see map Jan 10, 1979) There were 52 common mergansers and 16 mallards in river. One other flock 8 mallards flew up river. Only birds observed between Leesumpton bridge and levee were 2 cardinal, 2 bluejays and 1 flicker. Only one horned lark between levee and home and this one in valley just around bend from levee. Lake Veves in ice on W bay but 20' open in E bay because of water coming in from Baldwin Creek. At junction of Kasold and Peterson Rd noted a Kingfisher  over Kasold Creek which is now open for first time this winter. First Kingfisher here this season. (see map Jan 10, 1979)

Buck Creek, Jefferson Co., Kansas  
Feb. 22, 1979

Drove to Buck Creek at highway 24 crossing. Left there 10:55. Visibility approx. 300'. River free flowing, no ice, muddy. Not much contribution from highway drainage. Followed W side creek to mouth. Profile here:



Snow on all exposures except where indicated in red. These areas are used by animals in traveling thru area. Climate trees on upper & lower bench.