

Peterson Tape #5, Side A

Stanley Anarok, <sup>of</sup> Golovin, Roadhouse <sup>WERE</sup> ~~Site~~ only at Bluff, Golovin, <sup>ELIAN</sup> ~~Belum(?)~~, Moses Point. Intermediate cabins were shelter or relief cabins. Including Walla Walla, Cheokook, Portage Roadhouse, shelter cabin at the mouth of Portage Creek. Cheokook which is the pronunciation Stanley gave me. \_\_\_\_\_ corral approximately one mile east of Golovin onshore. No trail marking system according to Stanley Anarok, north of Cheokook. Rocks carried across by miners and established that section of the trail as land monument. Tripods and telephone line post evident on trail coming down on the west, down to the Portage site from Summit cabin.

Portage Roadhouse site. Inside of center section of rear section lined with canvas, roof and middle section and entire walls and ceilings in rear section from an old canvas tent. Portions of flour bags on walls for lining. Logs axed and blazed as necessary. Clear stubs for canvas facing. Chinking material of old cloth and moss. Homelike pat and flour bags. Howard Brothers Milling, Pacific Coast mark in tile. Bags full of, flour bags, fisher flour bags stretched over walls. Tin construction and obvious wear of materials indicates perhaps long period of occupancy of this cabin at Portage landing. Wood cook stove, wood stove in the rear room indicates that this may have occupied for some time, including the cellar. Cabin probably Eskimo lady garb, parka, summer parka hanging by doorway at entry. Yellow printed.

Talk to Cary concerning trail monument location along the trail and how to go about perhaps by using local people or local support groups of the Iditarod race. Producing monuments perhaps more permanent than tripods.

Walla Walla Roadhouse above Portage about six miles as designated on USGS map. Existing site on west side of creek emptying into ocean consists of existing good condition cabin, galvanized metal roof on west side of site. Immediate adjacent to the east, dog ruins of perhaps a dog barn approximately four rows of logs standing. Roof fallen in. It has been down many years towards the stream 200 yards consists of contemporary native structures. One being a poor man's teepee shelter cabin. A small approximately 12 foot by 12 foot fishing

shack, evidence directly in front of perhaps dog kennels, several other structures between poor man's structure and Walla Walla site small log structure. Ruins. Few rows of logs standing. Trail evidence through section coming across the point and ending up as shown on USGS map. Trail evident of, tripods down along site of trail. Trail well defined. Elim over the hill to Keitaiik. Stop at Elim continued onto Moses Point with the local village young man by the name of Ken \_\_\_\_\_ of Moses Point. Found that the man Paul Nagruk is in Anchorage being treated for cancer. Maybe a contact may wish to talk to approximately 90 years old. I don't remember, he's quite, what he has said. Found out another informant James Murray, Joe Murray, \_\_\_\_\_ is in Cashes Creeks, two creeks down from Moses Point fishing. Will contact tomorrow, August 4. Hans Jemewouk, met him back at Elim with phenomia. Hans informed us that the roadhouse or the shelter cabin at Moses Point had long since fallen into the river, was located off east side of the river emptying in Moses Point. His wife's name is Grace. Both would probably be good informants according to their son. John informs us that the location of the roadhouse at Peasants Roadhouse at Elim had burned in approximately 1955. He knew nothing of the Iron Creek Roadhouse reported by Goodwin in 1910.

*Marking* \_\_\_\_\_ possibility of locating markers at various places, various cities or towns along the trail signifying where the trail came in and where it left. Example, trail marker known, trail marker Seward, trail marker Nancy, Knik, McGrath, or Tokona(?). Intermediate points along the way. Similar to the Canadian/American border monuments. Get Dwayne out on the trail this winter to take some overlapping shots. Show summer to winter.

Cabin by Taylor Lagoon marked ruin. Cabin #1 log structure in ruin condition, approximately 14 by 16 front logged, two row off the mouth or west side of Taylor Lagoon. Order aerial photographs from photogrammetry for coastal villages and towns and sites not yet ordered.

Good aerial of Moses Point \_\_\_\_\_ on location \_\_\_\_\_.

Isaacs Point cabin #2, note change of survey; existing floor seems to be approximately three inch by twelve inch milled or at least rough-sawn timbers lying perpendicular to the long section of the structure resting on large

timbers approximately eight by ten. \_\_\_\_\_ structure, structure lying to the south side of the \_\_\_\_\_. Located a homemade kayak painted blue, bottomed canvass top.

Interview. S = Steve, I = SANKIE CHARLES AT KOYUK. ~~Person being interviewed~~, X = unknown.

S. I take notes kind of slowly but they went up over the portage here, huh?

I. Yes.

S. And then otherwise all the way to the, kind of follow the coast to Elim, run on the beach, or did they go inland in places?

I. No, I don't think so. They cut down straight to Martin \_\_\_\_\_ is where they \_\_\_\_\_, then they went down to \_\_\_\_\_, Moses Point and then to Elim.

S. That's interesting. Was there an old roadhouse that's called Kwik or Kwink up on the Kwik River?

I. Yes, Kwik.

S. Is that where it was upriver on this point?

I. No, just right on the mouth. There used to be a couple of buildings maybe.

S. Is that right? Like right on which side do you know?

I. On this side.

S. Right in here someplace?

I. Yes, just right at the mouth.

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- S. And that was a roadhouse there too or just a shelter cabin?
- I. Just a family cabin. But there were \_\_\_\_\_ cabin down at Moses Point but its, you know the bank caved in and took it off.
- S. Fell in the river. We talked last night, we gave a fellow from Moses Point a ride back <sup>To</sup> Elim, he had phenomia, Hans \_\_\_\_\_. He had phenomia kind of bad so we gave him a ride to Elim to help. He said he was feeling better but he didn't look too good.
- I. He had his lung cut out before. He was in sanitorium before.
- S. Tuberculois or something? Oh is that right. The Big Sam Roadhouse, he just ran dogs and you pretty much ran it for a long time. What was his full name, Sam what?
- I. Big Sam Louk. I don't quite know how you spell it. My boy really knows that bilingual but I don't.
- S. I don't know my own. I have a time. You know down by Shaktoolik?
- I. Shaktoolik, old village up beside the river.
- S. Yes, the old one. Was there a roadhouse in this area someplace where the trails cross? Like here's Dexter Point here. There's Ungalik right there and there is the point. Talked about having a
- I. Foothills, it's below Shaktoolik.
- S. Below, huh. There wasn't anything in Shaktoolik? A roadhouse or
- I. I think there was all right.
- S. In Shaktoolik, too. The Foothills, now let's see where that at.

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I. Toward Unalakleet.

S. Yes, right in this area here.

I. You could see the place too, it's almost on the side hill. Yes, you could see the place \_\_\_\_\_ like that. Easy to see from the

S. Is that by Bessum Slough? South of there? In these hills here? There's Foothill it says there.

I. Yes, Foothills right there.

S. OK, and then there is a cabin there and a cabin there and there's Johnson Creek. Is it above or below Johnson Creek?

I. Just where the hills started you know from \_\_\_\_\_ village, the bluffs.

S. I'm wondering where that is. Is it on the coast?

I. Yes, on the coast.

S. I see. OK, here it shows this winter trail in here. Would it be right in there? The trail, it crosses right there. That's where the hills start.

I. They make the other trail about, oh maybe, three, four miles back.

S. This one here?

I. Yes. Iditarod Trail.

S. This is the Iditarod, huh? And you say that site is right in here some-place.

- I. Right on the coast.
- S. Oh, it's right on the coast? We have a trail that goes down like that and then there is another trail that comes here.
- I. Yes, it's an old trail.
- S. This is the Iditarod?
- I. No.
- S. This is the Iditarod?
- I. Yes, that is the Iditarod. It's a new trail they made.
- S. This is the race trail. OK, that's the new trail though.
- I. This one they start, oh snow machine, racing, racers. Yes, that's when they made that new trail.
- S. But, actually the one closer to the coast is the old trail. And that cabin, the Foothill Roadhouse would be like right in there someplace on the hillside.
- I. Yes. You could spot that easy.
- S. Is that right?
- I. Some point back I was in Bering Straits, you know, I was still an old \_\_\_\_\_ trails and the maps.
- S. You did? Was that for the easements?
- I. Yes, they just wanted to know which which you know, which route they take. Just from here on to, around this area.

S. Yes, I should probably maybe look at some of those maps too.

I. I think they got it.

S. In Nome?

I. Bering Straits.

S. Oh, the corporation office. I have to check that out. Where is the, is this the village of Shaktoolik, now you said the old one was at the mouth, huh?

I. The old one is inside the river.

*See MO map*  
S. Here is Shaktoolik Bay. Is it this river here? Or here's the one, Malikfik.

I. Way down, you know.

S. It's down below there yet.

I. It's different river.

S. Here is Shaktoolik and here is Malikfik Bay, and here is Shaktoolik Bay. Is it in there?

I. It is inside the river.

S. I see, OK. Probably right in here then.

I. Old village right there.

S. Like three miles in from the coast?

- I. I think so, straight probably. Could be more.
- S. You think there was an old roadhouse right there? Do you remember what the name of it was?
- I. Ivanoff's. \_\_\_\_\_
- S. We have been talking here a little bit. I rapped on the window for you but.
- X. I heard you but I didn't know exactly what.
- S. That was me, huh. Let's see, I wrote your name down and I've lost where I wrote it here. Sankie Charles. This is Dwayne.
- X. Hi, pleased to met you.
- I. My boy is in the Navy.
- X. Oh, he is, well he must be a good guy then.
- I. We're finding out that Isaacs Point that we looked at is a newer one. The ruin is up the hill a little bit.
- I. Right in the corner \_\_\_\_\_ place.
- X. So it's more towards the ridge after all then.
- S. We have a name here that it's called Bonanza Roadhouse.
- I. That's Paul Hopps.
- S. That's Paul Hopps, that's the same thing. And that was at Ungalik you think, OK.

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I. Long time back, you know they used to call it Bonanza.

S. That's what they used to call it.

I. And then later on they changed it to \_\_\_\_\_.

S. Oh, is that right?

I. It should be \_\_\_\_\_. You know those big mining outfit they named it Ungalik.

S. See there is a bridge up there and there is a fellow, mining engineer from Fairbanks that's lived there for a long time I guess.

I. I wrote his name down. Hablis(?)

S. And that was a regular, the Bonanza Roadhouse then was the regular roadhouse? His wife you think may still be alive.

I. She's still alive down in Anchorage area some place. Her name is Eva. She's got her last name now.

S. And the race still comes right, does it come through here or do they still cross the point on the race? They run the coastline, they don't go across?

I. They'll come across if the ice is smooth enough; if it is rough they will go on the beach.

S. \_\_\_\_\_ checkers or something.

I. Yup, mostly check before. I think I was checking last winter. \_\_\_\_\_

S. Do you know, we have a report that there was roadhouse also at Egavik, do you know or is that too far south. Do you know about that?

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Igik Roadhouse*

- I. I don't know about the roadhouse but there was family, two families there.
- S. Oh, is that right?
- I. Yes, and used to be Romans.
- S. Lomans?
- I. Lomans there, yes before.
- S. Did they have a store there?
- I. They had a store, corral.
- S. Oh, is that right?
- I. I think some of the buildings are there.
- S. And the families that lived there worked for Lomans, huh?
- I. I really don't know what, maybe they try to make living for themselves.
- S. Do you suppose the people that own the Big Sam Roadhouse right behind you would mind if we took pictures of it, or would anybody care? <sup>KOTUK</sup>
- I. Go ahead. No, I don't think, it won't hurt to take picture.
- S. Is there anybody we should ask?
- I. You could ask store manager down at \_\_\_\_\_.
- S. What is his name?
- I. Clarence Douglas. \_\_\_\_\_ Couple of next rooms they are down already.

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- S. Fell down. It's like most of them. Most of the roadhouses are like that. Well thank you very much. We will maybe talk to him. Do you mind if I ask how old you are?
- I. 64.
- S. 64. You've been born and raised here. Born and dragged up here.
- I. Yup. 19\_\_.
- S. You have any relation in the interior. I know there are a lot of Charles'. There is a Charles in Dot Lake. Carl Charles.
- I. Different Charles.
- S. Well I know he came from the coast, someplace out here, but.
- I. I have relatives down at Unalakleet.
- S. I was just wondering. I know that Carl came from out on the coast someplace, I thought maybe you were related. You're not going to claim him, huh?
- I. There are a lot of different Charles'.
- S. OK, well maybe we will go over a talk to Clarence to see if he will mind if we take some pictures there in the old roadhouse.

Big Sam Roadhouse on ridge overlooking town of Koyuk north of existing covenant church, two sections. Original seems to be \_\_\_\_\_, well taken care of. Presently used for trapper's dog care facility. \_\_\_\_\_ log structure, peeled log plus or minus six to eight inches diameter. Peeled, tainted with moss. Saddle notched. No indication of inside blazing. Log to gable roof. Square gabled pole, possibly a hand blazed beam. No indication of intermediate purlin, plus or minus three inch pole, G-pole roofing, galvanized moss on top, galvanized tin on top. Addition to structure to south, logs later

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addition. Roof structure same. Six pane window, steep end up. New unit seems to be some kind of a living residence quarters. \_\_\_\_\_ corner notch or Hudson Bay corner. Drop siding south side of structure. Not sure whether frame or log under. New addition not peeled. West side of old structure double logged wall, sod inbetween, approximately, I take that back, looks like an additional Wanigan addition with a shorter gable.

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Bob Bliss, \_\_\_\_\_, send a copy of management plan when prepared. General Delivery, Unalakleet.

Ungalik Roadhouse, cabin in ruin. Site with a cache probably a later period. Cache has evidence of fish nets, lead line, built with logs part, the bottom part. Top part built with plank wood, perhaps an older cache with a newer top. Log walls constructed with single dove-tailed corners. Hand blazed \_\_\_\_\_ inside to flatten wall surfaces, suspect possible wall covering inside. Main purlin to secondary purlins with G-poled roof, probably sod, evidence of galvanized tin laying around the structure. Fronts on an old bed, perhaps an old river bed \_\_\_\_\_ going through area.

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Foothill Roadhouse in ruin. Established in 1920, ran until approximately 1931, called Eben Roadhouse. Previous roadhouse perhaps discussed by Goodwin was found on the beach in front of Bessum Slough. No evidence or remains of structure. I think we found Ebens as shown on map. \_\_\_\_\_ structure if, not even sure it is the structure however if it is there is evidence of pile of \_\_\_\_\_ ruins, deteriorated to the point that it is unable to definitely tell whether ruined or not. Unable to land due to thick undergrowth.

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## KOLTAG PORTAGE

Well, backside obviously in ruin. Nearly gone from river. Appears to have been a log structure. Saddle notched. Appears to have been a rough saddle notched. Chopped log ends. Spiked together, large spikes on side. Beers cans, recent. Schlitz and Budweiser. No chart made on this one. Presumed well backed corner monument has, lets see corners approximately 41 LKS north 6 degrees east, township S. 54, 54. Range, W. C or O-1, date 7/77. Evidence galvanized roofing along site, at site possibly corrugated galvanized roofing. Possible later use as a small smokehouse. Old wooden cabin directly off the mouth or off the end of the Old Woman Mountain. Probably would be gone within

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the next year. One-half gone now, went out with spring breakup. Part of the cabin is downriver on a sandbar. One of the front, the front corner. Log structure half or dove-tailed, corner single dove-tail. Ruin structure. Doesn't appear that the cabin had been peeled when built. Entryway faces north directly on the river, on the creek coming from the old, coming from the southeast of Old Woman Mountain.

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River littered with DEAD fish. Soon purlin ridge, G-poled roof, probably sod. No indication of galvanized roofing. Flooring unknown. Inside walls with bark unpeeled. Approximate size, 16 foot by 14 foot.

Old Woman, unable to land on site. Landed on sandbar across river. Unable to get directly onsite within 40 feet. Correction. Another cabin located at the Feeders Stream to the river of the cabin we assumed to be Old Woman, approximately 200 yards.

Structure standing without roof, caved in some, trees small poplar trees growing within the structure. Other structure lies with entryway pointing due west. Log structure assumed saddled notched corners, front entry to north or to west. No wall to the east. Appears possibly the inside logs on east were painted red. Appears to have been hand blazed.