

marmots common & heard very frequently. 390908-218

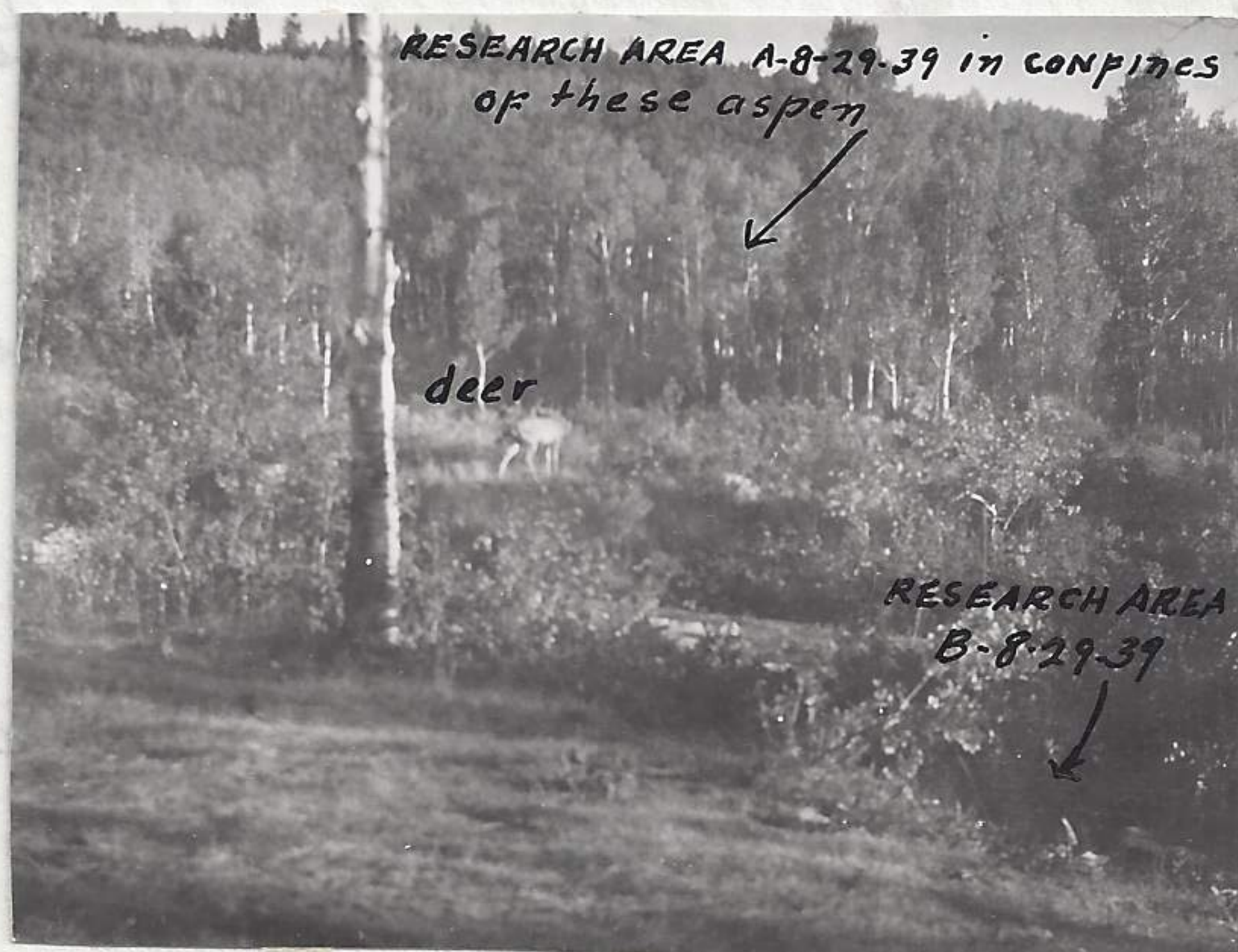
Observed only one Dusky Grouse on entire trip.

Left Cirque brinks at 2:30 P.M. reaching camp just in time to establish research area A-9-8-39. This area included a linear line of traps <sup>(229)</sup> placed on a south exposure of the main ridge between Bear Canyon & Timpanoche Basin. The north side of this ridge is timbered with Conifers and aspen while the south side is relatively exposed, at least free from the dense forests of aspen & Conifers, however the aspen stands were closely associated with the opening on this side hill. The main shrubs were Artemisia, rose, chokecherry, oak, elderberry etc.



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(reference photo, see date)

The first series <sup>(traps 1 to 99A)</sup> was placed in exposed area of the side hill while series 2 <sup>(trap 1-180 B)</sup> was placed at the base of the hill at the junction of the aspen, opening contact. Here the vegetational growth <sup>and aspen</sup> were thick and difficult to penetrate. All traps placed 10' apart. The base of the hill approximately 900' from station 4 at edge of creek. The research area A-8-29-39 lies about half way between camp and this above research area. A picture taken this morning at camp looking north will indicate the relative position of the two above area.



Note deer feeding just beyond camp. This picture 22-9-8-39 was taken early this morning before light conditions were very favorable for picture taking. The hill-side area supported 4 or 5 well used deer trails leading down directly from top of ridge while the horizontal trailing was less conspicuous. No sheep here this year but they will be here in about a week or so.

22-9-8-39