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In this photo, water droplets are produced by dew condensing onto the fibers of a spider's web. There are relatively few droplets, and so the rainbow being produced by the sun's rays is not continuous. The picture was taken on the western shore of Yellowstone Lake just after sunrise by Tom Greenslade.