

and left 3:00 P.M. at mileage 58.2. 71.8 E Kingbird, barn swallow, 4 barn swallows, mourning dove. 78.5 home in Lawrence.

Clinton Dam, Douglas Co., Kansas
Sept. 4, 1979

Left 10:00 A.M. Will start complete census at Kasald and Peterson Rd. at 638.6 9 grackles one group. 645.5 outlet gates on top dam. Parked car. water level of lake 867.6. sky clear, wind from SSW forming ripples on lake. Dropped down from car to gates at 10:23 and will follow road that traverses dam just above outlet gates. 8 barn swallows flying around gates, no other kinds of birds at outlet gate. As I move S along dam will keep complete list of birds etc. barn swallow, 1 spotted sandpiper on road, spotted sandpiper on road, barn swallow, 10:40. 10:50 2 ring-billed gulls alighted on shore then left to S, barn swallow. 11:00 2 killdeer flying S along dam and calling, killdeer above road in rocks. 11:10 Killdeer, ~~11:20~~ Road on dam with grasshoppers every 5' in optimum areas of weeds (only a few weeds) and scarce or absent where rocks central entire surface of road and surrounding rocks. Few butterflies. The two tree islands in lake S of the Robert Peterson farm are 98% dead. The other 2 per cent is yellowish or greenish, up until the water was raised and even then with root systems in water, the trees were almost all green (see previous notes of this area via canoe). The forests on the side of the lake above water level to top are 50-50 light greens and dark greens. no yellow leaves. Air temp 90°F. 11:20 end dam (W end) and now to point to W. at point no other birds except mourning dove, 3 ring-billed gulls. The aquatic plants that form patches or islands in lake to W are lodged on beach (in water) and are growing. The flowers are purple, no white flower forms. Stayed at point until 12:00 then continued S along beach. This point, by the way, has been the local of an old farm and many artefacts are exposed on the beach. Continued S to first major drainage and bay arriving at 12:08. 2 green heron here. also killdeer, 2 spotted sandpipers, 2 ring-billed gulls. Carp jump every 5 minutes 100' beyond shore. Returned N to S end of dam and continued north across dam via rock to rock rather than by rock road that I followed this A.M. This is excellent exercise for quick decision and walking balance.

