

Salt Lake City, Wasatch Co., Utah

June 10, 1952

Departed Salt Lake Airport 1:25 P.M. for Seattle, Washington. While waters in lake high, they did not cover the white salt flats to the west. Unexplainable white line on lake surface. Clouds free over lake but surrounding indicating effect of water surface on cloud formation. Enroute stopped at Pendleton, Baise. Blue mountains in eastern Oregon more extensive than when observed from the ground. Continued down Columbia River gorge, thence north to Seattle. The view of this river gorge and mountains, (Hood, Adams, St. Helens) is less impressive from the air than on the ground. The Columbia River is at flood stage and inundated in river bottoms adjacent river. Barnes General Hospital in tact and enlarged. Kaiser yards not active. Checked in at Hungerford Hotel and made arrangements for transportation to Fairbanks, Alaska for tomorrow morning at 8:30 A.M.

Seattle, Washington

June 11, 1952

Departed Seattle 8:30 A.M. via Pan American World Airways flight 705. Followed inland water route between Vancouver Island and mainland. Vancouver Island becomes progressively rugged from south to north and at about $\frac{3}{4}$ distance north becomes a unique rugged mass of high mountains and snow covered peaks. The mainland also at this point is rugged and untouched as far as exploitation of timber is concerned which is in contrast to the conditions of Washington where the entire country has been gutted with fire and lumbering. This area is about as close to the U.S. for wild country exploration, as one will find. Beyond this point the mountains are farther from the inland passage and the plains & foothills are more extensive. Clouds clear above water but conforming to island masses and mainland. The clouds over water are more veil-like, water below greenish-blue with shadows casting a deep ink blue. Clouds more frequently polygonal in outline. Below the low clouds and high cirrus are a dense layer of stratus that, at a distance look like black horizontal streaks but