

by campers.

Trail 39, Gallatin River, Gallatin Co., Wyoming.

May 20, 1981

min temp 29°F. Foggy just above river valley. At enclosure noted 2 raven, robin, <sup>nestled in enclosure</sup> Kingfisher, Wilson snipe on top of one of the poles of enclosure, Coyote track 75 mm front 50 mm rear.

at ant hills photos 810520-1 typical hill. Photo 810520-2 of several ant hills distributed among the shrubs and grasses. One of them had been dug into by *Citellus* and one more extensively by a badger. There were 20 badger diggings in area.

at enclosure photo 810520-3 of droppings of moose along outside of fence. Photo 810520-4 of S face of enclosure showing degree of grazing of willows on outside of enclosure. The life form of willows outside can be seen also W across river in an area where 2 moose fed & rested. Photo 810520-5 of enclosure showing even better the differential of grazing on inside and outside of enclosure. A mule deer fed at edge of timber on W side of valley. There is some grizzly bear activity in this area according to informants.

Left at mi 34898.8 and at 904.2 out of the segment of Yellowstone Natl Park on way to West Gate. aspens still without leaves (7400 ft), 904.9 Grayling Cr. at 906.2 ? junction at 287. The broad sweep of the landscape is like a floor of a caldera with rim bordering. Lodgepole pine in center (floor) of caldera. 911.0 Madison River, red-shafted flicker. 915.3 entrance West Gate of the Yellowstone Natl Park, 12:00 P.M., chipmunk, 921.0 9 Canada geese. 922.4 Crossing Madison River and now on E side, raven, robin, robin. 926.0 moose Canada goose sitting on nest which in turn was placed on a boulder in grassy part of river bed about 2 feet from water. The rock was about 2 1/2 times as high as body <sup>height</sup> of goose and 3 1/2 times as wide as width of the geese body. Water on three sides of this rock and not over 4 feet from water. Vegetation around rock about 1 foot high. Back of body towards road. Photo 810520-6 of this Canada goose and nest. It appeared as if vegetation immediately in contact with base of rock and out as far as goose could reach was clipped by goose. This nest is approx 7300' elevation. Frogs calling in area, no willow along edge of river and may be controlled by moose.