

Left Silver Lake at mileage ~~538.7~~ ^{5378.7} at 9:45 A.M. 380.1 collected dominant flowers in meadows at N bend of road. It is easy to collect 12-15 species of flowering plants but to increase to 20 kinds is more time consuming. Placed in plastic bag for Mary at Casper. (Mary P. Bee). This flat in the past has always been grazed to the roots by domestic sheep but is now recovering. Heard first woodpecker drilling on hollow tree. 385.2 robin. 392.3 Brewer blackbird. 392.3 Chipmunk near lower end of valley before front range and Canyon. No ducks in beaver ponds, generally there are ducks here. Considerable beaver activity and whole valley in willows created by beaver dams. 393.3 striped skunk road kill. 393.4 mouth of Canyon (W side range) 394.3 Citellus (line unless indicated). 394.5 2 Citellus. 394.6 6 antelope lying down in grassy field, surrounded by artemisia, all males. They remained while we passed by at 300 feet. 395.2 40 Cliff swallows. 395.8 Citellus road kill. 396.0 Citellus 396.2 8 cliff swallows (resting under eulverts) 396.5 Citellus road kill. 397.6 sparrow hawk. 397.8 2 magpies at Citellus road kill. Grass field show regeneration and increased care, but water resource still a problem. 399.1 magpie. 399.9 now in area of former cultivated grass fields, now completely grown to a willow succession. 400.5 pond and family mallard ducks. 400.7 sparrow hawk 401.9 north Platte River at 11:00 A.M. (see previous censuses of the area between mouth of Canyon and the N. Platte in previous years for comparison of birds and mammals. 20 cliff swallows ^{about} river and river field. 20 more cliffswallows. 402.5 prairie dog town on left but no prairie dogs. 402.9 highway 130, now N. 403.9 prairie dog town on left but no prairie dogs. There have been several small prairie dog towns along the way on 130, there are also rarely a Citellus along the railroad grade where in the past years they were numerous. 405.6 Citellus road kill. The ground squirrels we have been seeing are *Spermophilus (Citellus) richardsoni elegans* or Richardson's ground squirrel. 405.7 magpie road kill. 407.3 Citellus road kill. 410.6 Saratoga. at 11:30 met some people here that had been hiking in the Snowy Range. They informed me: 1. Coyote at French Creek. 3♂ elk SW of Lubby Flats in timber. no ptarmigan or pika on The Lubby Flats but a few marmots. The Forest Service people here informed