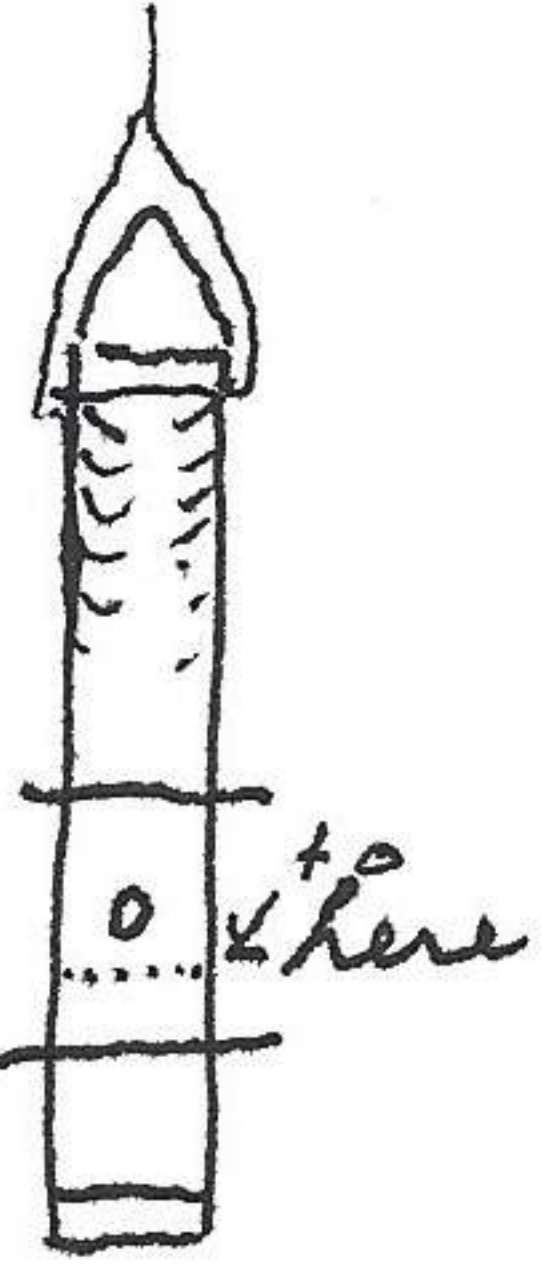


402 Yorkshire Dr., Lawrence, Kansas

Oct. 19, 1979

Two goldfinch fed at thistle seed feeder. Level down 1 inch since last week and consumption increasing.



Perry Reservoir, Jefferson Co., Kansas

Oct. 21, 1979

Clouds moving in on a clear sky. Temp. 76° F. Considerable wind today as it has been the last two days. 10459.8 mileage. Left 10:22 with Annette. Clouds moving approx. 50 mph from S. Sparrowhawk at Bruner's place N of Lake Usee, also robin. Since three days ago cottonwoods have picked up a yellowish-green, some yellow but most of them green, but leaves look faded. This is also true of deciduous forest (fadedlike). Colors are there but faded. While driving on hillside thru forests of the river road noted up to 1000 grackles, most of them resting in trees. At Leempton bridge cloud shadows travelling 60 mph. 24 Killdeer on sand-bar below bridge. Color gone from S exposures of hills N E of Perry because of loss of leaves ^{from last 2 days winds}. There is a basic reddish brown color. 46.0 SE corner of reservoir area. Wind now ^{from} S.W. whitecaps N dam. 400 coot on rocks at base of dam (E segment) or within 10' of shore. 2 ring-billed gulls and one cormorant in water. 80% ^{water level?} approx 100 snows and 250 blues with many young. Another flock come in of 30 snows and 90 blues. Also 18 Canada geese arrived. (all between 10:55 11:05 A.M. all alighted about 3/10 mi. NNE from outlet water gates in usual area. 6 ruddy ducks and 40 redheads identified in small raft of ducks. Approx. 400 coot w of outlet gates and either on water or on rocks at edge of water. 2 ring-billed gulls. The above geese come into lake and acted more like ducks in habit than geese. Wind 60 MPH. On edge of lake N of W end dam, 200 gulls on shore and 3 crows in field. At west gates before hill grade, 200 ring-billed gulls at point at entrance to bay. Marsh hawk at beginning of State Park. Approx. 30 coot in Rock Creek Bay, out of wind. So far have seen 2 pilot black snakes, 1 Thamnophis and one King snake road kills. This is an unusual number. 20 ring-billed gulls and 50 coot near causeway on N side at Agowkie. On N side Paradise Point were approx. 50 pelicans, 10,000 Franklin gulls, 200 ring-billed 1/5 number coot, ducks and geese as of last trip. Got some driftwood & returned home.