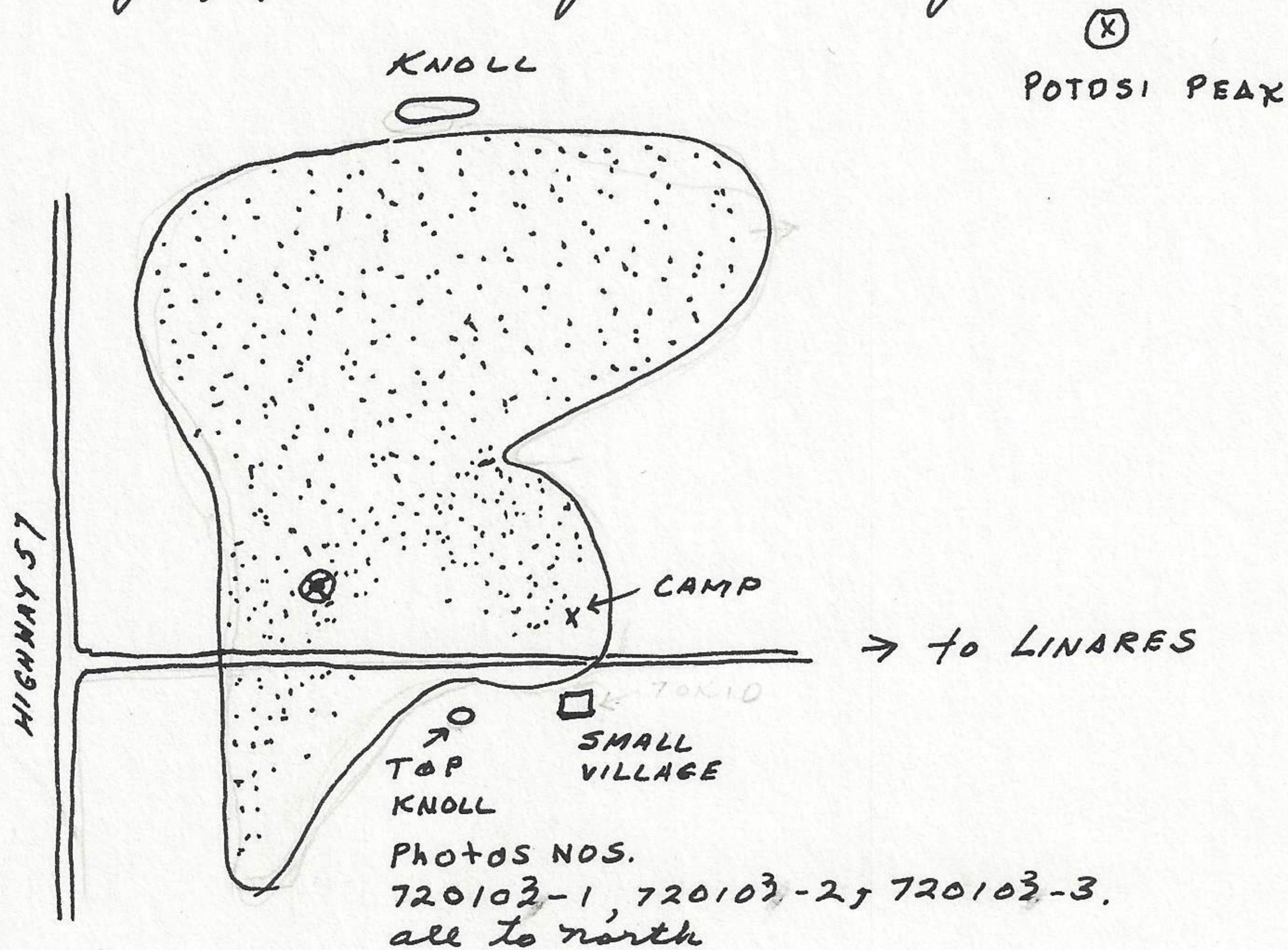


Left Monterrey at mileage 45772 at about 6:00 P.M. Drove in dark to Linares turnoff where we camped at 3 mi. to E. at mileage 45913.9 Patterson, Pizzimenti and Jimenez camped with us. From our camp the village of Tokio is 1/2 mi. to the S.

Highway 57, Linares turnoff, Mexico. (1/2 mi N Tokio, Nueva Leon)
Jan. 2, 1972

Breakfast for group before departure. Prairie dogs become active by sight and sound at approx 9:00^{A.M.} when sun out from overcast. Counted 6 animals at that time. Left camp at 9:15 A.M. and from top of knoll on S side of road made survey of prairie dog ~~with~~ colony. Temp last night 46°F



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From the knoll estimated number of large conspicuous mounds by three different methods and came up, in each case, with a total of approx one million. The colony is characterized by uniformity of community, noted 15 prairie dogs active nearest road but area beyond was too far for 10x. Photos 720103-1, 720103-2 and 720103-3 all from top of knoll (first level) showing extent of colony and general topography of the land. No hawks noted in area. Noted one colony of holes closely spaced and of newer construction than other surrounding areas (see map marked ⊗). mounds stop at edge of brush growth except where ^{narrow} peninsulas of brush invade the open grass valley in which case the mounds are near to shrubs.

