

Dec 21, 1954

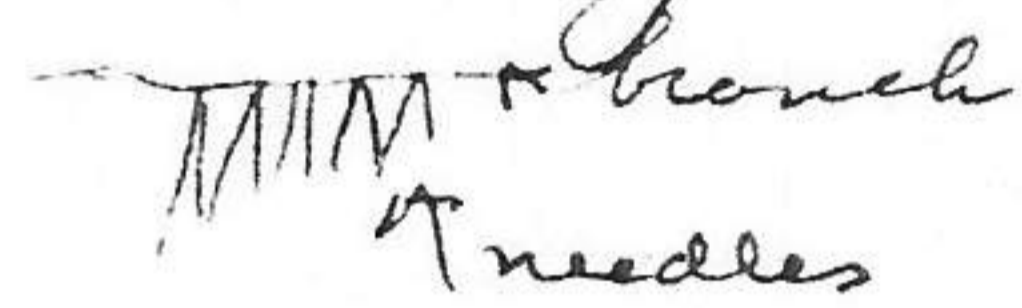
departed rebaj and travelled to 5 mi. E and 1 mi. N of Huichutenango at Laogules bridge. Trapped in pine-cacti forest. Camped at first savanna toward Chemal at 7000 ft. min temp last night 24°F. Ponds frozen.

Dec 23, 1954

Went as far as San Juan Iskey and then returned to 5 to 9, 340 ft at about 2 miles south. Set traps in cloud forest of oak like tree and few pine - spanish moss on all trees and much moss & lichen on trees and ground.

Dec. 24, 1954

Temp at camp at 7:00 A.M. = 43°F. In places where pine grow in the cloud forest the needles remain suspended on the branches of the low shrubs and trees and give impression of mass laden vegetation.



The floor of the forest is solid layers of pine needles.

Peromyscus mexicanus. Found in the most dense of forest especially under old logs or around the bases of old upright trees or at base of cliffs and rocks. It is found outside of these areas in the general area of the forest such as in trails and among shrubs, but mainly in above mentioned places. These areas are sealed in with mosses and lichens and vegetation which requires damp shaded situations. The trees are covered with green & yellow mosses on all sides and spanish moss hangs from the limbs above.

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2 mi. S Chemal, 10700 ft.

Dec. 30, 1954

Took colored movie (16 mm) of Mr. Granada, a shepherd, inspecting specimens I had just prepared. Mrs. Granada in background. At 7:00 A.M. 13°F temp. meadow-larks are quail-like. High country appears high with greater familiarity of the country.

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