

2/10 mi. E, 3/10 mi. N Bellamy Lake (outlet), Snowy Range, Albany Co.,  
Wyoming. elev. 10,820 ft.

July 23, 1975 (Cont.)

From a trapline <sup>of 50 traps</sup> set at 2:00 P.M. in relict Engelmann spruce caught a *Clethrionomys* one hour later at 3:00 P.M. from a trap under a log removed from main forest.

750723-22 *Clethrionomys gapperi*. 142-46-19-16-25 gms. ♂ testis 11 mm

This would indicate that the red-backed mouse is active during the day and that it ranges beyond the overhead protection of standing trees. The log still offered it overhead protection. In this area were 2 young robins with tails half size <sup>of adult</sup> length.

Continued to divide at Libby Flats, thence to road leading to Libby Lake and at the crossover at Libby Creek (enroute to Libby Lake made several photographs of snow bridging the creek.

Photo 750723-<sup>39</sup> showing Libby Creek entering snowfield covering the drainage. The arch of snow is 50 feet across, marsh marigold one of the first plants to grow in areas of receding snow. The areas of collapsed snow bridge should show damage to growing plants. The red algae is present <sup>on</sup> these snows. 2 Canada jays and a white-crowned sparrow in this area. Altitude 10750 ft here. This <sup>is</sup> ~~from~~ as far as one can drive a car, <sup>at this time of year.</sup>

From this area of the crossover of Libby Creek set 50 traps on sidehill to N and thence E for approx 1000 feet. This area is covered with a discontinuous stand of Engelmann spruce and like the first set is the uppermost stand of spruce before it develops to Krumholz. This is the same area as trapped in previous years and so recorded in the journals.

Left area at mileage 3856.7 at 5:15 P.M. Sky stormy but with ~~bold~~ bold white clouds. A fisherman claimed that this area is too high for elk for this time of year and that he has not observed a bear in the last 4 years. On Libby Flats Photo 750723-40 of sheep trucks (3) unloading sheep. No wonder price of mutton is so high. Photo 750723-41 on W side of divide down from Libby Flats showing white & yellow flowers and Bellamy Lake in middle ground. At mileage 3858 Marmot. Maria Lake at 3859.9 2 rovers on ridge to W. At mileage 3865 natural reforestation in savanna. noted upper 5 feet lodgepole pines blackish. 3870 5 Canada jays in one group. 3874 turnoff to S Brush Creek Camp. *Eutamias* active at 7:10 P.M. 8:25 robin & young active. Sunflowers face east at sundown and not west. Picked up pioneer iron in sagebrush at camp. Some horse shoe nails included in assortment. Set 5 traps for *Eutamias* at camp.