

Stationed Arctic Contractors Camp north of Fairbanks. will leave for Point Barrow Tuesday morning by Transoceanic airlines. In recapitulation of flight from Great Falls, Montana to Fairbanks, that aspen parkland originally was further south than today but has been removed by agricultural pursuits. The first good indication is just beyond Coleray. The transition from prairie to forests is extensive and gradual. Considerable cutting of timber in the early period of man's use. Pure stands of conifers, ^{lacking} except in a few instances. Most of country is characterized by natural open clearings. From the first mountain range to rolling topography so well populated with trees and appears to be a distinct unit. A second unit includes the area beyond to Fairbanks which culminates in a broad flat valley. The section of the trip including the successive mountain ranges trending north south appeals to me as an area in which I would like to revisit and study. The coast range could be seen including St. Elias, Mt. Logan and Wrangel mountains

Fairbanks, Alaska

July 2, 1951

Trip to Univ. of Alaska, at College, via railroad track route, walking entire distance. Birds observed from Fairbanks to the University are: *Passerculus sandwichensis*, *Acanthis linaria*, *Iridoprocne bicolor*, *Petrochelidon albifrons*, *Actitis macularia*, *Turdus migratorius*, *Bombycilla cedrorum*, *Zonotrichia leucophrys*, *Charadrius semipalmatus*, *Junco*, *Lopix leucoptera*. Photo 510702-3 of Univ. of Alaska. Photo 510702-4 of crashed plane which was downed by cable across river. Photo 510702-5, Fairbanks, Alaska with Knox Jones in foreground. Light at Fairbanks at night about like twilight in States.

July 3, 1951

Departed from Fairbanks at 9:00 A.M. for Point Barrow by Transoceanic Airlines from Ladd Field. Just north of Fairbanks like Wallburg in Utah with rolling ridges. Slopes and mountains green with 80% forests and 20% natural clearing. River valleys flat and 50% forested. Openings tundra like. 9:37 A.M. Yukon River. Photo 510703-1 of Yukon River. Photo 510703-2 same as above. Photo 510703-3 pilot of plane.