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W. T. R. R. R. District

JOURNAL OF EVENTS

At the close of each day Post Managers will record in this book:

Date, what work has been done and every event of importance that has happened, such as arrivals, departures, state of weather, arrival and departure of geese, ducks, salmon, etc., breaking up of ice, freeze-up in fall, first snow, temperature, etcetera.

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Fur Trade Commissioner's Office,
Winnipeg, Manitoba.

16th September 1931.

1931.

Red Island Post, Western Arctic DistrictAugust 26.

September

Wednesday 16th

Fine but Cloudy. Rain shower in late afternoon & evening.
 Light fresh southerly breeze during day falling calm in evening.
 D. Wreck (in charge) & Mr. Jones arrived about 4 pm from Ennadai
 Harbour with supplies on the ship "Shumigan" (A. L. Watson).
 will erect a house & winter here. A warehouse 30' x 16' x 8'
 has already been built here this summer by Mr. J. Ross. It was
 fortunate that the weather was good for the trip across for
 the "Shumigan" had quite a deck cargo. Lumbering was not
 too good & a landfall was made about 10 miles N. of Red
 Island. On arrival the "Shumigan" ran aground about 300 yds
 off shore N. of the warehouse. She floated off in about one
 hour & proceeded into harbour. About 5 tons coal was
 landed while she was aground for as we had later across
 some supplies for Mr. Craig of the Canada-Alaska Trading
 Company the very kind gave us the use of his large
 motor boat for discharging cargo. There were quite a number
 of natives on the "Bon Alaska" but as Mr. Craig had never
 arrived yesterday on the ship "Heglinde" from Herschel
 Island. The "Heglinde" departed for Cambridge Bay this
 yesterday. Mr. Watson has four men & a dog from Thumerton
 on board to handle cargo. They with the assistance of some
 natives very quickly discharged about half the cargo on
 docks. As the cargo was landed it was taken, stacked
 & arranged & piled in the warehouse. Lumber was piled in
 order to the E. of the warehouse. In the evening a
 radio which I think arranged to was from here in
 subject to a successful try-out our piece of at the large
 house. Unfortunately while the set seemed to be in perfect
 order, no waves or any sound was received. It is not
 to buy the set. One or two years ago Mr. Craig had a
 radio (apparently in perfect order) here for a year, but received
 nothing. He has had no radio here since. It may be that
 Red Island is dead as regards radio reception. Mr. Watson
 declined to sign any Bills of Lading for the goods he
 freighted here. He states that he did not sign B/L's for
 goods freighted by him to King William Land this summer.

P.T.O.

1931.

September Red Island Post Western Arctic District Cutlet 263.

Wed 16th Cloudy It is good, anyway, to get landed & get started for the season in getting late. Atkash & W. Joss slept in the warehouse for the night.

Thurs 17th Dull & Foggy Calm in morning. Stormy with strong E wind in afternoon & evening.

The balance of the cargo was landed this forenoon. Later Atkash & W. Joss writing letters, selecting site for house, getting out tools, nails etc. Mr. Watson did not leave today on account of stormy weather. A seal was shot in the harbor this morning by one of the Kouskousien natives.

Friday 18th Fine but Cloudy Fairly strong E. wind

Atkash & W. Joss packing up the house site, laying & leveling foundation. Mr. Watson on the ice with Shumigan but not daybreak for Coffeyman & Oliver to Nagayash, Bernard Harbour & home to Stephenson Bay.

Sat 19th Fine clear day Light N wind in morning. Calm in afternoon. Strong N. wind in evening.

Atkash & W. Joss putting in floor joists. The house will be 20' x 14 1/2' x 7' with a pitched roof as these measurements will give the maximum out of the lumber. W. Joss built a tent upon 30 yds to the N of the warehouse & all sleeping, cooking, gear etc was moved there. The majority of the natives left this morning - only a few remain at the Con. Blake Post.

Sunday 20th Fine clear day Calm

Atkash & W. Joss laying floor. But the floor boards tongue & groove are encrusted with dirt & each board has to be scraped before laying - this involves considerable delay. Miklu across the harbor to a small lake for water. W. Joss saw a few ptarmigan. There are a few snow birds around. They are starting to flock together.

1921.

Sept 21st Third Island Port Western Arctic District Cutfield 263

Monday 21st Fine clear day: Light W. wind. Cold.
A light fall of snow in early morning.
D. Mark & W. Jones finished laying floor joist at dock. The
tent is much more comfortable than the warehouse.

Tuesday 22nd Fine clear day: Very Light E. wind.
D. Mark & W. Jones commenced nailing studs to plates. W. Jones
later moving freezables from warehouse to tent. Mr. Craig left
on the large metal boat for a seal hunt (to the westward).
It seemed a bit low in the water, as it is an open boat
& the weather rather cold he had a tent pitched aft of the
engine. John Carlow, his interpreter & Shashook accompanied
him. He told us he would be away a week & would hunt
near Cape Wankarem. There was a few ducks in the harbor
this afternoon.

Wed 23rd Fine clear day: Light W. wind cold.
D. Mark & W. Jones nailing studs to plates & running up stud
frames & braces.

Thurs 24th Stormy: Strong E. wind accompanied by Snow & Sleet.
D. Mark & W. Jones employed in forenoon leveling off sides
& in afternoon D. Mark at sundry jobs & W. Jones stopping holes
(with sand) in the galvanized iron walls of warehouse.

Fri 25th Stormy: Light W. wind in early morning increasing to a
gale by 10 am. Snow & Sleet.
D. Mark & W. Jones cutting rafters in warehouse. Late this
afternoon we were surprised to see Mr. Craig's boat returning
under sail & with the engine running. It certainly moved
fast. Mr. Craig visited us in the tent in the evening &
very kindly offered us accommodation & meals in his house
till we had our house up. We thanked him, but as our
house would be up very shortly it was more convenient
for us to remain in the tent. He told us that on arrival
at Cape Wankarem he anchored in a harbor sheltered from

P.T.O.

1891. Mid Island Post Western District District August 26th

Sunday 25th Light South Wind South night The wind changed & the boat started dragging her anchor. It was pitched back but they managed to get her at an angle of rope across the bay to the chutes of the bank. The morning at daybreak he found that a few more yards & he would have been ashore. He considered himself very lucky that the boat was not damaged. While he was at loose met a young native woman (Hougeke's wife) shot himself deliberately committed suicide. This is the first case of native suicide which either 'the Lang' or ourselves have ever heard. The natives know of no apparent reason why she should have done so.

Sat 26th Fine clear day Cold Light W. wind
Light fall of anger during early morning
At dark & McFar putting up Raffles & later bracing same.
Some ducks in harbour today.

Sun 27th Dull & overcast Rain Showers Light E. wind
At dark & McFar commenced putting up building paper &
boarding up gable ends.

Mon 28th Fine clear day Clear
At dark & McFar putting up building paper & boarding side
of house. Ducks fairly numerous in bay & a few in the
harbour.

Tuesday 29th Fine but cloudy Fairly Strong E. wind
At dark & McFar putting up building paper & boarding roof
Boarding was finished just before dark & we put in the
windows & door temporarily & boarded them up. The house
has 6 Windows & 2 on N. E. S. & the door is in the N. E. S.
in center.

1921

September 30 Rank Island Post Western Electric District Outfit 262

Clear day. Colder. Fresh westerly breeze.
 Dick & W. J. getting food & paper from warehouse to house
 & putting up some & laying subfloor on roof of house &
 fixing windows. We moved into the house this afternoon
 got the beds up, furniture fixed etc. Mr. Craig called in late
 afternoon. He is going across to Laramie for the police
 surplus auction as he try to get Mr. Watson's Radio. If it
 worked after a try-out at Coffeyville he would buy it if
 it is available. He arranged this while Mr. Watson was
 here. I consider that set a bad buy as it now has
 given satisfaction & was out last year for repairs. However
 Mr. Craig is willing to take the risk. He offers us a passage
 if we want to go across the then are several small
 items that we are short of. W. J. will mail himself to
 Mr. Craig's kind offer. They leave tomorrow weather permitting.

1931

October 1931 Wind Island Post Western District Castlet 362Thurs 10th Breeze Light E wind

We Craig left about 8 am for Diamond Harbour accompanied by Mr. John Curran & Thelma. As he passed he landed a small wooden (100 lb pack) empty barrel for a water cist. D. Mack making preparations to lay foundations for porch. There are 17 pieces 6" x 6" for sills - all about 1' - 2' long by nailing them all together they will do for the porch sills. The porch will be 11' x 6' x 6' with shed roof & will be longwise to the W. Gable end of the house.

Fri 2nd Fine clear day Light W. wind

D. Mack laying foundation for porch & floor joists & flooring. Thelma, an old man who fishes for the bar. Alaska on the shore opposite for the use of this note since the house today. He was very interested & helped laying the sills. He then went on to say that Wind Island was once belonged to him. He had always lived here prior to the arrival of white men. The land is owned by him. It is occupied just across the bay at the mouth of a small river. The harbour cannot be seen during the night.

Sat 3rd Stormy Gale of wind from N.E.

D. Mack cutting studs, rafters etc. for porch inside house & at office work. The wind today is the heaviest experienced since we landed. All the harbour ice broken up.

Sun 4th Stormy Still blowing from N.E.

D. Mack employed for short time on sundry jobs. This is the first Sunday that we have recreation on the island. All five ptarmigan flew past the house today.

Mon 5th Fine clear day Fairly strong W. wind

D. Mack putting up building paper & building porch. Because of the force of the wind it was rather difficult to lay the paper. Thelma, the land lord, paid a short visit this afternoon.

1931.
Girdler Raid Island Post Western Reserve District Outfit 362

Tuesday 6th Stormy Strong W. wind

D. Wash. completed porch today including fitting door. About 7:40 pm. Mr. Craig & Mr. Fox returned from Bernard Hike. Mr. Fox brought one sealion & some small items & reports all well at Bernard & that they did not get a seal. Mr. Watson having evidently left the net at Lappamin. Bad weather delayed their return here. They made a landfall about 12 miles W of here. The M/S "Ena" (of Juneau) with M. Chitty & Hela Stratton, ^{about} accompanied them from Bernard Hike. The M/S "Ena" is bound for King William Land for The Canadian Company. Because of a heavy deck cargo, salubrious of the season, bad weather etc. it does not look as though they intend proceeding to King William Land & it would not be at all surprising should they winter here. It is sincerely hoped that they have not a permit to establish a base on Louis Albert Sound or vicinity & in some instances. However we will probably hear tomorrow what the outcome is.

Wed 7th Stormy Strong W. wind

D. Wash. putting frames on doors of house & porch & dampers (2) on David Lake. Mr. Fox building scaffolds & mending tools & getting in ice & making kitchen table. Mr. Craig, Hela & Hela commenced discharging cargo from the "Ena". The two King William Land natives aboard the "Ena" were also employed discharging cargo. It is arranged to discharge all cargo here & transfer Craig, Hela & the natives with him. Hela & a trapping outfit to near Lady Franklin Sound on the "Ena" to trap for the winter. The "Ena" will return here to winter. Mr. M. Chitty will winter with Mr. Craig & the 2 King William Land natives will trap inland for the winter.

Thursday 8th Stormy Strong N.W. Wind

D. Wash. working on windows of house putting up storm window. Mr. Fox cutting 10 gals gasoline down for slaps. Fuel & fixing door of warehouse. The Can. Alaska outfit still

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 Friday 8th Raid Island Post Western Arctic District Camp 262
 8th Party discharging cargo from "Eva". They had to break the
 ice in the harbor to get the motor boat. The John Ericson
 the Can. Alaska enterprise commenced building a small house
 for himself & family.

Friday 9th Breeze & Current Snow Shower Light E. wind.
 D. Mack sawing 2 per 2" x 8" x 16' into 5 per 2" x 4" x 8' & putting
 same up for collection in house. W. J. saw making drawers &
 at sundry jobs. The crew hauled up motor boat today.

Saturday 10th Fine clear day wind S.W.
 In the forenoon W. J. saw went hunting. He got 20 ptarmigan &
 reports there to be numerous but were wild. St. John's was
 employed in forenoon sealing wall of house & in afternoon went
 skating on a small lake across the harbor. He got sealing
 walls of house in afternoon. All the small lakes are now
 frozen about 6" to 8" thick. The M/S "Eva" left on 10th with
 Mrs. Austin bound for Cape Franklin point.

Sunday 11th Breeze & Current Snow Shower.
 In the afternoon W. J. saw went out in the bay in the
 dingy. He saw one seal & one again a larger one but couldn't
 get near enough for a shot. He reports ducks to be
 very numerous in the bay.

Monday 12th Fine but Cloudy Fresh westerly breeze
 D. Mack & W. J. saw boarding up walls inside house. John Eric-
 son still working on house. The harbor ice near the
 shore is now breaking & D. Mack now skating for about an
 hour this evening. The ice between here & the Can. Alaska
 Post is perfect for skating.

Tuesday 13th Fine clear day Strong W. Wind.
 D. Mack & W. J. saw employed as yesterday. They finished the
 walls just after dark.

1911
Friday 14th June Island Post Western District Calcutta 1912

14th June clear day Strong W. Wind.
D. W. & W. J. putting up building paper on walls, ceiling
& floor & laying boards & putting up free boards inside
house for the evening. D. W. went skating in the harbour.
Our house with six windows contrast strongly at night
with the low Alaskan with only 2 windows. Our house is
much brighter & is visible at much further distance.

Thursday 15th June clear day Calm
D. W. & W. J. tidying up port ground & arranging & putting
balance of lumber. John Lowther has about finished his
house. It is about 12' x 12' x 7' with a pitched gable roof.
The day caught over last night, it is very thin & there
are several large fogs.

Fri 16th June but Cloudy wind fairly strong from E.
D. W. & W. J. framing interior door frames. W. J. is
working on windows. The M/S "Ena" returned about 3 P.M.
& broke her way into the ice into the harbour, where she
will winter.

Saturday 17th June clear day Wind Easterly.
D. W. & W. J. working on windows. W. C. Chitt, commenced
building lean to at the N end of the main house.

Sunday 18th June clear day wind light easterly. Very light fall of snow.
Ptarmigan appear to be quite numerous on the island.
Several flocks flew past the house.

Mon 19th June but Cloudy. Snowing light E. wind
D. W. & W. J. sealing building paper on shop walls &
sawing uprights & wall pieces for shelves for shop. The northern
half of the warehouse will be partitioned off & fitted out
as the shop. W. C. Chitt still building addition to George's
house.

1931
October Mid Island Post Western District District October 26th
Thursday 26th Clear Strong W. wind

Alf and Alfie making shelves for shop. Examined gasoline lamp now brought here from Bernards. The burner of the one in use broke last night & on inspection we found that the other lamp was also broken & is fitted. The burner of the new lamp to the broken one & got quite a good light. However for safety it is advisable to get a new lamp from (Holland & Co.) & discontinue using the other.

Friday 27th Fine clear day Fairly Strong W. wind

Alf and Alfie employed as before. The engine & some of magazines which business letter sent in last summer. It may be appreciated there is nothing to be done. Some messages compare perfectly with our machine work.

Saturday 28th Fine clear day Fairly Strong W. wind

Alf and Alfie finished shelves & commenced work on (2) & gun work.

Sunday 29th Fine clear day Fairly Strong W. wind

Alf and Alfie finished making shelves & commenced work on (2) & gun work. Preparatory to putting 1000 on shelves in the evening this is now done.

Monday 30th Strong W. wind accompanied by rain

Alf and Alfie finishing gun work & some for (2) & gun work. Some on top of shelves & some on shelves between shop & warehouse & some on case & discontinue work on shelves.

Tuesday 31st Light S.E. wind

Alf and Alfie opening cases & putting up shelves.

Wednesday 1st Fine but cloudy Light E. wind

Alf and Alfie employed as yesterday.

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Friday 27th June Wind Island Post. Western District Antfort 262
Strong W. Wind
 D. W. Jack & W. J. Fox opening cases & displaying goods on shelves.

Sat 28th June but Cloudy Wind from West
 D. W. Jack & W. J. Fox employed as yesterday & tidying up warehouse

Sun 29th June clear day Very Light W. wind
 D. W. Jack & W. J. Fox tidying up shop - filing empty cases in
 warehouse & tidying warehouse & grounds around warehouse &
 shop doors & filing materials on harbour ice.

Tue 30th June clear day Calm
 D. W. Jack making cupboards (2) in house. The cupboards will
 be triangular shaped & fill the two western corners of the
 house. Each cupboard will have four shelves in the upper part
 & three underneath with bar across the each part. In appearance
 & utility these cupboards will improve the house.
 W. J. Fox getting in ice & at sundown job.

Sat 31st June clear day Light E. wind
 D. W. Jack employed as yesterday. W. J. Fox cutting ice on
 main lake across harbour. He reports numerous seals to be
 numerous & saw one fresh fox track.

Monday 1st Fair Island Port Western Arctic District Outfit 262
 Breeze & Snowing Fairly Strong E wind accompanied by light
 drift. McJannet & McJannet arranging & storing personal effects for short
 time in afternoon.

Tuesday 2nd Fair clear day Strong E wind accompanied by low drift.
 McJannet working on shipboards & McJannet cutting ice on
 small lake.

Wednesday 3rd Weather as yesterday.
 McJannet & McJannet employed on shipboards. Hayes & wife
 (part owners of the Can-Alaska Company) visited us this
 evening. The reports from the de family numerous.

Thursday 4th Breeze & Snowing Light E wind.
 McJannet & McJannet finished shipboards & Hayes & wife
 visited us this evening.

Friday 5th Breeze & Snowing Very light variable wind same.
 McJannet commenced making office desk. McJannet cutting ice
 on small lake. Hayes & wife & Hayes & wife visited us.
 The Can-Alaska this evening & later visited us. They had
 nothing to trade, but reported from numerous to be
 fairly numerous. They left again this evening.

Saturday 6th Fair clear day Light E wind.
 McJannet making office desk. McJannet cutting ice. He has now
 cut enough to see us through the winter. The cake ice is
 about 12" thick.

Sunday 7th Fair clear day Light E wind.
 McJannet making desk & McJannet putting coats & furniture
 up house.

Monday 8th Stormy Strong E wind accompanied by light

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Monday Reid Island Post Western Arctic District August 26th

Mon 9th Strong Strong E wind accompanied by low drift
 Wind fell to calm in afternoon
 Black making office desk all day repairing dog harness

Tuesday 10th Fine clear day Light E wind
 Black finished desk & sacanua stationery & books in it
 & later tidying up Wilson's working house

Wed 11th Fine clear day Light E wind
 Black making stove pipe roof jack. Wilson's working house
 & at sundown job

Thurs 12th Fine clear day Light E wind
 Black putting roof jack on stove pipe & trapping up
 Wilson repairing dog harnesses & at sundown job

Fri 13th Fine clear day Calm Rain
 Black placed out a few traps & traps in house
 Wilson fixing up some pictures & making up some
 & making pictures on the machine

Sat 14th Frost & Snowing Calm
 Black surprised at some of the snow in the house
 Wilson making out a list

Sun 15th Strong Strong E wind accompanied by rain
 In the forenoon Wilson placed out traps to East & in the
 afternoon Black as usual. In the forenoon Black
 employed at office work. Wilson repairing dog harnesses
 afternoon There is quite a good sign of snow coming

Mon 16th Fine clear day Strong E wind accompanied by drift
 Black employed at office work Wilson setting traps
 & setting them out. He got one white one Silver, leader
 of our team has gone lame in the front paw. He will be
 laid up about 3 weeks at least, as he is the only dog
 P.T.O.

1951
November Reid Island Post Western Arctic District Craft 262
Nov 16th Cloudy we have that can lead us will be rather handicapped
 till he arrives.

Tuesday 17th Fine clear day Light E. wind
 All work setting traps & writing traps. We got a lot of fox & some
 a few porcupine. We also making small birds, but much
 better & at sundown jobs is ice, coal, dogs, etc.

Wed 18th Fine clear day Light E. wind
 All work employed at office work. We got a lot of fox & some
 a few porcupine. We also making small birds, but much
 better & at sundown jobs is ice, coal, dogs, etc.
 saw the two "Ema" natives. (Ema means hunter). are
 going to cut ice. We pretty well lost the afternoon & evening
 one to hunting. He quit hunting it in a few days. He was
 shot some Skuas near the house at night.

Thurs 19th Fine clear day Light E. wind
 All work set out more traps & writing traps. We got a lot of fox & some
 a few porcupine. We also making small birds, but much
 better & at sundown jobs is ice, coal, dogs, etc.
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 going to cut ice. We pretty well lost the afternoon & evening
 one to hunting. He quit hunting it in a few days. He was
 shot some Skuas near the house at night.

Fri 20th Fine clear day Strong E. wind accompanied by rain.
 All work employed at office work. We got a lot of fox & some
 a few porcupine. We also making small birds, but much
 better & at sundown jobs is ice, coal, dogs, etc.

Sat 21st Overcast & Snowing Calms
 All work setting out traps & writing traps. We got a lot of fox & some
 a few porcupine. We also making small birds, but much
 better & at sundown jobs is ice, coal, dogs, etc.

Sun 22nd Stormy Strong E. wind accompanied by rain.
 All work setting out traps & writing traps. We got a lot of fox & some
 a few porcupine. We also making small birds, but much
 better & at sundown jobs is ice, coal, dogs, etc.

1901

November Reid Island Post Western Arctic District Smith's Land

Mon 25th Stormy Strong E wind accompanied by drift.
 At work visited traps but got nothing. Mr. Fox employed making
 curtains & at sundry jobs dog sleds, ice, etc. Mr. Kelly returned
 He typewrote the afternoon.

Tuesday 26th Fine clear day. Light Strong W wind accompanied by drift.
 At work typing new tariff (for Bennett's) & at sundry jobs.
 Mr. Fox visited traps & got 2 white fox. Mr. team from the
 west arrived at the Can Alaska last night & left at 10
 the morning without visiting us.

Wed 27th Stormy Strong E wind accompanied by drift.
 At work visited traps got 2 white foxes. Mr. Fox usual
 sundry jobs & banking house, Amchok, Cape Melville &
 wife & daughter Margaret. Ennawitok, Timmatok arrived
 late the evening at the Can Alaska & later arrived in
 They had camp at home in house with some the same
 splines at home in that some some the same
 to provide sleeping accommodation at the night when they
 are on the ice. Having these matters in mind the
 sleep in the house. They report some snow on the ice.
 The weather is so warm that it is impossible to say, but
 some state that there will be a little snow soon.
 Lamasuk reports that his wife has just arrived in a

Thurs 28th Stormy Strong E wind accompanied by drift.
 At work typing tariff & at sundry jobs. Mr. Fox visited
 traps & got 2 white foxes.

Fri 29th Fine clear day Light W wind
 At work visited traps got nothing. Mr. Fox usual
 sundry jobs & making dog shelter. Mr. bank was
 seen the afternoon flying over the house.

1921
Alaska Ward Island Post Western Arctic District August 26th

Sept 28th Fine clear day. Wind Light Variable

Atjack finished typing tariff this evening. The tariff is for St. Lawrence Harbor & has been very carefully checked over with insurance. Since the apparently long time to finish it. Also it is now in alphabetical order. Atjack visited traps got nothing. Anwarah traded 8 fowls this evening. He reports that he saw 12 deer just a few miles inland & to the west of his house. He killed 5. He also saw a waterfowl track in that vicinity. He arrived at the Can. Alaska so he returned there to sleep & will get his stuff tomorrow morning.

Sunday 29th Fine but Cloudy. Light N.W. wind

Atjack visited traps but got nothing. An owl landed on a rock across the harbor but flew away on the first sign of approach.

Mon 30th Fine but Cloudy. Light N.W. wind.

Atjack preparing report & at sundown is. Atjack visited traps got one white fox also caught one of the Can. Alaska dogs.

Jan 1st Good Island Post Western District Conf. 262

Jan 1st Fine but Cloudy Light W. Wind

At work attending to correspondence & preparing notes of work, -
acquisition of the McGowan banking house & at sundry jobs. A large
piece of ice has broken off the floor of the W. of Keen Island.
In the P.M. afternoon at feeding time the largest of the sheep was
found dead he had probably eaten something poisonous for he
was all swollen up.

Jan 2nd Fine clear day Light W. Wind

At work visited traps & got 1 White mouse. W. J. Fox tidying up
store, house & porch & at sundry jobs. Ekko took visited us this
evening and started me for the fumes for the Can. Alaska

Jan 3rd Fine clear day Wind Light W. Wind

At work employed at office work & sundry jobs. W. J. Fox visited
traps & got 2 White mice

Jan 4th Fine clear day Wind Light W. Wind

At work employed at office work & at sundry jobs. Pamiadluk arrived & treated us for the
brought mail from Key. Holt, James E. Jones. They visited
At work to visit him tomorrow before 5.00 in the P.M.
Cappemine Broadcast on last broadcast. They were a message
which they could not get.

Jan 5th Fine but Cloudy Light W. Wind

At work & Pamiadluk left at daybreak for their arriving
there about 1.00 p.m. At destination the ship was not waiting
properly & we did not hear Cappemine at all. However,
at midnight we got messages from Edmonton, Canada but
none for Good Island. It was announced

that Mr. Gannycanthe had arrived home earlier.

The "Baychimo" had disappeared after a storm.

Personal message to Mr. Stewart, Little River.

Message in code to Mr. Gibson, Barter Island.

They had previously received a message to Livingston at

1921
Tranche Wild Island Post Western States District Outfit No. 3

Sept 5th Light Clear air constant has to proceed to Cambridge Bay
for supplies & thence to King William Land to trade for the
Gen Alaska Thames because of the lateness of the season for the
message was received it is highly improbable that the mission
could have succeeded in getting to King William Land They also
heard that Mr & Mr Torington arrived by plane at Coppermine
a week or ten days ago They state that there is some sign
of free inland but none on the coast He is very short of
coal having only 15 bags left

Sept 6th Overcast Light Strong N. Wind

Black returned from Thy at 4 pm He thoroughly expressed
his great thanks to Mr & Mr Dr for hospitality They 7 were
arrived later from Thy

Sept 7th Fine clear day N. Wind

Black employed at office work Mr Dr containing house & at
chance & receiving in store They traded 15 pm

Sept 8th Fine clear day N. Wind

Black employed at office work Mr Dr containing house & at
chance & receiving in store They traded 15 pm

Sept 9th Fine clear day Light N. Wind

Black employed at office work Mr Dr containing house & at
chance & receiving in store They traded 15 pm

Sept 10th Fine clear day Light N. Wind

Black employed at office work Mr Dr containing house & at
chance & receiving in store They traded 15 pm

Sept 11th Fine clear day Light N. Wind

Black visited trap but got nothing Mr Dr containing house & at
chance & receiving in store They traded 15 pm

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Sat 12th Fine clear day. Light E wind.
Atack employed at office work making edges for Red Island.
W. J. Fox hunted traps but got nothing.

Sun 13th Fine clear day. Strong E wind accompanied by rain.
Atack employed at office work. W. J. Fox at usual chores & sewing
in store. Alashaki, Kyeke, Kumeelike, Kanowitok & Kumeelike
wife & daughter arrived after dark & traded in the evening. Fox
reports no sign of foxes, but that there have been no immatures & that
Polly is still sick in Kyeke's house.

Mon 14th Clear. Strong E wind accompanied by rain.
Atack employed at office work. W. J. Fox at usual chores & sewing
in store. Alashaki, Kyeke, Kumeelike, Kanowitok & Kumeelike
wife & daughter arrived after dark & traded in the evening. Fox
reports no sign of foxes, but that there have been no immatures & that
Polly is still sick in Kyeke's house.

Tue 15th Fine clear day. Light E wind.
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Wed 16th Fine clear day. Calm.
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wife & daughter arrived after dark & traded in the evening. Fox
reports no sign of foxes, but that there have been no immatures & that
Polly is still sick in Kyeke's house.

Thurs 17th Fine clear day. Almost calm.
Atack office work. W. J. Fox sewing jobs. They arrived about noon
& left for home later. Kumeelike skinning foxes.

1930. Barrow, Alaska, Barrow, Western Arctic District August 26-27

Aug 18th Fine clear day. Light W. wind.

Atjok employed at office work. Atjok's banking house & at sundry jobs. Mahachukshu's banking house. In the evening there was a dance in the Kan-Alaska house.

Aug 19th Fine clear day. Calm.

Atjok employed at office work. Atjok's banking house & at sundry jobs. After dark the following arrived for Xmas.

Machukshu's wife & son. Hiyak's wife & son, Ellipshuk's wife & two daughters. Enawilluk's wife & son from the east. Mavarranik & Tadjarian from the West. Dance held at the Kan-Alaska in the evening.

Aug 20th Fine clear day. Light E. wind.

Native Service by Atjok & Tadjarian in the house at 11:00. Practically all the natives attended.

Aug 21st Fine clear day. Light E. wind.

Atjok & Atjok's sons, son Mavarranik state that they have been offered the Kan-Alaska motor boat, however the owner expects to trade with the company & this can be secured at about the summer. He has turned in to the owner a bag of furs (marmoset) & will take the division motor boat as usual at the Barrow. The Alaska divisions at Barrow.

Aug 22nd Fine clear day. Light E. wind.

All the natives in the house & other divisions are in time it is particularly impressive to see the division house. Lamp house. Ball at the house.

Aug 23rd Fine clear day. Fairly strong W. wind.

Kan-Alaska going out & I saw about 10 or 12 men. Nels. Bratton arrived late in afternoon from Long Franklin Pass. The "M. J. M. Hansen" was wrecked in the vicinity fall 1930 but Nels reports that he has seen no trace of the wreck. Nels brought in mail from Laffermine. Thord's bag. P.T.O.

1931

December Hard Island Post Western District August 262

Wed 23rd Conty which at the Can Alaska it was only 2 or 3 weeks old & it is said that the mother could not find it. In consequence of this death no dance was held this evening.

Thurs 24th Fine clear day. Strong wind and accompanied by rain in forenoon. Wind fell to calm about noon.

Old Stratus arrived in the evening. He reports that while in the fall while standing up on a slope stretching over his seat which he had shot he overbalanced & the dog turned over. He had to swim about 3 miles to get out. It was in fact for eleven days after. He recovered the dog. He can now talk plenty English. Late this afternoon a few were chased by hunters to call the men on their island from the Can Alaska to witness the dance but the men escaped on the ice and did not witness & gave the Hognas but a little more exercise. When the time became spoken disappointment. Lingos who is from the house & was in the evening should have been killed & taken to the house. A dark & Lingos seems to be in the house.

Fri 25th Fine clear day. Light but wind.

Ames sports, shooting, races etc were held in the afternoon. Late in the held races etc. This is was too dark for shooting. We will hold our shoot tomorrow. Hognas then arrived from Alaska in evening. Hognas, shot but no men. Ladies 1. gun & left soon after.

Sat 26th Fine clear day. Almost calm.

All shooting competition for men & women was held today. The results of the shoot were very good. The possible for men was 100 & 75% got less than 15. The result was (1) Muloosak 40, Amochak 35 & Tootenook 30. The women shooting was equally poor. Muloosak also won the shoot at the in Alaska. The reason for the poor shooting was that these people do not live by the rifle (to the same extent as other tribes). They are fish eaters. M & W. today in star in evening.

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December Raid Island Post Western Arctic District Craft 262

Sun. 27th Fine clear day. Light N.W. wind.
The natives held a service at 7:30 pm in the house. Amakhe & Jallanah did the preaching. The land was seen this afternoon near the post.

Mon. 28th Fine clear day. Strong E. wind accompanied by low drift.
All eskimoes except 3 families at low Alaska left this morning. Kautchua wife died this morning at the low Alaska. Her baby died last Wed (23rd). Allark landed a muskox skin on Kautchua neck. Jallanah has got to Ulpisah on a visit for a day or two. He will return here & thence home to Prince Albert Sound. Allark & Mifos tidying up store house & porch.

Tue. 29th Fine clear day. Calm
Mr. Craig & Hayashik left for Cape Mervin this morning. The Kautchua also left. He will accompany him to Cape Franklin Sound. Allark put fresh muskox on Kautchua's neck this evening.

Wed. 30th Fine clear day. Calm
Allark & Mifos tidying up. Kautchua now packing his things.

Thurs. 31st Fine clear day. Light E. wind
Allark employed in skin work. He has muskox traps set & fixed. The two pups followed him & tried to have the spring practically all his traps.

1934.

January Rail Island Post Western Arctic District Arctic 232

Fri 1st Today being recognized as a holiday we work other than usual Sunday job was done. About 3 pm of John Line. Anne (interpreter at Bar Alaska) ^{wife} gave birth to a new (later named Charles).

Sat 2nd Fine clear day. Light W. wind.

D. Mark employed at office work. M. J. Goss banking house & at sundry jobs. Tacklanak arrived after dark from Klaproak on route for home (Kenneb. Albert Sound).

Sun 3rd Stormy. Strong E. wind accompanied by drizzle. Cold. Tacklanak unable to leave because of the stormy weather.

Mon 4th Weather as yesterday. Very cold.

D. Mark office work. M. J. Goss tidying up porch & sundry. sundry jobs. (Too) Stormy for Tacklanak to leave home.

Tuesday 5th Fine clear day. Light E. wind. Very cold.

D. Mark employed at office work. M. J. Goss banking up house & at sundry jobs. Tacklanak left at 10 am for home.

Wed 6th Fine clear day. Light E. wind. Less cold.

D. Mark & M. J. Goss employed as yesterday.

Thurs 7th Weather as yesterday, only not so cold.

D. Mark employed at office work. M. J. Goss employed as usual.

Fri 8th Fine clear day. Light E. wind.

D. Mark employed at office work. M. J. Goss received from relatives. from all. He saw a few fox tracks. Also, an old man who had been sick for some time died this morning at the Bar Alaska. Seems hard on Koutche. From his baby died 23rd Dec. His wife 35th & more his father. M. J. Goss saw the upper bank of the river above the sea horizon at noon today.

Jan 9th Sunday Reid Island Post Mission District Light E. wind
 Strong E. wind accompanied by drift.
 D. Wark employed at office work. W. Jones employed at chores.

Jan 10th Sunday Strong E. wind accompanied by drift E.
 The Car Alaska had a lighted lantern hoisted on mast to
 guide for Mr. Lang in his return. So he must be expected
 soon.

Jan 11th Dull & overcast Light E. wind
 D. Wark employed at office work. W. Jones banking up house &
 at chores.

Jan 12th Fine clear day Very light E. wind almost calm.
 D. Wark employed at office work. W. Jones visited traps on
 Reid Island but got nothing & saw no signs. He was
 later employed at usual sundry job. Jones & the crew
 since the year the upper land of the sea was visible at
 noon from the house.

Jan 13th Fine but Cloudy Strong S. wind accompanied by rain & snow
 D. Wark employed at office work. W. Jones breaking in fence in
 sled & setting traps & at usual chores. In the evening W. Jones
 visited the Car Alaska. Two days ago W. Chilly was lighting
 a gasoline lamp when the generator burst. His hair & eyebrows
 etc. were all badly singed. He was lucky that the consequences
 were not more serious.

Jan 14th Overcast Light S. wind
 D. Wark employed at office work. W. Jones working on
 usual sundry job.

Jan 15th Overcast Light S. wind
 D. Wark employed at office work. W. Jones working on
 usual sundry job. In the evening W. Jones
 at the house.

1918
January Prudhoe Bay Western Arctic District Outfit 262

Jan 16th Strong Strong Wind accompanied by high drift
At work employed at office work. McJannet employed at sundry
and other jobs.

Jan 17th Fine clear day Very light W. wind
McJannet tried traps but got nothing & saw no sign.

Jan 18th Fine but cloudy Very light S. wind.
At work employed at office work. Various errands run here &
at usual sundry jobs. Mr. Craig & Haggan returned from
Chukotka about 2 pm. Mr. Craig has a small party with him
Mr. Barnes & 1 from Fort Seward.) In the evening the
ship accompanied by David carried some provisions. They
will proceed westward tomorrow & return here next
Saturday, weather permitting. The Port and arrival of a
shipment of coal. I have arranged to get some from the
Alaska Company. The two parties gave me accounts of their
travels & told me of the murder of a white man by a native
woman at Melnikov Harbor about four weeks ago. The
woman gave herself up to the police & was sent
at Fort River on the St. Roch.

Jan 19th Fine clear day Fine S. wind
At work employed at office work. McJannet carrying house to at
usual jobs. They left about 2 pm for Kymor Pond with 5 tons
coal from the Port Alaska. Mr. Allen left about 10 am for
the native camp to the west.

Jan 20th Fine clear day Fine S. wind
At work employed at office work. McJannet carrying house to at
usual jobs.

Jan 21st Fine but cloudy Light E. wind
At work employed at office work. McJannet carrying house to at
usual jobs. The natives arrived this evening. The ship only one fish to them & reports
no sign.

1932
January Rich Island Post Western District District Coffet 242

Jan 22nd Fine clear day. Very light E wind.

Mr. [unclear] employed at office work & sundry jobs. Mr. [unclear] arrived at [unclear] at [unclear] to get [unclear] son to accompany him to [unclear] on Monday. The [unclear] [unclear] from the west late last night & arrived in [unclear] evening. Later he held a service for the people. He is going to leave for [unclear] on Monday. It is [unclear].

Jan 23rd Fine clear day. Calm. [unclear].

Mr. [unclear] employed at office work. Mr. [unclear] making preparations for trip to [unclear]. Mr. [unclear] wife & daughter Margaret arrived late this evening & after teaching left in the early morning. They report very little sign of [unclear]. Mr. [unclear] young daughter [unclear] has a very bad eye & it was really to get medicine for it that they came in now.

Jan 24th Fine clear day. Light E wind.

The Rev. [unclear] held communion service for the whites in the [unclear] house at 3 pm. He also held [unclear] & [unclear] service for the [unclear].

Jan 25th Fine clear day. [unclear].

Mr. [unclear] accompanied by [unclear] son [unclear] left for [unclear] at 5 am. They will connect with the [unclear] mail westward on [unclear]. [unclear] leaves [unclear] for [unclear] on the 7th Feb. Mr. [unclear] will also send out a wire to Mr. [unclear] & await a reply. [unclear] [unclear] transmitting set is working. He will also arrange to buy the transmitting set for it [unclear] if [unclear] will sell now. About 3 pm the Rev. [unclear] & [unclear] left for the return trip to [unclear]. The Rev. [unclear] is also carrying out mail & copies of the [unclear] (in case [unclear]). [unclear] set is not working. We have very much enjoyed the Rev. [unclear] visit. He will probably visit us again in about two months time.

January Rock Island Post Western District Office 262

Tuesday 26th Fine clear day. Almost calm.
D. W. Clark employed at office work & at shore.

Wed 27th Fine clear day. Almost calm.
D. W. Clark taking down stove pipes, cleaning & putting up same & cleaning out of stove & washing floor tidying up etc.

Thurs 28th Fine clear day. Strong W. wind accompanied by drift.
D. W. Clark employed at office work & sundry jobs.

Fri 29th Fine clear day. Strong W. wind & drifting.
D. W. Clark employed as yesterday.

Sat 30th Fine clear day. Fairly strong W. wind.
D. W. Clark employed at office work & at shore.

Sun 31st Overcast. Light W. wind.
D. W. Clark employed for short time at shore.

1922
 February North Island, Cook Western Electric District Antifreeze 262

Mon 1st Stormy Strong W. wind accompanied by drift.
 At work employed at sundry jobs & at office work. The stove cannot be used from the house because of the heavy drift.

Tue 2nd Still Stormy W. wind & drifting
 At work employed at office work.

Wed 3rd Still Stormy W. wind & drifting
 At work employed as yesterday.

Thurs 4th Fine clear day Light W. wind
 At work making bread, washing floor, stringing up etc.

Fri 5th Fine but cloudy Light N. wind
 At work employed at office work & usual chores.

Sat 6th Stormy Strong Gale from W. accompanied by heavy drift.
 At work employed as yesterday.

Sun 7th Fine but cloudy Light W. wind
 At work employed for short time in forenoon at usual chores.

Mon 8th Fine & clear in forenoon. Drift & breeze in afternoon.
 Cleared in evening. W. wind light E.
 At work office work & at chores. Mr. George of the land Alaska borrowed the typewriter for a few days. He will return it on the morning.

Tue 9th Fine clear day Light E. wind. Very cold.
 At work employed at office work & at sundry chores stringing up etc.

Wed 10th Fine clear day Light E. wind.
 At work employed at office work. Misses & Thompson returned from Barrow this at 10 am. They were this days going to the
 P.T.O.

1932
 February Back Island Post Winter District April 26th
 Wed 10th Fair, three days in the winter trip & report that air conditions
 are very bad. They were delayed at Bernard Hebe on account
 of stormy weather.

Thurs 11th Fair but cloudy. Light S. E. wind.
 D. Mark employed at office work. W. J. Goss, serving in store & at
 sundry jobs.

Fri 12th Fair clear day. Clear.
 D. Mark employed at office work. W. J. Goss took the boy Keesetah
 by team to his father's house at Rymur Point & returned about
 4 p.m. They report that there is no sign around at all.

Sat 13th Fair clear day. Light N. E. wind.
 D. Mark office work & making preparations for trip to Bernard
 Hebe. W. J. Goss serving in store, sitting in etc. repairing harness
 sled etc. Amokto, Hyeke & Illophuska arrived about noon.
 They have very few furs to trade & report no more. Amokto
 left night after leaving here, the others remained for a while.
 Illophuska also arrived & traded the very small seal.

Sun 14th Overcast. Fair breeze from N.E.
 D. Mark making preparations to leave for Bernard Hebe
 morning. W. J. Goss employed at sundry jobs & assisting D. Mark.

Mon 15th Excellent weather, clear, no wind, temp. 30°
 D. Mark left early this morning for Bernard
 Hebe via native camp East of Rymur Point.
 W. J. Goss started spring cleaning.

Tue 16th Fine and clear today. Slight East wind. Temp 30°
 W. J. Goss continues the spring cleaning and
 bakes bread. M. Chitty paid a visit today.
 Amokto pulled in at Can-Alaska Co. at dark. No
 furs around at all now.

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Feb.

Wed. 17. Started to blow early this morning from N.W.
Wind increased and blew hard all day.
W. Joss putting hinges on doors of cupboards and
taking frozen foxes up to house from store to
house. Kiyalik paid a visit this evening.

Thurs. 18th West wind, ground drift visibility fair.
W. Joss cleaning up store and skinning foxes.
Jpl. Wall pulled into to Mi Saigs at 4:30
p.m. One or two natives paid a visit tonight.

Fri. 19 West wind, cloudy and fairly warm.
W. Joss cleaning foxes and taking home. Jpl.
Wall paid a visit this afternoon and
stayed for two or three hours. W. Joss paid
a visit to Mi Saig's tonight.

Sat. 20 Fairly strong wind and ground drift.
W. Joss cleaning foxes. Anonuk and
Pamuk and Kooluk pulled in today and
spent most of their time in the house, not
many foxes and yet most of the natives
are now sealing.

Sun. 21 Still westerly breeze. Sea.
Jpl. Wall pulled out at daylight for
Walker Bay. Anonuk and the other natives
also pulled out. W. Joss doing some washing.
A few ptarmigan at Jimmy's and elsewhere and
there are also quite a few rabbits on the
neighbouring islands.

Mon. 22nd East wind, foggy.
Anonuk pulled out to his trapline. Jimmy
one am. went to Iky. Balto - he intended

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22nd could not return today, but has not shown up.
The two Emma natives were out hunting. One
of them was digging for low coal but had no
luck. No Joe. Blowing store.

23rd Light N. East wind, fairly clear.

No Joe skinning, foxes and washing skins. The
Emma natives went hunting and shot one rabbit.

Johnny Lukluk returned from Ike's this forenoon.
not much sign around there of fox but natives
are spearing quite a few seal.

24th Light N. East wind, clear.

No Joe skin and had a look at some of
his traps. caught one fox but did not see any
tracks, rabbits or ptarmigan. The two Emma
natives walked inland today to attend to
traps.

25th Light N. East wind, some fog, fairly clear.
No Joe skinning, foxes and rabbits. Joe did not
show up this afternoon.

26th Light N. East wind, some fog.

No Joe skinning. Anne and Ina were
around and Johnny and Ann came back
from their traps this afternoon. a few foxes
and some seal.

27th Light N. East wind, clear.

Annuuk went hunting - did not get anything.
No Joe shot one rabbit on island. No animals
and no visitors.

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Feb.

28th Light N. East wind, clear & cold.

Mumuxena and his son Kakok and family pulled in this afternoon. They came from Prince Albert Sound. As they shot one deer last fall also two polar bears. The foxes were plentiful in the Sound at beginning of trapping but they have fallen off now. The two Emma natives came off the land today: one of them caught three other men. Mumuxena and son are not going back to Sound till late Spring.

29th N. East wind, cold, fog at intervals.

We lessened the Mumuxena and Kakok's things and sent them off to the house. The Emma natives are going to be sent to the house. The family sent some more things.

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Wind 1st Light N E wind. - Cloudy.

Every one up early this morning and

Numerous and family parties in the region
Paul is going to stay here in his house
till spring. He better part a part time
of winter, I think and then a winter
place. We are leaving for

Sept 2nd Breeze blowing from all sides in a high
The sun is now melting away off the
summits it seems to me in this state of
the start of it and the clouds
must all be melted away and the
clouds of a new world being
all the more in a state of
the more the more the more the more
the more the more

3rd Light N. E. wind. Sea 3/10. Air

The arrivals today: Will Horton put in a
few afternoon for his trapping and the
Crag also returns for his traps. He has
cleaning for

Light N E wind, Sea 3/4 00. 341.

toothbrush and bath soap put in this
afternoon but did not want to go
baking bread and washing floor.

5" Light N. E. wind. Bar. 31.10. Sea.

Mrs. Hickman paid a visit today. Also the
branch of local natives. Etheluk arrived at 6 o'clock
from Eley's and is pulling out again tomorrow.
He's doing some odd jobs.

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March

Jan 6th Clear and calm. Air 10° N. wind.
 Ekstak pulled out early for morning hunt.
 After time he was going on to the North.
 Some of local native hunters today were
 there with me - found some of the same

1. The blue and green birds, and the
 white birds, and the red birds, and the
 yellow birds, and the black birds, and the
 grey birds, and the brown birds, and the
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Jan 10th Clear today. 11-12° wind.

The animals today
 were less restless, after eating of store and doing
 other odd jobs.

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March

Feb. 16 Light N.E. and breeze cold and clear

The snow is melting. The ice is breaking up and
 leaving up patches. Emma's natives found a small
 bird's nest.

Feb. 17 Rain and snow

A few birds were flying about. The snow was
 falling. The ice was breaking up. The natives
 found a small bird's nest. The natives found a small
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Rain and snow. The natives found a small bird's nest. The natives found a small
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1922 Peck Island Post, Western Arctic District Oct 262
 Mack.

Nov. 21st calm and clear. The snow is now melting on the rocky patches. There are a number of ptarmigan around and a lot of fox tracks but foxes were not seen. Numerous pulled in today with some goods from Bernard Harbour. Mr. Mack left Bernard today and will be here tomorrow. Mr. Gibson has gone through to the Coppermine. All the Prince Albert Sound natives were busy trading today. Some of them are going back to the Sound and some are remaining here to seal. Capt. Wall left today for Coppermine via Nili place and Kouseastern.

Nov. 22nd calm and clear
 Mr. Mack now expected back from Bernard today but he has not yet returned. Mr. Mack left today for Nili place and Kouseastern.

Nov. 23rd calm and clear
 The post has now been left and the natives have been going to the Coppermine. The natives have been going to the Coppermine and the natives have been going to the Coppermine.

Nov. 24th calm and clear
 no sign of Mr. Mack yet. He left Bernard today for the Coppermine. The natives have been going to the Coppermine and the natives have been going to the Coppermine.

Nov. 25th calm and clear
 The local natives were not trading today. The natives returned from Bernard today this evening. The natives on the Chukchee are doing well trading and report seals to be numerous. There is practically no sign of Hahok, Hahok & Hahok.

1940
 Mon. 24th June clear day. Almost calm. W. 1000
 Fri 25th June / arrived with D. G. from Hyams Point.

Sat 26th June clear day. Almost calm.

D. G. & M. J. were trading & sat sundry. Mrs. Newman & wife
 arrived. Thelma, Elsie & Mervyn left the evening. They
 are going to St. Helena Bay to buy deer from Mr. Newman.
 It was arranged that M. J. will accompany them to
 Bernard's Bay on Wed. (30th) to meet the women there
 on the 3rd. After tea for the evening guests. (Lunches) were
 happening.

Sun 27th June clear day. Almost calm.

M. J. & M. J. were trading. D. G. & M. J. were
 Newman & wife left.

Tue 28th June clear day. Almost calm.

D. G. & M. J. were trading. Newman & wife
 & wife left the morning. The Newman & wife
 they had left the morning. Newman & wife
 from the evening & sat in the afternoon.

Wed 29th June clear day. Calm.

D. G. & M. J. were trading. Newman & wife
 Newman & wife left the evening.

Thu 30th June clear day. Calm.

D. G. & M. J. were trading. Newman & wife
 M. J. left with Newman & wife for St. Helena Bay.
 The wife said she would stay & have the Newman
 Newman & wife left. Newman & wife.

Fri 31st June clear day. Light breeze.

D. G. left in early morning at 6 a.m. & returned about noon
 (bringing up traps). He saw some a number of fox tracks, the
 general direction of the foxes seems to be northward.
 Newman & wife left.

1948

April Red Island Post Western Arctic District Sept 10 to wind
 Sat 9th Mr. Gibson, D. W. & W. J. employed at office work. Arrived
 around the morning & it was arranged that he will return here
 on the 11th inst. to accompany Mr. Gibson to Eureka. They left
 the office & spent the day here. Being about 30 in
 number, they were accompanied by several of the
 families also arrived. There are no more to come from
 Eureka.

Sun 10th Fine clear day. Calm.
 D. W. & W. J. employed at office work. The office is a
 very busy one.

Sun 11th Fine clear day. Calm.
 Mr. Gibson, D. W. & W. J. employed at office work. The office is a
 very busy one. The office is a very busy one.

Sun 12th Fine clear day. Calm.
 Mr. Gibson, D. W. & W. J. employed at office work. The office is a
 very busy one. The office is a very busy one.

Sun 13th Fine clear day. Calm.
 Mr. Gibson, D. W. & W. J. employed at office work. The office is a
 very busy one. The office is a very busy one.

Sun 14th Fine clear day. Calm.
 All natives on foot and in some boats. Some of the
 morning. The young are very busy. The office is a
 very busy one. The office is a very busy one.

Sun 15th Fine but cloudy. Windy. Accompanied by some of the
 D. W. & W. J. employed at office work. The office is a
 very busy one. The office is a very busy one. The office is a
 very busy one. The office is a very busy one. P.T.O.

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 April 15th Reid Island Post Western Arctic District Confidential
 15th Friday Mr. L. J. Rader & two boys (Nenue + Nihakwa) arrived from Walker Bay about 9 hrs. They were 10 days coming across & had a good trip. One animal here. The "Fishes" arrived with that the Island left making it necessary to return to Walker Bay.
- 16th Saturday Storm. Windy. Snow. One or two natives came in today. D. Wark & W. Goss getting ready to leave Reid Island.
- 17th Sun. Clear, B. E. breeze.
 D. Wark working in office. W. Goss went to pick up some traps. L. J. Rader visiting Can. Alaska Co. aft day.
- 18th Mon. Clear, B. E. breeze.
 Nels Watson, Dr. R. C. Tather, and Sam Dagle pulled in here from Cape Mudge via Bernard Harbour. D. Wark working in office. W. Goss cleaning up store.
- 19th Tues. Cloudy, N. E. wind.
 L. J. Rader & Tather families pulled out today for Cape Mudge. D. Wark preparing for his trip to Walker Bay. W. Goss cleaning up around buildings.
- 20th Wed. Cloudy, snowing, N. E. wind.
 D. Wark intends to leave tomorrow for Walker Bay and is getting travelling gear ready. W. Goss cleaning up.
- 21st Thurs. Cloudy, N. E. wind, ground drift.
 D. Wark left this morning for St. Collinson with two native teams. W. Goss preparing for trip to Bernard Harbour.

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Jan 22nd Blowing hard and drifting from N.E. warm.
 W. Goss intended to pull out today for Bernard but
 weather too bad.

Jan 23rd Still blowing hard and weather very bad.
 Nothing much to do now but wait till weather
 gets better.

Jan. 24th Fine today but everything freezing.
 W. Goss went to Rhysse Point.

NB The outpost here was closed for the summer & was
 not ^{re-}opened till outfit 263 when the remaining
 stock at Bernard Harbour was moved over
 here & the status was changed from outpost to
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1933

Thurs 1
June

Clear, strong North easterly wind, mild. We finish taking Inventory and are working on books. Comes up cloudy at night with wind keeping up.

Fri 2
June

Cloudy, frequent snow flurries with strong easterly breeze, slight ground drift. Making up tariff & list of goods for disposal.

Sat 3
June

Weather continues cool (freezing) with high wind & snow flurries with ground drift. Natives Avanna, Etookona and Kimmuktun arrive from west & pull out in evening. We visit Mr Chitty this evening. Ikeg Bolt & Pumiadluk arrive from Rymer Point. Local radio stations good - Edmonton (CJCA) fading & no reception. Weather looks like clearing up & wind dropping.

Sun 4
June

Cloudy cool. practically calm - Working on the books & putting up an outfit to take to Fort Hearne. Ikeg & Pumiadluk pull out in evening for Rymer Point. Mr Bonnycastle will meet him here on Tuesday & they will proceed to Coppermine via Bernard.

Mon 5

Cloudy calm cool - working on books - W^m Kuptana arrives from Prince Albert Sound accompanied by Ootowoyuk. W^m will outfit at Read Isd & return to the Sound to trap. William outfits here tonight and intends leaving tomorrow. Mr Bonnycastle practically finished his inspection tonight.

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Tues. 6
June
Cloudy. practically calm, thawing but not too soft. Aurana arrived at shortly after noon & Mr Bonycastle left with him for Rymer Point shortly after. Wm Kuptana pulled out late in the evening.

Wed. 7
June
Cloudy, mild, nw breeze. Mr Chilly came over & we listened to Coppermine radio & The St Roche in the evening.

Thurs. 8
June
Cloudy, calm, mild. The snow settled considerably today. I hung out some foxes to air. I saw some gulls and two geese or about the first I have seen.

Fri. 9
June
Cloudy, mild, light easterly breeze. I am working on the books and started to type the Inventory.

Sat. 10
June
The cloudy weather is still with us but the glass is going up so we live in hopes of seeing the sun again soon. It keeps mild but far from hot. so that there is no sign of water either on the ice or land. Season seems to be about two weeks or more later than last year. Local radio came in fine we hear that the first plane has arrived at Aklavik with mail.

Sun. 11
June
Cloudy and mild with a pretty strong Easterly breeze. Bob. Klingenberg with Purnadluk and Oulayuk arrived with a load of seal for Canalsaka. The wind died down at night & the sun came out.

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Mon 12

June

Bright sunshine all day. It has turned to real Spring weather today & pools of water show up but there seems to be no water on the ice yet. Clouds rolled up late to night and it started to shower.

Tues 13

June

The breeze switched back to NW during the night & increased in volume. Today was cloudy & cooler although thawing some. Cleared up at night but breeze still blowing. I planted my garden in a box in the house. Had enough earth for 1 box so sowed lettuce.

Wed 14

June

Practically calm, fog has been hovering around all day but did not settle on the island. The sun was partially obscured most of the day but was shining brightly at night. Local radios came in good. The Bonny castle spoke to us from Coppermine.

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Clear - Strong Easterly breeze, water is showing on the ice and along the shore. There are thousands of small birds around and a few ducks.

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The east breeze blew all day but not so strongly as yesterday. I walked over to Igloodik the island SE of here - the snow has mostly gone from the ice and there is very little water except near the shore.

Sat 17

June

Auranna arrived back from Coppermine at 5 A.M. Weather mild & calm barometer falling but it does not look like rain. RADIO OK

Sun 18 Clear in AM with a SW breeze but in the after
June noon it came up cloudy and the wind
switched to N.W. some rain fell. Blowing
strongly to night cold.

Mon 19 Clear - strong breeze from NW. cool a little
June flurry of snow fell. Etokona & Ekootuk
arrived from around Arannas place
- They came in to peddle walrus to Tanalaska
The snow has practically all gone off the
island except around the buildings
where some of the drifts are from 5-7 ft
- deep yet.

Tues 20 Cloudy! NW breeze. frequent light showers
June The temperature remains low.

Wed 21 Some sunshine but mostly cloudy with
June westerly breeze. Local radios come in good

Thurs 22 Cloudy, calm. Low clouds with some fog
June and frequent light showers

Fri 23 Cloudy, calm. A little rain fell but not
June enough to make much difference to
the melting ice.

Sat 24 Cloudy. A few flakes of snow fell. The
June glass went up a bit. Local radios good
but they are not getting any press.

Sun 25 Cloudy but the sun did manage to break
June through once or twice. Ikey, Punnadluk
and Oulayuk arrive from Rymer Point.

Mon 26 Clear & calm all day - fine and mild. The drifts
June went down a lot today - Ikey & his gang piled
out late last night

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Tues 27 June Clear calm and warm. I thought that there would have been some mosquitos around but so far I have not noticed any. I have finished packing the goods for shipment with the exception of the lumber which is still frozen down. I deepened a drain so as to drain a small lake at the back door.

Wed 28 June Clear and calm. This has been a beautiful day but is two or three weeks late - I painted the roof of store black and the roof of house red. Local radios OK.

Thurs 29 June The good weather kept up & the snow drifts are just melting away. I checked the lumber & repaired it.

Fri 30 Clear but cooler. The barometer fell to 29.50 so we are looking for a rain or W storm. I went across the bay on the ice to the main part of the island & the mosquitos were quite thick over there though there have been none around the house.

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Sat 1

July

It was clear most of the day but a West-breeze kept it cool. In the evening we had rain & the breeze is still blowing. I set a batch of bread tonight which I hope will last me till just before the ship gets in. Avanna, ~~Etokeona~~ ^{Etokeona} with the families arrived - Etokeona's wife Ohooverink died & they brought her here for burial. Local Kadias good - we hear that the plane arrived & Miss Bonycastle, Mr Crang & Slim Kader are on their way outwards. The distributor arrived tomorrow yesterday. The only snow to be seen on the island is on the edge of the ice by the warehouse & also over at Can Alaska below the shore.

Sun 2

The rain did not last very long - This morning was clear with a breeze from NW. I baked 8 loaves of bread & did some washing & rendered some seal blubber for milking with paint it seems to be just as good as rendered oil. Avanna & the rest of the natives leave for their summer camp down around Pitkasouk Kinnukturn point out to East to fish at a creek. Mr Smith & I with their interpreter Johnny Tusk and his family are the sole inhabitants of Read Island.

Mon 3

Mostly clear, cool S.W. breeze. Some rain fell during afternoon. I closed the books (263) today but still have some returns to fill in.

Tue 4

Mostly clear - south breeze heavy and rainy but it switched to S.W. & we had a short heavy shower in evening - Working on books

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July

North West breeze with rain most of day. Local radio good. St Roche tells us that the Distributor arrived at Aklavik this morning. I finish making out the D/notes for goods for shipment to other posts.

Thurs 6
July

Mostly cloudy with intermittent showers. There is a little bird nesting in a box by the warehouse. it has seven eggs so far.

Fri 7
July

It was clear, calm and mild in forenoon but it came up cloudy & rained heavily in the evening. I was straightening up the warehouse, making room to bale the fur.

Sat 8
July

Strong N.E. breeze frequent showers - cold and miserable. We have had some rain every day now for some time. Local radio came in good.

Sun 9

Clear & mostly calm. The North Easter blew itself out during the night & the weather has turned nice again. If it holds tomorrow I should be able to get some outside painting done. I have been baling fur today finished two bales. The two birds nest around the building have hatched out, one of them seems to have been out for a couple of days while the other was just hatching today.

Mon 10
July

Mostly cloudy with a light drizzle at times. I made another bale of fur and when it stopped raining I gave the roof another coat of seal oil with a little red paint mixed in.

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Tue 11 Clear and calm but not too warm.
July I painted the house - first coat outside.

Wed 12 Clear calm & warm, I painted both ends
July and one side of the warehouse outside and started to make a radio mast - the one that I have used since last fall is the mast and boom off Anaslaska whale-boat. The Coppermine radio came in good today. - I forgot to listen for St Roche. - Johnny Tukaluk took his skiff around from the inside harbour to the outside he got around in the water along the shore at high tide but had to make one portage over the ice in front of the Co. warehouse. Kinnikturn walked in from his fish camp east of here - he says there are very few fish meaning one or two fish per net per day.

Thurs 13 Clear, cool NW breeze blew all day but died
down at night. I finished the radio mast and painted it, also finished the other side of store. One can still get out onto the ice in the inner harbour at the warehouse, where the shore ice seems to be the best to go.

Fri 14 Cloudy, strong NW breeze - The wind has broken the ice clear across at mouth of harbour & across opposite Anaslaska. I finished baling the fur but still have to wrap it and rope it. The mosquitos have not been very numerous so far this season & it looks as if they will not be bad owing to the cool weather, but there were a lot of small flies - millions of them got caught on the paint on the roof.

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- Sat 15 July cloudy. The N.W. breeze continued all day but blew itself out and was only a breeze at night. The ice in inner harbour is badly broken while in the outer roadstead it seems solid but has pushed up on the end of the islands. Local Radio good - At Tree river the harbour is free of ice while out in the gulf it is still solid - The St Roche does not expect to get away from there till some time around 20th to 25th.
- Sun 16 July A heavy rain storm this morning & frequent showers during the day: practically calm
- Mon 17 July Breeze from N.W. cloudy in the morning but it cleared up during the day. The breeze continues
- Tues 18 July N.W. breeze, clear. The inner harbour is practically free of ice, a little down at the bottom kept there by the wind - Chetty starts to launch his cargo boat but the tide falls before he gets it in the water so he leaves it till tomorrow - Kimuktuin walked in from his camp. I do not know how he got onto the Island from the ice as it is open all around the shore.
- Wed 19 July Cloudy South to South West breeze - Chetty gets his boat launched - I started to give the house another coat of paint outside but rain comes on and I have to quit. Local radios good - Coppermine informs us that the boat 'Annyox' is at Dutch Harbour
- Thurs 20 July Variable breezes mostly cloudy with fog hanging around in the distance.

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Friday 21 July Heavy fog - mild and calm in morning. The fog lifted or came down in mist about noon so it was too wet to paint outside -

Sat 22 July Clear light variable breezes. Local radio good. The St Roche expects to leave Tree River in the morning. There is plenty of ice outside but they think they can work through it. The buildings have their final coat of paint outside except for the green trim - I am now painting the inside of the house.

Sun 23 July Foggy & rain in the morning and cloudy all day - The breeze keeps pretty well to the West and the weather keeps cool. There must have been a strong wind outside as the ice was pushed up on the end of Igloodik island - It looks to be up to about 200 or 25 feet high in some places -

Mon 24 July Bright but a cool westerly breeze blew all day. I am still painting mostly in the house but I also did the inside of the jolly boat tonight.

Tue 25 July Clear - Westerly breeze, fairly strong. The ice in the outer harbour (that is to the north of the house) moved east for a couple of hours today. It seems pretty well broken up so that the first easterly should be out. The St. Roche was supposed to have broadcasted every night after leaving Tree River but I have not heard her since last Saturday.

Wed 26 July Clear - cool westerly breeze - Coppermine failed to come on. St Roche came on air & is still at Tree River - Annor is at Point Rye in heavy ice.

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Thurs 27 July Clear - warm southerly breeze. The outer harbour or roadstead is about half open water - The ice having been blown over to the Victoria Land side and some of it was working west. I finished painting the inside of the house & started the green trim outside but did not finish. The sun set at 11.20 PM by our time.

Friday 28 July Clear, calm, mild. Skye Bolt arrives from Rymer point in his jolly boat, Kimmuklu also paddles in from his fishing place. Skye says there was only one place where the ice was bad. He has a sleep here & pulls out early in morning.

Sat 29. Clear, warm, southerly breeze. We hear Coppermine broadcast a message to Cambridge Bay in it, it was mentioned that the Supply Ship was damaged & the trip had been abandoned. St Roche repeats message at mid night. The St Roche is near Kusanation arrived Bernard Harbour 7 PM. - Heard Edmonton on midnight broadcast

30 Clear, westerly breeze, warm. Quite a few mosquitos. The St Roche is still at Bernard. I fixed up the Eito outboard motor & went for a spin to try it out.

Mon 31 The weather continued glorious - warm, clear, with only very light breeze - the mosquitos are practically non-existent. The St Roche did not come on the air.

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Tues
Aug 1 Weather unchanged. I went up to one of the small lakes for a swim but the water was only deep enough for a bail - Sam Bagel and Bill Stor arrived from Bernard in a jolly boat & O/B motor. They had come from Coppermine on St Roche. St Roche arrived back at Bernard tonight having gone to Coppermine. Sam & Bill ran into heavy ice all the way across & it took them 15 hours following leads & making portages across the ice.

Wed 2 Weather unchanged. Sam and I have a haircutting bee I visit in evening & we play bridge

Thurs 3 Weather beautiful. Chitty, Bill Stor & Johnny pull out for Auroras place to leave Johnnies dogs for the summer. They do not get back when I went to bed - St Roche falling close to Three Point

Fri day
Aug 4 The fine weather continues - Chitty & his party return this afternoon having been caught in the ice down the coast. I hear the St Roche but miss the position.

Sat 5 Fine weather, The gang from from Conalaska visit to listen for Coppermine but they did not come on the air. The gang helped me erect the mast for radio. St Roche is south of Boothia - Heard Edmonton.

Sun 6 Weather unchanged. Sam Bagel loads his cargo with an outfit for Kuusarn. E. C. Graubline arrives in his schooner from Coppermine via Bernard.

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Mon 7 Mostly clear, westerly breeze, Ikey Bolt
Aug with his wife & Bobby Kington arriving.
They are on a seal hunting expedition.
The ice is getting very scattered.

Tue 8 Clear - westerly breeze, The ice has completely
Aug disappeared. Auranna & a party of
friends arrive in Auranna's boat. Graubline
takes his dogs down to Kimmuktun's then
he is going to pull his boat out here & go to
the Island for an outfit. Large swatches
all around the compass. Then all this
in N.E.

Wed 9 Clear. N.E. breeze (very light) mild. We
pull Graubline's boat out tonight. Coppermine
comes on today. I also hear the St Roche
in the evening - could not get her location
but judge that they are west of Baillie.

Th 10 S.E. breeze, mild - The mosquitoes were
quite thick last night. Some of the ice
is coming back this way. From the straits.
Pimiasluk and Oulayuk breeze in from Rymer Point.
I heard the St Roche. She is at Baillie Island (Fog)
Mr Bonnycastle is at Baillie too.

Fri 11 Clear in AM but clouds roll up & we had a
Aug shower about noon - Kimmuktun comes in
& then he and the other natives pull out

Sat 12 Calm and foggy most of day especially in
Aug evening - Heard Coppermine - Paterson passed
Barrow on 10th St Roche in ice between Baillie
& Herschel - Heard Edmonton in evening.

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Sun 13 cloudy - Strong N.W. wind all day. There has been loose ice hanging around the last few days but it has all disappeared again. Sam Dugel is still here waiting an opportunity to get away with the C.T.C. Cargo boat to Kusenstern & Coppermine - Bill Storr & Graubline & Chilly are expecting the Nigalik from Cambridge any day, they will proceed to Herschel on her.

Mon 14 Cloudy N.W. breeze till late afternoon when it suddenly switched to S.W. and later died out. Sam Dugel left late at night for Coppermine in the Cargo boat. He will go via Bernard & Kusenstern.

Tues 15 N.W. breeze, some sunshine but mostly cloudy. Several attempts to rain but it did not amount to much. The breeze eased up at night but the rollers continued to break on end of igloo like. There are numerous stations on the air but static has been so bad that reception is far from good.

Wed 16 clear, slight westerly breeze, quite warm again today - Kimukluin blows in & I go back with him to borrow one of Graubline's dogs. I want her to breed with my bitch. The engine died on the way down & I had to row nearly all the way. Did not hear Coppermine today. S.E. breeze sprang up in evening.

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THUR 17

Aug

Clear, steady gentle S.E. breeze all day. The Conslaska schooner Niglik arrived late this evening from Cambridge Bay on her way to Herschel Is. Capt Pasely reports solid ice from Cambridge to Turnagain Point. The ice from there to Wilnot is some what broken. He says that he would not be surprised if the boats from King ^{Wm. Holt} & Perry River do not get out this year.

Fri 18

Aug

S.E. breeze. mostly clear, warm - The Nigalik gets away early this morning with Messrs Chitty, Stor and Graubline & Johnny One arm & wife & family as passengers. Aurana & his family arrive about noon. Mrs Auranna has a sore on her shoulder or back - It looks like a boil that has become infected & the sore is about three inches across - I bathed it & Poulticed it with Mecca Ointment. They return ^{Home}

Sat 19

A heavy rain storm hit here early this morning & there were intermittent rain storms & fog till about noon when a breeze sprang up from NW. & it blew pretty hard all the balance of the day. Coppermine Radio comes on - We are informed that Petersen of MS Petersen arrived Herschel 18th and that the Distributor had left Smith ^{17th} on her trip to Aklovik presumably with Western Arctic goods.

Sun 20

Aug

Mostly clear, strong breeze from NW cooler than yesterday but the weather keeps mild - get cool like fall in even - Too much static to hear Edmonton last night

1958

Mon 21

Aug

Weather clear, calm and warm. I could hear natives shooting seal in both directions towards Rymer Point & west towards Avanoo place. Kimmuktun comes in he had been out hunting seal & ran out of ammunition.

Tues. 22

Aug

Clear - South east breeze till afternoon when it switched opposite. Angalalek with his schooner Tuddik arrived from Perry ^{River} on her way to Herschel Island all natives in board or semi natives - Geo Porter and Morris Pokiak. The Schooner pulled out again about 9 P.M.

Wed 23

Aug

N.W. breeze mostly clear. There must be a heavy wind outside as there are big swells coming in. The Tuddik only got around to the end of the island last night where she lay over coming to the breeze & heavy ground swell - they camped a man off here - he will stay with Kimmuktun. Coppermine Radio comes in fine Bill Jones sends me a message saying that Reed so sup- plus should be here about second week in Sept.

Th 24

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Clear and calm. Kimmuktun and the Lad off the Tuddik (Kalooqok) were in early this morning. They are on a seal hunting expedition. It comes up rather inclined to rain tonight.

Fri 25

Aug

Cloudy strong N.W. breeze sometimes foggy and bristly & sometimes raining. It clears up at night & the breeze lessens. I have been busy last few days building a jetty or dock.

Saturday
Aug. 26 Clear, breeze from South which in evening suddenly switches to NW & blows hard accompanied by rain. V.P.K. Coppermine comes on nothing startling in news. Edmonton came on good tonight.

Sun 27 Cloudy - strong NW breeze very high tide.
Aug. Coppermine came on at 9 AM - Distributor left Norman 4 AM 26th for Aklavik - no word yet about Nigalik arriving at Herschel.

Mon 28 Cloudy - The breeze continued all day - I
Aug. make a mouse & fireproof compartment for matches in the store. The Coppermine came on tonight & informed us that the MS NIGALIK arrived at Herschel on 25th.

Tues 29 Cloudy, Westerly breeze (pretty strong) a snow
Aug. storm came on in the afternoon & lasted two or three hours coming down very heavy but melted on the ground as it fell. I am working on the jetty.

Wed 30 Clear, variable light breezes. V.P.K. tells us
Aug. that a plane had landed at Coppermine with mail & that the two weather men (Jacobson and Kineav) were going out on it - I worked some more on pier.

Thurs 31 Mostly cloudy, fairly strong N.E. breeze -
August Kimukturni and Kalorgok sail in & breeze is too strong for them to return so they sleep here. I did some more work on the jetty.

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- Fri. 1. Quite a strong NE-TO-E. breeze with rain and snow. Kemuktuk and his partner return to their camp. Tonight it is snowing & blowing.
- Sat. 2. Snowing and blowing from NE. V.P.K. informed us that the storm is general. There are two or three inches of soft mushy snow on the ground now. The Polar Bear arrived at Coppermine & is pulling out soon for K.W.L. (W9). Mr Bonnycastle left Aklavik today for the coast. The R.C. Mission Schooner "Lady of Louris" is at Coppermine from Herschel.
- Sunday Sept. 3. The storm is still doing its stuff but has hauled around more to the north. By evening it was almost around to NW. and still snowing - On an average I should say there was from 4-6 in of snow on the ground now.
- Mon. 4. Cloudy. Variable winds & snow in the forenoon. In the PM. the breeze settled in NW & blew rest of the day. Cloudy but no more snow fell. V.P.K. tells us that Fudlik arrived Herschel at 4AM today. It is also reported that ice conditions around Alaska are very bad a government boat & one other have been crushed in the ice.
- Tues. 5. Mostly cloudy, light westerly breeze, It is thawing a bit today. Yesterday and today I have been hauling gravel on a hand sled I am using the gravel to finish off the jetty. V.P.K. told us today that the St. Roche left Herschel this afternoon for along the coast - Pedersen (Capt.) left Herschel this morning for outside.

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Wednesday
Sept 6 So cloudy. North West breeze - I finished the jetty today - that is as far as I am going to, this year. There is still sufficient snow on the ground for sleighing. V.P.R. did not come on this afternoon but were on at 9 in the evening and there was so much noise that I could not make out what he was saying. Turned much cooler in the evening.

Thurs 7
Sept Cloudy - N.E. breeze - The snow did not melt today - I went across to the West end of the island and cut some turf - I am going to see if it will burn satisfactorily. The small lakes up on the island are not frozen over - The land is alive with lemmings - The small birds that have been around all summer are still with us so we may get some mild weather yet this season. V.P.R. told us tonight that the St Roche had heavy going, was bucking an Easterly wind & would not arrive at Baillie till tomorrow.

Fri 8
Sept Very strong Easterly wind with frequent showers - The new radio mast that I erected this summer blew down and broke - I erected the longest of the broken pieces which is about 33 ft long and will use that for this winter.

Sat 9
Sept Strong Easterly wind, some rain squalls quite heavy rain at night - V.P.R. said that the St Roche was expected at Pearce Point today - Andy Klingenberg. Ike Bolt & Awakona arrived from Rymur Point & returned - Andy & Awakona came down from Walley Bay passed outside of here last Wednesday

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Is cloudy & foggy at times - light breeze from N.E. The last two days have nearly taken all the snow off the ground - Kimuktuin and his tribe blew in for a visit today. The breeze hauled around to North & practically died out.

Mon
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Some sunshine but mostly cloudy - I had lots of visitors today. Kimuktuin brought some sugar yesterday & when he went home he left it on the beach by where his skiff was so he came back for it early this forenoon. He and his partner stayed till Avanna arrived then they went hunting & killed a lot of ptarmigan. I heard the St Roche tonight. They are lying at Pearce Point & will pull early in A.M. Jacobson arrived there today & the Nigalik (they think) was just pulling in. There has been a N to N.E. breeze all day.

Tues
Sept

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Strong breeze from N.E. cloudy with frequent showers. They arrived from Rymer Point accompanied by Andy, Bobby, Avakona, Pumaadluk and Owlayuk. They will wait here for the supply boat - I had the house nicely cleaned up, but with this mob around and the stoppy weather the house is all tracked up again. I heard no radio (local) today.

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Clear in forenoon with light breeze from N.E. Heavy fog early this morning. Cloudy with some rain in P.M. - Sam Dazel arrived from Coppermine at 10 P.M. (it was quite dark) He had some personal mail.

Thurs
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Cloudy, foggy & frequent showers - It was calm in A.M. Then a West breeze sprang up in P.M. Chelagalik & Charles Smith arrived in Namuk from Akto's land.

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Thurs 15 Sept Mostly cloudy. light variable breezes - The M.S. Tudlik arrived from Herschel Island accompanied by a schooner brought in by Mr Chitty & Nels Hvatum later on the Chumicean arrived with Geo Porter & Pete Brandt aboard who are taking in King William Land Outfit (CTC) David Pektukana arrived in the Sea Otter with Read Island Outfit. He will unload in the A.M. & then proceed to St. Columbian whose outfit also he is carrying and where he will winter. Heard no Radio tonight (local)

Sat 16 Sept Cloudy. N.W. breeze. We unloaded the Sea Otter in a short time. The CTC boat Naga Tudlik pulled out this afternoon I sold my radio to Geo Porter so will be without one this year

Sun 17 Sept Cloudy light breeze from N.W. The Chumicean left early this morning for King Willd I worked all day in the store - opening & marking the new outfit. The CTC schooner Niglik has been expected for for the last few days but has not shown up yet. She was on her way from Herschel via Walker Bay.

Mon. 18 Sept Mostly cloudy but some sunshine this AM. It was practically calm till about noon when a N.E. breeze sprang up - David Pektukana pulled out with the schooner Sea Otter for Walker Bay.

Tues 19 Sept A strong East to North east wind, all day. Mr Chitty brought some lumber & is putting an addition to the store - Heavy frost last night.

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Wed 20 Sept The N.E. wind continues to howl - There was some sunshine today but it was mostly overcast - The weather has been cold and raw with quite a heavy frost at night Aivanna Kimuktoon and Ekotuk are still here unable to get home - The schooner Nanuk is also here yet presumably waiting for the Nigalik.

Thurs 21 Sept Still blowing some sun shine in the AM but it rained in the evening - It turned milder towards evening.

Fri 22 Sept Still blowing from same direction - The natives are hunting every day on the island and killing flocks of ptarmigan. The small lakes and ponds were frozen over the last few days but opened up again today.

Sat 23 Sept The breeze has hauled around a bit to the north and is still blowing hard at noon. There is some rain falling too. This evening the wind seemed to increase if anything and we had heavy rain. We could hear Coppermine radio but could not make out what they said -

Sun 24 Sept This is the 6th day of the storm - It rained all night and turned misty today. The wind eased up but with the fog and mist it will make travelling impossible.

Mon 25 Sept Practically calm in the early part of the day - foggy and misty - Aivanna & his family leave for their home - The old Easterly breeze sprang up in the evening & it blew all night.

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Tues 26

Sept

Eastern breeze, frequent heavy snow flurries. The temperature remains comparatively mild a few degrees above freezing. I notice numerous small birds around yet which seems to indicate a late freeze up. The Schooner Namuk with Chitungiak and Chas. Smith pulled out this afternoon. Plans are indefinite. Chitungiak may stop around Avakona while the Namuk may proceed to Godthaab Bay but if it gets too dark it will come back. It is still blowing and snowing tonight.

Wed 27

Sept

It is still blowing & there were frequent snow flurries during the day - The ground was white with snow this AM but it melted during the day - The Klungenberg clan arrived this afternoon from Rysner point Ikeg & Mrs Bolt - Andrew & Jorgan Klungenberg and the hangers on Eulayak & Pumiadluk ok yes and Avakona - The weather turned cold this evening & there is about 6 degrees of frost - K.P.K. came in pretty good on Chitli's radio.

Thurs 28

Sept

Cloudy, East wind, frequent snow flurries but the snow is practically all disappearing as it falls - The hills to the north are white - Ikeg Bolt & Co were busy purchasing their outfits

Fri 29

Sept

The wind continues in the same direction - It is getting rather monotonous now - The clouds rolled away for a change and the sun shines brightly - Last night was coldest so far for the season 20° - Ikeg & Co. pulled out for Rysner Point this morning. I brought all the pushables in the house

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Saturday
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Clear, calm & cold - Ice is forming on the Little Harbour. The Canadian schooner Nigalik arrives accompanied by the M.S. Nanuk. The Nigalik had run into some dirty weather & got out of her course. The Nigalik finishes unloading & will leave for Cambridge Bay in A.M.

October

Sunday
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Clear, calm, cold. The thermometer showed 16° of frost during night. The inner Little Harbour is completely frozen over. The H.V. Eagle (Wm Storr's boat) arrived from Coppermine. They had been to Kiymer Point with supplies & had a few things for his post and the mail & news letters. The Eagle on called at Read on 11th Sept. The Eagle takes on some supplies for W.B. at Coppermine & would have pulled out before dark but the tide dropped & left him grounded.

is a cloudy, overcast day. The thermometer ranges around 20-25°. The Eagle pulled out at daylight & had no difficulty in backing her way out of the harbour. The natives on board Chitsugainuk's schooner waited at C.T.C. & pulled out - but then for west of here where she will winter. Mr. Chilly and I go down to mine for water but it was frozen so far out in the bay that we could not get in with his whale boat. The sea gulls are still here, also some small birds - The ducks are beginning to form in large flocks.

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Tues. 3

It has been mostly cloudy, a breeze sprang up & it blew pretty hard from SE - The Barometer is going down & the thermometer is going up. Trapper E.G. Graublin who pulled his boat out here last summer & went out to the island (Huskel) on the Nigalik returned on the Nigalik and is bummung around here - He says he is going to Richardson Island to trap but he is making no effort to get his boat in the water and it is possible that we will have his unwelcome company thrust on us this winter. Mr Chitty of C.T.C. is busy pulling out his boats. He has a whale boat, Cargo boat and a small schooner. The temperature tonight is 30° strong East wind - overcast.

Wed 4

Strong East wind with snow. It seems to have snowed most of the night & then drifted. The east wind has cleared the inner harbour of ice.

Thurs. 5

Practically calm. Temperature just freezing. Ikey Bolt, Andy & Jorgan Klingenberg arrive from Rymer Point each with a boat & Kicker. The latter two return home but Ikey couldn't get his engine started so slept at Johnny's or Chitty's. Graublin launches his boat. Strong east wind gets up tonight.

Friday 6

practically calm - 32° cloudy. I went out sealing but shot only once & did not get anything - Graublin's boat leaking badly. Ikey still here - Ikey left in the evening having borrowed Chitty's old Kicker.

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Sat. 7. East wind and heavy snow fall most of the day. Andy & Ike return with Chitty's outboard motor & depart for Lymer Point again. Mr Chitty returned some goods that he had borrowed & stayed to dine - I went back with him in the evening to listen to Coppermine but the reception was very poor - The opposition radio is far from satisfactory it is a (Mercury Scout) 10 tube set. The wind switched around to NW & is blowing strongly.

Sun. 8. Some sunshine but mostly overcast - A strong NW wind blowing - There have been quite a few ptarmigan around the house the last few days. Some snow fell tonight.

Mon 9. The temperature has been from 26-24° the last couple of days - The N. W. wind blew hard all day - Count Graubline is apparently going to Winter here as I see him pulling his boat out with the assistance of his dogs.

Tues 10. Practically calm this morning - Ice formed on the lake. Snowing again - It is forming quite a goodly amount of snow. The Graubline has his boat up on the beach & Chitty pulled the outboard motor up today - I have finished the books to date - It was spring up late like afternoon & it blew quite strongly from SW - then switched to east then back to N. about 24°

Wed 11. Cloudy, calm, just freezing - I am straightening around in the house preparing to build a kitchen cabinet. Not much news from VPK.

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Thurs. 12

A gale from N.E sprang up this morning and with some snow mixed in it blew and drifted all day.

Fri 13

Temperature went down to 1° above zero - The wind is still blowing, clear sky - Temp down to zero tonight - Ice on the inner harbour is strong enough to bear a man now - The wind is too strong for ice to form on the outer harbour but just wait till it calms down -

Sat. 14

-2° below zero this morning - The outer harbour froze over solid last night - There were several open places but most of them froze over during the day - The same old wind is with us There have been several white owls around lately they must be attracted by the thousands of lemmings on the island.

Sun 15

-2° below again this morning - The old N.E. wind is still blowing hard - It was clear this AM but clouded up in the evening and I think it is turning milder.

Mon 16

Temperature around 10° today The breeze died down in the evening - I went over to test the ice - It was about ^(12 inches) thick saw several owls.

Tues. 17

20° - Calm - Cloudy - Mr Chitty and Johnny and my self cut ice today - 130 blocks - It should see us through the winter.

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Cloudy, calm, 20°. There were hundreds of ptarmigan around & every one got their bag limit. There was very little news from V.P.K. or at least there was very little that we could make out. It is far better to be without a radio than to have one like the Canaduck. It is so annoying to hear only a word now and then when VPK is on - The U.S. stations & come on better. While over at C.T.C. listening to Radio four teams arrived from Prince Albert Sound. W^m Kuptanna, Nelianna and Ootowoguk came here while Amokok & his brother Kiok went to C.T.C.

Thurs
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Cloudy, 20°, light northerly breeze. The natives that arrived yesterday did their shopping and are prepared to depart in the morning - It turned cooler in the evening going down to zero.

Fri 20

Blear, -7° below, light NE breeze. The natives do not make a very early start but they all get away - I hope that will be the last of that tribe till Christmas at least. Quite a strong ^{NE} breeze blew in the afternoon (3:16) It was cloudy and hazy in the afternoon but has cleared up again tonight - Sun-dogs today and a very high glass 30.36.

Sat 21

Cloudy, light breeze some snow fell. The glass sets a high mark 30.55. Temp. around 0-10°.

Sun. 22

Mostly cloudy, NW breeze temperature zero & slightly above. The glass slipped a bit being 30.40 tonight.

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Mon. 23. Cloudy - -8° in AM going up to 10 during the day - Strong NW breeze with some drifting. Two natives arrive from P.A. Sound - Taddliak and his father Oudlitch. They are staying with opposition.

Tues. 24. Clear - -10° strong N.E. wind with drift. Taddliak & his father pull out for Rymer Point for a visit to Ike. Kimukluin & Kootchuk arrive from the lake where they have been fishing. They build a snow house at the opposition, in a drift by the boats. Trisic the bitch at the post presented a half bushel of pups yesterday morning at 16 to the bushel.

Wed. 25. -16° below. Clear & calm - Most of the natives go out sealing - I visit C.T.C. to hear the radio but as usual the Coppermine was a wash out - Andrew Klingenberg arrived. He is camped on the Island to S.E. (Igloodik) Taddliak and his father Oudlitch arrive from Rymer Pt. Graublon finished his dwelling and moved in yesterday. A raven flew over the buildings first seen for ages!

Thurs 26. -7° , clear, calm
Andy K. pulled out also Pumiadluk and Oulayuk who came in with him. While out sealing today. Kootchuk's dogs went through the ice and before he could get them out three of them were drowned. -6° tonight

Fri. 27. -7° below. clear. A N.E. breeze blew quite hard for a time during the day. Taddliak & Oudlitch pulled out for the Sound. We had no thermometer here last year so I do not know how cold it was but it strikes me that this has been an exceptionally cold October

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Sat. 28 Clear and calm -5° . A native arrived from the Sound Taptuna and is camped at the appropriation.

Sun. 29 Clear & calm -11° below.
Rymmer point came up to Read Island to pay a visit among those present were Ike Bolt, Jorgan Klingenberg & wife & Arakma and wife and 2 children. They parked here.

Mon. 30 -4° below. Clear & calm.
Taptuna and the gang from Rymmer Point, get away. Kimuktu & Granblum go inland to do some fishing. This has been the longest spell of fine weather since last Summer and goes a long way towards making up for the dirty ^{autumn} fall we had.

Tues. 31. -10° below clear & calm. This makes a week of really glorious weather. I hope it continues till Christmas.

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Wed. 1 -13° below clear - light Easterly breeze.
Kimuktuin & Granblime arrive back from
the fish lake - I have not spoken with them
I visited Canasaka this Afternoon & heard
V.P.K. It came in the best that I have
heard them on Chilly's radio.

Thurs. 2 -12° below, clear, light Easterly breeze during day.
The fine weather keeps right on - The nights with
the full moon and clear & calm are glorious.
I have been building a kitchen cupboard but
have been making slow progress - I was on
the books today and am up to date once more.

Friday 3. -5° below. mostly clear some clouds in north, calm.
Kimuktuin went down to Aranas to get some
seal cached there.

Sat. 4 The temperature was just zero last night but went
down to -5° this morning then up to 12° above -
It came up cloudy about noon & we had a
light snow fall but has mostly cleared up tonight.
The temperature is 5 above. Kimuktuin returns
& Etokona paid a visit & departed.

Sun 5 zero some snow fell cloudy all day.
Etokuk & his family blew in for a visit
& departed - They are fishing inland.
Temperature lower tonight -13° below

Mon. 6 Cloudy, calm Temperature around zero.
Kimuktuin & Granblime go inland to visit nets
Chitruqaluk's two boys arrive late this evening
and are camped at C.T.C.

Tues 7 Cloudy calm some snow falling around
zero during day & evening. Tommy & Willis leave

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November

Wed. 8 Clear, light NW breeze. The temperature went down to -18° below during night. Kumbukun & Grantham arrived. V.P.K. radio was very good today (that is the reception) he seems to have made some alterations to the set as the voice & music is not distorted as formerly. The breeze (NW) has freshened tonight.

Thurs. 9 Some sunshine but mostly cloudy & slightly hazy. -5° below zero. Tonight N.Easterly breeze with some snow. -10° tonight.

Fri. 10 -26° below. Clear, light variable breeze. Early this morning was the coldest so far this season. -20° all day.

Sat. 11 -30° below this morning and -20° during day. Clear and light variable breezes. Every one seems to be busy getting trapping camps put out. From reports it seems that there are quite a few fox tracks on the land with only a few on the coast. -15° tonight.

Sun. 12 -32° below this morning. Clear & calm. It was cold (around -30°) all day & turned colder when the sun went down. at 9 PM it was -36° below.

Mon. 13 -20° below cloudy light westerly breeze. Rather hazy atmosphere. I went out & froze in some traps to west. I have not set nor baited them yet. -10° below tonight with a rising glass.

Tues. 14 -20° below, clear calm. The weather turned cooler tonight going down to -30° .

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1958

Wed. 15

-30° this morning cloudy & hazy - Slight easterly breeze in the morning which increased to storm proportions by night. V.P.K. Coppermine came on good today. A message said that our mail would leave McMurray on 17 Jan. for Coppermine. When I was out fixing some more traps today I saw a duck flying N.W. It was then lower than -20°.

Thurs 16

-15° clear & calm - The wind of yesterday blew itself out at day light this A.M. I went out & set my traps

Fri 17

clear, calm. -14°

Sat 18

-18° clear, light variable breezes, mostly from west. The Ptarmigan are not such frequent visitors around the house but nearly every day I see a small flock. Kimmiktuuk took the day off from his trap line and re-modeled his snow house.

Sun 19

-10° cloudy light NW breeze, hazy. Gorgan Klingenberg & Avakoma came in for a visit today & returned - Mr Chitty heard C.I.C.A. last night (MIDNIGHT BROADCAST) for the first time this Season. -10° tonight

Mon 20

-18° clear and calm We had three hours sunlight today. -24° tonight

Tues 21

-31° clear and calm. I have started to get the house banked -29° tonight

Wed 22

-26° - clear - calm - V.P.K. radio good - Andy Klingenberg return from his trap line on land - Avanna Paap us a visit also lots of tracks on land -26° tonight

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Thurs 23 - -20° clear slight breeze from NW.
Arranna gets away - I indulge in
some more banking - -31° tonight

Fri 24 - -32° - clear - calm - Ekootuk & his
family pay a visit & trade & return.
Mr Chetty paid a visit & got a hair-cut
 -34° tonight

Sat 25 - -36° Clear & calm. There was a cloud
bank low down on the horizon. It
looked like a low wall of water.

Sun 26 - -20° overcast - quite a strong NW wind with
drifting. -24° at night

Mon 27 - -24 below - clear, light NW breeze - Ikeg
Bolt pays a short visit & returns home - he
says there are not many foxes around his
place.

Tues 28 - -24° clear in the morning but a fog came up which
lasted a couple of hours in early afternoon. clear again
in evening but slightly hazy. calm -33° tonight

Wed 29 - -14° clear overhead but a strong NW wind blowing
with drifting making visibility poor. V.P.K. radio
came in good -13° tonight.

Thurs 30 - -14° - Strong NW wind heavy drifting.
This is the first bad storm we have experienced
so far this season. Tonight - -9° below
with wind & drifting unchanged. The glass
is still going down having reached 29.10 now

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Fri 1 -9° mostly cloudy - a gusty breeze from north no drifting. Temperature went down sharply in the evening -25° tonight. Friday Haka-yuk arrived from Lady Franklin Point this evening & is camped at opposition. calm & clear tonight

Sat 2 -10° hazy & overcast light breeze from NW. Eto-kona pulled in to opposition, from West. This year seems to be a repetition of last year when every native & his brother arrives & camps at opposition - I think it would pay the company to loosen up a bit on their expenses & allow us to keep a native around the post so that the visiting natives would have some place to stop when they come in.

Sun 3 -10° hazy - calm - I clouded up at night & a little snow fell - Temperature rose to -4°. Mc C. Kitty Pays a visit.

Mon 4 -29° - clear calm - I run over my trapline but saw no signs. Temperature fell to -33 this evening.

Tues. 5 -36°. clear & calm - Mc C. Kitty pays a short visit - buys some Beans. Kimuktu returns from visiting his traps - turning colder this evening. -39° tonight/coldest so far this season.

Wed. 6 -40°. clear and calm - V.P.K. was good today but there was some distortion - Tommy & Willie Chitsegsluk arrived this evening. Today has been the coldest so far -40 below in the morning & evening & not going above -39° during the day - milder late tonight -36°

Thurs 7. -24° - clear - breeze from NW. with some drifting - The visitors got away also Kimmuktein & Kootchuk. The reports are that the forces are falling off. perhaps due to the cold weather they are not travelling. The fur this year is of very good quality. -26° tonight

Fri 8 -24° clear overhead but hazy lower down - quite a strong NW wind with some drift. -26°

Sat. 9 -22° clear with the same old wind blowing. It calmed down about midnight & the temperature went to -24 again.

Sun 10 -18° cloudy with NW breeze again - the temperature went up to -15° The breeze is gusty.

Mon. 11 -20° clear and calm - Jorgan Klingenberg arrives and departs for home - Koodluk blows in from Krusenstern & says he will stay here for Xmas - He works for C.T.C. at Krusenstern. -30° tonight

Tues. 12 -34° clear very light N.E. breeze - I finished the snow wall around the house today. Koodluk has been requested to go back & look at his traps so I expect he will be going back after a short visit here - It will be an opportunity for us to get mail as far as Krusenstern at least -34° tonight

Wed. 13. -14° Very dull & hazy - calm. looks like snow V.P.K. pretty good today but some static - tonight it is blowing quite hard with temperature -10°

Thurs 14. -24° - clear & calm - -30 in afternoon. Engage Koodluk to build a snow porch

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Fri. 15 -20° clear - calm - Keodluk engaged to clean & fix foxes - A strong wind got up this evening & blew hard till about midnite 20° tonight - There are a few Ptarmigan around I shot two close to the house today & the natives have been getting some Ptarmigan.

Sat. 16 -37° clear & calm. It turned colder in the evening & was -43° at night - the coldest so far this season.

Sun. 17 -47° clear and calm - Wm Kuptana & Ekootick arrived this morning the former from P.A.S. with cattle from his camp up the water creek - it says there is not many foxes in the area today, was the coldest yet for tomorrow at -45° There was a message for me from C.J.C.H. last night but Mr Chitly could not come to the post.

Mon. 18 -36° clear and calm - I finished a snow machine & a pressure gauge & a thermometer for the house.

Tues. 19 -36° clear slight westerly breeze. -40° at night

Wed. 20 -34° clear southerly breeze this AM calm in PM Andrew, Jorgan & Avakona arrived from Rymer Point also Owluyuk (the govt) & Pumiadluk Wm Kuptana fixes up his sled & will make a trip over the hump with a load of goods & return for Christmas. -36° tonight - Kahok & wife and Nelvanna arrive from P.A. Sound for Vmas an old fellow named Enowlowok blew in with them & is staying at C.T.C. They say more people are on the road but are not expected tonight.

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THUR 21 -30° clear, but hazy - calm - Andy K.
 Jorgan K. & Arakona pull out for home
 loaded down with odds & ends. Kuptana
 starts over the hill with a load - Pumyuk &
 Ootowoyuk (Joke) arrive from the sound ^{accompanied} by
 Monoyuk & Anowmuk. -40°

FRI 22 -40° clear & calm - Auranna & family
 and Etokona arrive from west -
 These are the grand & glorious times that
 drive a man bald headed and crazy.
 Night before last there were twelve of us
 sleeping in the house - with all these people
 in the house the walls sweat considerably
 & some frost forms - I signed on as a
 post manager but now find that I
 am running an up to date flop-house -

Sat. 23 -44° clear & calm - It was so cold in
 the store today that I had to put on deerskin
 pants for the first time. I visited Chitly
 this evening to hear broadcast from Edm.
 but it was a wash out - Chitsiegaluk
 and his family arrive at CTC for Xmas²³

Sun 24 -44° - clear - calm. breeze sprang up at
 night from NW.

Mon 25 -30° overcast hazy breeze from NW with
 light drift - Christmas Day but it might
 just as well be any other day in the year
 for all the Christmas cheer that we get
 out of it - I gave the natives a feed -
 cooked it in the house & then sent it out to
 their snow houses - No one thanked me for
 it so perhaps it wasn't so good - -38° tonight
 with NW breeze the simple pure savages had
 Christmas dinner at Chitly.

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Tues 26 -40° light N. breeze clear - The natives were all up at the operations dancing all night with the result that they slept so late that they could not get up to pull out today though a couple of teams pulled out for the west. The temperature went down to -50° this evening & is just on -51° tonight - going to -52° later

Wed 27 -50° - clear & calm - All the company natives got away this morning - Andrew Klingenberg arrived & is going in to P.A. Sound with his father-in-law Audlital where he will visit for several weeks. The temperature is going up & it is overcast tonight. -36°

Thurs 28 -37° O'cast. stiff NW breeze with drifting Andy & his gang did not get away today Keodluk & Kootchuk were also to pull for Krusenstern but layed over on account of the dirty weather. - Tonight -37° clear blowing.

Fri 29 -40° clear - calm. Andrew K. & Audlital got away for the Sound & Keodluk & Kootchuk pulled out for Krusenstern. I am working on the books. -50° tonight

Sat 30 -48° clear & calm - The temperature went down to -50 before noon & stayed there till evening when it went to -53.

Sun 31. -40° clear. A light NW breeze which increased in strength towards noon & blew hard all day with drifting. Avanna and the Chitsegoluk tribe descend on us in the evening - presumably for New Years Day. Temperature -38° tonight

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Mon 1. -30° clear o'head but very thick lower down caused by the NW wind that continues to blow. Our friends are still with us.

Tues 2. -30° clear - still blowing but not so hard as yesterday. This has been, not the strongest but the longest blow of the season. Avramma pulled out for his home. The wind died down in the late afternoon - Sam Dagel with native Kongretuk arrive from Krusenstern - They brought mail for me that Johnny Norberg had picked up at Bear Lake on a visit he made there. Temperature unchanged - (There was no official mail nor even a letter from Coppermine)

Wed. 3 -30° clear - NE breeze I work on requisitions to go out on winter mail. Sam Dagel prepares to get away in AM going back to Krusenstern via Bernard. I dine at C.T.C. -38° this evening.

Thurs 4. -30° clear and calm - Sam and his native pull out this morning - One side of my porch fell in so I was busy splicing a section in. -37° tonight

Fri 5 -38° clear and calm - This has been one of the finest days we have had for some time. The sun is getting up very close to the horizon and the days are getting noticeably longer.

Sat 6 -30° stiff NW breeze overcast - There was some drifting & the day was generally miserable. -37° tonight. There is still a breeze but it has eased up considerably.

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Sun. 7. -32° overcast breeze from East. It looks as though the police were not going to be here in time to take the mail to Coppermine so Mr Chetty & I have decided to engage a native team & man to make the trip

Mon 8. -14° some clear sky but mostly o'cast - light easterly breeze - 12 tonight falling glass

Tues 9. -14° - snowing - Easterly breeze & some drift. The glass is down to 29.00 the lowest for a long time. It cleared up this evening. -20°

Wed. 10. -24° o'cast strong NW breeze with drifting. The glass is still very low and it looks as though we were in for some unsettled weather. -30° tonight clear light breeze - Coppermine Radio came in good today.

Thurs 11. -20° Snowing this AM. overcast, calm. -30° tonight no visitors today for a change.

Fri 12. -40° slight NW breeze overcast - I finished my mail today. Kimuktuin is to leave for Coppermine tomorrow. -30° tonight snowing

Saturday 13. -32° overcast - light NE breeze - Kimuktuin gets away to an early start with mail to Coppermine & outside. V.P.K. came in good today but no new news - -38 tonight

Sun 14. -42° clear light NW breeze. The temperature dropped to -45° this evening but went back to -42 tonight. There was a thin fog or cloud bank on the southern horizon if it had not been for that I would have been able to see the sun, I think.

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January

Mon 15

-52° Clear, light NW breeze. The sun was well up above the horizon today. This is the first time we have seen it since it came back. If it had not been for clouds we should have seen it three or four days ago. It was shining on the house for about two hours all together. The temperature was -53° all day but went down to -54° in the evening and is -52° tonight with the breeze stronger.

Tues. 16 -50° Clear - slight SE breeze - The temperature held steady at -50° all day.

Wed 17 -36° Overcast breeze from N.East - V.P.K. radio good they mentioned that Kimmukteen had arrived at Coppermine yesterday.

Thurs 18 -32° Clear - NE breeze - Avanna & Etokona arrived the former returning while Etokona stayed the night. Andy Klungenberg arrived this evening from P.A.S. -36° tonight NE breeze

Fri 19 -32° NE Breeze. O'cast. Andy leaves for home. Pumaaluk arrives from Rymur Point & is staying here for a change. The barometer took a sudden drop. The temperature went up to -20° & it is snowing now.

Sat 20 -28° cloudy NW breeze all the bucks leave the settlement the visitors returning home & the locals going to visit their traps - Not much news from Coppermine except the plane is held up on account of bad weather & will not likely be at Coppermine before Tuesday. -30° cloudy

Sun 21 -30° O'cast & foggy - variable breezes - Attigehiak & his son Zelowok arrived this evening from their camp at Okalluk Island. They are trapping at Bernard Hbr. weather unchanged tonight

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Mon. 22 -30° Hazy atmosphere - clear overhead. Strong NW breeze - drifting. Attigehak & son left this morn taking a young girl (Kumuktuin's wife's daughter) with them. I presume as the son's wife - neither one of them can be over 15 years & I should judge the girl to be about 12. 34° otherwise unchanged.

Tues. 23 -37° clear sky but thick towards the horizon. The NW breeze keeps up - The glass is steady but low. -2 -28° tonight.

Wed. 24 -28° Hazy - clear sky. N.W. breeze. V.P.K. radio at Coppermine came in good - The mail plane has not arrived there yet but is expected tomorrow. Wap may the veteran pilot of Canadian Airways is reported lost around Simpson. Cindy (Wise), the evening Chitsee galuk & Tommy came in yesterday tonight -30

Thurs. 25 -30° - Calm - clear early in A.M. but it thickened up before noon - snowing tonight - calm -26°

Fri. 26 -37° clear but hazy. stiff NW breeze with drift. Chitsee galuk & Tom. leave for home. Tonight - clear stiff breeze -46° - Glass rising

SAT. 27 -40° clear - overhead but drifting & hazy on ground NW breeze. W V.P.K. - The plane with mail arrived at Coppermine on Thursday - no messages or press. Kumuktuin should be back about Tuesday - still blowing tonight -37° - Messrs Awakona & Bob. Klingenberg arrived this P.M.

Sunday -40° - clear & calm - The glass has gone up to 40° again after being down around 29.24 for some days - we should get some good weather again for a day or so. The temperature went up to 20° tonight.

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29 - 40° calm & clear. a light breeze got up in the evening.

Tues. 30 - 40° Clear calm. Jorgan K. arrives & goes back. Granline who has been away since Xmas arrives back and Kinnuktu whom we sent to Coppermine with & for the mail arrived back with the mail.
- 46° tonight.

- Wed 31 - 48° clear & calm. Ekotuk & Kootuk leave to visit their traps - VPK had no news nor messages but came in very clear.
- 46° tonight clear, calm. The temperature goes up during the day to around - 30°

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Thurs 1

40° - clear & calm - most of the natives left to visit their traps - slight breeze NW this evening and a ring around the moon - 36°

Fri 2

- 40° clear & calm - a strong breeze from N.W. got up late in evening but died out during the night - 44° tonight

Sat 3

- 40° clear & calm - Ikey Bolt & Pumasukluk arrive & return to Rymer Point - Ikey went to visit Patsy Klingenberg at Walmoat Isl. at Xmas & has only just returned - 42° tonight - I did not go over to hear VPK.

Sun 4

- 36° clear and calm - This has been a beautiful spell of weather the last few days - there were several flocks of ptarmigan around the house, the first seen for some time. Ekotuk & Ruptana come back from trapline. - 34° tonight

Mon 5

- 22° clear but hazy - light easterly breeze which switched at night to SE & blew hard thermometer went up at night to -8° Koochuk comes back

Tues 6

8° above - Blowing hard from SE. This is the first time I have seen a strong SE wind at Read I. The weather moderated the temperature going above zero for the first time in about 3 months. The wind died out about noon & balance of day was clear with light easterly breeze with temperature above zero.

Wed 7

zero - overcast light NE breeze - no news nor messages from VPK today zero tonight snowing

Thurs 8

zero - overcast & very hazy. some snow falling The temperature fell to -10° tonight. Arana & family arrive

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- Thurs 9 -20° Overcast & hazy - Easterly breeze -
Avrona goes back to his trapping ground.
The temperature went down to -35° tonight. clear
- Sat 10 -38°, clear, calm. Mr Chitty borrowed the
fur press yesterday to bale his fur that is
going out via plane in March. I did
not go over to listen to VPK today - -40° tonight
- Sun 11 -43° Clear & calm - Chitsegaluk & Thos. arrived,
they are going to Coppermine to get fish. -43°
- Mon 12 -47° clear & calm. It came up cloudy in the
evening & a light breeze sprang up from East.
Clear tonight -37°
- Tues 13 -40° clear & calm - weather and temperature
unchanged tonight
- Wed 14 -24° Overcast, hazy - strong Easterly breeze
-20° tonight - calm. no news nor mags from VPK.
- Thurs 15 20° strong NW wind - cloudy & misty - The
wind blew hard till mid afternoon when it
died out - 20° tonight.
- Fri 16 20° mostly overcast & hazy. a fairly strong
NW. breeze with a heavy ground drift. clear
tonight with only a light breeze - -24°
- Sat 17 -34° clear & calm - VPK came in good
but no news nor messages - -38° tonight c+c
- Sun 18 zero heavy snow fell mostly all day - practi-
cally calm till late evening when a NW breeze
started. The glass fell during last night
from 20.00 to 29.40 -8° tonight

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- Mon 19 10° Overcast, strong wind from N.W. - (gusty) with heavy drifting. The weather cleared up & the breeze dropped tonight - 20°
- Tues 20 - 30° clear calm. Mr Chitty got away to his trap line today - This is the first time he has visited them since they were set. He got a skunk. Johnny One Arm & Ekotuk also pulled out to visit traps. - 34°
- Wed 21 - 38° clear and calm. There was some interference on radio today but we heard most of a message from V.P.K. - her seems to have taken a jump. - 34°
- Thur 22 - 34° clear & calm Chitsagluk. Thomas & Kutchuk left Coppermine yesterday so they should be galloping in here about Saturday. - 32°
- Fri 23 30° clear & calm in a.m. but it came up cloudy in P.M. - Illipsak & wife arrived here & Neogoyuk arrived at the Canalska both outfits from P.A.S. Calm - 20°
- Sat 24 - 20° clear & calm. Jorgan & Avelona call & return. V.P.K. Radio came on with the repeat of the code message - Fur has gone up a lot. - 20° tonight
- Sun 25 20° clear in AM but turned hazy during the day. The glass has fallen from 30.00 to 29.25 & it looks as if we were in for some dirty weather. Kootchuk returned from his trip to Coppermine. Chitsagluk going straight to his place without calling here snowing tonight - 10°
- Mon 26 - 10° cloudy, NW breeze very hazy. Numerina & wife arrived from P.A.S. - 26° tonight.

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Tues 27 -20° clear - NW breeze - Illipriak & Neogungah
get away on an early start on their return to P.A.S. -30°

Wed 28 -36° clear & calm - Numerena & wife leave
for a visit to Rymer Point. Arana & family &
Etorkona pulled in from their camp, the latter
staying at Canalaska where he trades - Later
in the afternoon Amokok & his brother Hikok
or Kyrok arrived from P.A.S. The latter staying
at Canalaska while Amokok pulled in here
which was strange as he has been dealing
at Canalaska the last two years - Kyrok
also said he was going to pay his old debt
& trade some here - I believe he made a good
hunt (he nor Amokok were in at Christmas) -40°

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- Thurs 1. -44° clear, light easterly breeze gradually increasing in volume till at night fall it was near gale force - The temperature went up to -24° at night.
- Fri 2. -10° Blowing a gale - It is drifting so bad that I cannot see the warehouse so I do not know if the sky is clear or overcast - These Savages from the Sound are staying in the house so that the native flop house is doing a rushing business. A native house would illuminate all this business of sleeping & eating in the house -12° tonight
- Sat 3. -12° It blew hard all day but it has eased up a little to what it was yesterday. Temp. -12°
- Sun. 4. -12° Hazy & O'cast light Easterly breeze - Kyrook leaves for a visit to Rymer Point. The weather cleared up & the breeze died out tonight -30°
- Mon 5. -30° Clear & practically calm - The natives make preparations to get away tomorrow - Kyrook returns from Rymer Point accompanied by Andrew K. & Pamiadluk -30°
- Tues 6. -24° mostly O'cast. strong breeze from NW all our native visitors left this morning for their respective stamping grounds - The weather thickening & the breeze increased as the day grew older. -20°
- Wed 7. -13° O'cast strong N.W. breeze drifting. Chilly came over to tell me that V.P.K. said a plane would arrive here about 15th - Blowing till evening when it cleared up & breeze died down -12°
- Thurs 8. -12° Blowing hard all day till evening - -20°

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Fri 9 -18° clear with a light easterly breeze - Hazy
Iky Holt & Anakona arrived & departed yesterday

Sat 10 -15° clear slightly hazy, calm. VPK radio
said McKenzie River Air Service plane was due
to arrive on 15th for Canalska fur. Sgt
Macnason left Coppermine Thursday for
Read Island. -20°

Sun 11 -20° clear calm and beautiful. Sgt
Macnason arrives about 4 PM. coming from
Rymur Point. He is not going on to Baker
Bay as we had anticipated. The temperature
goes well above zero in the sun during day

Mon 12 -24° clear & calm. The light is setting
ready to leave again tomorrow he will go
back to Coppermine via Richardson. -22°

Tues 13 -26° clear, calm. The police patrol leave
this afternoon, only going as far as King Point today

Wed 14 -20° strong NW breeze, hazy but clear at last
V.P.K. was good today but not much news.

Thurs 15 -22° clear - strong NW breeze. The natives have
been unable to go to look at their traps. unchanged temp

Fri 16 -22° clear. The same old breeze blew all day
but died down in evening. Kimuktu pulled out
with his family to go sealing. Corayuk arrives
from Rymur Point and Attigehian comes in from
his seal camp. -30°

Sat 17 -24° clear and calm. V.P.K. came in good today. The
plane for Canalska fur - arrived Coppermine yesterday
& will leave for Cambridge tomorrow.

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- Sun 18 - 32° clear & calm - The plane went to Cambridge and probably on to King W^o La for CTC fur. - 30
- Mon 19 - 40° - clear and calm. VPK came on again. The plane that went to Cambridge has not returned. Another plane with Stan McMillan is at Cameron Bay ready to come to Coppermine. - 32°
- Tue 20 - 32° Clear and calm. V.P.K. said that the plane had left Cameron Bay but at 1:15^{PM} it had not arrived at Coppermine
- Wed 21 - 17° mostly overcast, strong NW breeze, drifting. It cleared up in evening & the breeze eased up a bit but is still blowing hard enough to cause a ground drift. I did not visit Chilly today so do not know what VPK had to say. - 26°
- Thurs 22 - 17° Overcast - strong NW breeze with heavy drifting
- Fri 23 - 22° Clear NW breeze with ground drift - 30°
- Sat. 24 - 14° Cloudy rather inclined to snow light N.W. Breeze ^{mail plane arrives Coppermine 24°}
- Sun. 25 - 20° Clear stiff easterly breeze some ground drift - 24°
- Mon. 26 - 20° Clear E. breeze in AM. clear, calm PM - 24°
- Tues 27 - 20° clear sky but slightly hazy - Light W. breeze The plane "Mckenzie River Air Service" with Matt Berry, Pilot arrived here shortly after 3 PM. They brought the mail from Coppermine. They loaded the Canolaska fur & pulled out for Coppermine about 5 PM. a group of natives arrived from the Seal camp which is now established near Okaluk Islands. They Bolt also paid a flying visit.

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Wed 28 -14° cloudy. light breeze from East - The temperature went up to 1 and it started to snow. Bad weather at Coppermine kept the plane from jumping off for Cambridge Bay with Mr Gibson as passenger.

Thurs 29 zero cloudy with occasional snow flurries a stiff NW breeze sprang up in evening and it looked like a real blizzard starting but it soon died out.

Friday 30 "Good Friday" zero, cloudy, light Easterly breeze. There are generally a lot of snow birds around at this time of the year but so far as I have seen none. -14°

Sat. 31. -14° Ocst. Blowing from east with ground drift - The gang from down Urania's way blew in to spend Easter - This something new for them & must be some of Chitsegauk's teaching. They will get very little encouragement for future Easters. The wind died down in the evening & the sky cleared temp to -40°

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- Sun 1 -34° clear and calm. Easter Sunday has the finest day we have had this year. Nelvana & Toptenak arrive from the Sound & Bob Klingenberg calls in on his way home from the seal camp. Temp C & C. -43°
- Mon 2. -24° O'cast - strong easterly breeze with a ground drift - Arrana, Etokona & the Chitsuegaluk gang left for home. -14° tonight wind still with us.
- Tues 3 -14° O'cast - strong E. breeze with ground drift
- Wed 4. -10° Clear - Light Easterly breeze. The natives who wintered down near Williams Point arrived they are Aliqomiat & Ekootuk with families & dependents. -14°
- Thurs 5 -14° clear and calm - Err the natives whom I had as arriving yesterday arrived today. -24
- FRI 6 -20° It was beautiful this morning but just before noon a N.W. breeze sprang up & there has been considerable drifting -14°
- Sat. 7. -14° O'cast, N.W. breeze, drifting
- Sun 8. 14° clear. N.W. breeze - blowing & drifting till sundown when the breeze died out -20
- Mon 9. -16° clear, calm - Arrana, Etokona and the two Chitsuegaluk boys arrive. -24°
- Tues 10 -16° Clear overhead but slightly hazy on horizon
- Wed 11 -14° Clear and calm - V.P.K. radio good - from what they said it appears as though Matt Perry in the CTC fur plane has not arrived back from Cambridge Bay so they must be in trouble.

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Thurs 12 Clear & calm - Avramna & the male Chitase galuk gang leave for home but will be back in about a week - Some kids got interested in my thermometer yesterday & pulled it off its hangings & then broke it to see what made it go - so there will be no further temperature readings

Frid 13 Clear sky, some haze, calm, some more natives left for west of Avramnas today - Nelvana & Toptoma left for Sound yesterday. Kimuktuin arrives back from Seal camp

Sat 14 Clear. Easterly breeze with light drift - VPR. said a plane was coming in to look for the McKenzie River Air Services plane (Matt Bury) that failed to return from Cambridge. Attigehiak & his family arrive from Seal Camp

Sun 15 Clear, calm & comparatively mild.

Mon 16 Clear calm and mild - Light Easterly breeze in PM. Rev. McMorris arrived from Coppermine via Kugaryuk and Krusenstern

Tues 17 Clear with mild easterly breeze - light ground drift in evening

Wed 18. Overcast strong Easterly breeze with heavy drift which died out in evening

Thurs 19 Clear calm & mild till evening when a NE breeze sprang up & drifted heavy at night

Fri 20 Strong Easterly breeze till evening when it cleared up & was fine & clear at night

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Sat 21

Clear calm and mild - V.P.K. mentioned that Matt Berry (the pilot of the plane that went to Cambridge after Canalsaka fur) cracked up his underscarriage on landing owing to running short of gas & having to land with a dead engine. S. McMillan another pilot of same concern came in & took the crew of Berry's plane out. Anowmuk arrived from North Sound and later in evening Kahok & Numerena from the South side of P.A.S. arrived.

Sun 22

Clear calm & mild. W^m Kuptana arrived from the Sound. He left his family behind & will return for them. Mononyuk and Toptona also arrived from Sound either last night or this A.M.

Mon 23

Slightly foggy but it cleared up & was clear calm & mild most of the day - Avramna, Ekotuk left with their families for a visit to Kugaryuk & to purchase deerskins. a young chap named Hoolbrowok arrived alone from Walker Bay late last evening with mail from that place - they seem to have had a successful trade as they are sold out of most of their trade goods.

Tues 24

Clear, calm and mild. The Chitsegalik gang return home after visiting with the opposition most of the month. Rev. Mr. Morris leaves for Kugaryuk via Rymur Point. Illipink arrives from the Sound tonight.

Wed 25

Clear. Calm and mild. Among the prominent arrivals today were father De. bolong & A. Lurians with native Peter from Coppermine - Kulooqok from Kusenatun, Tadhidiak from the Sound and a flock of locals from Seal Camp. It came up very foggy in afternoon which continued all night.

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Thurs 26

It snowed to beat the band this morning & then it blew ~~fast~~ from east. The weather continues mild.

Fri 27

Strong N.W. wind with heavy drifting. Oudlitch arrived from the Sound - The wind eased up in the evening but a breeze with light ground drift continued all night.

Sat 28

Strong N.W. wind - heavy drifting. It was blowing so hard that I did not visit Chitty to hear V.P.K. but he came over in evening when breeze died down - There was no news except market.

Sun 29

Clear, N.W. breeze - light drift. The weather turned much colder last night and must have gone below zero.

Mon 30

Overcast - N.W. breeze, some drifting. Ike Bolt and Awakona & his family arrive from Rymers Pt. and stay the night.

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TUES 1

Bright sunshine but slightly hazy - calm and mild. Ikey Bolt & Avakona leave for home - Amokok & Nelvana arrived this evening, also Nukok, Enowelook & Pumedluk and Ootowayuk - W^m Kuptana is the only hunter left to come out.

Wed 2

Clear, light breeze N.E. mild. J. Ford arrived from Krukenstein.

Thur 3

Clear - N.E. breeze with drift

Fri 4

Clear N.E. breeze, drift Illynuak and Taleriak pull out for P.A.S.

Sat 5

Clear, mild, light E. breeze - V.P.K. had very little to say - Mr Ford left on his return to Krukenstein - Muneruna & his wife left on their way back to P.A.S. W^m Kuptana & family arrived

SUN. 6

Clear, mild Easterly breeze - Kyrok who left for Rymer Point yesterday, returned today with Bob. Klingenberg. They returned to Rymer Pt with the balance of Kyrok's goods

Mon 7

Clear, mild, very light easterly breeze - Most of the bucks who are camped here waiting for deerskins to arrive from Kugaryuk went out for a seal hunt. They got four between among the gang - I saw a raven yesterday, Mr Chitty saw a snow bird & the natives say there are a few ptarmigan back again. Ootowayuk took a load to cache on the trail to P.A.S. said he heard foxes barking so apparently they have not all left these parts.

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Tues 8

Weather fine, clear, mild and calm - The natives from the Sound are getting anxious to get back but also want to wait for deerskins from Kugaryuk - misty tonight

Wed 9

Today was the warmest day so far - I knocked the top off part of my snow porch yesterday. Some of the natives at Conalaska are moving from snow houses to tents. Wm Kuptana leaves for Rymer Point. V.P.K. radio - good - Some Kugaryuk natives arrive

Thurs 10

Overcast strong breeze N.W. slight drift, cooler

Friday 11

Clear, cool. Strong breeze from N.W. - John Norberg arrived this morning from Coppermine via Bernhard Harbour.

Sat. 12

Clear & calm, mild and slightly thawing during the day - Freezing pretty hard at night. Kahok & Amotok leave for the Sound - John Norberg & the Kugaryuk natives pull out

Sun 13

Clear & calm - mild but not warm - The snow is settling, but melting very slowly

Mon 14

Mostly clear & cooler. Graublin arrived yesterday from Coppermine. Nelvana managed to get some deerskins from one of the Kugaryuk natives the other day & he pulled out yesterday. All Conalaska natives - Nononyuk, Palvik Anownuk & Neogwoyuk left same day as Kahok.

Tues 15

Cloudy strong N.E. breeze. Ootowoyuk returns from Rymer Point & pulls out for Sound

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Wed 16

Mostly clear - strong NE breeze - V.P.K. came in good as usual. The St Roche radio has been coming in faintly the last few days. They said Mr Gibson had not arrived there yet. W^m Kuptana, Okauluk arrived from Rymer Point, Avana, Ekotuk & Algiak arrived from Kugaryuak.

Thurs 17

Mostly clear - Strong NE breeze, ground drift. W^m Kuptana pulls out for Rymer Point - Got Numerina arrived from P.A.S.

Fri 18

Clear and mild. Light easterly breeze. Avana Algiak Alagomiak Ekotuk and Ekotuk left for Avana's place & points west. Numerina goes to Rymer Point for visit. Ikeg arrives from Rymer Point.

Sat 19

Clear in the forenoon overcast later. Both Coppermine and St Roche radios came in good today. St Roche mentioned that Mr Gibson had arrived at Tree River & had left for Kugaryuak. Ikeg leaves & Oudlitok arrives from Rymer. Neako pulled in some time last night. Breeze switches to NW.

SUN 20

Overcast strong NW breeze. Numerina & wife arrive back from Rymer Point. The Kugaryuak natives must have brought out a new kind of cold. all the people even Mr Chitty and myself are suffering from it. Some small birds (some of them grey with a yellow breast & yellow patch on small of back) make their appearance, the first I have seen this Spring. Elokona & Algiak arrived from West and left again for some where near Coppermine.

Mon 21

Overcast. NW breeze. mild but not so warm as yesterday. Numerina left for P.A.S.

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Tues 22

NW breeze - Rain this morning - Mostly cloudy with some snow flurries during the day - W^m Kiptana arrived from Rymer Point - He says they have seen Gulls, ducks, Geese, Swan & numerous small birds - Tom Chicksegahuk arrived on his return from an attempted trip to Coppermine. He said there were so many large tide cracks that he could not cross them and turned back after getting as far as Dead Man Island - The wind has stiffened up tonight.

Wed 23

O'cast - barely thawing - Strong NW breeze. Radio came in good - Mr Gibson arrived Coppermine yesterday morning - John Omeami Tukluk (Can - Alaska) Interpreter left for Coppermine - frequent snow flurries during the day.

Thurs 24

Overcast NW breeze - freezing practically all day - Avakona, Inalrokok and Kalook arrived from Rymer Point & leave again.

Fri 25

Cloudy, milder today, slight Easterly breeze

Sat 26

Cloudy - strong breeze from N.E. - Ekotuk and his family leave, to spend the Summer around Lady Franklin Point. The radio came in good but no mention of Mr Gibson leaving Coppermine for Read Island.

Sun 27

Cloudy - Thawing - Strong Easterly breeze - Count Granblin left this afternoon for Coppermine

Mon 28

Cloudy Strong NE Breeze. The last few days have been cool but not quite freezing during the days. At night everything freezes up as tight as a drum. Another day and no sign of Mr Gibson tomorrow is radio day and we may have news.

Tues 29

Cloudy - N.E. breeze - cool. The wind died down in the evening.

Wed 30

Cloudy - The same old N.E. wind blew all day & the temperature stayed around freezing point all day - V.P.K. radio & St. Roche came in good today. There was no mention of Mr. Gibson nor did they say if John O'nearm Tukluk had arrived.

Thurs 31

The Sun shone mostly during the day. There was quite a heavy fall of snow in the morning with light flurries during the day - The temperature was much milder today and there was no wind. And so endeth Outfit 264.