

Crow and bluejay here. Redtail and sparrow hawk at turnoff to Talleyville. Fog increasing w of Richmond. Raining. Opossum rd kill at Short Pump turnoff. Redtail hawk. About only birds along route are the crows. Continued w to Charlottesville, thence to Monticello. Entire route fog and rain. At Monticello fog obscured what I would believe would be a very beautiful view of the surrounding country as it is perched upon a high hill top. Thomas Jefferson was only 26 when he began constructing his home. Forty two years later, the main house was completed. Inspired and ingenious, the house was designed by Jefferson including numerous furnishings. The many dependencies are located beneath long terraces and are connected by all weather passage ways. His museum at one time occupied the main hall at the entrance. The 7 day also was above entrance. From Monticello to Ash Lawn, another house and neighbor of Jefferson. One room or hall to low to stand and it faces Monticello. Jefferson was always kidding his neighbor for bowing when he faced Jefferson's house. Temp 40°F Some fields, especially after rain, are brilliant red and may be Andropogon. Soil about same color as grass. Drove to Etlan, thence 2 mi. w to a place we camped. Today via 29, 231, 522. Recorder malfunctioned.

7 mi. w Etlan (near Sperryville), Virginia.  
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Beautiful camp at side of road last night. Min temp 38°F. Left mileage 25656.0. Returned to Etlan, thence n along 522 highway. Recorder still malfunctioning without my knowledge. This country is beautiful rural Virginia. Many crows. Continued n via 522, Loyal front, 522, Winchester, 81, West Virginia, 81 to Martinsburg, Hagerstown, and thence 81 all the way to New York State. Turkey vultures up to at least w. Virginia. Penn State line 11:00. Striped skunk rd. kill, sparrow hawk, Wilson College turnoff, sparrow hawk lit 696. Redtail, colors in trees limited. First snow 5 mi. S Harrisburg, 2 sparrow hawks at Harrisburg, a new white-barked tree in landscape on ridges, may be birch near Minersville. Deer road kill at Frackville. Trees on these high ridges are dwarfed. Deer road kill at Hazelton.