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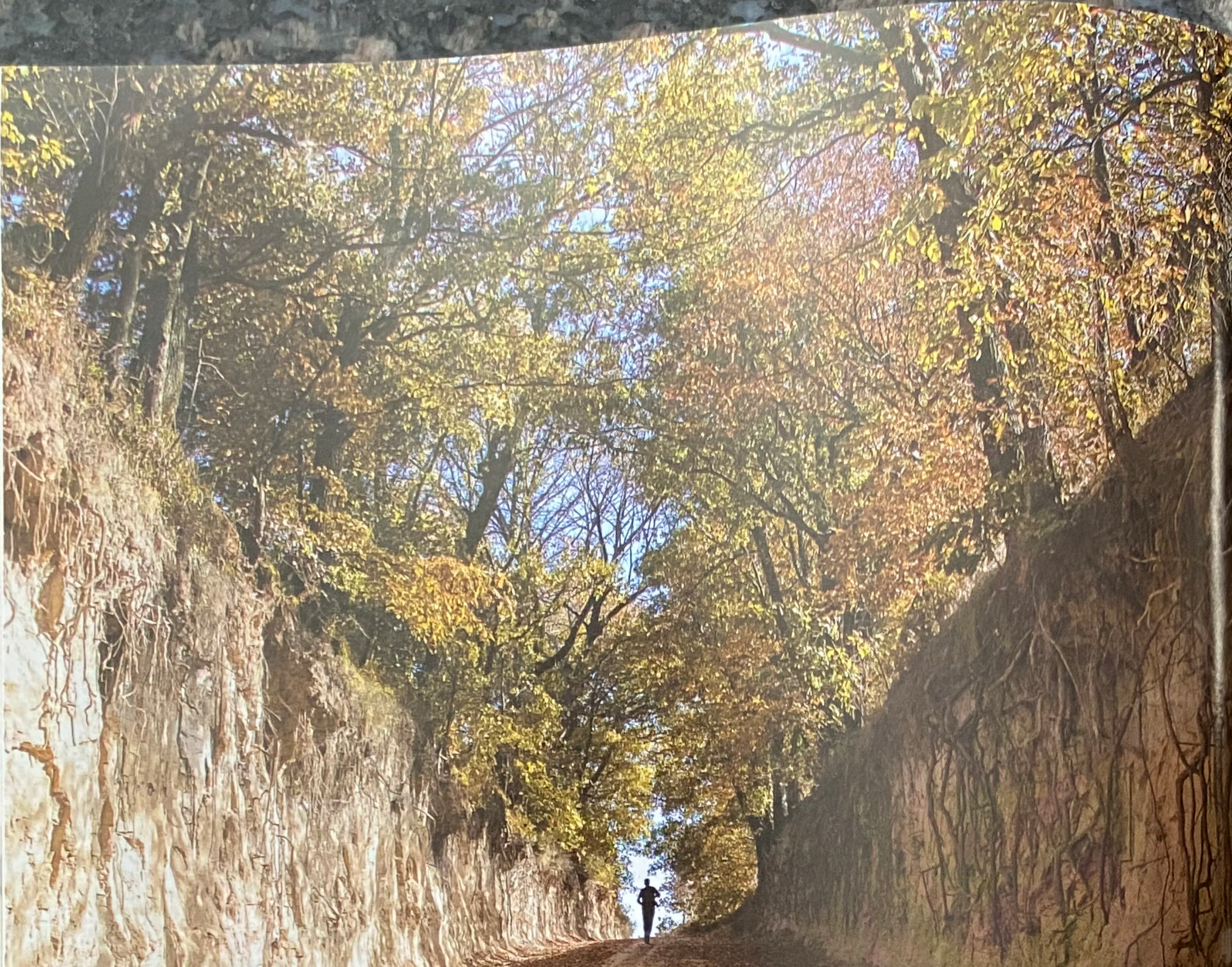


The Roads Less Traveled

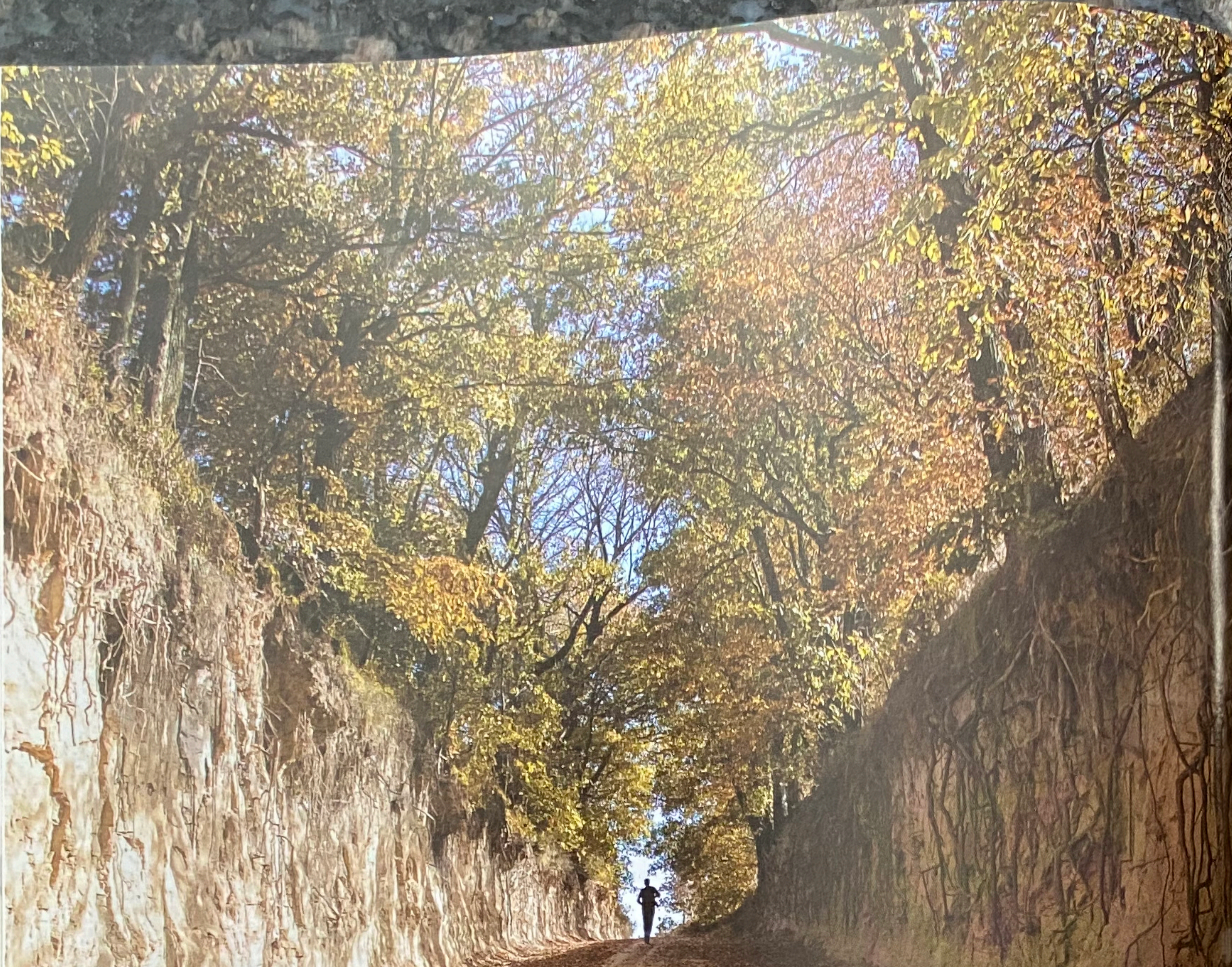
Out for some driving and hiking on Iowa's "level B" roads

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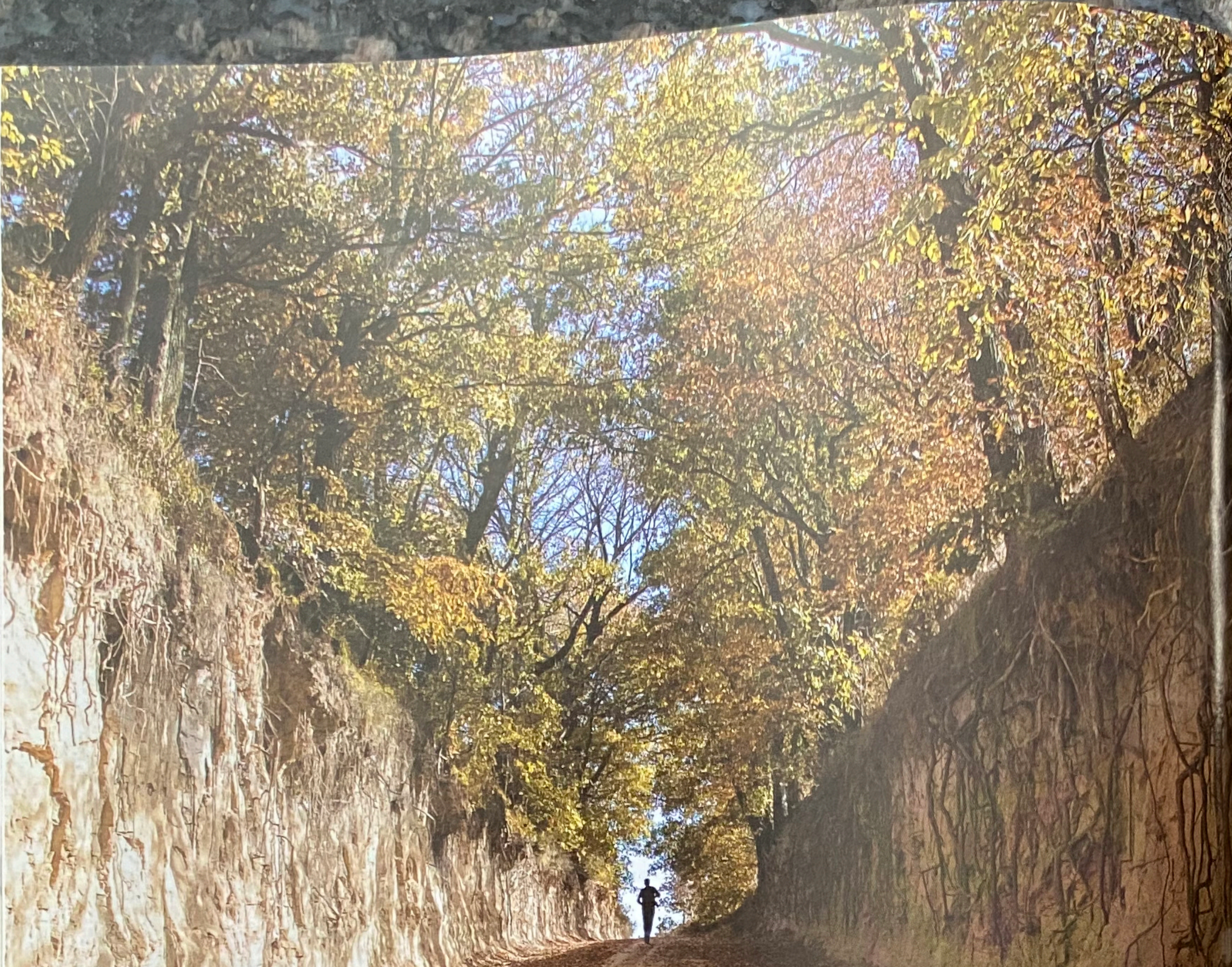
Pathfield Road near
Glenwood in
Mills County



What are level B roads? Each Iowa county has the ability to designate the maintenance level of its county roads. The standard gravel roads are level A. Level B roads typically do not service a residence and are dirt or earthen. They typically receive very little repair but are always clearly labeled at each entrance with the standard "enter at your own risk" warning on a yellow sign. Level C roads exist as well, but they are typically closed to vehicles, making level B your best bet for roadway adventures. We packed up our camera and visited these level B roads as part of a father-son trip. We hope you enjoy these images from our sometimes bumpy and dusty ride.



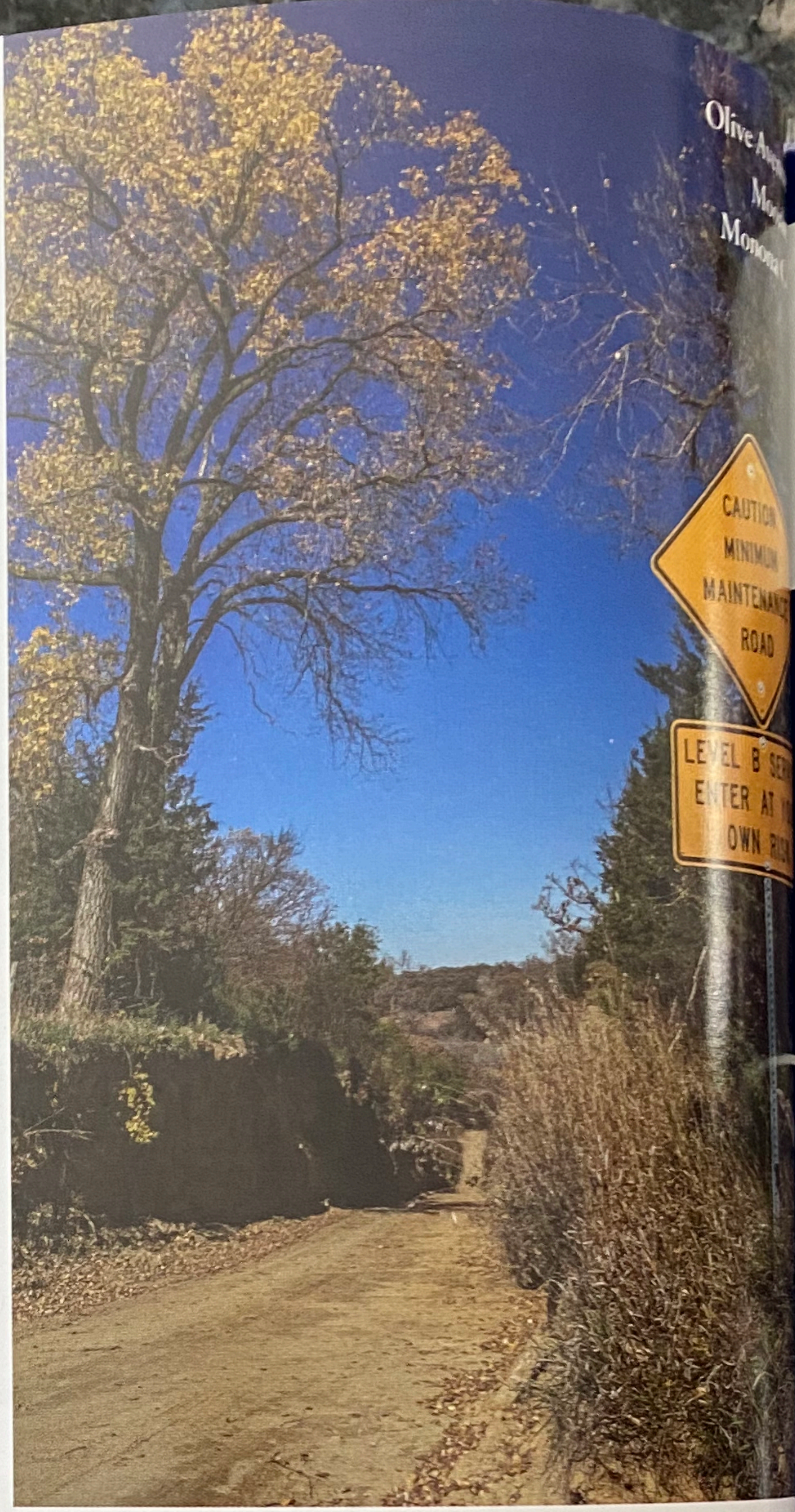
Olive Avenue near
Moorhead in
Monona County



Pathfield Road near
Glenwood in
Mills County



L Avenue, east of
Charter Oak in
Crawford County



Olive Avenue
Mills County
Monument



A view of Waubesa
Creek from bridge
along a B level road in
Mills County



Find detailed Iowa county maps that show locations of
B level roads (labeled "earthen") at this website:
iowadot.gov/maps/msp/pdfview/counties.html

