

27 July 1961

Flint Creek Range, Powell Co. Mont.

Camped at Lake Alpine, 7800'. Caught Toad in head lights of jeep coming up 25 July. 7500'. On 26 July 1961 went walking up canyon. Very wet, lush meadows. Almost no spiders. Many flowers, Flea bane, Death Camus, Nabenaria, gentians, 2 yellow composites & Eucia pensylvanica. Caught several butterflies on composit. A very green thistle had some interesting bugs.

The forest here is mixed lodgepole pine & Douglas fir. with almost no underbrush. The floor is Red Huckleberry & Bear grass. Duff thick, many winged pests both flies & mosquitoes.

Today walked to Lake Alberville, about 7700'. Though both lakes are dammed for irrigation & below the dam an essentially undisturbed marsh, with several rings of sedums. The water in center about 3-4" deep & less on edges. Spiders not abundant, but quite a few on logs around marsh. Great success in catching them with pistol. (A toy water pistol filled with alcohol)

Caught 3 boreal frogs & 13 tadpoles. Put tadpoles in small vial & let them smother. Only one became eviscerated.

Collected a few spiders in forest near camp
Saw many more earlier in the day but the numbers
diminished when I came to collect.