

Photo 670805-6 and 670805-7 of dry ^{cracked soil from} ephemeral pond and desert varnish (left) Sparrow hawk average 1 per 2 miles along river. Rock wren most common bird. magpies uncommon. 96577 Chukar partridge crossed road and gained sidehill above steep road cut. 96581 photo up Canyon (no-670805-8) ^{with Chris} showing dominant Wingate formation as it dip to the S. ^{670805-9 as above} Navajo loaded from river edge of Wingate. 96586 Arrived moab at 11:25 A.M. Left 12:50 at 96588 continued n to Green River, thence to a few miles E of Wellington and thence n toward nine mile Canyon. In wide valley on n drainage noted group of 10-20 bluebirds. These birds prefer open fields of broad extent. Continued to nine mile and stopped at Nutter Ranch. The daughter of Mr. Nutter, now owner of the ranch was in Salt Lake City for a short visit. The ranch is of newer buildings than when I visited Mr. Nutter some 38 or so years ago. The penobes are still the ranch watchguards. noted a few petroglyphs on cliffs about a block up Canyon from ranch. Continued down Canyon and arrived at corral which is associated with the 3rd cattle guardrail. I would estimate that the distance is approx 5 1/2 miles from the Nutter Ranch. The canyon floor is cultivated but erosion has destroyed much of the flat canyon bottom and parts not effected are now inaccessible by road because of the deeply eroded gully. The grass fields harbor great swarms of mosquitoes. Road to the 3rd Cattle guard is just possible with trailer. Camped at Corral. The general area of petroglyphs are associated with this ~~area~~ Corral. Other petroglyphs were noted on cliffs along the way but not in the same concentration as in this area. unusual calendar

