

Umiat, Alaska

June 25, 1952

The following is information from Mr. Ira L. Wiggins to George Lindsay, Administrative aide, Umiat, dated June 24, 1952 and sent to Umiat from Point Barrow by plane.

"This will introduce Mr. James W. Bee and his assistant, Eugene Campbell. As you know they are working under the ONR contract with the University of Kansas. Mr. Bee and Campbell will work in the near vicinity of Umiat for a period of approximately one week; and then travel by bush plane or LUT if that type of transportation is more feasible, to one of the order of preference: (1) One of the parties about fifty or sixty miles east of Umiat; (2) Etivuluk, where Tommy Cade worked when he first went out from Umiat; (3) Knufblade. I will confer with Jim Dalton before sending the camping gear and food supplies and let you know what his recommendations are as to the exact locality where they would interfere the least with the work of the Contractors and other agencies.

After they have completed a period of approximately one week at one of these three localities, if that fits in with the local conditions and available transportation,

if they can get into the field work at, say Party 53, one week at Etivuluk, then it would be very desirable for them to get to Liberty Lake for a stay of a week or ten days. By the end of that time, the lake at Schrader might be open and if facilities and transportation are available, they would like to get to Schrader for a stay of 14 to 18 days, then return to Umiat and thence to Point Barrow to pack up some of their accumulated skins.

Please ascertain from Mr. Erickson whether or not there is lumber available at Umiat with which a work bench could be built along one side of the large work room in the ARL quonset. A shelf a little narrower than the top of the bench would be highly desirable as added storage space beneath the bench. If lumber is not available, let me know and we may be able to cut the stock to proper dimensions and send it to Umiat for assembling. This bench and shelf combination should give Bee and all other investigators sufficient room