

Lehi, Utah County, Utah

Jan 6, 1947

John Hutchings reports the following. (excellent informant)  
 1. His father reports antelope in Cedar Valley, Utah Co., Utah before Johnson army arrived in Cedar Valley. 2. Buffalo were in Utah County. Partly fossilized skull of the Buffalo was taken from a gravel pit on the Provo level at a pass which goes from Utah Valley side into Cedar valley. This skull compares with skulls taken from the <sup>exposed</sup> lake floor of Utah Lake. Numerous buffalo skulls have been found along dry creek that passes thru Lehi. His father tells of great numbers of buffalo wintering in the cottonwoods in Dry Creek near Lehi during the severe period of snow in 1857. They died during this winter. The first blacksmith in Lehi presented John Hutchings with a set of buffalo horns which had been taken in Dry Creek during the winter [1857] when the buffalo perished. These horns have been in his blacksmith shop since that time. 3. Otter occurred in Utah Lake about 1860 in great numbers. His father observed several otter swimming in a single line which gave the appearance of a lake dragon. Because of this incident of the undulating ~~swimming~~ movement of these otter, several men requested to be put to shore. 4. During the early day in 1860, a wolverine was taken from Provo Canyon, Utah County, and prepared as a skin.

Provo, Utah County, Utah

Jan 8, 1947

Heard the first flicker call of the season. This call is probably not associated with the spring breeding calls.

Ecker Hill, Utah

Jan 9, 1947

Enroute to Ecker Hill to see the ski jumps observed 800 Gray-crowned Leucosticte (sp?) at Deer Creek Reservoir. They were moving about in large flocks from one exposed area to another. They were apparently using the bare hillsides where the earth had been removed for the construction of the Deer Creek dam. The areas are now in a partially weedy successional stage.