

AN ALBINO DE KAY'S SNAKE (*STORERIA DEKAYI*  
*WRIGHTORUM* TRAPIDO) FROM CENTRAL ILLINOIS

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ABSTRACT.—The second record of an albino De Kay's snake from Illinois.

An albino snake, *Storeria dekayi wrightorum* Trapido, collected 1.5 miles west of Lexington, McLean County, Illinois, was brought to me in June of 1969. This animal lived until August 27, 1969, when it died from unknown causes. It was preserved and placed in my personal collection (J.H.T. 33).

Two other albino De Kay's snakes have been reported, one from Illinois (Hensley, 1959). The first albino De Kay's snake reported from Illinois, although not preserved, is described by Smith (1961) as having been cream colored with pink dorsal spots. The albino reported here is pink

with pinkish brown dorsal spots and pink eyes and tongue.

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