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(Thurs.)

Mar. 12, 1936.

Went to Whiting at 10:00 a.m.

Mar. 13, 1936. (Sat.)

✓ Chloroceryle americana 1
✓ Megascops 1

✓ *guata* - 1
✓ *guata* - 1

Redhead - 2

Blackbird - 2000

Starling - 2000

Blue Jay - 2000

Robin - 2000

Chipping Sparrow - 2000

Starling - 2000

Blue Jay - 2000

Robin - 2000

Chipping Sparrow - 2000

Starling - 2000

Blue Jay - 2000

Robin - 2000

Mar. 14 (Sat.) Tampico

Prepared to leave for Mexico.
Conferences. Left at 6.10 ^{PM} for Mexico.

Mar. 15 ^{Sun}. Arrived San
Luis Potosi 7.35 A.M.; left at 9.05
for Mexico; arrived Mexico
10.10 P.M.

Mar. 16 ^{Mon} ~~to 19~~ Mexico.

~~Meeting~~ Conferred with Zinner met
William Harris of Detroit and
wife. Went to Embassy

Mar. 17 ^{Tue} Mexico

Conferred with Zinner - introduced
Harris. Went to laboratory of
Gen. Ent. met Dr. Baker and
Mr & Mrs. Johnson and Dr. Stone.
Johnson said to me that the Govt
had taught the illegal market
duck hunters of the Illinois Valley
how to take ducks on a large scale
and even to improve on our methods

Mar. 17 con.

as they used in some case traps that were so arranged that when ducks were trapped they could be sunk and the ducks drowned and the evidence well concealed. Johnson knows Mr. Darling very well and his home is somewhere in that general section.

Mar. 18, Wed., Mexico City.

Conferred with Sr. Isaac A. Holomans, Director of Instituto de Biología, Casa del Lago Chapultepec.

Mar. 19, Thurs. Mexico City.

San Juan de Petran Market - no ducks. Had telegram from Weems announcing departure from New York. Arrangements for trip.

Prof. Alfonso L. Herrera. Visited him in afternoon at his home, 2^a del Ceiprés 64.

Mar. 20. Fri. Mexico City.
Final visit to Embassy - Fare
goodbye to Col. Marshburn,
McFigg, Newbiggin and Colonel
General Bowman.

Left Mexico City 6.50 P.M.

Lunch at Sanborn's with Juan
Zinser, and had talk with Davis
who came to our table. Zinser
was to meet us at train with
letters but failed to connect.

Mar. 21 Sat. Arrived
Guadalajara 8.30 A.M.

Saw George H. Winters at
consulate.

Left Guadalajara 12 P.M.

Mar 22 Sun. Arrived Mazatlan
6 A.M.

Went to Belmar Hotel on
beach.

Mar. 22 Con.

Looked up U.S. Colonel Derry.

Made trip to coastal lagoons about 60 kilometers south of Mazatlan where the water had receded leaving broad, mud flats. In an isthmus or deep channel where a stream enters the lagoon ~~duck~~ ducks of several species were noted. - all quite tame.

Spoonbill - 100
Most abundant species

Ruddy - 20

Widgeon - 10

Blue-winged teal - 20

Green-winged teal - 20

170

Mar. 22 con. in sect
Lower scarp. - 20 - Seen near
lagoon near ~~coast~~ railroad
station.

✓ Lophortyx elegans - (near coast)
about 60 kilometers south of Mazatlan

✓ Lepus gailiardi. One ^{or more} culicifera
jack put up on coast plain
60 miles south of Mazatlan.

March 23 (Mon.) Left
Mazatlan 6.30 a.m.

A long day through gradually
changing vegetation as train
carried us north, passing from
Upper tropical to Lower Sonoran
near Culiacan. Night came
south of Navojoa where the
train stopped a few minutes
and had a rather strenuous

Mar. 23 con.

Time buying two gerapes.

Mar. 24 (Tue.), Arrived
Guaymas, Son., about 10 AM - took
cab from Empalme. Went to
Hotel Almada.

Weems called up from Hotel
Mr. of S.P. at Miramar about
3 miles out of town and we went
out to meet him before noon,
accompanied by U.S. Colonel
Alfonso F. Giffels. Lunch and
dinner with Weems and we
curried ourselves with arrangements
for trip.

Mar. 25 (Wed.)

A strenuous day preparing for
L.C. trip. 7 PM.

Left Guaymas with Fulton
and Weems on little freight and
passenger boat "Blanco". Boat

Mar. 25 con.

heavily loaded, her plimsoll line below surface. Leaks of Beer. Heavy diesel engine.

Heading out from shore ran into heavy head wind and rough choppy sea slowing progress. Should have crossed in 12 hours, but took 22. Two Mex. partridges, most of partridges were scared, but I escaped. Berth small and bare. Had own blanket but night chilly. Water breaking over deck.

Mar, 26 (Thurs). Morning found the "Blanco" labaring in heavy sea. About 11 ran behind Tortugas Id. for shelter and to repair pump. Left there about 1 P.M. but had to cut anchor chain - anchor caught among rocks.

Mar. 26 (Thurs) con.
Arrived Santa Rosalia, 5 P.M.,
wind still blowing hard.

Presented card from Leonard
Giffin to Pierre Maheny, ^{Managing Director of Boleo Co.} who
introduced us to R. ~~de~~ Ricard
of the accounting division of the
Boleo Mining Co. and the two
were very courteous, gave us tea,
and had us put up at the
Exclusive Co. hotel, also assisted us
in many other ways.

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Mar. 28.

Passing Mulege saw
the following at an
inlet on which the town
is situated:

Redhead - 3 or 4
Scaups - a few.
Cinnamon - a few
Widgeon - a few
Blue-wing - a dozen
Pintail - several

Mar. 27 (Fri), Santa

Rosalia

Busily engaged in preparations
for leaving for Forto. Arranged
to leave tomorrow by truck. Wind
still blowing but not so hard.

Had Maheny and ~~Stuck~~ Ricard
to dinner. Mr. Harding and wife
from Arco came in.

Mar. 28 (Sat.), Santa Rosalia
to Forto, T.S. By truck

Finally left Santa Rosalia about
11 A.M.; ar. Forto 11:15 P.M. Very
courteously received by Juan
Garcayzar and family and were
lodged for the night. Weather
fine

Route was through the old
familiar vegetation, up and down
hill and over flats. The plants
including veritable giant cacti

Mar. 28 con.

Forsteria, leucocilla, Fysiloma
candida, coffee bush, candillilla,
and many others.

Leoncipein Bay - Skirted this
beautiful arm of the sea. Passed
through rugged hills the slopes
completely covered with hummock
boulders.

Forsteria, B.C.

Mar. 29 (Sun) ~~Santa~~

Arranging to go out to Sierra de la
Giganta where sheep are reported.

Forsteria is a sleepy little town.
It seems delightfully quiet and
warm after our recent rather
strenuous experiences and a cold
stormy period.

Mar. 30 (Mon.)

Left Forsteria 11 A.M. and travelled
through foothill country to point
called El Sanz near eastern

Mar. 30 con.

Base of Sierra de la Giganta.
Here we found water running
down for several hundred
yards. Arr. 5 PM.

Zenaidura macroura. Abundant.

Ammodramus sp.

Lepus

Set out a few traps, but got
only a woodrat and two species
of pocket mice.

Mar 31, Sierra de la Giganta.

Moved camp about 10 miles to point
on road to Forts near where the
road crosses center of range.
Camped at 2750 ft. Camped
spring on range.

Apr. 1, Sierra de la Giganta
Stems, grass (Chrysopsis) and 2
made to the ...
top of ...

Pathycerus calvus. This seems to
be this species - stems with little
in way of thorns - grow tall.

J. G.

Apr. 2. Sierra de la Giganta,
We left camp about 8 A.M. after a
cold night and climbed the main
peak and returned to base camp
where we arrived about 6 P.M.

Had a hard trip climbing up, as
we were informed, by the only
route up the mountain.

La Giganta: alt. 5500 ft. according
to Deems aneroid. Many rivers in
two peaks at top. General surface,
mainly rugged and in places along top
made up of loose boulders. Near top
scattered oaks extending down on
north slope under cliffs. Holiva
feldingi associated with oaks.

Apr. 3. Left high camp
called La Matanita about 10³⁰ A.M. and
stopped at El Sauz about ~~about~~ 2.30
P.M.

- 7 Saucito to Lame
- 8 Lame to ...
- 9 Tohor to ...
- 10, 9m, . . .

Apr. 4. Sat. Left El
Sang about 11.15 PM. and arrived
Lame about 5 PM. Weather warm.

Apr. 5. Sun. Lame to
Puerto Escondido. 16
off with swamped pack outfit
1.25 PM; arrived at beautiful
Lame port 6.30 PM

✓ *Tropidolobos* & *Calceos* - Giant
cactus.

Apr. 6. Mon. Puerto
Escondido to Saucito one hour
and 40 minutes - off 11.05 AM

arrived 1.40 PM. Devoted remaining
afternoon mainly to bath, laundry
and arrangements for trip tomorrow.

Apr. 7. Climbed up
over mountains to a cave where
we slept the night. Sent Pedro
leave down to main camp for
additional supplies.

Apr. 10, 1911
Drove Hagman, one of our
cameras up north, but
and we made a kind of
through a sort of
descending about 2 PM to
camp. Here we packed up
hurriedly and moved camp
via [unclear] to the
[unclear]

Apr. 11
regarding [unclear]
found considerable [unclear]
but saw none. Stopped for
lunch at a [unclear]

Apr. 12
could [unclear] and
camp for night, in bottom of a wash
described for a beautiful

group of [unclear] and [unclear]
for some [unclear]
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there, This is a wild and
 beautiful place, frequented
 by a few hundred down the
 mountain from a place
 where an immense creek
 cascades about 1000 feet
 down the mountain. The
 palms and figs ~~grow~~ ^{stand} up
 among the rocks in wild
 confusion making progress
 a mile or more than exceedingly
 slow. Weems and I remained at
 the camp with water bottles
 when with the rocks within
 20 feet of our bed of palm
 leaves. Sent Castro down
 to get some more for me.
 ✓ Centurus nro. One among
 cactuses.

Apr. 11

Aphelocoma - Much Brown
on both, being great caudex
at low elevation along road
from Puerto Jimenez

✓

Apr. 10 con

Went to ...
at 7 AM, in
of the ...
found Juan
Barangan and his son
Juan Jose Barangan and
...
...

Sun

Apr. 12

Went to camp
at ...
visited Mission of ...
arrived at
Castro, where we found his
son to guide us to camp
in the mouth of the ...
...

Apr. 13

Mon. ...
Castro and I climbed up
right hand flank of ...
to a ridge where ...

Apr. 13 con.

a few days ago away to
shoot. She had not been
seen and finally disappeared
from view in a nook from
which there appeared to be
no outlet without being
seen. We laid in the
grove and a large
swarm of bees came
down. Finally toward
sunset we decided to stalk
her and started by a
round-about route to do so
then later she had remained
quiet of her whereabouts came
John to see us that
she had come out. During work
quickly to a little pass the
bees had been seen. Just
the whole

Apr. 13 - con.

I ... We ...
up out of reach of prowling
animals and ... to camp

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I ...
leaves ...
direction of the lagoon,

15

Weems, to ...
I climbed the steep flank of
the lagoon ...
land while eating lunch

...
that seemed to be impossible
of access. Day coming on
night ...

Apr. 16, ^{Thurs} Saw a bunch
of eight or ten sheep which
had already caught leasies,
on the mountain on which
we saw the cure. During
short of water we returned to
the main camp.

Arrived in camp
about 12:30 M. Had a good
feed and the goats climbed
up the mountain, began and
in evening descended the
mountain. The goats
had located the hay before.
Leasies returned to main camp
and brought up more food.

Apr. 17th Fri.

climbed up along the canyon
for ~~some distance~~ a mile or
so and then turned off up
a break through wall on the
right, crossing a ridge &
climbing to the crest
of a mountain a few
miles from camp. A break
in the wall of the canyon
was found at the top of
the ridge. The wall of
the canyon was not
climbed but the wall
was made of

Amph. bilineata, found
along rocky slopes

Castro brought up more
food in evening.

Apr 18 - Hunting in mts.

Apr 19 ^{Friday} - Lejon 22

T. ...

We found and caught ^{in morning} ...

I stayed in little camp
to rest as my foot gear is
playing out and I am
rather generally tired. In
afternoon we returned along
gully of Lejon to main camp. On
way saw three ewes on canyon
and as they had not seen
us ... until
near sunset at strategic
points waiting for them to
come down within range.

✓ *Zenaidura mac.* 2 in
lejon.

✓ *Leatherjackets*, common, after
hand sewing.

Apr. 16.

Went to the canyon crossing;

while waiting for the horses
 through the canyon and
 squirrel down the cliff
 sitting a pronghorn looking
 leaning me outspreading
 the cliffs,
 a lot of
 script along the limbs of the
 will
 cut
 station

Apr. 19 Sun, at Canyon de Teomaja, T.

Weems and Leaster climbed
 canyon wall to look for
 sheep we saw yesterday
 while I went up narrow
 canyon to station on pass
 very that I watched
 last night

Had fine (alt). Some
 remarkably fine ones in
 canyon,

✓ immo, penon, and
 rolling on large boulders in
 hollow of canyon, in hand just
 with the but cannot see
 all previous fair
 "back" face
 of working rapidly forward

Apr. 19
Dryobates resol., a female
examining branches of scrub
wood at 9 AM.

✓ Melospiza corv., Full rounded
crown, black chrysoptera,
black palms Resol.
7 AM, near water
in campus.

Water, in campus
is very scarcely
to be seen
at all.

Water, Becomes progressively
hotter.

Rain, irregular rain
may be expected
in later part of summer
in water but none at all.

Apr. 19 am.

Quarry walls, largely of shell
which is apparently
sedimentary, the lower part
is very loose, volcanic,
walls lead to cracks in near
vertically, the surface fractures
very into the surface to
cracks and breaks mostly
small fragments of fragments occur,
rocks fall all very frequent
intervals.

Lizard, while resting on the
rock near raised and lowered the
body by the arms, the feet
include some spots
of irregular color of gray and white.

Apr 19 con.

Returned to camp about ~~noon~~
and in afternoon ~~went~~ ~~to~~
~~the~~ ~~new~~ ~~camp~~ ~~of~~ ~~Camp~~ ~~del~~
~~Agua~~ ~~a~~ ~~few~~ ~~miles~~ ~~north~~ ~~of~~
~~La~~ ~~Aldea~~ ~~de~~ ~~Peronaja~~,
move to

Mon. ^{at} Camp del Agua
Apr. 20. Left camp and
climbed to top of high ridge where
we slept ~~out~~ in a cave.

Tue. ^{at} Camp del Agua
Apr. 21. Made a long trip
around upper end of Camp del
Agua ~~and~~ ~~in~~ ~~afternoon~~ ~~sighted~~
~~sheep~~. ~~Weems~~ ~~killed~~ ~~one~~ ~~by~~ ~~a~~
~~long~~ ~~shot~~. ~~Wind~~

Apr. 22. ^{at} Camp del Agua
In afternoon sighted sheep
& Weems killed ewe.

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Apr. 25

Passing Mulize early in morning saw in a long inlet the following:

Pintail 1 ♂
Blue-winged teal 12
Widgeon 3 or 4
Scaup 1 ♀
Scaups 4 or 5

Apr. 23 Thurs.

Returned to camp at mouth Cañon del Agua. Moved to Forto, left Pto. Encarnado, 6 AM, arrived Forto, 11 PM.

Apr. 24 Fri.

Arranging to leave Forto at 11:20 PM for Sta Rosalia in Ford 1929 with 4 old tires. Spent night on road.

Apr. 25 Sat.

Arrived Sta Rosalia about 3 PM. Left at 7 PM for Guaymas

Apr. 26. Sun.

Arrived Guaymas about 11 AM. Lecture Forto in afternoon.

Apr. 27 Mon. Guaymas

Wrens left for home 10 AM.

Apr. 27 con.
Wrote letters

Tue.

Apr. 28. Guaymas
Letters - conference with Cypis
and chief of Game and Park
Office.

Apr. 29 Wed. Guaymas.
Packed specimens for shipment
Wrote letters.

Apr. 30 Thurs. Guaymas.
Rode to station and shipped.
Obtained copy of zine from
agent of game dept.

Guaymas

May 1 - 2 Fri. & Sat.
Worked on accounts

May 3 Sun. Guaymas.

May 3 con.

Fishing trip. Caught a number of red snappers, small sharks, sierra or rockcod and others. Had very good sport.

May 4 Mon. Guaymas.
Account

May 5 Tue. Guaymas
Planned to attend to various business matters and leave in morning but learned today is holiday (had forgotten) Bank closed also business houses. Learn also that there would be no advantage in taking train tomorrow as it is a mixed train and takes all day to get to Nogales.

May 6. Wed. Guaymas.
Completed arrangements for

May 6 con.
leaving ~~today~~ tomorrow
morning or rather on night
train.

May 7. Thurs.
Left Guaymas 12.15 A.M., Arr.
Hogale 11 A.M.; Left Hogale 2.35 P.M.
Arr. Tucson 4.45; Left Tucson 5.55
for California on annual
leave.

May 8 Fri. to May ²⁰ 19. Tue
On vacation in Calif.
Resumed official travel May
20, at Tucson, Ariz. 11.05 A.M.
May 21 en route.

May 22. Arrived Chicago,
9 A.M.; Left Chic. 9.30 P.M.

May 23
Arrived Wash. D.C., 5 P.M.

... ..

Full length - 1889
 Tail - - - 90
 hind foot 400

... .. inches
 T. L. 51
 ... 3
 ... 14 3/4
 ... 30 1/2
 ... Girth ... 37

... ..
 3 1/2
 " 15 1/2

 13 3/4
 14

Palo Blanco -
Cascalote - Bark alone
