

DEER FORAGE PREFERENCES

Before the entry of cattle on the Burgess Spring Experimental Range in spring, 1936, a special study was made of grazing by deer. 11 strips seven feet wide were run across the area of about 550 acres, the boundaries being fixed by eye and all grazed plants inside recorded. The same thing was recorded at two examinations of 836 quadrats. The following results of the two examinations and the cruise of the area show that two species were outstanding in preference by the ^{Rocky Mt. Mule} ~~Columbia Black-tail~~ deer. These were an Umbellifer, ^{Leptotenia discorta} ~~called carrot~~, which has not yet been identified, and *Crepis acuminata*, a Composite. The part of plant taken was also recorded and the table indicates that the leaf was taken most frequently.. This was true probably because at the time the cruise and examination were made the flowers had not developed.

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Pine Ridge
Lassen

Robinson, April 5

Plants Eaten by the Calif. Mule Deer on the Santa

Barbara Mt.

Calif. Mule Deer

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