

June 7, 1964 Las Cruces, New Mexico June 7, 1964

Left Las Cruces 6:00 AM for El Paso, Texas to meet Bob Webb at Texas Western Campus. Proceeded to Stanton St. Bridge, Juarez, Chihuahua, Mexico; to secure visas, exchange money. Left Juarez, 8:30 AM; and began long trip to Colima. Arrived in Chihuahua City 1:20 PM, gassed up & LEFT immediately for Torreon, 36 mi S. of Chihuahua City; Bus went "klunk klunk" - + another six miles of "klunk klunk" & it stopped running; some 2 mi N of Meoqui. Waited for truck stop, first one was pickup of Sr + Srs Jean + Carmen Gonsaud, Zarco 2446, Chihuahua City, who kindly towed us back to Chihuahua City (42 mi) to the Volkswagen Dealer. We parked the bus & Sr Gonsaud drove us to the Mirador Motel, some 8-10 blocks from Volkswagen Dealer. Offered to pay for towing, but he wouldn't take it; said it was a service to us from a friend in Mexico. While "klunk" was cooling some 8 mi N. of Meoqui, Bob & I caught one C. exsanguis by roadside - "rubberband". We have not eaten a meal all day, so I'm rather hungry; Las Cruces time (7:30 PM) - will eat now, shower, & go to bed - it's been a trying day!!

June 8, 1964 Chihuahua, Chihuahua

Bus in Volkswagen shop by 8:15 AM; will know good news by 1:00 PM. - cost of bus repair approx. 138⁰⁰ American; two rods, + new cam; said by owner + gen. mfr. to be fault of last overhaul, not put together properly.

Chihuahua, Chihuahua (cont.)

June 8, 1964 - Bus to be picked up ready, at 7:00PM - Ate lunch in Res. Sasquatch on square; couldn't resist purchase of box of cigars ($30^{\text{ pesos}}$). God forgive me! Walked around, back to Motel; ate; to Volkswagen place; said valves bed to be resurfaced; not ready until 10:AM on 9th. Mad; but nothing we can do. Went to Movie T. see Mutiny on Bounty; out at 12:Midnight. Back to Motel to bed.

June 9, 1964 Chihuahua Chi - up at 7:30AM; breakfast; to Volkswagen place by 8:30 - wait, wait, wait; finally 11:40AM; bus ready, paid bill ($133^{\text{ pesos}}$); and LEFT for Torreon. Arrived Torreon 6:00PM; Nalu at Motel Campestre t. ext Turkey Sand. + beans. Bus no trouble as yet. LEFT for Cuencumé, arriving there at dusk. had bottle of pop; & LEFT for Juan Aldama. Road between Santa Clara + J. Aldama not paved yet (11mi). Drove to 7 mi NE of Rancho Grande + camped on roadside (12:midnight) - Found on DOR Salvadora just out of Rio Nasas River valley. Took picture of Rio Nasas + valley (2).

June 10, 1964 LEFT Camp, 9 mi NE Rancho Grande, Zacatecas, 6900' and drove to Fresnillo for Gasoline, ate 3 cookies + drank 3 cups tomato juice for breakfast. 36 mi S Fresnillo, took Mexia 41 to Jalpa, Zaca, found that road closed for repair from 8-5; must wait until 6:PM T. Leave for Guadalajara. Drove to Rio Juchipila, some 38 mi So. of Jalpa; elev. 3600 ft. Looked for herps found none; did manage to collect 2 Scoloporus bimaculatus, 1♀; 19 mi S. Villanueva, 5700 ft., on a rock fence in Aploneura-Acacia-Opuntia habitat. Saw several more but did not attempt to coll. them.

June 10, 1904 (cont.) Neglected to eat lunch. 3:30 PM went for another walk; saw 2 *Cnemys*; shot 1; nothing else. 4:00 PM; Bob brought in 2 *Sceloporus clarkii*, 1 *Cnemidophorus*, 1 *Sceloporus horridus*, + 1 *Urosaurus*. LEFT 4:30 PM FOR GUADALAJARA. Stopped for 15 mi; for road crew to Let us by; traveled 6 mi in 6" of dust; it covered everything, hit pavement and drove to deep baranca; 9 mi down + 11 mi out by road. - saw beautiful waterfall, too dark for photo. As top out other side of Baranca; can see Guadalajara in distance. Drove thru downtown Guad. - + out to EL Bosque Motel; 7:30 ARRIVED. Showered 10 # dust off; and ate supper. Leave early in morning for Atengueque - Preserved herbs in my room. Have bad headache from no food all day - very tired; will sack out after card to Mary.

June 11, 1904. Guadalajara, Jalisco + southward Left Guadalajara at 7:30 AM; drove 22 mi S., T. Acatlan road; 2 mi further picked up DOR *Lampropholis delicata grisea*. Turned 2 mi further on C. Guzman road; 3 mi NE Tuxpan; picked up DOR *Masticophis lineatus* ³³⁵⁶. Arrived in Atengueque at 10:15; bought 2 1/2 kilos bananas; + drove 13 mi up to pass between N. Colima + C. Colima, 7700'; very bad, + dusty road. Stopped in pass; made camp, + went collecting. Very dry, no rain; collected 2 *Eumecces dugesi*, 4 *Sceloporus grammicus* and 10 *Sceloporus Gulleri*. I fell off road embankment, 35+ feet, rolled part way; landed in road on side; a dusty mess. Pistol, pockets, shoes, etc. Full of debris + dirt. Lots of fun; Agh!!

June 11, 1964 (cont.) about 2:PM began to sprinkle, lasted off and on until 6PM; top 1" of soil damp, very dry below. Had chili + chili beans, + "treat" + coffee for supper. Camped in abandoned lumber lean-to. Now 7:40PM; + no "Tomy's" calling. Chopped two S. Gulleri out of log for Bed. Waited until 9:30PM; no "Tomy's" calling; went to bed.

June 12, 1964 7 mi W. Atengueque, 7700' Jalisco

Slept until 6:00AM; slight sprinkle + logging truck woke me. Some 10 min. later a very large, blackish, long tailed quail jumped into our lean-to. Before I could get my pistol it left. However, as I looked around from the sleeping bag, I saw a young quail + was able to shoot it. I used toilet paper + oatmeal to skin + stuff it. Had bananas + cookies for breakfast. Loaded up bus for trip down, + went collecting. Saw very large Abert Type squirrel; dark with white edged tail. Went collecting in drainage area; found 1 E. dugesii, 7 S. grammicus, + S. Gulleri. Sr.

Alfonso delgado Ochoa, Chief of Production, Union Forestal de Jalisco y Colima, S.A.; (Gen. OFF, Atengueque) Home - C. Guzman; Tali; stopped by camp, + asked us if we wanted to go to El Volcan de Colima; we needed pictures of camp, so we did not go. Took pictures of S. Gulleri; Came down from mountain 12:30PM - arrived Atengueque 1:30PM.

2 mi E. Atengueque: washed bus in stream, went collecting. Found 1 S. melanorhinus, 1 Ameiva undulata; 4 S. U. Formis, 2 C. deppei. Bob Webb coll. 2 C. deppei; + 4 S. U. Formis. Went to eat supper in Atengueque, + drive to or near Manzanillo, Colima, Road collecting. On way down mountain, Webb coll. 2 S. Gulleri. Drove back to Atengueque to eat; could not find a single place.

June 12, 1964 (cont.) Only place to eat had nothing to serve. Drove back to camp area, walked to Barnes soft drink joint & found they served cold tacos. Had cold tacos + pepsi for supper. Collected around small cascading stream; collected 9 Rana punctulosa; in small spring + spring tunnel; collected 1 Eleutherodactylus, 1 Kinosternon integrum + 1 Rana pipiens; near quiet pool, coll. 2 Smilisca. LEFT Atengueque camp. 8:30PM; drove to Colima - Guadalajara highway; + one mile south, stopped for chorus of amphibians; collected Hypopachus, Hyla smilai; From chorus pond to El Navanjo River bridge; Colima - Jalisco state line; Collected 2 Pseudoficimia, 2 Elaphe triaspis; 2 Leptodeira (maculata + smithi?). ~~1~~ Isthmocleis, Rana pipiens + Bufo marinus were out on the road in numbers; but were not collected. Drove to Rio Tuxpan (El Navanjo) Bridge + camped for night. Slight mist began falling + left 2:AM; covered sets with tarp, + went back to sleep.

June 13, 1964. Manzanillo, Colima + points North. Drove from Rio Tuxpan to Colima + ate eggs for breakfast, mailed card to Mary. Drove on to Manzanillo; picked up Drymobius, Ancistron, and Masticophis, Isthmocleis between Colima + Manzanillo, all DOR. The Drymobius was too rotten to keep. Now at some broken down motel at N. edge of Manzanillo, preserving herps. Went in to town to eat; very tired + sleepy, not much rest in last 3 days. Have preserved + tagged all herps except few for pictures. [S. macromorphus, Pseudoficimia, Eleutherodactylus, Ameiva, Kinosternon, Leptodeira,]

- June 13, 1964 Manzanillo, Colima (cont.)
 Saw about 8 douglas quail on roadside same 3 mi
 NW of Tecocomen turnoff. Saw two other snakes on
 road, but could not catch them. May go searching for
Phyllodactylus + Tromodactylus tonight, in the
 vicinity of Manzanillo. Very tired, so went to bed about
 4:00 PM; woke up at 8:00 PM, went out to look for herps;
 raining, many crabs on road; found 4 Bufo marmoratus,
 between Manzanillo + Playa de Santiago. Back to room
 to bed by 9:30 PM. - Slept until 7:30 AM.
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 June 14, 1964. Manzanillo, Colima + points North. LEFT Manzanillo
 about 8:30 AM; drove 24 mi to swamp area + found many
 squashed Leptodeira maculata on road. Picked up one.
 Bob Webb put on mask + swimsuit, + jumped in swamp for
 turtles; saw at least 5 Kinosternon, Webb got one.
 Crossed the Rio Cibuatlan; into Jalisco; + drove to
 B. de Natividad (78998-001). LEFT for La Huerta, +
 found Drymarchon (79007); Microrurus (79013) 8L
 Rincón (79020); 100'; Cnemidophorus sp., S. utiformis (1)
 (79027) 1200'; La Huerta, 1000' (79028). On towards
 Autlán, Natrix, Drymobius, 800', (79039), saw many
 dor Leptodeira in this area. Large lake on left
 coming towards Autlán. Stopped at (79059) 4200', in
 oak forest. Very cloudy; collected 2 Cnemidophorus, and
 1 S. horridus. Webb got 2 Anolis, 2 S. horridus, 1 S.
melanotus, 3 S. utiformis. Coll. from 12:00 to 2:30.
 Now 4:00 clock; had dinner (sardines, crackers, pickle, +
 grapefruit juice). Writing notes now, very dry, even tho'
 light rain is falling. Oaks have shed most of leaves,
 not much green in area.

June 14, 1964 LEFT 4:35PM for lower elevations near La Huerta, saw two Quail 24 mi NE La Huerta, 3500', black belly, eye bars; tried to shoot with pistol, but too far for ratshot. 20 mi from crest; stopped at Noname Lake & set 5 turtle traps. Drove on into La Huerta; raining all the way; stopped at Granja-Beníos, (Mrs Newman), setup cot on veranda, & had coffee, 8:30 AM, went back out to road between La Huerta & Tecamates, (approx 10 1/2 mi) & collected Bufo, Leptodeira, and Smilisca, Leptodactylus; drove back to Lake, Bob checked traps; nothing; back to La Huerta & Bed.

June 15, 1964 Dogs barked most of night, not much sleep: * Got up (79148) 7:30 AM; ate with Mrs Newman; + (15²⁰) and LEFT to pick up turtle traps. As Bob found nothing in traps, I tried to catch Drymobius, but he outsmarted me. Found 2 additional Leptodeira + 1 Drymobius dOR over same stretch of road traveled last night. Drove on to Autlán, (79153) 3350', passed up & LEFT for Union de Tula; (79171) stopped at crest + collected ^{4200'} Cnemidophorus 'S. horridus' + ³ S. tigris? Drove on to Tula (79177) 4200'; + on to Juchitán; (79175 ³⁷⁰⁰_{125 mts}) where we arrived at 12:40 PM, & had popsi. We are now some 80 mi from Guadalajara. At last collecting stop. Webb lost sack with Cnemidophorus, + 1 S. bulleri.

that got away. Now have traps; Webb also from Juchitán to near Guadalajara, went through strong wind, hail, and rain. After reaching Mex 15, rain stopped. Reached Guadalajara about 3:30 PM.

STaying in Motel Bosque; preserved all DOR's and all amphibians and reptiles collected thus date.

June 15, 1964 (Cont) - Plan to go to post office in morning about 8-9 AM, then to Volkswagen Place to have bus greased, oil changed, & doors oiled. Plan to shop in Market & other local stores. When all done, will leave for Tepic, Nayarit, & points up the west coast. Will drop Mary a card this PM.

June 16, 1964 Guadalajara, Jalisco; got up 7:00 AM, breakfast, loaded up bus, drove to post office, closed until 9:00 AM; drove to Volkswagen Place; had oil changed & bus greased; went to market & bought chuleta, 2 blankets, 2 purses, & 5 pr. burachas. Went by post office again, open, 2 letters from Mary P.O. 9th & 12th; left immediately for Mazatlán 330 mi; stopped in Tequila for pop, & drove on P. Tepic for Comedia Carrita; drove to nr. Tuxpan, bought gas; and drove again until we reached Trailer Park at Mazatlán, 7:00 PM. Went to town to eat; bought earrings, bracelet, chuleta, & plates for Mary. Collected ⁷ Peropos on walls of 6th house this PM. Will head for Río Sinaloa nr. Guasave tomorrow to trap turtles. Saw Quail 14 mi ~~AB~~ Acaponeta, -.

June 17, 1964 Mazatlán, Sinaloa; up at 6:00 AM; had powdered milk & cookies for breakfast. Neighbors are IB + SUSSE Braerup, Copenhagen, Denmark; on world tour in Volkswagen bus. Been gone year & half, plan to go to Australia next. Gassed up at 7:30, left for Río Sinaloa at Guasave, Sinaloa; stopped for gas at Guaymuchi; ate in Culiacán, and arrived at Río Sinaloa (236 mi); at 3:00 PM. Set 10 turtle traps, serviced for fish; bathed; ate supper, (spaghetti, Beans, & Peas) & served again. Now 7:00 PM, waiting for dark. Caught 3 kinds of freshwater shrimp;

June 17, 1964 A Shiner, Gobies, Sculpin, Gambusia, Mallinaria,
Mugilis Percid; Esoxid; + lots of Algae. Also
Collected Water Beetles for Zimmerman. Saw hundreds'
of newly transformed Bufo along river bank. We
are camped about a mile up stream from Guasave;
under the Mexico Hwy 15 Bridge, on the south side
of the river. We plan to collect along river tonight,
pick up traps in morning; + head for Alamos, Sonora,
some 185 mi. Following nights collecting there +
setting turtle traps, we will drive to Hermosillo,
check mail, collect 40 mi N. for geckos, + then
on to Magdalena for more turtles. From Magdalena
to Las Cruces. Should be home by June 20, if all
goes well.

June 18, 1964 Guasave Sinaloa - up at 6:00 AM; Fired breakfast while
Webb picked up turtle traps [peaches + cookies]. Caught 5
Bufo mazatlanensis, 1 Leptodactylus kimberlani, + 1 Natrix
last night along Rio Sinaloa. Bob caught 2 Kimberlani
in traps. One trap was stolen. Packed up + off for
Alamos by 7:15 AM. Stopped in Navajoa for gas, + arrived
Alamos 11:00 AM; Ate + drove out on Guayacoba road (dirt), got
lost, ran into two botanists from Rancho Santa Ana
Botanical Garden, Claremont, Calif. (James Henrickson), showed
us way to Rio Cuthiyagui. (4 pictures here). Bus used up two
quarts oil between Guadalajara + Alamos! Will collect
for Phyllodactylus here tonight. Saw S. cerasinus, S. nelsoni,
C. draconoides, U. ornata along stream bank., Ctenosaura
in tree. Swam in River (pothole); Ate chili beans, +
corn for supper. Out at dark; Looked for hour, found 1
Hyla arenicolor, no geckos; drove back into Alamos