

Peterson Tape #1, Side A

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Moore Creek Shelter Cabin, July 10, 1980 - Written information above the door, at the top of the entrance and above, various names and dates, John E. Anderson, another name by Uotieh, and it looks like Lillian above, I'm not sure on January 16, 11:30 p.m. 1942. One of the original contractors, Salmi Hunton, it looks like Stuver, Gularte and Roeder, December 22, 1939. Another name by the name of, it looks like Alene, Emory, Toner, Flat something Chibi, it looks like 40 and there are some other names. Bogner, can't spell it, John Dowl, Jr., January 20, 12th, 1950, snowbound. R. J. Anderson, January 12, '50. Gerald and his last name is Demientieff, December 21, 1946. And the name Claude Diemientieff, February '51. Cabin obviously has not been occupied for, or used, probably steadily since for at least 10 or 15 years. Totally littered with typical frying pans, paint cans, _____ cans, Wesson Oil cans, salad oil, Wesson Oil and liquid shortening. No date, recent can. Ice chipper, homemade, oak handle from, perhaps a heavy shovel with a flat iron file bolted to the end; looks like it was used or designed for chipping perhaps into the river. A can of Yakama Chief dehydrated vegetable soup, Coleman lantern, upright barrel stove, fire stoker, handmade, small frying pan griddle with the numbers S7 on the bottom, about 8" diameter; it's a heavy Dutch iron-type, Dutch oven, kerosene lantern, glass clear, threaded glass top, Yorkshire all, a blend of fine tobaccos, exclusively from Sears, frying pans, spoons, oil cloth tablecloth, contents of the cabin include one homemade bench, a shoving unit towards the front (see plan), one table, raised sleeping platform, benches, wash basin, white ceramic or enameled wash basin, cupcake holder, biscuit holder, washing pan, four-inch chimney pipe, dynamite gun powder roof baffle for chimney, various enameled cooking gear, 10-inch blue enameled pan, cook pan, Dutch oven pan, kerosene lantern of sorts, on the bottom it says quick light, patented made 13th, 1919, made in U.S.A. Coleman, American Stove Company, Chita-S.

PONDONZA CP. ABC CABIN

Located frame structured cabin, July 10, 1980. Sign stapled to the inside door, border of blue and paper with white with red strips on it. Red, white, and blue. And on it is a notation that says: " NOTE, this cabin cannot be used for a permanent winter camp. It is for a stopover cabin for anyone traveling

through and must be kept for that purpose. Anyone using said cabin is requested to leave it in good condition. Also leave wood and kindling inside so that anyone stopping can make a quick fire if necessary." And then it says by order of the Alaska Road Commission. And on the inside of the door, the oldest date that I can find in one that says Amanda, February 27, '39. Several others, there is a sight W. Magneson, I assume is Warren Magneson, April '61. A late chain insignia that I found in the other cabin upriver and a J. X., like a brand. Another date April 24, '46. The names C. Weiser, November 18, '54, December 2, '58, December 1, '59, '60, '61, '62. Another name Hatten, 11/27/46. Another date February 14, '48, with the initials M. B. Various other names, Sonny Dematieff, January 16, '46. Jerry Dematieff, February 7, '46. Mr. and Mrs. Dematieff again it looks, and I can't make out the date. Another name Peter it looks like Turner, May 19, 1943.

(In helicopter - hard to hear) ARC Cabin. Trapping is ongoing at this time. Two ^{TRAYS} cabins were hung around the backside of the structure. Location of Ruby Creek Cabin #1 at directly straight off the mouth of Ruby Creek where it empties into to Bonanza, approximate, directly across from Bonanza from the mouth of Ruby Creek. All that remains is about one-half of the large roadhouse foundation. The rest is eroding into the river. Total ruins. ^A Melvin Agloff, Prince Creek, he is about 50 years old, reports that there were two structures that have over time Ruby Creek first developed at that site. Some years later moved approximately seven miles upstream. Was destroyed, in ruin and then was moved three miles back down and rebuilt at ARC relief cabin which burned, I believe in '50.

July 11, 1980, off McGrath late at 1430 hours due to weather. We will make runs to Taikotna, and I will be talking to Warren Magneson and ^{EP} Pete Anderson. Arrived back at McGrath at 5:30, 1730 hours from Taikotna. I had the opportunity to talk to ^{EP} R. Anderson, whose age is approximately 45, for considerable length of time. An old-timer by the name of Jack Miller stopped in. He used to run old McGrath Roadhouse. The one that is existing and the one that burned down prior, that was on the same site. Existing structures made up of components of the military base. He has returned to the country after 21 years. Went to talk to Warren Magneson; however, he is laid up with a back alignment, taking care of himself. He didn't feel much like talking, perhaps we will try again some other day.