

gopher had appropriated the burrow system subsequent enlargement.

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of a Dipodomys with
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Dipodomys - Sand Dunes 1.7 miles west Certus Station
Continued trapping on dunes catching 3 out of 15 traps. Mainly active between 6:45 P.M. & 10:00 P.M. One definitely caught at 7:45 P.M.
Found a child of the earth or sand baby digging in hole with sand accumulation as such an extent that would confuse with Dipodomys diggings. Out of a closely grouped set of 4 holes which had been excavated recently only one was used last. nite. by the Dipodomys. One trap had been visited by a cat which had a Dipodomys in and as a result the trap had been somewhat pushed around. Used wheat as bait which was taken ravenously. With quots now in my possession discontinued trapping. Kept for a week in separate chamber of a crate with ends open with wire. Crate placed in ^{completely dark} room of a temperature of 68°F. Fed them oatmeal & lettuce. They would take the oatmeal and place it in one corner of chamber. These rats will feed from the hand immediately after their capture without the slightest sign of fear. One can pick them up carefully without their objection, however, if any quick movement is made the slip right out of one's hand. Once they decide to rest or go to sleep, noise or dog scent does not seem to interfere with their slumber. They sleep with head on floor as if standing on their head, but in a curled position. If one is careful in not exposing them to low temperature and offering them a dark room one can keep them indefinitely. Shipped light to Reed Jantzen at University of Illinois without a death. with these requirements posted on box. -- 70°F - dark room - do not disturb.

Top of Maple Flat mountain. East of Provo. 11/15/40
Scouts of 51 placed Honor Hike Plaque on Top of Maple Flat mountain in a two day trip. Left base of "Y" trail at sundown which was at 5:05 P.M. and arrived at Sheep Flat or Bear Flat at Springs at 8:25 P.M. and by 11:00 P.M. had camp set up. Greatest number of bird tracks near base of mountain - Cottontail - quail, pheasant, grouse and *Peromyscus* tracks most common forms found. A few robins calling late. At the eagle pass took a picture (1-11-15-40) of Provo City. Exposure wide open and 10 minute duration. on vouchrome. Just deer tracks in snow a few blocks up slide Canyon from eagle pass. The tracks progressively increased with