

most impressive thing was their lack of any grey-rumped grouse. The ^{most} large group formation, nearly always being found in pairs or singles. These birds commence feeding long before the other birds in the morning and generally among the dry aspen leaves where they make considerable noise. Their distribution is general and not localized.

Grasshopper (R. mt). no doubt present but did not see it but thought I heard it.

Shrike. Large shrike lit in top of Conifer at head of second water near Lone-Ship Kennel.

Hawk. Only observed this one and probably a Swainson. Large hawks of the soaring type are indeed rare here at this time of year.

mt. Bluebird. One bird in lower Sheep Creek.

Bear. 2 reported taken from this area.

Deer. The country in the immediate vicinity of camp of years past has always been a productive area with many signs and evidences of deer as well as many deer themselves but this year the area was supporting very few deer. There appeared to be many deer taken from this country but in those last remaining areas where the deer have remained because of difficulty of hunting. Now with an increase army of hunters and their organized driving methods these last stands are being invaded and the deer taken. Any apparent increase of deer for this country is probably due to the increased hunting to the west and adjacent country where the new road of last year has allowed many hunters to approach the west than of the few years before. From my observations would say that the buck population, at least the large animals, have steadily decreased every year since we started hunting here and any apparent increase can be explained as invasion from contiguous areas. With new roads into all parts of the country allowing for better and easy accessibility and with better marksmanship and ruthless sportsmanship the buck population is doomed to decrease out of all proportions to what it should be for set ratios.

Badger. Many holes with few very fresh ones. Most of these holes ~~are~~ have dirt mounds of about a gallon capacity indicating shallow digging. Others with extensive digging. Some areas have 5 or 6 holes in same area.

Peromyscus. minimum level from all indications.

Eutamias umbrinus Common. Frequently heard and seen. Most frequently associated with Conifer and tree stands.

Bobcat (?) One reported by a hunter.

Coyote. many signs of tracks and droppings in all situations.

Tamiasciurus. Common. Several cone piles in evidence.