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TERRITORY OF ALASKA

SUPPRESSION OF LIQUOR TRAFFIC
 PROTECTION OF GAME

Nome, Alaska:

January 3, 1921.

Hon. Thos. Riggs, Jr.,
 Governor of Alaska,
 Juneau, Alaska.

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Sir:-

I have the honor to hand you herewith my report for the month of December, 1920.

- Dec. 1-3 Keeping J. Topolsky under surveillance.
- " 4th Left Nome for Council and Haycock; arrived at Safety.
- " 5th Left Safety for Solomon.
- " 6th Storm-bound at Solomon.
- " 7th Left Solomon, arrived at Timber Shelter Cabin.
- " 8th Left Shelter Cabin and arrived at Council.
- " 9th Storm-bound at Council. Interviewed Commissioner Steiner who had no complaints to make.
- " 10th Left Council arrived at White Mountain Village. Interviewed school teacher Geary. He stated there was a few natives made hooch but he had no evidence to convict them. I talked with them but they denied making any. Left there and arrived at Chinik.
- " 11th Left Chinik for Elim Mission.
- " 12th Left Elim for Isaac's Point.
- " 13th Left Isaac's Point for Dime Landing where I interviewed several natives about making scourdough. One native was accused by others but he denied it, and there was no evidence to the contrary. Left Dime Landing for Haycock.
- " 14th At Haycock. Interviewed Commissioner Sethmann who accused Frank McCoy of making hooch. I searched McCoy and his premises and found no signs of hooch or anything to make it with. Commissioner had no evidence. Left Haycock at 4 P.M. and returned to Dime Landing.
- " 15th Left Dime for Casco's Point.

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Dec. 16th Left Isaac's Point for Elim.
" 17th Left Elim for Chinik.
" 18th Left Chinik for Bluff.
" 19th Left Bluff for Solomon. At Solomon interviewed John Brown, a native working for Shaughnessy, whom I was informed was making hootch. He denied it and my informant could not swear to it, but suspected him.
" 20th Left Solomon for Nome.
" 21st Assisted Deputy Marshals Reed and Sanford to arrest J. Hebert and J. Topolsky for making hootch. Both men were released on bail of \$100.00 each to be tried on the 27th and 28th of December, respectively.
" 22-26 Keeping all suspects under surveillance.
" 27th Attending J. Hebert's trial.
" 28-30 Attending J. Topolsky's trial.
" 31st Keeping Board of Trade under surveillance.
My expenses for month of December, 1920 are \$277.15.
Number of miles travelled -- 406.

Respectfully submitted.

J. J. Gillman
Special Officer.

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Juneau, Alaska.

Sir:-

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- 1-3 Keeping all suspects under surveillance.
- 4th Left Nome for Quartz Creek to investigate Tom Ochman who is suspected of handling hootch. I failed to find any evidence.
- 5th Returned to Nome.
- 6th Keeping Nome Restaurant under surveillance. A fellow named Mitchel working there is suspected of giving hootch to native women.
- 7th Left Nome to investigate Pete Hess at Hastings Creek, supposed to be prospecting, but is suspected of making hootch, failed to find any evidence.
- 8-11 Keeping all suspects under surveillance.
- 12th Left Nome to again investigate the Reinish Brothers at Rock Creek, but failed to find any evidence except the making of light beer.
- 13-15 Keeping all suspects under surveillance.
- 16th Left Nome at 1:30 P.M. for trip of investigation to Teller via of Kougarok. Stopped at Jacobson's at Nome River.
- 17th Left Jacobson's for Nugget. Investigated Dave Colgate at U. S. Road House suspected of taking still with him from Nome, failed to find any evidence.
- 18th Left Nugget for Iron Creek. Investigated Alexander who is suspected of making hootch, failed to find any evidence.
- 19th Left Iron Creek for the springs

- 20th Left Hot Springs for Lanes Landing. Investigated Isador Fix failing to find any evidence left for Marys Igloo where I interviewed the Missionary, who told me the natives did not make any scourdough, but were very much inclined to gamble..
- 21st. Left Marys Igloo for Agiapuk Shelter Cabin.
- 22nd Left Agiapuk arrived at Teller.
- 23rd Investigated Frank Miller at Teller who is suspected of making hootch and failed to find any evidence. Left Teller to investigate Ciav, a native, at the Mission seven miles from Teller. He has been making scourdough but could not get evidence enough to convict.
- 24th Left Teller for Cape Douglas Shelter Cabin.
- 25th Left Shelter Cabin for Wooley.
- 26th Left Wooley for Sinrok where some natives were seen under the influence, but when I came to investigate they claimed they were only playing a game. I am convinced a native named Alfred makes scourdough, but could get no evidence.
- 27th Left Sinrok--Arrived in Nome.
- 28-30 Keeping all suspects under surveillance.

My expenses for month of November are \$237.50.

Number of miles travelled--352.

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. Allcock

Special Officer.

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Special Officer.

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Dec 12th:- Sunday, answering correspondence.

Dec 13th:- Investigating as to a party by name of Henry Wagoner, making hooch.

Dec 14th:- Investigating as to natives buying extract for purpose of getting drunk.

Dec 15th:- Find that Wagoner has been making hooch but cannot trace where he has sold or given any of it away. He quit making same about the first of this month.

Dec 16th:- Gathering general information also investigating as to the condition in the liquor line among the natives at Koyukuk and Nulato.

Dec 17th:- From information the natives at Nulato have been drinking and that the missionary Rev Father Rossi would like to have me come there about December 30th as they are planning a big potlatch New Years.

Dec 18th:- Trying to locate where I can hire a dog team for Nulato.

Dec 19th:- Sunday, answering correspondence.

Dec 20th:- Found a man with a team of seven dogs, he wanted twenty dollars per day and all expenses, in all approximately thirty dollars a day, which is more than I will pay. Heard that Alec Brown, known as "Dago Kid", is on his way to Ruby with a good dog team.

Dec 21st:- Gathering general information.

Dec 22nd:- Gathering general information. The Dago Kid arrived here this evening.

Dec 23rd:- Trying to make a bargain with Dago Kid to take me to Nulato and return. He asked twenty dollars a day and all expenses and furnish a good dog team of twelve dogs, would cost approximately thirty one dollars a day. I told him I would not pay that price although it is the going price, and told him to let me know Sunday evening what he would take for the trip six days travel and one day sleep over.

Dec 24th:- Gathering general information.

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Dec 25th:- Christmas Day.

Dec 26th:- Sunday, answering correspondence. Also made a bargain with Alec Brown, (Dago Kid), to take me to Nulato and return for twenty five dollars per day, three days going and three days to return. And one day at Nulato at ten dollars. (Which barely make up the keeping for the dogs and himself) To be paid at Nulato so he could use the money, for him to have twelve good dogs for a team. As the trail is in bad shape and has fifty four miles to make the first and last days out and has no place to stop between (Ruby and Galena) To start Tuesday morning.

Dec 27th:- Gathering general information and getting ready for trip. At eleven PM a case of poisoning of two native men and two native women from wood alcohol was reported to me and with a deputy U.S. marshal, Thomas Long of Ruby, started to investigate and postponed trip to Nulato until Wednesday morning.

Dec 28th:- Investigating as to native drinking supposed to be wood alcohol. Mrs Glass is very sick the doctor thinks he will save her but not sure. At 11 PM she is still in dangerous condition. John Glass has been very sick but at 11 PM he is out of danger, but still very sick. Johnson, another native, has been very sick, but up again this evening. Mrs Nick sick but as her husband early this morning took her home about twenty three miles below Ruby on the Yukon, we do not know her condition, but will investigate same tomorrow on my way to Nulato. From evidence of Glass and Johnson a white man by name of Henry Wagoner brought a pint bottle to the house of John Glass containing the liquor they drank. The bottle was left on the table in Glass' house and is now in my possession, there is about four ounces left in the bottle, which I will turn over to Marshal Long for safe keeping until I leave here for Fairbanks. It looks to me like hook poisoned by tin. Evidence of Mrs Glass cannot be gotten at present as she is too sick to speak. Made arrangement with Marshal Long for him to get the evidence of Mr and Mrs Glass, Johnson, and Doctor Frost, and have the same examined and on my return from Nulato to have the evidence forwarded to the District Attorneys office in Fairbanks.

Dec 29th Left Ruby at 6 AM arrived at Galena at 4 PM, fifty four miles.

Dec 30th Left Galena at 6 AM arrived at Rowukuk (early). Arrived at Rowukuk at 1 PM. (This is the government store). Met Mozes the government storekeeper and looked over the store. He is fermenting a

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Dec 30th;- (Continued) Did not find anything, I learned afterwards that a native left Galena on my arrival there and gave warning. I sent for Chief Paul and told him that he was responsible for the action of his tribe. And he promised that he would see that no alcoholic drink was made by the natives. Later on in the evening at the meeting of the natives he spoke to them for one hour and told them he would have anyone prosecuted by the authorities that attempt to violate the law. I also sent for two other natives supposed to make fermented mash and they were pretty scared and promised to be good.

Dec 31st:- Left Koyukuk at 8 AM, and arrived at Nulato 1 PM, twenty miles. Called on the government doctor, Mr Randall, for information and then to the missionary, Rev Father Rossi. Going over the situation with him for about an hour and a half. He knows as well as I do, that the natives had been making alcohol ferment, and in one case of Alexander the medicine man, the name he goes by, hooch has been still in a crude way but all the evidence are from the indians and very unreliable. He advised to call the chief and his three councilors and as he expressed it, give them a big scare. And then in case they did not stop, he would help me to get the offenders. Considering the expenses of the government and the uncertainty of conviction and talking matters over with Dr Randall and Lyons, the Postmaster, who concur with Father Rossi in his advise. By permission of Dr Randall I sent word to Chief Isklpilot and his councilors and interpreter to meet me at 8 PM at Dr Randall's house. Had the meeting and told the Chief and councilors that if they would promise to put a stop to making fermented mash I may let the offenders go this time and if I took the offenders I would also have to take the chief as he had neglected his duty in not having it stopped. Dr Randall also gave them a talk. I then told them to go and talk it over with the tribe and meet me at 8 PM tomorrow. It is only in the last six months that this has been going on, as the old chief would not allow it. The chief and councilors are certainly a scared lot.

Expenses for the month of December,	\$352.50
Expenses for last six months,	922.50
Transportation Requests for last six months,	88.70

From reports and correspondence everything seems orderly in the liquor line for this month.

No violation of the game, fish, or fur laws has come to my attention during the past month.

W. A. Mason

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TANANA, Alaska, December 3, 1912

Hon. Thomas Riggs, Jr.,
Governor of Alaska,
Juneau, Alaska.

Sir:

I beg leave to submit the following report of my activities as special employe for the month of November, 1920.

Nov 1, -- Trying to locate if Doumain has any hooch on hand and from investigation think he has some that he has cached.

Nov 2, --, Gathering general information.

Nov 3, -- Investigation as to Fred Morrency in regard to where his hooch is cached and gathering general information.

Nov 4, -- Gathering general information.

Nov 5, -- Gathering general information and making an arrangement for trip to Tanana and Lower Yukon River.

Nov 6, -- Gathering general information.

Nov 7, -- Sunday, answering correspondence.

Nov 8, -- In court of U.S. Commissioner Kieligh. Sentence was this day given to Alec Simpson, nine months in jail and a thousand dollar fine and costs. Simpson this day started to serve his jail sentence.

Nov 9, -- In conference with Coke Hill, Assistant District Attorney, in regard to Fred Morrency and gave him all information in my possession and left the case in the hands of the District Attorney's office, as I know his hooch will be in evidence when I have left for the Lower Yukon River.

Nov 10, -- Referring to my report on the 9th and arranged with owner of mail stage to take me to Tanana and Tanana or stage leaving Saturday morning.

Nov 11, -- In Tanana, Alaska, in the afternoon, investigation.

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Nov 13, -- On mail stage from Dunbar to Minto road house, distance seventeen miles.

Nov 14, -- Sunday on stage from Minto to Tolovana, distance twenty miles.

Nov 15, -- On stage from Tolovana to Hot Springs, distance twenty eight miles.

Nov 16, -- In conference with U.S. Deputy Marshal Andrews in regard to the liquor traffic and he reports that everything is orderly. From a friend (that is valuable) I gathered that a colored man by name of George Wilson, who is owner of a dog-team, is peddling Hooch between here and Tanana mostly to soldiers at Tanana and that he would be down at Tanana on one of the last days in the month just before pay day at the military post with Hooch. Left on stage at 1:00 o'clock P.M. and arrived at Kamrerville at 3:00 o'clock P.M. distance six miles.

Nov 17, -- On stage from Kamrerville to Fish Lake road house, distance twenty four miles.

Nov 18, -- On stage from Fish Lake road house to Tanana, distance twenty five miles.

Nov 19, -- At Tanana, gathering general information.

Nov 20, -- In conference with the Commanding Officer of the military post at Fort Gibbon.

Nov 21, -- Sunday, answering correspondence.

Nov 22, -- Gathering general information, especially as to one by name of Keogh who, rumours has it that he, has made some Hooch.

Nov 23, -- Gathering general information, especially as to the present mayor of Tanana, as to him selling extracts to Indians and also as to what is done with barley, fruit, and brown sugar shipped to him from outside.

Nov 24, -- Gathering general information and also getting informed as what evidence Chief Mathews (an Indian native) can give in cases of Pauli, Cas, and Knox.

Nov 25, -- Thanksgiving Day.

Nov 26, -- From Kamrerville learned that George Wilson would start the first dog-team from here to Tanana, and also gathering general information.

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Nov 28, -- Sunday. After a conference with Vachter, Deputy U. S. Marshal, we decided he should go up river with the military post dog team and for me to watch the river in case he should come another route than the mail route. Wilson did not arrive.

Nov 29, -- Examining a native, Charles (Long Neck) Young, as to him buying Hooch at Dahl River, (in case of Pauli, Cas, and Knox) and got his evidence. He is one of the main witnesses in this case and will make a good witness if under oath he will tell what he told me. Trying to get another native witness. George Wilson arrived at six thirty P.M. Found nothing on his sled but indications from the looks of his sled, he had disposed of his load before he arrived in Tanana.

Nov 30, -- Trying to locate if Wilson brought any hooch.

Expenses for the month of November amounted to one hundred and thirty three dollars and fifty cents (133.50).
Transportation requests \$2.30.

From correspondence and other sources of information things are orderly throughout the district.

No violation of the game, fish, or fur laws has come to my attention during the past month.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Moss,

Special Officer.

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Ruby, Alaska, April 1st. 1920

Hon. Thos Riggs, Jr.
Governor of Alaska,
Juneau, Alaska.

Sir:-

I herewith submit to you report of my activities as special employe for the month of March 1920,
March 1st.

at Fairbanks, investigating in general, and getting ready for leaving on train, in the morning for Ruby, via Tanana.
March 2nd.

on train from Fairbanks to Dunbar or mile 432, and awaiting departure of stage for Tanana.
March 3rd.

On mail stage from Inclin's roadhouse to Linto roadhouse distance 17 miles.
March 4th.

on stage from Linto roadhouse to Kolovana roadhouse, distance 20 miles.
March 5th.

on stage from Kolovana roadhouse to Bugin Creek roadhouse, distance 18 miles.
March 6th.

on stage from Bugin Creek roadhouse to Hot Springs, distance 11 miles.
March 7th.

Sunday, on stage from Hot Springs to American Creek roadhouse, distance 25 miles.
March 8th.

on stage from American Creek roadhouse to Tanana, distance 29 miles.
March 9th.

Tried to go on mail stage in the morning for Ruby, but driver (employee) refused to take me on account of my load and condition of my horse. I had to stay at Tanana and wait for the next stage.

March 10th.
went out on my own account to the mine at Ruby.

March 11th.
went to the mine at Ruby, and stayed there for the night.

March 12th.
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March 13th.
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military service, and he has a team of eleven dogs, and told me he would take me to Ruby for one hundred dollars, and finally agreed to take me for eighty dollars, will start in morning if weather permits as a severe storm is now raging.

March 24th.

Gathering general information, could not start for Ruby on account of storm.

March 25th.

Left Tanana (in storm) at 7-am, and arrived at Grant Creek roadhouse at 6-30-pm only 30 miles. travelling tough and trail bad.

March 26th.

Left Grant Creek at 6-30-am, and arrived at 9 mile point roadhouse at 6-15-pm 32 miles.

March 27th.

Left 9 Mile point roadhouse at 7-am and arrived at Kokrines at 5-pm, 33 miles.

March 28th.

Sunday. Left Kokrine at 8-am, and arrived at Ruby 4-30-pm distance 30 miles.

March 29th.

at headquarters Ruby, gathering general information.

March 30th.

Gathering general information and answering correspondence.

March 31st.

Gathering general information and attending correspondence. find that no violation of the liquor laws has been committed and everything is very orderly in this vicinity.

My expenses for the month of March were \$246.00

Report from all over this district has been unreliable on account of severe storms this month but have not heard of any violation of the liquor law except at Tanana and I have friends that are working on the case now and hope to get them on my return there the later end of April, when I expect Assistant District Attorney E. Coke Hill to be in Tanana.

No violation of the game law has come to my notice as to fish and fur laws see report March 17 to 20 inclusive.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

John A. M. R.
Special employe.