

Cades Cove, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Tennessee,
 Nov. 14, 1980

min temp last night 48°F. white-breasted nuthatch, 1 deer, and 9 wild turkey at camp. also gray squirrel and crow. Informants say there are 3 periods of high population of visitors in this national Park, any one period to be avoided, one spring when flowers and beginning to show, second one at peak of summer vacation and 3 (a bumper to bumper parade) during autumn colors.

Left Cades Cove for loop

trip of 11 miles thru former valley of early pioneers. By car and short lateral trails to historical cabins etc. Left at mileage 24363.3 at 9:00 A.M. Will keep complete list of observations. Crow, 3 white-tailed deer (all deer whitetail), 1 deer, 4 crows, 1 doe deer is dark, 3 point buck, another buck & crow nearby. 2 small does. Checked log cabin with fence surrounding it, and saw doe deer and 6 crows, tamarack principal conifer tree, deer grazing in open grass meadows, continuing on to next stop. 2 deer in meadows to left, deer (6) in field, Sloped at Cades Cove Church organized 1687. at this point 5 deer, the smallest 20" high which seems small for deer facing winter. Gray squirrel, another deer in forest, 5 deer in forest at edge, 2 crows, height of a small deer as measured on weed stem it was standing by is 23 inches, accompanying 2 does, robin, 5 juncos (state-colored), at second church (unnamed) facing N gray squirrel, lone deer in field of sparse Andropogon? Cades Cove Missionary Baptist Church founded in 1839 facing S. 3 deer in shadows at edge of fields, one a buck, bluebird, (eastern), cowbird, 2 crows, marmot (woodchuck) in open field, another in same field about 300' from trees and out on slope toward valley. They are living in these open fields in unprotected holes. They must not hibernate in this area or are late in going into hibernation. 7 deer in compact group ^{in open fields} 1/10 mi from trees, 8 crows calling, 4 deer, 2 crow in point opposite a cemetery in middle of valley below, yellow-shafted flicker, crow, crow, side road to Abrahams Falls, marmot feeding in grass field. These fields are cut regularly and are relatively short. The marmots are conspicuous, second marmot in middle of field. Continued S to parking lot that leads trails to Abrahams Falls and