

Placed a Alaskan Longspur nest 1 foot from original setting. ♀ visited the old spot 3 times and then flew away, ignoring the misplaced nest. On return, the longspur carried a feather in mouth and started to construct the nest again. This nest was placed in an old lemming runway with fecal pellets under nest. Observed the following birds in area: 12 Pomarine jaegers, 3 snowy owls, 1 gull, 1 red-throated loon, 12 pintails, 2 oldsquaw ducks, 4 longspurs (nests of 5 and 3 eggs). Returned to A.R.L. Robert Rausch was here about May 28 and reported no lemming activity and just a few days later the Eskimos brought some in to the lab. The polar bears, eight of them, have been taken this ^{winter} month and sprung from ice pack beyond the open water lead. The Eskimos claim the season is three weeks late this year. No whales at Barrow Village this year. 2 white whales at Wainwright. Examined a trap this evening under 2 inches of water which was set on dry land this morning.

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Inspected trap line set last night west of Salt Water Lake and caught 12 lemming in 35 traps, 10 traps sprung. There are larger lemming but traps not capable of holding them. Have observed two lemming crawling out of traps that had held them across backs. Observed one lemming swimming in the water with back legs only and turning with help of tail. Another one ran into shallow water and crouched low until I approached. This has happened several times. Some will remain in open situations and remain still. If cornered they will stand their grounds and fight back with a boxing action of their front feet and squeaking calls. In some instances they will lie on their backs and continue to fight with their feet, especially if in a small depression. Examined nest of Alaskan longspur of 6 eggs placed thus:

