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July 28-13 - Monday.

Today I begin my diary, having finally come upon that elusive box containing diaries and note-books and dug this book out, discovering incidentally that the whole lot of books was damp - perhaps from the wetting received during the unloading of the stranded Diana. So dried them out and repacked the box. At daylight this morning we were alongside the Erik and no time was lost in transferring cargos. It seems that everything has gone smoother here during this work today than in any of the previous operations of loading cargos. There therefore have more life & things move along with a snap. I feel that Mac is showing up mighty well as a leader in the way he has handled this situation. Tonight I shall sleep in my old berth but on a new ship - our box cabin having been picked up bodily from the Diana and set on the Erik's deck. Don and I have been tallying coal tonight. That almost seems like the navy - only the "mess cooks" haven't been around with hot coffee & sandwiches as they would have been were this a navy coaling. Nay! - in fact we've all been Crusin'.
our steward because he didn't leave even a little plain aqua for us! I might add that I sat up till midnight writing letters - fully an hour after everyone else was in bed, and sitting in the after cabin was startled by what I thought was an approaching thunderstorm, but my suspense was but momentary for upon investigation I found the sky clear and atmosphere still, and came to the conclusion that the terrible noise had emanated not from the sky but from the door of Judge Spriggs' stateroom. No wonder all those after cabin roomers sleep up on deck!


Unloading of Diana proceeding nicely. Stores are working well. By 11 p.m. only a few boxes remained in Diana's hold. Rainy weather.

July 30-13 Wednesday.

Loading from Diana finished today. Eik's loading has gone very nicely but her crew is now drunk and may delay our sailing tomorrow. Orange men celebration in St. John's today and sailorsmen are drunker than usual.

Heart, mean and I go uptown for supper. Weather quite warm.

July 31-13 Thursday.

Diana moved away from Eik this morning. Drunken crew afloat delayed our
sailing today. moved away from dock and anchored in harbour.

August 1st - 13 Friday.

started north once more! at 10 quarter of ten this morning we sailed out of St Johns harbour. Fine weather prevailed. much discussion between us as to the accuracy of statements of several people that the "Erck" is a better sea-boat than "Diana". Ek and judge sprigg contend that the Erck tosses around more.

August 2nd - 13 Saturday.

sea smooths down in afternoon - day & night fine weather. hoisted foremast top stay sail, main top mast stay sail and spanker. in evening mac gave us setting up drill and we played games. decided that it would be advisable for member of expedition to be on lookout, so Ek takes 10 to 12 watch, 21/2 to 2 and Hunt 2 to 4 a.m.

Aug 3 - 13 Sunday. Arrive Battle Harbour about 9.30 a.m. moor to Coucher's dock. all the boys writing letters home. mac, green, Tank, and Fred Patterson go up on the top of a hill for bath in natural bathing pool. all of us walked up to Dr. Wakefield's home to sing, the bunch of us who went had a most enjoyable time - the hymn singing and picturesque house and
furnishings, the charming Mrs. Wakefield and the young American nurses served to create a lasting impression as most of us realize that more than likely these are the last white women's faces we shall see for years.

August 4th. Monday.

All hands up this morning at 4:00 A.M. and work of loading material from warehouse begun at once. Most of it aboard by 7:00 A.M. Have to stop work for some time because sailors not clearing decks as fast as we loading. Judge Sprigg and Fred Patterson worked very hard with us. Store all aboard in afternoon but fog delayed sailing. Jet Small arrived aboard today and encamped in his power boat. Green moved his sleeping bag in boat with him. Small displayed his handiness well today in the way he secured our deck load with spruce pilings and ropes - in mighty glad we have a capable man like him.

August 5th Tuesday.

Erik sailed at 5 A.M. for Cape York. Course set for South to Greenland. Moderate weather today. We are getting away from the ice bergs.

August 6th - Wednesday.

Rough weather. Ship pitching.

August 7th - Thursday.

More rough weather. Most all hands seasick.
August 8th - Friday.
Sea moderating slightly.

August 9th - Saturday.
Smooth today. Everybody up but Tank. Sun came out today for short time. Joe clipped my hair today so I feel like a full-fledged arctic explorer.

August 10th - 13 Sunday.
Nice clear weather today till evening - then very thick fog. Sailing thru Davis Strait seeing no ice.

August 11 - 13 Monday.
Land Ho! Early this morning we saw the moutains and glaciers along coast of Baffin Land. A most beautiful day - sea smooth as glass, sun shining, even Tank out of bed. We were all out on deck in the sunshine all day and could hardly believe our eyes at seeing temperature only 46°F. Thousands of little ships followed, and passed us today. Judge Spigg and Fred Patterson had target practice with them. Don't think any were hit. Several group pictures were made today on deck and in the rigging. Numerous ice-buugs today. No pack ice sighted yet. Bright twilight all through night.

August 12 - 13 Tuesday.
Sort of rough today. Rainy and foggy, not much doing. Everybody sleeping or writing.

August 13 - 13 Wednesday.
Fine clear day. We bag coal all day today.
Filled about 400 bags. Saw our first pack-ice, just narrow strips which we got through easily. Fred Patterson worked down in the bunkers with us shovelling coal.

August 14-13 Thursday.

A thick fog is hanging over the sea and is necessitating our diminishing speed to about four miles an hour. This morning we finished bagging coal, but did not hoist the bags on deck. Mr. Newbery, the 'Cibi' first mate saw some walrus early this morning.


Fog cleared about ten pm yesterday and the beautiful Greenland coast could be seen about 25 miles off our starboard beam. Sighted Cape York this morning and had quite a hard time getting through the drift ice and to the Cape. Saw in.Okak one tupk on the hill, and four eskimos came out to us as we entered. "Myah" and "Kito" came aboard and Mac talked with them and found that the boys he wanted were on an island about 20 miles south. We started down there but gave it up as the ice was too thick.

Left Cape York for North Star Bay about two p.m. Judge Sprigg traded four plugs chewing tobacco to Myah for a narwhal tusk.

August 16-13 Saturday.

Erik arrived North Star Bay early in morning—about 2 o'clock. Mac went ashore
and got Panikpa, his wife, Jimmy, & Buster Green and I helped them break camp and move aboard ship. Sprigg, Patterson & Happy went with Panikpa in whaleboat to get Stockashu, had long row and returned late for supper. “Buster” went Pibloktto when whistle blew. Fog prevented our sailing.

August 17th, Sunday.
Arrive Saunders Island, early morning.
Take Stockashu’s dogs aboard and sail for Kongit-\nukuaak. See polar bear on beach en-route.
Stop ship & all expedition members, Sprigg, Patterson
and “Happy” Brooke go over in whaleboat after
him. Landed, surrounded, and Sprigg shot him
just as he took to water. Brought him aboard.
Panikpa skinned him. Weighed about 600 lbs.
Enter Inglefield Gulf. Pretty scenery. Pass Red Cliff -
Reay’s old place - shortly afterwards see
3 walrus on pan of ice. Went after them in
whaleboat Sprigg got one, wounded other two.

August 18th, Monday.
Arrived Kongitukuaak about 12-10 a.m.
Heisted out Mac’s boat and Spriggs.
Got go with Murphy up bay after some eskimese,
Tumbled with Spriggs boat. Shot at school of
white whales. Got returned about noon with the eskimese. Loaded two families with dogs and belongings.
Sailed for “Nerky” twelve thirty p.m. Arrived Nerky.
About 2 p.m. Mac negotiated with eskenoses and as a result loaded two families aboard, sailed for Etah 4 p.m. Met whale-boat full of eskenose from Etah. Took them in tow. We are towing Mac's power-boat and punt astern. Making good time. Open water.

August 19th, Tuesday.

Green, Small, & Hunt in power-boat got a walrus this a.m. Ship start for Flagler Bay about 9.00 a.m. After running about an hour meet solid ice pack coming down from Kane Basin, and had to turn back to Etah. In afternoon bunch of us went rabbit-hunting and got 16.

August 20th, Wednesday.

Green and Small in power boat got two walrus and a baby walrus this a.m. In afternoon bunch visited Brother John Glacier.

August 21st, Thursday.

First snow last night.

This morning Hunt, Green, Small, Chelan, Langley, Murphy, second mate, and I climbed over to Cape Olsen to look at the ice conditions around. Cape Saline Green and Ch made sketches of ice and leads. We reached ship at two p.m. Got fresh water from stream near ship 7 sailed from Etah at 3.45 p.m. Ran along edge of ice pack till 7 p.m.
August 22 - Friday.
Battled with ice in Smith Sound all day, but could not get thru. There are leads running nearly up to Cape Sabine but Capt. Seabrook does not seem willing to risk entering them.

August 23 - Saturday.
It was snowing this morning and a strong northerly wind was blowing. The Erik ran for Etah Harbor and arrived about 11 a.m. The boys went rabbit hunting and bagged 18, and after supper we went out in the whaleboat and got a walrus cow and two calves, Joe Small & Sprigg got a seal.

August 24 - Sunday.
We landed all the dogs this morning on an island in Etah Harbor. Got moving pictures of the landing. In afternoon Mac and a bunch of us went out in the power-boat to look for a possible home site. Found likely place on a peninsula three or four miles north of Etah. Got a fine row walrus and a calf. Mac and Hunt went up on Cape Thirteen at night to have a last look at the ice.

August 25 - Monday.
Loaded the dogs aboard again this morning and afternoon went out for last try to get ship thru the ice. Unsuccessful. Returned
The ship left us this afternoon. We began work on the house site immediately after leaving and dug till about 10-30 when we ate supper which Mac had prepared for us in the cook tent, and all went to bed. I think every one of us slept more soundly than we had for months, sleeping in the open air practically, and dead tired too.

Mac called us this morning at six o'clock, and brought us all to with the information that the motorboat had sunk in the night. Low tide had grounded and swamped it. I wasn't just rowed out to it later in the day and bailed it out enough so that at next high tide it floated. It is a perfectly beautiful day. I worked for a while today in a light undershirt and was perfectly comfortable. We worked hard and long today. Mac does the cooking in the cook tent and the rest of us and some of the Eskimos pitch...
Mon Sept 1, 13.

Today we finished the foundation work and began laying the floor timbers. After work at ten p.m. I went up to the top of the big hill southeast of the camp and looked over the country to see what the prospects for ten aerials were, and found that prospects were very poor. There are no steep hills around, and the hill on which I was standing was too far away to be of any service even if it had been steep enough.

Hal shot a rabbit and we had rabbit stew for dinner today. We're hungry mortals these days and eat heartily.

Tue Sept 2, 13.

The floor is laid and walls are nearing completion. I went to the point today with some Eskimos and brought over a load of electrical machinery, some of which needed to be put in the house before the walls were
finished. We work till 10-30 for 11.00 at night.

Wed Sept 3-13

Hal went up in the hills today and got three rabbits. We have the outer walls on the house and the frame up for the roof.

Thu Sept 4-13

A beautiful day! I got advantage of it by throwing out the motor boat and dolctoring up the engine and draining it, and finally starting it. Mac seemed to have been relieved of a big load when he saw the smoke of the exhaust from the engine and visualized it was running again.

We boarded the roof and quit work at eight p.m. They say we "went some" in the roofing.

Fri Sept 5-13

Another beautiful day! Mac calls all hands every morning at six o'clock. Eh is usually the most responsible and I fear I am the least - because
the bunk feels most delightfully good in the morning about that time.

We're putting the rubberoid roofing on today. There is quite a pitch to the roof and Mac slipped off it today and seriously sprained his ankle. Hal and I were over at Provision Point at the time and heen signalled to me with wig-wag to bring over a crutch.

Sat Sept 6-10.
Still another beautiful day. Each morning we explain about the beauty of the day and think we've never seen its equal, and each day seems prettier than the one before.

Frank and I are working in the main room putting on the ceiling. We quit at 7:30 p.m. because it was too dark inside the house to see the pencil marks on the boards without magnifying glasses. Towards the end of the day Mac amused the Eskimos by singing their songs.
soon developed "subloksi" and was
imitating various animals. When
last I saw him he was up in
the valley on his hands and knees
barking like a walrus, - with Abkele
and another man trying to quiet
him.

Mon. Sept 7-13

Shathing the main room, putting
in windows and floors. I am wearing
the green cowhide boots which I bought
in St. Johns and they freeze stiff as
bricks every night, and have to be
thawed over the oil stove before I
can get them on.

Mon. Sept 8-13

Today Jack & I have been putting
on the rubberoid and second ceiling
in the main room, and I dug a ditch
from the house to the beach in which to
lay the ground wire for the wireless.
The sun melted the snow today.
Mac's ankle is better, he is not using
the scrutches.

Today we finished the main room, set up the stove, lighted the fire and started cooking in the new house. It seems very good to have the fire going in the big room.

I laid the second floor in the two northwest rooms, and brought over a boat-load of electrical goods from the point.

This morning before any of us were awake Alakashingnallah came to Mac's tent and shook him with the startling news that the motorboat was not in sight, had probably drifted to sea. Mac called Joe and Green and told them to go around the shore and see if they could see anything of it, and happily they soon came back with the news that they had found it. A big berg had drifted in and carried the boat in front of it right close to the beach.


Our first breakfast in the new home! It sure tasted good. I finished the floors and partitions.
in the rooms; and in the afternoon Green
and I began work on the electrical
room. After dinner we all made
a trip to the point for stores.

Thursday Sept 11. 13
Green has been doing carpenter
work on the electrical room today while
I, with the Eskimos brought over the
gear and nearly, all the electrical
equipment in two big boat loads. The
Eskimos are splendid workers.

Fri Sept 12. 13
Green & I doing carpenter work
in the electrical room. I built my
bench in cabin and my room and
moved from the tent to our new room.

Sat Sept 13. 13
I made two trips to the point today,
bringing over household goods, little
patches of young ice here and there
between our home and the point remind
us that soon we will be able to walk
the distance which we now cover in
the whaleboat, and this is a pleasant
thought; it will be much nicer to sledge
the goods over.

Sun Sept 14 '13

Ran the engine today for the regular weekly battery charge. Started at eleven a.m. and shut down at ten p.m. Used eleven gallons of kerosene and one gallon gasoline. The pipes being well drained, thawing was not difficult this morning. The engine is running perfectly and at a fraction more than normal load. Shifting over to kerosene from gasoline usually requires an hour or more and lots of patience, but once shifted, the running is splendid. Factory tests could want no more perfect results. There was two inches of ice on the top of the engine cooling tank this morning - the radiator outside is frozen so hard that it seems useless and not worth while to attempt to thaw it. The 300 gallons of water in the tank had a temperature of about 165°F after 11 hours running. The house has been quite hot since noon - when the heat from the engine had circulated. The batteries are making a good showing for the adverse temperature conditions under which they have to operate. The temperature in the battery locker at the beginning of charge was 72°F. The first few hours of the charge
seem to be used in raising the temperature of the batteries to normal, 70° F. without imparting any energy which may be reconverted into electrical energy. Green and I split the watches in the electrical room when the generator is running.

Ira Kashin, Hopeful, and Jimmy built an entrance of dog biscuit boxes for our front door today. The roof was made of an old tarpskin. This should aid a great deal in keeping out the cold -- and incidentally in sheltering the canine population of Utah.

Sun, Nov 16-13

A quiet day in camp. We sang a few hymns and songs in the morning, and read in the afternoon and evening. Fiz, Tank & EK walked over to Sun Tag's grave just before dinner. They found that the wind was quite high out on the ice, although it had seemed calm at camp. Mac is getting ready to leave early in the morning for Nulhe with Patieta & Beowah. 
Mon Nov 17-13.

I had the watch from four A.M. on this morning and had the pleasure of cooking breakfast for Mac and the Eskimos with whom he was going. They left camp at about six-thirty, Mac riding, with Panicpa with whose team this was united, making fourteen dogs in all pulling Panicpa's komatik. Peowah had about ten dogs. Neither komatik was heavily loaded and they should make good time today. The weather looked rather threatening — the temperature had risen from -16 to -3 between three and seven a.m. and it had snowed a little, but the barometer was steady and indications were that the storm, if any, would not break today.

We amused ourselves today by showing the Eskimos an electric hand magnet and an arc-light and a small motor. They were all "amazing" to them, but yet they were not too interference as I had expected they would be.

O.K. Tank, & I sorted out the flour and dehydrated food today and after checking I found that there were
forty three cases of flour left, in-
cluding the Brand. I made some more tin pots
of oil-cans and soldered some
cans for Doc who is going with
the Eskimos tomorrow. Reckon I'll
be a real tin-man when I have
finished my course. Green cut
a bench-mark for his tidal ob-
servations in a big rock several
hundred feet north of the house. He
did this at about 1-30 p.m and the
lantern which he used shone out
as brightly as any lantern ever
seen on a dark night at home.

Tue Nov 18-13.

Doctor Hunt arose this morning
at five, and dressed in bearskin trousers
and a sheepskin kulelah and bustled
around with Ahjilah and Stockaker
going ready to go on a long hunt.
I got breakfast for them and they
left about 6-30 going South. Ohuda-
Phinna and Tontit also left today. I
don't know where they went.
The new watches were begun
last night, Green taking the 10 p.m
to 2-30 A.M., and I the 2-30 to 7 A.M. I attempted to sleep after 7 A.M. but did not succeed.

I began assembling the sixth MacMillan sledge at 2:30 p.m. Green and I took a walk up to the thermograph to change the records; and coming back Green put his foot thru the thin ice near the shore and nearly went down. His foot was rather cold when he reached the house but not seriously so. The temperature was about -12.

Eek and I are studying Rhetoric and German together and making good progress—or rather, I should say he is teaching me German and reviewing Rhetoric.

Wed Nov 19:

I worked on my komatik during the day.

Green has been adjusting the tide gauge at dog-bay, him on the cliff-bed in the tiddk igloo tonight, with no provocation.
Thu Nov 20-13.

I had the morning watch this morning, and slept during the forenoon. Walked a while on my komatik in the afternoon. Fitz is sleeping in the shelter he built for the magnetic instrument in his sealskin trousers, kulukku, and kamiks.

Fri Nov 21-13.

Hal and Ahjehla returned about two o'clock this afternoon. Ahjehla had killed two seals. Stookahsa did not come, he stayed at the hunting ground hoping to get something. The doctor seems to have enjoyed the trip and to have been comfortable except perhaps in his feet—which were cold part of the time. Eh and I worked on the komatik; it is nearly finished.

Sat Nov 22-13

Changed batteries today. Started engine at 10 a.m., ran till 7:30 p.m. The plant carried a greater overload this run than it ever has—running for
Some time with 11 ops overload. This result on frescent is greater than has been obtained at the factory.

Mac, Pamiepa, and Peowahats arrived at camp at 3:50 p.m. Mac brought two new dogs back with him, and says the Eskimo sledges suffered many break-downs, the runners splitting easily.


Very quiet today. All hands rested, and retired early in the evening. Mac got Pamiepa Jimmy, & Peowahats to build a snow igloo outside for him to sleep in.

Mon Nov 24-13

I arose early this morning and worked with Ek, (who had the morning watch) on my sledge. I finished it about 9:30 and named it "Victoria" for my wife. This is the sixth and last of the MacMillan sledges to be built. As soon as I had moved out of the workshop with my sledge Peowahats brought in his, which he had nearly wrecked on the trip to Nuike. Ek has named his sledge the "Vega".

Mac's pet dog, a white bitch, added six.
Aug 26 to the canine population this morning.

Doc and I moved all our belongings out of our bed-room today and brought in cold stones and thawed the ice which had accumulated on the ceiling. For a while there was quite a rain-storm.


I moved back into our room today, which had thawed and dried nicely.

Two Komakiks arrived in the afternoon from Nerka, Akomadingnuk and Enaloo, Shnights and Tookee, and a little boy Oklee. They had sledged up to see the "kablanacks" at Etah, and to bring the news of the death of Ahtecakah's mother.

Wed Nov 26-13

This morning after breakfast we went to the point and sorted out from the cases of oil some one gallon can cases to take on the crocker land trip. When we came back at about 11-30 a.m. there was light...
enough to walk without a light, but
when we went over at 9-45 it was too
dark to walk with safety.

Five more kamikis arrived today. Ten
Eskimos from Igloolik came up
to visit us and we now have quite a
number of visitors. All the women are
dressed in their "sunday best" - new kamiks
and kashtaks. They have had an interesting
day investigating all the mysteries of the
place.

Thur. Nov 27/13

"Thanksgiving." With our big house-
party the day has seemed a real holiday.
Jettie cooked a very good dinner and
all of us did justice to it. Judge Sprigg's
champagne "just hit the spot." Too. Even the
Eskimos knew that today was a feast-
day and the whole crowd was here waiting
when we had finished. Two more tables of Eskimos
were served. I think in all we must have served
over 30 people at dinner. Mac took flashlights
of the dinner on the table and we seated.
During all the feasting the Victrola was kept
busy, and the music helped to make everything
more enjoyable.

After the last table was cleared, games
were played, principally card games, and when
there were tired of the Eskimeux started a "mumuchto" snow-raft. In the midst of this latter I went to sleep, as I had the second night watch and needed sleep.


Two komatiks left today, reducing the number of our visitors somewhat. It seems remarkable that these people would set out on a long trip over uncertain ground when there is no light.


The rest of our visitors left today. They were gone when we got up for breakfast and with the early start should reach Neneko before late tonight. Stockashoo and Obrea started with the visitors but before they had gone far Stockashoo found that his kerosene can had a hole in it and all the oil was gone, wetting the rest of the food in the box. So he and Obrea returned to Etah. Neliika and Mukshang we went south with the visitors.

I started the plant at ten A.M. and began charging the batteries. Refilled all the cells and tightened crank pin bearings after we shut down in the
evening. This tightening of the crank- 
pin bearings is the first time a wrench 
has been applied to the engine since 
it was first assembled last fall.

Sun Nov 30-13.
The wind has been blowing some 
today and everyone has stuck quite 
loyally to the house. I have been 
getting the meteorological data every 
hour.

Mon Dec 1-13.
Stokashos and Olnea left for south 
today. I had the morning watch and 
started them off early. We got up at 
3-30 and came in and we studied 
German for a while. I tried to take a 
nap today in Ch's snow igloo. I was 
not cold out there but did not sleep 
very well.

Mene Wallace, - The English-speaking 
Eskimo, and Toutal arrived today. Mene 
is an interesting character to us - he 
has talked a great deal and we 
have learned a great many new things 
about the Eskimos from him. He has mastered 
the Eskimo language and is now as
much of an Eskimo as any of them. He says he would like to get back to New York, but says also that his health was never good there and he doesn't want to stay there always. It seems very funny to us to suddenly have this man in appearance no different from the ordinary Eskimos suddenly come to us and talk to us in our own language, and with us about our own land — for Coney Island is as familiar to him as Elah.

Tue Dec 2-13

Have been outside nearly all day. Fitz, Hank, and I went up over the hill back of Provision Point to read the minimum thermometer up there. It was rather dark for walking but we had no difficulty.

Akhatingah finished my deerskin hulelah yesterday. I suppose it is warm it looks and smells like it.

Wed Dec 3-13

Today I wired a light out in front of the house and put a reflector
behind it so that it shone way out over the bay. This makes it light as a summer day in front of the house and is fine for loading homaties. The Chkms kids seem to think it was put up especially for their benefit and have been playing football on the ice in the light from it, and sliding on their small sleds down the bank ever since the light was turned on.

I saw today that the ice at the ice foot had broken off the ground, wires for the wireless, and this is another reason for our inability to hear anything over the wireless, although with the best of ground I could not hope to hear any long distance with the low aerial we have.

Thu Dec 4 13

Today I began making some small oil stones out of corned beef hash cans.

Fri Dec 5 13

Working on tin oil stoves all day. Hal, Kit, and Tank getting ready...
for a sledging trip tomorrow.

At two thirty this Eskimos arrived
on four komatikas from Makaw and
Dglwoodafny. They had been so anxious
to get up to see us that they did not
wait for the moon but came in the
dark.

Sat Dec 6-13

This morning all hands turned out early
to help make excitement for the departing Eskimos.
Jity & Ekl have been "getting ready" since last
Monday morning for this trip. They left about seven
A.M. with Irita, Alpaka, Ahwaingwah, Ipek, and
Rumwufs, with five komatikas loaded with
kerrvew, dog and man pemmican, and
biscuits, for Annarotok - a distance of
about thirty miles up the coast. The supplies
will be cached there for use on the Crocker
land trip. Wendo, Botah, and the doctor also
left camp this morning. The latter party
went south to Dominose, while Doc will
visit several sick people. Paniepa and
Ahtkaungwah went south with them, alto-
tgether eight komatikas left.

I started the plant early in the morning,
before breakfast, and charged the batteries all
day. The engine consumed 13 gallons of kerosene,
this large amount of oil required to run
the charge is due to the decreasing
efficiency of the batteries with decrease
in temperature. The cells are supposed
to have passed the lower limit of operating
temperature when they get below 40°F,
but our cells are working right along
at temperatures ranging from 60°F to 70°F,
most of the time below freezing. The 300
gallons of cooling water in the big tank gets
very hot on a long run of the engine and
raises the temperature of the engine room
and workshop sufficiently to melt the frost
on the ceilings and the water runs down the
walls and drips from the ceiling in dozen
of places - but reforming ice as soon as
it strikes the floor. A long run always
results in a severe headache for me, because
the air in the room is so full of the fumes
from the engine.

Sun Dec 7 13
I had the 4 AM watch this morning and
have the watch again till 1 AM tonight.
MacTosh and I are splitting the watches
now while the other three boys are gone. I
wrote a letter in the morning, and went for
A walk on the ice with Tark. I wore my derskin kluutuk, sheepskin trousers and Eskimo kamiks, and was neither too warm nor too cold but just right. We walked about two miles straight out from the house, the electric light gleamed brightly from that distance, like the street lights of a distant city.

Mon Dec 8-13.

Green and Ek with their divisions arrived home about 12:30 p.m. They report having had a very successful trip -- smooth ice all the way from here to Anmassak, and smooth ice out across the sound for a long distance -- where they saw numerous bear tracks. The surprising thing we learned from their trip was the great difference in temperature between Etah and the coast further north. There seems to be about 20 degrees lower temperature there than here, the boys had it 39 below and said they felt it was much colder than usual.

We drew lots for the night watches and I don't have one till Wednesday morning. Finished the small oil stove today. There is a reduction in weight of ½ pounds.
The Dec 9-13.

Rather quiet in camp today. Mac brought over some stray dog-biscuit boxes from along the shore. Tank and CK went up the hill to read the thermometer, finding the minimum for the past week to be 25 below zero. Peowahlt brought in his komatik to repair it, he had broken a cross-ice on the rough ice in the sound. I went to bed early. Tank has his whiskers trimmed like a butcher now.

Friday Dec 26th 1913.

I have been sick since the tenth. Something happened to my kidneys, and Doc was away visiting and neither I nor anyone here knew what was wrong or what should be done. Doc finally arrived, after having travelled all day and all night, and he soon had me on the road to recovery. While I was sick several interesting things happened. Green and CK with a party of five Eskimos went across Smith Sound and placed a large cache on the north point of Cape Rutherford. They had quite a successful, though rough trip, and had the good fortune to get five beards, two big and three little ones. Both Green and CK are anxious to make another trip. They
had a minimum temperature of fifty below zero, while our minimum at Bala was 19 below.

Tank and Jet made a trip to Nackle, Igloolik, and Sikk, and got back just in time for the big Xmas dinner. Em cooked the dinner; Pres. Osbornes present, and it sure was good. After dinner Mac distributed presents to the Eskimos; and Xmas spirit was in the air. The distribution of presents lasted till midnight. We had singing and Victoria Music during the entire evening. Em had arranged some appropriate records in a concert. All the Eskimos seemed to enjoy Xmas immensely - especially the children. The dolls were an innovation, both the big and little girls made much of them.

Today Otter and Atqadingnak left for their homes to stay till next moon; and Panicepa and Atukuungwak, returned. Arkles is building his Peary sledge.

Sat Dec 27th - 13.

I got up early this morning and started the engine, and charged the
batteries. The engine ran splendidly until the latter part of the charge, carrying fifteen percent overload for a while. Did not finish the charge because the engine began missing badly and I had to shut down.

Three Eskimos arrived today. Essays, Kudlukts, and Iowchingwa. - With their kooners - Annahwee, (Mrs Essays) and Evahoe, (Mrs Iowchingwa). Kudlukts came to take Eth down below Cape York to see a meteorite which he has found. Essays is suffering from some peculiar infection and came to see the doctor. It is interesting to note that this affection is the result of disease contracted from the crew of a whaling-ship, before the Peary ship Roosevelt came up. After dinner Doc operated on him, giving him ether. A number of the Eskimo men were allowed to remain in the room and see the operation, and they were duly impressed with the sleep-producing ether.

Sun Dec 28th, 13.

Mac and Moe have been cleaning up the work-shop today, and Mac succeeding in running five or six nails in his foot.
Chiquibah began work on his sledge when they had finished. Ot is to have charge of the workshop and help in the work, and Doc has volunteered to wash dishes to help in the work. Tank and Lem went for a walk up towards Sunrise Point, and saw that the ice north of there was all gone; the wind had broken it up, and the sea was dashing up on the ice foot in great shape.

I repaired the engine and ran for about an hour today. Will run again tomorrow. Essafoo seems much better today.

Mon. Dec 29th '13.

I ran the engine today for several hours and got the batteries up into good condition again. It was so windy this morning that Chk and Kuddlukto did not start on their trip. I had the morning watch and had quite a time with the dogs who were trying to eat the skin lashings on the komatiks, which the wind had blown down from the boxes on which they had been placed.

Doc stayed up till nearly five a.m., and got me started on chess. Everybody else is playing it, I think I shall have to get in the game too.
Jan 30 - 13.

All hands were called at 5:30 this morning, because several of the Eskimos and others were planning to leave on their homelands, and we were to help get them off early. After breakfast, which was at six o'clock; however, the eskimos decided that they wouldn't go; it was too dark to travel. Green went to bed after breakfast, and Doc also turned in after he had washed the dishes. Tank, who did not get up for breakfast, slept till two p.m. Mac calls them the "midnight club."

I ran the engine for one hour, to absorb the batteries. I am trying the scheme of running for an hour every day in order to keep the batteries boosted and the water in the circulating system from freezing.

The rest of the day I have been sewing, getting grass and kushtah bags ready, and mending my clothes.

It is very dark outside today. I went out on the ice for a short distance and was afraid to go farther in the dark.

After dinner Doc performed another operation.

Ahtukasina, Panosh's corner, has been having trouble with her big toe for a number of years, and tonight
Dec amputated it. The operation was performed on the dining table, and ether was given by the doctor and nurse. Some of the Eskimos wanted to see the operation, but the majority of them were glad to leave the room when the cutting began.

Wed Dec 31, 13.

It remains surprisingly warm. The average temperature for the past week has been only about 12 below. I, and we doubt all the rest of us, too, expected to be having 50 and 60 below at this time of the year. There has been practically no snow, at least so little that it seems there has been none. Eh and the rest of the travellers started this morning again, but were back in a few hours, having found it too dark. We had a dandy dinner of "Inukin" steak.

I ran the engine for an hour, the scheme seems to be working nicely.

About 11 p.m. we had a New Year's Eve celebration. Moe had a bunch of firecrackers and distributed them among the Eskimos - mostly the children - and the air was soon filled with smoke, noise and fun. They
thought it great fun, and the children played practical jokes on one another with the smaller firecrackers. Tank topped the celebration by treating to fruit-cake and chocolate - which was unanimously voted the most delicious treat we had had in a long time. The boys were up till 3 a.m. I had the watch and was up the rest of the night.

Thursday January first, 1914.

Everybody was sleepy this morning. Green and Tank did not get up until two or three p.m., and Doc and I turned in at ten thirty and slept until nearly four p.m. This was unusual for me, I seldom am able to sleep in the daytime. Mac and Ed never do, but the rest of the boys do not appear to have any difficulty. I felt quite sleepy, and had a headache, and as Ed got the New Year's dinner, which was a dandy good one, with coatie roast, mock turtle soup, rice, potatoes, green peas, cranberry sauce, mint sauce, plum pudding, fruit, nuts, champagne, grape juice, and lots of similar delicacies. Tank put us all to shame by appearing in a pick and span civilian suit with white shirt and collar, with his side whiskers. He resembled nothing so much as an English tourist. His attire certainly seemed strange and out of place. After dinner we had many games with the estimes. They seem to like the games we have
introduced very much and played till midnight. I ran the engine for an hour in the evening. We have an average of 10 to 15 electric lights burning all the time except for a few hours at night, and this is quite a drain on the storage cells, which are operating under a great handicap in the low temperature. By running the engine for a short while every day we keep them in fair condition, and the run has the added great advantage of keeping the water in the big 200-gal-
ton tank from freezing, and this water would, in case of fire, prove a life-saver, as there is no possibility of getting water from the iceclay bay, and had we no available supply for a possible fire the house and all our goods would have little chance.

Friday Jan 2-14.
The moon came back to us today, and at three p.m. I noticed that there was a faint twilight-like glow in the southwest, and as it was a clear day, the light was not bad for walking.
I ran the engine for two hours today. Green is working on the foundation for the seis-
mograph, and I wired the room under the
have for a light and the clock connection. Doc, Eek and Beek have been testing their stoves. The blue flame, hummers today. Up to date there are 27 electric lights connected on our circuit.

Saturday Jan. 3rd - 14.

Eek and Kindeks, Ton-chi-a-gul and Evaloo, and Archie and Ahlming-wah left this morning for the south. Mac and Reowahs started for Amaraatok but were back in a couple of hours because they found open water to the north.

I ran the engine from eleven to four. Iain and Tance took Max's dog team and went to the point for a load of oil. It is rumored that they traveled five or six miles getting there.

Eeayos and Ahnaiveli are staying with us for a while in order that Ahnaiveli may help with the sewing, at which art she is very proficient. Mac has cut his Komatik lols so that they fit down in between the ride with an upper overlapping edge of three or four inches on each side, which results
in a snug fit with no danger of the boxes slipping off.

The yellow bitch is raising a healthy looking sextet of pups which did fail to be splendid sled dogs. They are quartered in the shed outside the workshop.

**Sunday Jan 4th 14.**

I had the morning watch today and played a game of chess with Hal, who did not turn in till 4:40 a.m. Mac was up from midnight to 7:30 working. He left after breakfast with Seowahs for the settlements south.

**Monday Jan 5-14.**

After breakfast this morning, Jank Green and I turned to on the deserted igloos in our shed. They had become too wet for the eskinore to live in, and we are going to take out the linings and melt the ice from the roof by putting two big oil stoves in the igloos, and eventually dry them thoroughly; after which we will fill in the linings again, cover the roof with snow and use these igloos
to house the visiting eskmisoo.

I ran the engine two hours today, and am gradually getting the batteries up into good condition. Doc slept from breakfast till dinner. He had stayed up all night.

Wed Jan 6th '14

Last night we dried the linings of the eskmis igloos, and kept a big oil stove burning in the igloos, but it only resulted in the melting of a small round spot on the ceiling just above the stove. I ran the engine from 11.30 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. with a light load, to doctor the batteries for sulphation. At light load the engine does not run well on kerosene and a great deal of unburned gas leaked from it and filled the house, giving everybody a headache, and making Doc very sick. Tank stayed on watch all night.

The eskmisoo are moved into their new igloos under the house and seem to like it fine. Ahpehla and family are living in a big snow ightiyah down on the ice foot.

Wed Jan 7th '14

Tank and Doc slept all day. Tank
getting up at dinner time and woke at five. At five thirty Green and I went out for a long walk in the pretty moonlight and clear cold air. It has been down to thirty one below today — our coldest yet.

I ground the exhaust valves on the engine and ran for one hour. the batteries are getting better all the time under the treatment they now receive.

Sat Jan 17, 14.

I have got behind in my diary again and don't remember day by day just what has happened during the past week, but there has been nothing startling. I have been working on the battery lockers and engine, and succeeded in constructing a locker for the battery which will allow them to operate at a normal temperature, about 70°F, by having an opening into the kitchen. Herefore they have had to operate at a temperature very near zero, and at such a low temperature they are very inefficient. The gas from the engine got so bad that it became necessary to quit attempting to run on kerosene.
and I took the producer and fittings off. By running on gasoline the cause of the trouble is eliminated. In its original construction the engine was so designed that the inevitable leakage of gasses past the piston rings into the base of the engine was rendered inoffensive by the carburetor taking its supply of air from the engine base—which also resulted in relieving the pressure within the base so that the oil would not leak out at the various cracks. But, by fitting the engine with the kerosene gas producer, and attempting to burn kerosene, the carburetor action is changed and the permanent air is taken in through the producer instead of from the base, and consequently the leaking gasses permeate the room and house and make everybody sick. Perhaps we wouldn't notice it if the rooms were not so airtight. As to running on gasoline we have such a short while longer to run that we can well afford to use gasoline I believe.

Aphelionah and Posidoniaah have been building their snowballs this week. Mac, Menz, and Prentakate left Wednesday.
night for the south, I don't know where. Panieka returned from Saolkwachtie and brought the news that the ice had gone out down there while they were hunting walrus, and had taken two captured walrus, and almost some of the men with it.

Thursday and Friday I got out for long walks and really enjoyed getting out again.

Sun Jan 18, 14.

I played the Victrola for several hours this morning, with all hands listening to the concert. Green, Doc, and I went for a walk up the fiord. The wind was blowing down from the glacier quite hard and made walking up the fiord difficult, but coming back we were fairly carried along.

About two thirty p.m. Mac and Marn arrived from Nehe. They had had a windy trip. We had a big dinner of caribou steaks, vegetables and mince pies.

Monday Jan 19, 14.

Today Mac sent Panieka, Metak, Ahpeklo and Toita with sledge loads
of biscuit and pemmican up to Little-
ton Island. This will be stored there
until the party starts, and a possible
delay due to the ice between her and
Littleton Island being gone will be avoided.
I ran the engine three hours today.
The plant is in fine shape now.

The Jan 20, 14. 29-32
It is cold and windy today. Jack
and Green and I went for a walk up
the fiord. We had all that we could do to
walk, the wind must have been blowing
65 miles an hour, and the temperature
was 33 below. The excellency of our
clothing was made apparent to us
on this walk, for even in the sever
wind we were perspiring., and developed
a big appetite for the "chimick" stew which
Doc, who is officiating as cook while
Jim makes Komatik bags, had cooked
for dinner.

Wed Jan 21, 14. 32-34-5
I ran the engine four hours today
with so many women serving in
the various rooms and red much
work going on we are using a great deal of light. The batteries show a markedly greater efficiency now that they are in a warm locker.

About 3 p.m. four Esmalikis arrived and there was great excitement for a while. The arrivals were Ek, Kudikts and Sooner and baby, Olanya, Toorkash and Busted. Klayfie and mother and Hendrick Ohlsen - an educated south Greenland Eskimo who is in the employ of Rasmussen. Ek says Rasmussen treated him with splendid hospitality, and went with him to get a piece of the meteorite below Cape York. Ohlsen was educated in Denmark and speaks no English, so Ek is the only one of us who can talk with him, except in our broken Eskimo.

Some of our men took more provisions for the Crocker Land trip up to Little Fox Island today and brought back a few lobsters of oil from the point.

I've been unusually lazy today. Turned in about one p.m., was called for dinner at four but remembered that "project" (zeal) was the main constituent of the meal, and being rather deeply entangled in the web of morphine anyhow, did not get up when next I awoke it was one a.m.

Friday. During my nap travelers, Nukapingnak, Sipun, and Nipshangwah, the man whose fingers Doc amputated recently, arrived. Sipun and Nukapingnak came up to be here early in the game of starting for Crocker Land. They have been woodcock-hunting down at Soolikwakto. Nukapingnak has killed, Sipun has not had any success as yet.


I wrote letters from one a.m. to Ten a.m. as Hendrick Ohlson planned to leave today to carry the mail south. It was rather wind and dark, however, so he postponed his de- parture.

Today I ran the plant for several hours and again a number of people were made sick by the gas.
must acknowledge that I was surprised and disappointed, for this is the first trouble we've had with gas since the kerosene atomizer was taken off. It now is very evident that the reason we get headaches is because there is a gas-engine, (the same would hold true of any gas-engine) running in a tightly closed house, and there is nothing wrong with the engine; although there was a defect in it during the time it was run on kerosene.

Later in the day Doc and I went for a walk up the fjord, and came back and all hands had a "zing fit."

Sat Jan 24 14.

Up at five this morning, and found Mac up working. He had been up all night. Called Doc at six to have breakfast by eight. Otlien left with our mail this morning for the South. He also carried some oil and biscuit down to Rasmussen at Dominick.
Ziglos, Oblanyu, and Panicpah left at the same time, the two former for their homes, and Panicpah for Saolkwahlee to hunt walrus.

Sun Jan 25-14.

It had the intention of Doc, Tank, and Green to leave quite early this morning - Green with rifles for Saolkwahlee, and Doc & Tank for a trip to Annarotok; but then some misunderstanding the watch was not informed and we did not have breakfast until the usual hour, 9 A.M., and the sledges did not get away until about eleven, which said delay caused several to get rather excited and there was some bustling for a while. With Doc and Tank went Kudluhko, driving Mac's fine dog team, Thukapingnah, and Kudlah, and Apkeleah. The party carried up milk and pemmican and biscuit for use on the Crocker land and work, and are to stay and hunt bears if any tracks are seen.

Green, having his clothing outfit practically all ready for the big trip, wanted to get out in the field as Mac sent him down with rifles to hunt walrus.

Mon Jan 26, 14.

Doc and Tank came back
from Amnakuak today. They had delivered their stores, and I found no bear tracks, so they did not stay up there.

I ran the engine today, and there was not the least bit of gas.

Tue Jan 27-14.

My cold is causing me some discomfort; it seems different from any cold I ever had before. The Eskimos are quite sick and have bad spells of vomiting.

Janie and I counted the condensed milk today, and found that after the Cunnersland trip milk has been taken out there are left 56 cases of milk; with a few cases of evaporated milk.

Wed Jan 28-14.

After breakfast Mac sent EK and me up the coast with Kudlikto and Mahapinquaq to open the pemmican boxes and bring back the empty boxes. We had a grand ride—the sledges were empty and the going good. The sea had broken up the ice north of Sunrise Point and we had to
fellow the ice foot, which was quite narrow in places. I drove Nickapiningah's team back.

Green, Panipek, Isita, and Metak arrived at six p.m. from the walrus hunting grounds. Green had killed two walruses, Metak one, and Isita one.

Thurs Jan 29, 14.

I ran the engine today for five hours. There was no gas.

Mene, Sattos and his kooner Teddylingnah and kooner arrived about 4 p.m. Mac had been out walking and met them and rode with them from the glacier.

Fri Jan 30, 14.

Journey and I went up to the cache by Littleton Island today and opened up 49 boxes of pemican, bringing back 32 of the empty boxes. The wind was quite strong and we had a cooler trip than we did the other day. Ahpaleah and Metak drove for us. When we started from the house, Mac was just starting out with his
team for a little exercise for them. Chipika and Mutik both tried to catch him, but although they wielded the whip vigorously, Mac soon got so far ahead of his that he was lost to view in the rough ice around Dog-Biscuit Point. He sure has a splendid team.

Sat Jan 31-14.

After breakfast this morning we cleared the main room and improvised in it an operating room. Nevitangnuk, Panga's koomer was the proposed victim of Doe's relentless knife, but Doe soon made the unhappy discovery that she was suffering from cancer, for which he was powerless to help her.

It was the intention for me to go to Animakok in charge of eight men carrying loads of provisions, but on account of the wind the trip was postponed.

Sun Feb first, 14.

Charged the storage battery today, running eight hours at light load.

Mac called us all in for
room after dinner and we had a talk on plans for the field trip, and a new system of watches was instituted whereby the men who are to leave soon on the Crocker land trip are given practically all night in which to sleep, and Mac urged them to get up more and take long walks in the daytime.

Mon Feb 7-14.

After breakfast today, and after doing a few odd jobs about the house, I went for a walk with Doc. Doc has begun training for his wind, and I had to go some to keep up.
The Eskimos came back from Amaknak and Mene says that it was the coldest they had ever known it to be at Amaknak. Mene shot a rabbit on the hill back of the house today.

Tue Feb 8-14.

Mene built a snow igloo down on the bank today, so that we will have a little more room to house
the big number of people that will be up soon from the south.

Jank and I gathered up a bunch of sledge material which had become scattered and which was in danger of being blown away.

Dinner tonight was unusually good— with roast bear as the main dish and a nice big fruit cake which was supposed to be for Jank's next Xmas as dessert.


Ran the plant for six hours today. Stockachoo, Arkles + Ahbigwah-wah, Escaps + Annahiwwe, Touchingwah + Evalos, + Ahpadingwah arrived today. Our gang is coming.

Our ten p.m. social talk was held in Doc's + my room tonight, with hot chocolate and raspberry jam to help make the occasion delightful. Ek gave a very interesting lecture on the geology of the land to be gone over, and instructions as to geological work...
The Feb. 5-14
When I got up at 1 a.m. to go on watch today I found a big seal on the dining table. A surprising thing to see when still half asleep, but it is also a good thing because it means good fresh meat.

At two thirty p.m. Sipoo, Egingwah and Inachs, Possidoonah and his son Arke, Aphielingwah, and Ahunteingwah arrived. "Hotel Gloosowahnee" is becoming popular.

Teddylingwah, Koolatina & Klem and their little girl came later.

Friday, Feb. 6-14
On my watch this morning (12 to 4 a.m.), there was an explosion in the igloos next door. Touchingwah attempted to fill an oil stove with gasoline and was badly burned in the face as a result of the explosion which followed. Doc went over and treated him.

Ootah came this morning. He was the only arrival today.

I ran the engine from noon to five p.m.

Walked over to the point and tapped a case of lubricating oil back.
Sat Feb 7-14.
Green and Aspelah left with their decisions this morning, the first seven sledges on the way to Cape Thomas Hubbard. The day was clear and there was practically no wind, a fine day for a start. They left here with empty sledges and will load up at Rehmoyontz and at the Slettaten Island cache.

I have been working all day on a sounding machine for use on the Komatiks.
Egingwah has developed a case of influenza; and Panikpa believes he will not be able to travel. Kudlukto is sick - seems to have the gripes.

Sun Feb 8-14.
Today I have been at work on the sounding wire, getting the tangles out of it and getting it wound on the sounding reel. This was no small task as there is about two miles of wire and it was in a badly tangled coil. Several of the
children helped by turning the
reel crank. When finished the reel with
the wire on weighed 30 pounds.

Okamadinguah & Enalot, Mekeem,
Olau's daughter, Kisslatinigut,
son, Abweugpro, and Kangah came
today. Four Komatchis.

Tanka got away this morning
with his division Komatchis.

Mon Feb 9-14.

Ek got away with his division this
morning in a stiff easterly wind.
He has not been out much since
he has had the mumps and I don't
envy him his sudden plunge into
the long trip.

I ran the engine a long while
today and it was so warm in
the house that we had to keep the
front door open to keep cool.

Rasmussen came very shortly after
dinner and we all found him to
be a very likeable man. We talked
and played the Victrola until 1 A M.
Tue Feb 10-14.
Doc left with his division this morning. Touchinquah's face was really not well enough for such exposure but he showed good grit and went. Quite a fresh wind was blowing from the east; the day was clear.

I ran the engine all day at light load, and giving the battery a de-commissioning charge and must run several days in succession.

Wed Feb 11-14.
Breakfast at usual time this morning but those of us who were at the table were rather a sleepy crowd. Rasmussen had sat up nearly all night with jet learning how to bake bread, and Mac and some had both been up late, and had not slept well. There was so much wind that nobody attempted to leave today. It comes down in gusts off the hill and tries to carry boxes of food and all with it. I ran the engine for a few hours.
Kidlukt's is not getting well very fast and it is certain that he cannot go on the trip with the rest.

Wee Wee, the South Greenland woman in running the kitchen now under Jots supervision and is doing excellent work. She is very different from in temperament from these northern Eskimos.

Thursday Feb 12-14.

Breakfast at nine this morning, and immediately after it was over Mac, Mine, and Beewahts began packing their sledges, and at noon started north. Rasmussen, Jot, and I were down on the ice to see them off. There was too much wind and broken ice for travel to the southward. Mac had a splendid team of eleven dogs. I started the engine immediately after they left to give the battery a final charge, but in about two hours they were back - having found the ice gone and water covering the ice-foot near Littleon Island, so I shut the plant down.

We moved Egingual into my room in Oce's bunk today so that I could doctor him and he would be better housed. He is very sick with the mumps. Kidlukt's
has the Arctic flu-grippe. The Victuall has been working overtime the last few days. Rasmussen seems to enjoy it - and of course all of us here do.

Friday Feb 13.14. mean Temp. -23.08 A rather "conspicuous" date for Mac to start out, but for me the date signifies the best of luck. On it last year - Friday June 13. 1913 - I married the "only girl". We had breakfast at 700 and everybody got started by nine. Mac, Mac T, Beewahh for Anmaratok - and Crocker Land I hope; and Rasmussen, "Pingasoot", Elingnak, Koslatinah and family, and Metak for the north. Panipah and Ahtukunguwha also started south but came back in the afternoon. I noticed that he had three rabbits on his homath. Dawn was just breaking when the party left. The sledges were packed by electric light. I immediately started the engine for the final charge and ran until midnight. I advised and attempted keeping the doors open during the day to allow the gas to escape, but got dreaded
the cold more and did not second my move. As a result he got very sick and had to call me about 6:30 A.M. to give him some morphine and take the watch. Ira had had a severe headache which lasted two days. Both she and I had been indoors all day while the engine was running. One thing I think has been definitely proved and should be apparent without proof, i.e., it is impossible for a person to remain in this air-tight house continuously during a long run of the engine when the storage cells and gas engine are both giving off gases which the average person cannot breathe without experiencing ill effects. The case is very similar to the navy submarine boat plants where men as often are overcome by the gases from the battery and engine which in the confined space they cannot help breathing.

Jimmy and Sammy spent several hours making dog harnesses for the team of "lift" behinds which they are to use in bringing ice, etc. We - We - is seeking for everybody now, has full charge of the kitchen and shows remarkable ability. She is, moreover, neat as a pin.
in her work as well as personal attire, and the kitchen and Eki's room (which she is occupying) fairly shine in comparison to their usual appearance. I should like very much for some of the writers of the past who have so magnified the uncleanliness of the eskimos to see this woman and her work - and in fact our whole crowd of eskimos. No one, I believe, could deny that some of these women are pretty, and just at present "Evaloo" with her new red flannel shirt which she has just made and which is very much like the smart mannish shirts our girls at home sometimes wear - is so attractive that it would not be going too far to say that she is really beautiful, and this is not a mere fancy of mine - a fascination - but the concensus of the opinions of several expedition members. Several others are "sporting" new cotton or flannel shirts made from cloth mac has given them for sewing, all wash daily and are without a doubt neater than got on 2.
Sat Feb 14. 14. Mean temperature -25.6

Today Egriqwah is a little better
and Kudlakto seems much better. I got
up at about three P.M feeling fine. I
turned in as soon as I had eaten
supper and went to bed. The chronometers
Pintor is sleeping with Odic, wee West
little boy in the room. wee Wee has the lower bunk.
Kudlakto and Ahnadozah are in Maiz's room.
Ewaloo, Sunna, and Ahkningwa are in the
dark-room igloos; Panichpah, Ahktringwah,
Ewaloo (esita boinee) and Ahlteetah are in the
igloos under the house, and Ahkatingwah with
her children are occupying Sipon's old igloos.
Etnaka is sleeping in Keren's bunk and
Egriqwah in Doc's. Sammy and Jimmy
are for the time being sleeping wherever they
happen to be when they get sleepy. Akipucla
shakes and family are eating with us.

Sun Feb 15. 14. Mean temp. -23.8

I got up at breakfast time this
morning and got turned in at noon.
Kudlakto is much better, was up for
breakfast. I advised him to stay in bed
for a couple of days. Egriqwah too is
better, has no fever.

Jimmy and Sammy drove off with their
komatik for rabbits, and Odie went out with this gun for a while but got no more. I have been writing up back diary and meteorological work.

It is certainly a great loss not to have the electric lights, and one had to get accustomed to. The contrast is so great that the women seem to have great trouble sewing, and reading is certainly very much more difficult.

Mon. Feb. 16-14. Mean temp. -20.6

Oh, good-bye to be with his wife and child left this morning. They went for biscuit and sugar, which got gave them. Kudlukto is nearly well, has been up all day, and Eginguk is much better. He too was up for a while today. Panik-pah has the mumps and I have cautioned him against going out.

Jimmy and Sammy brought over four cases of oil today. A little over five gallons a day is being used now.


Sanna had an attack of heart trouble last night and got gave her some
morphine to ease the pain. I don't know that this was a safe thing to do but I was too sleepy to fully grasp the situation when I woke up to find out where the morphine was. He put her in his bunk and she was alright this morning. He cooked a nice invalid's breakfast for her and when he went to look for her found her eating raw little calves in the igloos underneath the house.

Kudlukto and Sammy went out for rabbits today and Kudlukto got two.

Ahtkuungwah and Akeatingwah (Oblaneyo's wife) went up the fiord on a "grass-ing" trip, they packed a komatik all the way. Ewalos, Ahtkuungwah and Rebker have slept all day. They're more irregular in their hours than the doctor. Cgingwah and Omsa are going home tomorrow, I asked them to stay over another day.
so as to be sure he was well
enough for the trip, — but Duncy
told me that he was craving
meat all the time, — and in the
face of this I could say nothing.

Wed. Feb. 18-14. Mean temp. 25.25
A strong northeast wind averag-
ing about 30 miles an hour has
been blowing all day and no
one has attempted to travel. Kudluke
says he may go to Yerke to mor-
row.

All the women and babies
are sporting their newly made
red shirts and seem quite proud
of them.

Thursday Feb. 19. Mean temperature 35.6
Kudluke and Egingwah went
out for rabbits today but said when
they came back that there was too
much wind. The wind certainly does
blow steadily here.

I received the biggest surprise
of my life today at five p.m. when
Mac and Mere came up over the
tank with their komatiks. Mac told us that he had caught the rest of the crowd and found half of them sick and the dogs all played out. Mumps and vomiting shall attacked the crowd and disheartened the eskimos. A fresh start was decided upon and so the well people of the crowd started back except Green and the doctor, who are at the camp in Ellesmere land looking out for the sick ones. Mac, mine, Remulito, Toito, and Tootos arrived tonight. The rest of those who started back are at Annaratok tonight. Green, Doc, and the rest will come home as soon as the men get well. I woke hot and he cooked up a supper for the crowd, and in the evening we heard from Mac the interesting particulars of the trip. We turned on the lights tonight, for since so many of us are to be here it is well worth while to put them in commission again.

Friday Feb 28. Mean temp -

And one bunch came in at noon from Annaratok. I went and the rest came about
an hour later, several of the men were quite badly frosted, Janke's nose looked like it might have been scratching with a hot soldering iron. Ck's cheek and one hand was frosted and Ck said it was the coldest he had ever experienced. Odah looked in the best condition of any of the men. The dogs did not look very sick or exhausted. There was a great session of negotiating and preparing to go away on the part of some of the Eskimos. Some are to be dispersed with and others will stay to go again later. I cooked dinner today, scrambled eggs and corn, and think I showed up well as a cook, (but no one else said she thought so!). Got up right after dinner and made some bread. Ck and Tark turned in right after dinner.

I've got 'em: yes, the mumps. I'm not the least surprised of course.

Touchingwale & Evale slept in Doc's bunk in my room tonight. I have been drying out my mildewed clothes and packing them away in dog-biscuit boxes.

Saturday Feb 21-14,

My mumps are occupying my time
now, my right cheek is swollen badly.

Sunday: My fever 103.5 today. No fun in mumps!

Monday: My fever still high, both sides of my face swelled way up. I can’t eat anything and I feel like — x! Green T. Doc came into camp today with Riper and Abelingmah.

The 24th. The sun shone thru the front windows today for the first time, and lighted the room so that for an hour we did not need a light. This is the first time we have seen the sun here at the house this year.

Wed 25th. I’m in bed all day. I’m sure having no light attack of mumps.

Thursday Feb 26th. I have run up all day today. The mumps have about run their course. I can eat now but not without difficulty. Made some repairs on the engine preparing to running tomorrow.

Doc went for a walk back of the house and came back in several hours with the surprising news that he saw and almost captured a bear. Perhaps we shall try to get it tomorrow. Light snow.
Fri. Feb. 27-14.

I ran the engine from 11 A.M. to 9:00 p.m. today, with the front door open so that gas might escape. Mac and Green cleaned out the shed in front and scraped a lot of frost off the ceiling. Mac and EK went out for deer but did not see any. Mac brought back four rabbits. We put up the punching bag and all had a punch.

Sat. Feb. 28-14.

Mac walked to Littleton Island and back today. Doc started out before breakfast for an all day hunt for the deer he saw the other day. The snow was blowing in gusts all day and the men out in it had no good day. Just and Mene started rabbit hunting but came back before they had gone far. Doc came in at 4:00 p.m. having seen no further trace of deer. I went on watch at noon to stay on till midnight. Mac is planning to send Green and EK south tomorrow.


This has been the prettiest day this year. The sun shone for
several hours and as there was no wind it seemed very much like spring. Mac and Doc got the small boat on a komatik and took it to the edge of the ice, launched it, and went rowing around for sea pigeons. In a very little while they came back with 19, from which Mac got some very good specimens. Ee and Green started south with Mea and Peewahs in the morning but were back for dinner because they struck open water near Cape Alexander.

Monday Mar 2-14.

After breakfast this morning I went with Doc to the ice edge to see if it would be worth while launching the boat for sea pigeons again. I decided it would not, and I headed for the southern side of the fjord while Doc took the northern side for rabbits. I saw a white wolf and chased it for several miles before I finally lost.
it. Then I hunted for several hours but saw no rabbits. Doc came home with a black raven. Ahipha saw walrus sleeping on an ice cake, drove to the house got his harpoon and went and he started out for them but came back in a little while with the news that the ice was too dangerous to reach the walrus. We had sea-frogs for dinner and they were very good. It has been very warm today. Doc made some "jack- way" in the evening and while we were eating it and chocolate Kudlikto, Touchinggoval, Myah and his family came. They bring the bad news that our men have killed no walrus and the dogs are in poor shape.

Feb 3rd 14

Breakfast at 8.30 is now in regular order. It is getting so light that it seems like winter is over and so we get an earlier start in the daylight by having breakfast at 7.30. Jet and Mene went out on a komatik this morning to see if there was a chance for walrus and if not they planned to go rabbiting. Mac
and Ck went to Brother John's Glacier to make some observations. Doc cooked breakfast and dinner. Ck is still laid up with a bad foot.


After breakfast this morning Ck, Nekapinqua, and I went rabbit hunting up by Brother John's Glacier. A light snow was falling and there was no wind - an ideal day for rabbits. We separated. I going up on the south side of the glacier and they hunting up nearer the mouth of the fiord. I didn't see a rabbit; they saw scores of them and got five and one fox. I saw seven blue foxes and heard others barking. Doc walked up to Littleton Island and saw fresh wolf tracks, evidently that wolf is hanging around. Ahpelihq quit us today because of his dogs. I am sorry to see connections severed in this case. Mac brought the small boat to the house today on his Komatik. I weighed 156.5

Thursday, Mar. 5-14.

After breakfast I started the plant and ran till five p.m. By keeping open the front door the house was cleared of gas and no one felt any ill effects.
foot hole thru the ice in the bay just south of the old tidal igloo for the re-installation of the tide gauge. It was five feet thick. Doc went up the fiord for rabbits but did not see any.

Early this morning Myak and his family and Kullar and his family left for the south. The rabbits we had for dinner tasted much better than usual, perhaps because they were fresh killed. Doc saw the tracks of the wolf very near the house and we believe he is liable to get a dog. Today and yesterday were marked by an absence of wind, and indeed all of March thus far has been very quiet.

Fri March 14.

Mac and Doc walked to the ice edge this morning. Doc fished and Mac followed wolf tracks and found that the wolf has been living on an island at the entrance to the bay. I dug open the back door. Later Mac and I nailed up a flag pole and the colors were hoisted. Jof was sick today. The wolf was seen very near the house in the evening and Mehe went out to chase it.
Sat Mar 7-14.

Mae organized a hunting party to go after the wolf this morning. Green, Joe, and I tookasku went north towards Sunrise Point, and Mac, Ch, Peevaht and I went out to the islands where he has been eating. Mac and I went on the south sides of the islands and Ch and the eskimos men to cover the north sides. While Mac and I were beating the islands Ch saw the wolf which had come off the island and started north. It ran towards Sunrise Point and Joe and the others there were waiting for a shot but it got their scent and turned and ran up the Fruit towards the glaciers. Ch and Peevaht both had two long distance shots at it but the hunt was given up on account of the high north wind which sprang up and besides making walking difficult obscured vision by blowing the snow. However, we are glad to see the wind come again for we want the snow blown off the ice as sledding will not be as hard when the expedition starts.

Last night six komatiks came up
from the south, Stockassoo, Arklia, Ky-
-o-to, Ciliquah, Allama, and Ajquah-
saba, each with a load of walrus meat.
Allka, Ahleah and baby, and
Kudlah's, Allmauah and baby, left
for the south this morning. Toncha's,
Kudlah's igloo and Allpeleah, igloo, all
the ice foot are now deserted. Green
received a nice present in the form of a pair
of mukluk blankets from Sipe, brought
up by Allama from Saltwater.

Tonight Karks and the other Stockassoo
came up with loads of walrus meat.

Sun Mar 8 -14.

Dove the house all day reading. On watch till
midnight. All the eskimos went rabbit hunting
and got quite a large number. O'squeak
and Irene came up from Saltwater
in the evening.

Mon Mar 9 -14.

Doc went way back into the valleys
today looking for deer and came out up
by Littleton Island. He wore snowshoes
and must have walked 25 miles. Got went
rabbit hunting but his gun jammed
and he didn't get any. Green cooked diner.
Tue. Mar. 10, 14.

Fowchingwah, Nukapingquah, Kyote, and Ooqueah left this morning with komathiks loaded with walrus meat for the cache in Biritsted Fjord. I got out the moving picture machine and got pictures of the leaving. Auen and Ek each hitched their teams today and made practice drives around the fjord. Abomadingquah, Ahueatingquah, and another eskimo came in after dinner from the south. Chocolate "mug-ups" in the evening about ten are very enjoyable.

Wed. Mar. 11, 14.

Mac, Ek, Green, Mene, Feewants, and I too hachos left at about one thirty p.m. for Kamowintz-and Crocker Land. I mounted the moving picture machine on a pressure ridge and got a few feet of pictures before the camera froze and refused to work. Doc is left in charge. He, Tank, Jot, and I are to stand 12 hour watches and each man gets the meal that comes on his watch. The eskimos who came up from the south, and Obling was left for Petrahvick later in the afternoon.
A north wind has been blowing all day and it is getting colder. The men won't have a very pleasant trip today. Everybody got to bed early. I tonight.

The Mar 12, 14,

got got breakfast this morning and also made three pies and a chocolate cake on his watch. Later he and Doc brought the "flatty" into the workshop and got repaired it. We had the back door open all day because I started the engine and ran all day giving the gells a decommissioning charge. The door open kept the gas out and prevented the heat from smelting the attic floor. Doc cooked dinner. Wee Wee now eats at the table with us four. After which she superintends the feeding of the Eskimos. The sun has shone brightly all day. Towards evening a strong N-E wind began blowing, great clouds of
Snow off the hills. This increased and by dark the air was so full of flying snow one could not see fifty yards, and the thermometer reached 36°. I reckon winter is not gone yet.

Fri Mar 13, 14.

I had the watch from midnight till noon and cooked breakfast—cren of wheat and pan cakes. I had the next watch and cooked dinner. The wind has been blowing the snow from the hills out across the bay all day and night and the flying snow obscured vision. I ran the engine all day continuing the decommissioning charge.

Sat Mar 14, 14.

The wind is still blowing today, the notified much as yesterday, and the sun has shone brighter and longer today than ever this year. The snow-drift back of the house is up to the top of the side wall now.

Sun Mar 15, 14.

The great event of today was the
killing of the wolf. The wolf which has been hanging around here for so long ventured up to our door this morning and startled all Stah. Jot and Doc with their trusty rifles and five bullets put an end to her career. Jimmy, Sammy, Doc, and I were a volunteer team to pull the Komath with her dead body on it to the house and after several photographs were taken the women got busy skinning it. Only a few hours before Doc and Jot had been planning a trip out to the island to get a shot at our visitor, but she saved them the trouble by coming to them instead.

I ran the engine all day again today, mainly finished with the decommissioning charge.

Mon Mar 16, 14,

Ran the engine all day again today at very light load. Am bringing up some low cells by this method. Finished with decommissioning tonight. Cells are now in very good condition. Jimmy brought
in one rabbit and Doc went out for a little while and brought back two.

**Mar 17-14.**

I cooked breakfast today - fried hominy. I also cooked up some rabbits and turnips for dinner. The sun shone brightly till mid-afternoon, and our canine family was mustered and divided into three light teams to haul three komatiks on hunting expeditions. Sammy and Joe, Odis and Ahtensquaw, Jimmy and Evalot were the parties, and the result of three or four hunting was four rabbits.

I put the engine, switchboard, wireless, and batteries in shape for the summer; after which I began work on the tide-gauge. By dinner time I had succeeded in getting the weights and pipes thru the ice, and shall now wait for the pipes to set.

**Mar 18-14.**

After breakfast this morning the three boys went out on three komatiks and came back in the afternoon with three rabbits. I went up the fjord, shot at a rabbit which was running up the cliff, and in trying to
get it got caught in a dangerous
place on the precipitous hill-side
from which descent was impossible
and I spent four tortuous hours
-going straight up the cliff which
was at an angle of about seventy
degrees. With my gun I cut steps
in the snow and in some places
had to dig my bare fingers into
the sod where the covering of
snow was thin to get up a step.
I have learned a lesson, "Never Again!"

Fri Mar 19, 14.

Today I got the tide gauge working and
connected it to the wire in the igloo, it started
OK, but I shall probably have to adjust it for a
day or two to get it working properly.

Fri Mar 20, 14.

got moved from his room today
to Eki bunk, so that Wee Wee could have
a comfortable place for his confinement.
The boys and I went on two kamatchas
and hunted rabbits all day towards Cape
Alexander. We saw a number but they
were so wild we got none. Coming back
we stopped at the point and loaded
up with kerosene.

Posidloonah, Penwahito's brother arrived about five p.m. from the south. Rasmus-
son had sent him up with some let-
ters for Elk and Green which were
mailed in July last and brought over by Peter Krenchen. Posidloonah
also brought the news that Ajpudarkah,
the one who was paralyzed, is dead.

Sat. Mar. 21. 14

It has been a gusty day, and we have all
been indoors, except for a while when I
was out adjusting the tide-gauge.

Sun. Mar. 22. 14

Adjusted tide gauge again today,
It does not seem to run well in
the cold.

Meme and Touchingwah arrived at
six p.m. Meme has quiet and so
has Touchingwah. A note from Meme
says everything is progressing nicely
and they are at the places with the
loads carried up on the ice.
From Monday, Mar. 23, to Sat. Mar. 29 inclusive is in field notebook no. 40.

Sun Mar. 30, 14, to Wednesday April first 14
Mr. Feuchen was with us and I have been working on his theodolite. I was unable to entirely eliminate the error and he has given up going to Peary Land. Today, Wednesday the 1st of April, he has offered us many things and will assist us in many ways. This is 70th birthday and we had a big mush-up dinner to celebrate. The mush-up meat is very good.

Thu April second, 14.
The thermograph is out now and recording temperatures which are about zero. We have been having very warm weather lately.

Fri April third, 14.
Mac's white bitch killed two pups belonging to the brown bitch we gave us today. Yesterday one of Oke's dogs nearly killed one, so now there are only four good ones left. It has been snowing a little today.
Everything was quiet about Etah, Tank and Jim were visiting in Akatingua's igloo, and Doc and CH were asleep when ten komatiks suddenly came into view from the south. Doc got up, and I put on several pots of tea. There was one of the arrivals, bringing up meat from two walrus which he had killed; and Mr Frencheen brought up kamik sole material enough for twelve pair of kamiks, and also brought a pair of musk-ox kamikpunks to Jim. Ogueak brought up more kamik material and we need a lot of it because all the women and children are walking on holey kamiks. All of the men brought walrus meat to trade, and it seems that the walrus hunting has been good lately. Several of the men brought their wives and children and there are several new faces. Ahkudashaks came and will go with the doctor if he wishes to go into the muck-ox country. We cooked up some beans for mine and Mr Frencheen, and gave the eskimos only tea and dog-biscuit. Mr Frencheen told us that
The text is a handwritten diary entry dated April 4th, 1914, discussing experiences of trading and food preparation. The text is partially legible and reads:

"He had overheard Mere sticking up for Mac and the expeditions several times, especially when Kyoto thought he was treated badly about the gun, and he thinks. That Mere wishes the eskimos to help us and does not think he would try to influence them the other way.

Wee Wee and the baby were put in Doc's bunk and Doc slept in the attic.

Sat. April fourth, 14.

Up all night on watch. Cooked breakfast and dinner. For breakfast we had sausage and German fried potatoes and cream of wheat and tomatoes. Dinner, baked beans, brown bread and pineapple jellies. Doc has been trading all day for meat. We have a great deal of walrus meat now. It has snowed some today but got had the pleasure of sailing his iceboat a little.

Sun. April 5th, 14.

All the eskimos who came up to trade meat went home this morning. Jot and Doc on the iceboat sailed..."
out to the islands with the komatiks.

Mon April 6th 14.

Doc., Peter, Ahpudashah, and Peter's boy went north this morning. They are going over to Elliceone Island to get Chi's musk-ox skins and to hunt musk-ox.

I have been cleaning up the book-cases today.-- seems like we have an awful lot of books. I read, "Inchin Invincible Today."

Tue April 7th 14.

Chi's foot seems to be improving a little but it is certainly giving him a great deal of pain. Jank is dressing it for him while Doc is gone.

There is no more darkness now. At midnight last night there was light enough outside to read the finest print of a newspaper. Nothing of importance occurred today.

Wed April 8th 14.

I weighed 164.5 after supper tonight. This is the most I have ever weighed.

Jank and I walked up the fjord to the glacier.

Thu April 9th 14.

After breakfast today I went for
A long walk, and carried a gun but as I didn't see a rabbit all day I could hardly say that I went rabbit hunting. Jimmie and Odie who went hunting in a different place got one and three respectively.

Fri April 10-14.

On watch tonight all night. Kulutuingua and Emenie came up about midnight from Neko. I made tea for them and gave them a place to sleep.

Sat April 11-14.

Mene and Pankpat arrived about 5 p.m. They are going north on a hunting trip. Adpedingua and his family left this morning. Tanka and Sammy went on a kamutik for a long day's hunt up the fjord. Jimy, Emenie and Odie Back brought in a rabbit today.

Sunday April 12-14.

Mene & Pankpat left this morning for a bear hunt. and Kulutuingua and Emenie went back south. I went back in the hills rabbit.
Hunting, Jimmy, Sammy, and Edie each brought in a rabbit today.

Mon April 13, 14:

Temperature for the past week has ranged between 0 and 10 below.
Doc, Peter, Alpundashka, and Iqal came in about eight o'clock this morning. They left Penn's old quarters at Cape Label yesterday afternoon.

The wind has been blowing hard all day from the northeast, and Jot and I have been making some new speed records with the ice-boat.

Tue April 14, 14:

Up all night on watch. Cooked breakfast and dinner. Very windy.

Wed April 15, 14:

Today Mr. Junchen has been developing pictures for us and showing us how. He also cooked walrus liver for dinner and showed us how to cook it so that it doesn't taste much worse than beef liver... provided of course that plenty of mustard, salt, pepper, ketchup and horseradish is added.

Mene and Pannkipak came in about mid
p.m. They had killed nothing on their hunt. Sikan and Abaluga came in about seven p.m. They had killed two bears each in Chokencine Land.

Doc and I played with the baseball a while today. Mene lost the ball down a crack in the ice foot; I dug out 250 cubic feet or more of the ice to get the ball, and incidentally to cut a path thru the rough ice for komatiks.

Thurs., April 16, 14.
Still windy today, but not as much as yesterday.
Mene, Bade and Bags and Ahpuashak started for Nenke this morning but came back from the glaciers because there was too much snow blowing on top of it and they dared not risk it. We had bear steak for dinner.

Fri., April 17-14.
It has been quiet today; there is about three inches of snow on the ground. The water is dripping in the sohos in the dark-room and Ahbingwah and Obrea are
moving into Jeti's room. Wee Wee and the baby are in my room with the doctor's bunk. Doe and Japanese are sleeping in the attic.

Sat April 18 14.

Nino, Panipah, Ahpudashkah, Dags, and Obanya left for the south this morning.
Tank has been cleaning out some of the mess in the attic over his and Chuk's belongings today. I have been on watch and cooked breakfast, but Wee Wee helped me cook dinner, frying some very nice rabbit. I found our theodolite in the attic today, apart from all the other instruments. Mr. Konchen said it was just what he had needed, but that it was too late now for him to make the ice cap trip. His entire plan is changed, and Chuk and Tank are going to go south with him this spring—all because we couldn't find the theodolite when he first came up here. I did not know that we had such an instrument, and certainly did not think that it could be stored in some other part of the attic away from
Mr. Grant's collection of instruments. The finding of the telescopes, which we thought were substitutes for a theodolite, seemed to settle the proposition.

I cut my hair today.

Sun, April 19, 1914.

I went hunting this afternoon.

I made a survey of the hills back of the house with a view to building a new aerial this summer in case the kites cannot lift the aerial wire high enough. We haven't much chance of success on account of our low power and the unfavorable topography, but of course we are going to make every possible effort to connect the expedition by wireless. Mr. Trencher tells us that we have the only electric lights in Greenland.

Mon, April 20, 1914.

Doc and I made all preparations today for a hunting trip back in the hills. We carried several loads of food, including kerosene, up the valley back of the house on our backs, and made a toboggan load of it. After dinner we hauled...
the toboggan about four miles back into the valley and came back to the house. Tomorrow we will go up and camp a few miles farther back and hunt for a few days.

In the evening the boys got a piece of bear skin and one of them would put it over him while the other boys would get the dogs to chase him. This is their method of training young dogs for the bear hunt.

Tue. April 21-14.

Snow fell today just enough to prevent Doc and me from going hunting. We put in the time working on the frost in the attic.

Wed. April 22-14.

Doc and I left the house at four p.m., went back the valley to our toboggan, picked it up, and carried it north, looking for carbon. After travelling for about ten miles we decided to go down to the ice and descended the cliffs a little north of Littleton Island. Seeing nothing better we decided to camp on the island, where we arrived about 10.35 p.m. We pitched our tent and made
and after drinking tea and eating pemmican and taking a walk to the top of the island we turned in in our sleeping bags. The sun did not set.

The April 23, 1914, Littleton Island. Doc was up before five and out chasing rabbits. He came back with one and we made tea and started for Lifeboat Cove. Here we kicked around "among the ruins" and got one or two souvenirs from the "Polaris" winter quarters. We hunted rabbits on the way back to our tent at Littleton Island, and lay down for a nap when we got there. It was 17 below zero and a north wind made sleeping rather uncomfortable. About ten AM we decided to start for home, so we reloaded our toboggan but left the tent, stove, a little oil, a little pemmican, and a pair of snowshoes on the rocks on the northeast end of the
island. The ice was young and our way home was not an easy one. The snow had drifted in irregular lines and was soft so that we broke through the crust continually, and in some places along the ice foot was blown in drifts four and five feet deep. After dragging our load for seven or eight miles we had to leave it and get home the best way possible. The wind had increased so much that we could hardly stand against it. It was a little after two P. M. when we reached home and we were both mighty tired.

At the house we found Sammik, Toita, Etukamuk, Jiglo, Cannawana, Innaha, and one of Mr. Schnuch's Eskimos had arrived yesterday.

June 24th. 14.

Toita left this morning. I slept till noon and got up feeling fine.

Sammy, Jimmy, Odie, and Mr. Schnuch's Eskimo (I forget his name) went up the fjord this evening and
succeeded in bringing back a raven's nest complete with five eggs.

Jot has had everybody out for a ride on his ice-boat.

The cemences are appropriately awe-struck.

Sat April 25-14.

Ek and Zinn have been photographing the walrus embryos and the herd's teeth, and the same nest today, and Ek blew the eggs.

Akomadinguah, Aphilah, and Akweaglinguah arrived this afternoon from Ellesmere Land, where they have been for three weeks deer hunting. They had killed only one seal and one bear during the entire time and nearly all of their dogs had starved. They came in with only two komatikis - Aphilah's and Akomadinguah's, and five and seven dogs for komatikis respectively, and their...
arrival was conspicuous by the absence of the usual home-run dash of the dogs. Between the three men 21 dogs were lost. Ahweeagingwah's kamatik was left along the Ellicean coast way south of Cape Sabine.

Mr. Frenche had been developing pictures today.

Ahakeosingwah and Ahkningwah have been skinning and preparing walrus heads and embryos.

Ahpeah left tonight. Jimmy, Sammy and Odie got a rabbit each today.

Sun April 26, 14

Ek, Tank, Peter, Annawann, Smah, Sammik, Stokash, oblaung, Cweek, Giglo, Ahweeagingwah, Ahkadingwah, Alakuncha, left this morning about eleven o'clock.

Ek and Tanki's belongings were distributed over four kamatiks. Tank drove Ek's team. Neke is their destination for today. The crowd had a good day to start, no wind and temp 5 above zero.

The frost in the attic has been melting today and we spent some time in throwing it out.
Mon Apr 27 - 14.

Doc finished trading with the visitors this morning and they left about 11 a.m.

We three, Doc, Dot, and I, eat at the table with the women, and the younger members of our family eat at a second table.

Odie, Sammy, Jimmy, Mona, and Oilman went rabbit hunting today. They used two komatiks and went with the crowd this morning and returned about three thirty p.m. Sammy and Odie each got a rabbit.

Tues Apr 28 - 14.

Jimmy and Sammy took the komatik and went north towards Littleton Island to bring back the toboggan today. Dot went rabbiting and triumphantly returned with a rabbit. I have been cooking today.
The snow, or frostmother, has been melting in the attic today. We have thrown out tons of it, it seems.

Jimmy and Kenny reached home about seven o'clock. Sammy had a rabbit, Jimmy had "nearly got" a seal.

Later in the evening five Komatis came up from the south. Kuluntingqah, Ernie, Ogwe, Maksie, Orentah, Melika were the arrivals.


Kuluntingqah brought with him a letter from CK asking that some forgotten things be sent down to him. Kuluntingqah's wife is sick at Murk and he wants the doctor to come down to her. From his description Doc thinks she must have an abscess of the breast. Two embryo seals and some seal skin were brought up by this bunch to trade.

I went rabbit hunting today but did not see a rabbit. For the rabbit which Sammy brought yesterday twenty fits .44 cartridges are gone. This is hardly profitable and it seems that we had better do without rabbit rather than pay for it so dearly.
Thursday April 30, 14.
The visiting Eskimos and Doc left for Ingle this morning. Doc took his own Komatik and six small dogs. Jet was out hunting last night and got a blue fox. Jimmy and Sammy got a big seal today out on the ice. They drove back to the house for a line to pull it up on the ice and Jet went with them to help them.

Friday May 1st, 14.
Sunny this morning. Jet made a harpoon for use in walrus hunting this summer. I cooked and studied today. The weather cleared and the three boys went out seal hunting about two p.m. They returned at nine thirty - Odie had got a small seal (goolie).

Sat May second, 14.
The sky has been overcast and air filled with a faint trace of snow all day. The boys drove out to the ice where they killed the oxbow day before yesterday and
brought home the meat.

We had to renew part of the fire box
left in the stove today.

Sunday May third, 14.

Slept all day. Nothing happened.

Monday May 4-14.

Snowy all morning and part of
afternoon. Doc came driving home
about three p.m. Said there was
a wild blinding snowstorm on the
glacier and he had an exciting
time coming home. He landed the
smaller breast of Kulintingnash’s rooster
at mark.

About ten p.m. we were somewhat
surprised at the arrival of a big crowd
from the south. Kuddukts and family,
Myah, Unegits and Iniu, Ewak Kysts,
Toukchingsah, Stockashah, Obluyni and
Katingnash and their children, Zafong-
whah, Ahsudashahs and family, Hging-
whah, Ahsanoongwhah, Akinu, Ingi,
Ahmatingnash. They brought meat and
seal skins to trade.
Wed, May 5-14:
The great excitement at home today was caused by the arrival of Nukapingnah and Askis. They came in on one patched-up komatik with six dogs, bringing a note from Mac saying all was well. The day has been devoted to family reunions and general enjoyment of the home-comers. Nukapingnah seems to have grown about an inch around the chest since seeing his three weeks old son.

Wed, May 6-14:
The visiting eskimos left this morning. Obbyun went them to get his tent at Nuske, his family as living in Lipsis right next door.
The little girls are playing dolls eskimo fashion, carrying gay skins in a handkerchief tied around the neck, like their mothers carry babies in the hood of the kapetah.
Thursday May 7-14.
A high northeast to north wind all day has kept everybody in the house. Arklis skinned an embryo seal and Akatingnal prepared the skin.

Friday May 8-14.
High wind all day again, moderating somewhat in the evening. Women cleaning wolf skin and seal skins. I soldered a number of empty oil cans today to use as walrus brush this summer. Tied skates on the ice in front of house today. Too rough for pleasure.

Sat May 9-14.
Nukapingushah brought in four rabbits at 8:30 A.M.
Doc and the boys got over about 25 bags of coal today. Got it out with his ice light this evening. Sailed down to the glacier once and brought back a rabbit which Nukapingushah gave...
Seagulls here today  (May 9)
Eider ducks May 11.

sum there. They saw lots of sea gulls
up the wind today, this the first time
they have been seen.

Sun May 10, 14
The wind is still with us,
and ice-boating is in vogue.
I broke a speed record, and
a runner besides, this evening
by jilting too quickly.
Doc and I got down about
two tons of coal today to be
sledged over.

Mon May 11, 14.
I climbed the hill above
Lumtaq's grave today and
could not see the ice up
the sound at all, - nothing but
open water everywhere.
Nukaqungkuk, Asklis, and
the boys brought in five
rabbits tonight. We got
over thirty six bags of
c coal today. Wind went
down about 11 p.m. and a
light snow fell for a while.
Doc saw eider ducks today.
May 12, 14

We have had a very heavy snow today, the most we’ve had all winter—with a light south wind. Jim and I got 36 bags of coal down from the point.

Nukapiniquah and Arklis went to start for Cape Sabine tomorrow (via the land route to Kamouria) with walrus meat, but there is so much snow now that perhaps the trip will be postponed.

Six sea-fowl were shot out at the ice-edge today.

May 13, 14

The snow yesterday continued till midnight. Today a light wind has been blowing but not enough to blow the snow away. There is not much excitement here now.

May 14, 14

Arklis and Nukapiniquah started for Cape Sabine today about two p.m. They went overland to clear the open water between here and Kamouria. There is enough snow in the Sabine back...
of the house for the komatiks to go up that way, and this was done, - the loads being "tumped" up by the women and children. I got several pictures of the baidal going up. Dog and the boys carried a kayak out to the open water this afternoon on a komatik. The boys stayed to hunt ducks. They shot at a seal several times without result and came home finally with two sea-fowls. I developed pictures this evening.

The punching-bag comes into play quite often here lately.

Fri May 15, 14.
Nothing killed today. The boys saw one seal on the ice and fired at it but without result.

Panickpah, with all his worldly belongings, wife included, arrived at 10:30 p.m. today.

Sat May 16, 14.
Panickpah and Ahantsungnaq set up their tupik today; the
Little Ankvs first seen
May 16.

of the year at Elah. Arklis and
Ahkosingowah arrived here about
five A.M. They came over the hill
between here and the bad places near
Littleton Island, but say that the
round ice was splendid, no snow.
The boys saw the first little
Anks of the season up the fiord today.
They drove up and looked for some
to catch but could not get any.

Sun May 17, 14.

Four komatiks from the south this morn-
ing, Olaya, Ahpudsahak, Okomadingowah,
and Ahwaeawah. Ahpudsahak and Oko-
madingsah brought up their traps and
are to stay here this summer. In the
evening two more came, Kudlah and
Ahweaqingwah. Kudlah's wife Ahkasing-
wah accompanied him, and Klayah, the
widow of the lately deceased, Paralytic
accompanied Ahweaqnawah. They say
that Petrahwik is now deserted, the
people having left the hunting ground
for their summer homes. A
letter from Eh by the komatiks today
states that they reached Osmand's
after a week's journey, and found
Peter's supply of food badly depleted - the women left air change having used it indiscriminately. The thermometer reached 38s above today, everything is wet from melting snow and the sun is pleasantly warm outside.

Monday, May 18, 14.

Joita, Tahelah, and Ahwaging-wah came in late last night. Quite a number of people slept in the big tipik of Akomadinguah. It began snowing about one and stopped at 8 p.m., a heavy snow. Joit was up in the hills hunting and says that there was no snow up there.

Tuesday, May 19, 14.

I bought a pup from Akomadinguah today, and traded some old clothes and personal things to Akatinguah for a kopelah to be delivered next winter. Ahputashkaho and Oblaugn started for Bay Fjord today.

Wednesday, May 20, 14.

Joita, Ahwaging-wah, Tahelah, Kudlah.
and Akatingnak, and Klayehe who came up with Ahweaguingwak, left for the south this morning, over the ice cap via Brother John's Glacier. It has been snowing all day. — — I excavated the six sections of the wireless masts from under about five feet of snow. I want to get them up the hill before the snow in the ravine melts. — — Wee Wee gave the floor the weekly scrubbing this afternoon.

We were just beginning to wonder if it wasn't time for something to happen when three komatiks came in thru the snow. Schmann, Posildoonak, and Harrigan,— the latter two with their wives and babies, came up from Oromanak and brought mail from Ch. Jank, and Peter. Schmanain's wife and son are very sick with some malady which Peter fears is a contagious brought up from South Greenland and which may be an epidemic. They want Dr. to come down if possible. We gave these people food since they came on our business. Supplies are needed at Oromanak—the women left in charge there having raised hares with the food stores.