

the exposure. Considerable snow covers the canyon walls. Left the ridge at 4:15 P.M. with the idea of making our descent on a snow surface that should be in perfect condition. The surface snow all day had been rather soft and wet & we expected to find the snow now in perfect condition but to our great disappointment found that a crust had already formed and made the return trip a fast one but also a spilly one. Turns were practically impossible.



Arrived at Honor Lake Camp at 5:15 P.M. & at car at mouth of Grove at 6:40 P.M. which was not any too early for a safe return out of Canyon. When the first picture was taken, also shot (3) ¹⁻⁸⁻³⁹ and (4) ¹⁻⁸⁻³⁹ no 3 at ^{TOM} John with north end of Trip in background and no 4 near Government Spring using the landmark (old conifer stump) as a funnel. Tom. Jessford & myself made the trip.



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The period of snow transformation from early morning to forenoon is better suited for skiing than the more abrupt change from the afternoon evening change of snow condition. No evidence of any elk but several sets of coyote, grouse. Most of the deer are confined to lower limits although few evidence of old trails here in upper limits. Snow showed considerable rippling from running water of previous warm days.