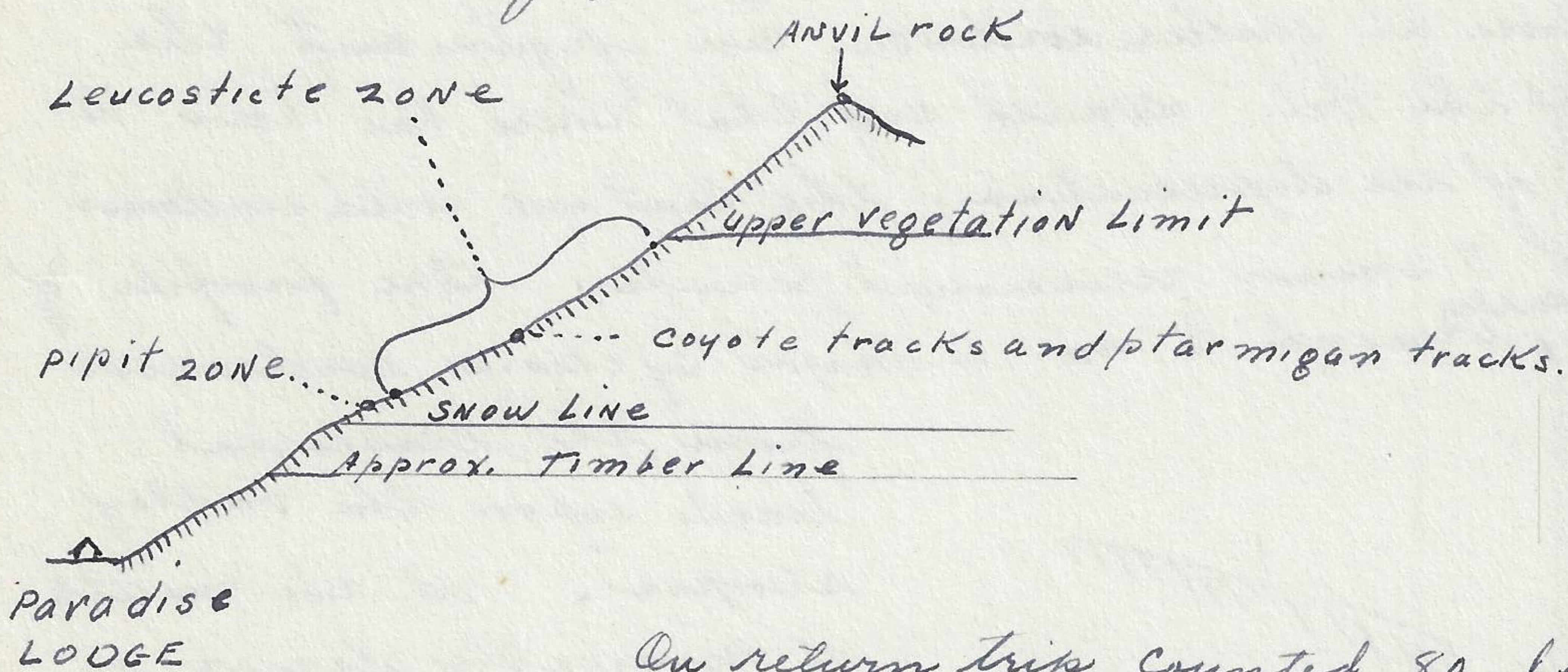


noticeable result that he was thoroughly acquainted with every station and personalities of the radio programs. Chairs insulated with non-conductor supports. Paul told me that a week or two previous he had observed a *Eutamias* around cabin and that it had been a regular guest up to the time a weasel made itself known, after which the *Eutamias* disappeared. Could the weasel have ferreted out the *Eutamias* and killed it or had it been driven on to a more hospitable area. Next morning this weasel was observed in snow at front door of cabin. Rather tame to approach. Paul also informs me that during the same season the ptarmigan are white at higher elevations, indicating their limited lateral migration and favouring rather limited territorial areas.

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up at sunrise with window clearing in sky just long enough to see to distant east and Rammer to west. Rammer Crest and upper musqually glacier in about as cold and delicate nature as I will probably ever see. Last night several ice mass gave way at ice falls. As soon as the clouds closed in again the wind and wet driving snow started. Return trip made in a hazy, wet mist as I descended below the snowing zone.



On return trip counted 80 Leucosticte t. littoralis in groups of 1-5-8-15. They were found as far up the mt. slope as the vegetational limit and down slope to about lower end of snow line. They were either on bare rock exposures or grassy spots among the moranic boulder fields. Those resting on rocks were cold looking, wet and definitely concerned about their plumage. One can approach to within 10'-15' feet before they are forced to leave. One bird flew like a bat or wounded or starved bird. They frequently chase one another for 50 or so feet. Their method of movement is similar to horned larks in that the last bird or group fly ahead to reestablish a new front in the progressive movement. The pipit appeared to be below the leucosticte but still in snow zone. Only a few of these birds. Ptarmigan feathers at tree line above timberline zone at Paradise lodge. Arrived at Paradise Lodge at 10:30 A.M. being only 3 hours on the trail from anvil rock. At the Paradise Valley area