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After breakfast made first inspection trip to cirque. Left camp, that is at base of trail near ranger station at 8:49 A.M. Plan on making complete census on way up to cirque. As I started found the mist clouds as low as the brinks of the basal cirque. Clouds in sky obscuring the sun.

8:51 A.M. R.S. Shiber, robin, chickadees and audubon warblers travelling together and calling. yarrow fading. The above flock extended for 200 feet with trees utterly alive. The near exact number being 10 juncos feeding both in the trees & ground, 5 audubon warblers, several Kinglets, 8 robins and 2 flickers.

8:53 A.M. Two flickers and a few robins chasing a thrush (brown tail)

8:58. Cut. m. conso among the forest of aspen.

8:59. Bird calling. (Species?)

9:00 Pika called from base of rock slide. Urtenaow bird call.

9:01. Pika calling.

9:03 Pika calling; Cut. m. conso calling

9:05 now at entrance to Badger flat! 2 Cut m conso calling.

9:06 Pika called four times

9:07. Junco, Cutarnis m. conso calling.

9:11 Pika called 5 times from slide area. Clark Crow calling on light mountain to west.

9:12. W. Cr. sparrow calling, Cut. m conso called, Warbler in brush, Yr. tail towhee calling, marmot calling near.

9:14 now at limestone gulch which supports a little water. Trail now trends more to south. Sparrow (sp.) calling. Deer tracks on trail all along. The last marmot indicated above is still calling from slide area on east side of Badger flat. Bird called. Deer tracks show downy trend in trail.

9:18 The above marmot still calling. Warbler (sp.) calling.

9:20. Kinglet & Cut. m. conso calling

9:28 at switchback point nearest ^{main} Canyon proper. marmot left rocks of stream bed and ran up the gulch.

9:30 Magelloray warbler calling.

9:31 Warbler calling

9:34. 2nd switchback. Large deer tracks still going down canyon. few tracks on trail.

9:37 3rd switchback.

9:38 Cut. m. conso calling

9:39 Pine siskins flew by, flicker calling.

9:45 arrived at brink of cirque. Eagle flying at brink of upper cirque. The animal and bird life recorded specific without repetition except when indicated. The sheep herders had established their camp on brink of cirque near trail last night. Some sheep were in cirque now with the expectation of the entire herd this afternoon on the cirque proper ☺. This will certainly mean curtains for the trapping prospects. Felt like jerking