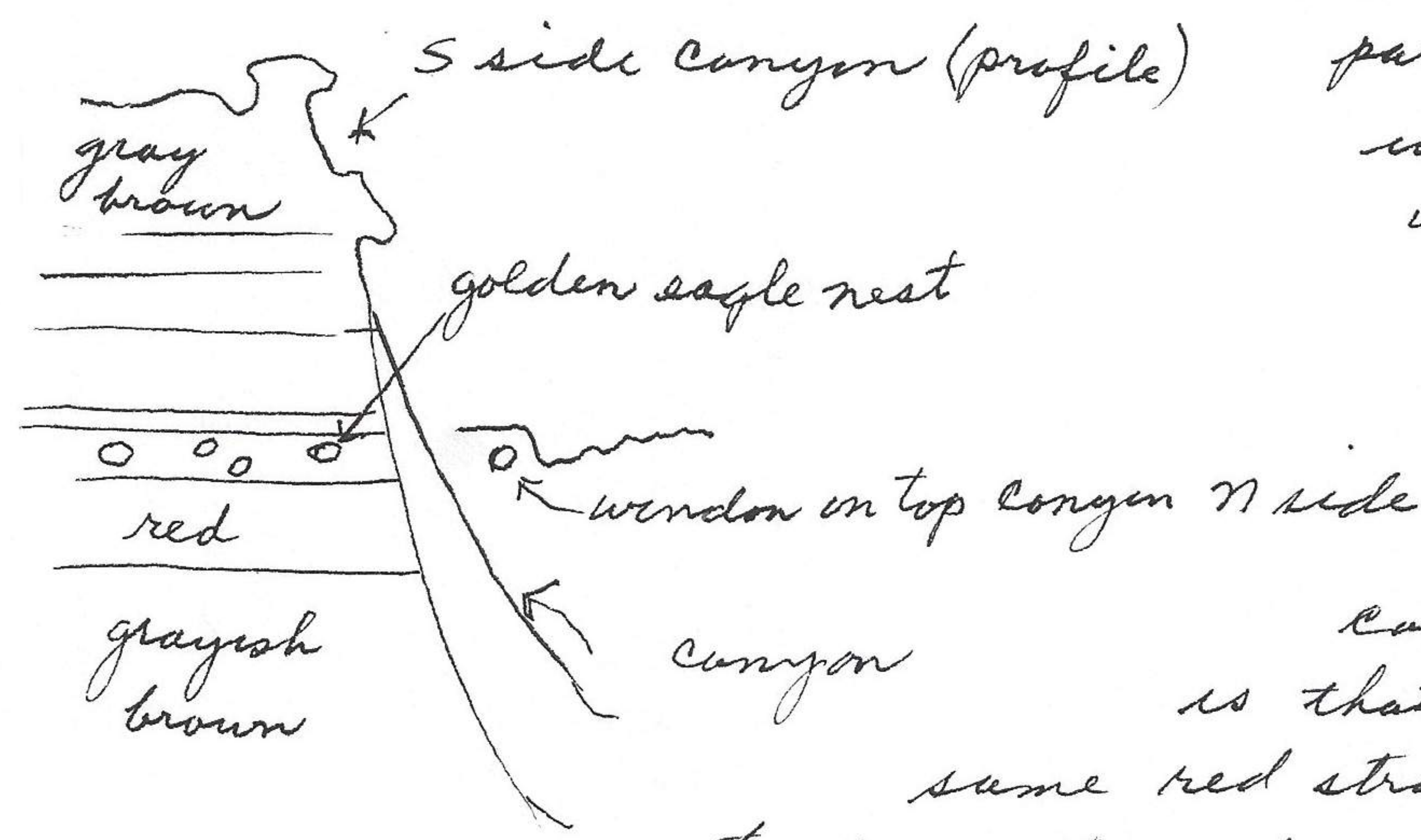


Left for eagle canyon from mosteller's lunch by car at 11:00 A.M. The creek is very interesting and attractive and my guess is that it is full of trout, just the right size for fly fishing. The slopes on W side canyon are heavily grown to cliff rose and mt. mahogany while the E ridge or Hat Six hogback is unique. Arrived at mouth of eagle canyon (will call this canyon "Cove Canyon" for lack of a name on the U.S.G.S Topo map because of the many coves on the N side of the canyon. The approach to the canyon is thru open fields and creek bed. at 11:20 noted a golden eagle sail straight north along the crest of the hog back just above the ridge top. Birds in this area are magpies, mourning doves, western tanager, robin, flicker. Continued up canyon. Cattle trails switch from N to S side of creek and to keep on one or the other side creates difficult passage thru dense growth of boulder, ash and other creek edge vegetation. The floor is of springs and creeks of which in the past were used for a fish-hatchery and many concrete ponds are still in position. The best route up canyon is on N sidehill about 1/3 way up slope where the route is free of the dense growth in the creek bed of canyon. This would be an excellent place to trap small mammals. Continued. Photo 800811-1 of canyon from its mouth. Eagle nest on N exposure and coves on N side. 2 natural windows ^{on top of canyon (N side)} where canyon makes a turn to the S.W. The eagle nest ^{observed} from a point on N side about 40' above canyon floor has this profile.



The nest is in a concavity in red strata on lower part of cliff. N exposure in conifers, S exposure with conifers but more open. It is on this N side that one would traverse the canyon to the coves beyond. My guess is that these coves in the same red strata would be used by turkey vultures for nesting and certainly

would contain archeological sites. Photo 800811-2 of this canyon and eagle nest sites. Photo 800811-3 of Annette along creek. (From into mouth canyon and like 800811-1 (which did not turn out satisfactorily))