

Arrived Ely and stayed in cabin at Little Long Lake.  
Color here about 1/3.

Little Long Lake, Minnesota

Sept. 17, 1955

Collected mosses and lichens near Burntside Lake. nos 550917-1 and 550917-2 are photos of the general area. Lichens are best developed on glaciated ridges of rock. Mosses here as well as in bog areas.

Sept 18, 1955

Collected mosses and lichens 1 block down from Nels Lake trail. Colors in this area are far more advanced than at Ely or about 80% maples in full color and 1/2 birch in full color. This is about the peak of color in this area. On way back saw 3 grouse and heard many Tamiasciurus. The area around Nels Lake has more conifers than at Ely. The lichens are more commonly found on glaciated ridges of bare rocks. It may be that they are here because of lack of soil to grow any other kind of plant.

Sept. 19, 1955

Took the following photographs of the trees and other plant material.

(multiple base)

550919-1 maple; 550919-2 birch, 550919-3 fungi.  
Mr. Otto Kokkanen, owner of the cabin on the east side of Little Long Lake and a resident of Ely since 1907 reports the following.

1. moose in area at Little Long Lake, Burntside and other areas but in about 1915 they disappeared. In 1907 there were many because there was more large trees which they prefer. Lumbering in area for 60 years, at present everything is second growth.

2. Thirty-five years ago Otto bought camp and at that time all the <sup>large</sup> trees ~~were~~ had already been cut.

3. Few caribou before 1907 at Ely but not seen in 1907.

4. Few deer and many moose in 1907. The deer have increased.

5. moose males were hunted but the species continued