

8:30 P.M. sundown, 8:48 Big brown bat flying. Continued to Sharon.
3 red-tails enroute on highway 40. 439 mi. today (from Lawrence.)

Sharon, Kansas (highway 40)

April 23, 1991

Left 7:25 A.M. at mileage 75410. 7:28 A.M. 17 antelope, red-tailed hawk. ^{Sapsucker} ~~pliggrings~~ average 1 per mile. 7:31 sparrow hawk, meadow lark, mourning dove, horned larks, red winged blackbirds.
7:42 A.M. Kansas state border at mileage 75428. 7:45 red-tailed hawk.
9:00 A.M. beginning artemisia, prairie falcon. 5 mi. W of here 7 red-tailed hawks approx 100' apart on utility poles, meadowlarks average 1 per 1/10 mi, jack rabbit road kill. 9:11 saw 3 on highway 287, prairie dog towns and 7 antelope. 9:37 Eads. now 96 W highway. 4 red-tailed hawks. 10:01 Haswell. ^{no red-tailed hawks,} 10:20 Arlington, 2 redtail hawks.
10:39 Sugar City no red-tailed hawks, 10:45 Ordway. ^{10:55 A.M.} ^{To} ~~String-necked~~ pheasant, no hawks. ^{10:55 A.M.} ^{To} Olney Spring. 11:01 ^{To} Fowler Bridge at Otero Co 45 mallard ducks, Fowler 11:03 A.M. now 167 South. 2 flocks of 20 birds each flock, farther on more mourning doves, now 2 mourning doves per 1/10 mi. in most favorable areas. 11:36 A.M. first junipers. 11:41 Los Animas Co. line, Wallensburg 12:20 P.M. no hawks, 2 common raven. Left 1:00 P.M. ^{on highway 160} 12 antelope. 1:22 into mts. Oak with reddish leaves of last fall, 1:27 P.M. first magpie, 1:30 now pines and snow on 7 exposures. 1:32 Costella Co. line. 1:38 P.M. Artemisia and beaver ponds. 2:05 turnoff to white sand national monument, raven. 2:13 P.M. magpie nest common across this valley, 2:19 P.M. Rio Grande in Alamosa. Left 4:43 P.M. at mileage 75720. to W on highway 160. 5:26 P.M. first prairie dog. At Highway Spring hiked to gorge, 3 mallards. 7:17 P.M. along route in this area were ^{Rocky mt} elk in groups of 21-25-26-18-11, and 6 mule deer. 7:41 Gem Village. 7:43 51 Rocky mt. Elk, another group 28. Arrive Durango. An informant said he saw 150 elk yesterday. These elk and deer were in open field at mouths of canyons and most of them approx 300' from highway. photo somewhere E of Durango? 910423-1

Durango, Colorado

April 24, 1991

Left 9:01 A.M. 9:26 mannos. 9:30 2 kestrel, 9:40 AM mesa Verde turnoff. Snow on top mesa in 7 exposures 9:47 A.M. 15 turkey vultures at tunnel. 9:52 turkey vulture. 10:25 Natl Park Headquarters photo (Kodacolor) ⁹¹⁰⁴²⁴⁻¹ Cliff House from visitor center. Trip to Cliff House and return via circuitous route. Cops not in leaf, Stellers jay, rock wren. 910424-2 annette + jay. 910424-3 cliff House. 910424-4 Cliff House, all mesa Verde.