

to arrive Riverside for evening trap set. Enroute at $\frac{1}{2}$ mi above base camp observed a *Citellus richardsoni* which is a rather high record for this mammal. Camped this evening at 1 mi. n Riverside, Wyoming and set traps $\frac{1}{4}$ mi. n Riverside in a typical permanent cattail meadow. Grasses dense and unfavorable as far as sign was concerned. Set 85 traps and returned to base camp at 1 mi. n. Riverside.

1 mi. n Riverside, Carbon Co., Wyoming . 7,380 ft.

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Inspected trap line $\frac{1}{4}$ mi. n Riverside, Carbon Co., Wyoming 7380 ft and only caught 2 mammals. Only trap with animals recorded: 2 *Microtus montanus* 1-7-17-48; 2-7-17-48 a *Microtus montanus* from trap 68. I was surprised to find so few mammals here. Returned to base camp and packed for journey to Laramie, Wyoming. Jim caught an *Onychomys* in his trap line among *Artemisia* on higher ground adjacent to meadow. Departed here, thence to Brush Creek, Lake Marie and Laramie, camping at 5 mi. n Laramie, 7200 ft., Albany Co., Wyoming. In fields adjacent Laramie River on Laramie Plains set out research area A-7-18-48 in a mixed grass, weeds community. Numerous runways present. Research area B-7-18-48 in cultivated or pastured meadow of foxtail grasses. The grass was dominant and only grass in an old or-bow of the Laramie River. The ground was bare between grass stems but considerable activity and grass clippings. Both of these areas have been influenced by the river. Beyond the river influence, the valley is grass and no doubt is related to the American Grassland Biome to the east. Runways in these grasses but I did not trap there. One noticeable feature of this plains is the climatic effect of wind which blows continually and to the human species, at least, is disagreeable, especially when Temp. is cold. I have noticed here and from the Snowy Range that storms from the Rocky Mountains to the south in Colorado develop and then pass northward where they gradually disappear or turn to the east about 10 mi. n of Laramie where they meet the climate of the Grasslands on the high Plains east of Pole Mt. On three occasions have watch a hail storm pass east over the Pole Mt. Range between Laramie + 10 miles n. These storms come from the south. If this is the actual situation, one may infer that these storms have influenced the Laramie