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Gave fra fru H, U, SVERDRUP



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ADVANCE

BASE

MESSAGE

BOOK.

Fred, Nils, Robbice + Hans left here on  
afternoon of 21.1.51 for Thulig-Hoffman  
Expedition, with 30 days provisions.  
Plane landed here for one hour on  
19.1.51 (afternoon)

R. 21.1.51

Valter, Ove, Peter, and Charles left here on  
afternoon of 16th Feb. 1951 for the East, with 21  
days provisions, and no radio.

Called LH2H many times during first half  
of last trip, both at 2025 and 2040, but  
no QSO. Ceased to call when we heard that  
you had not contacted LH2F for some time.  
Our last QSO Mandheim 6th February.

CS. 16.2.51.

The L-R party returned to advanced base on the afternoon of 21.2.51 after a successful eastern journey. Route from here was generally S.E. across Penck Mulde + then E. to the N.W. corner of Nuhlig-Hoffman. Our easternmost camp was on 5.2.51. Perhaps this camp was in the Hedden Berg + we looked E. towards Neys-Kette, but nothing was identified. The return journey was south of the outward route +, after leaving the SW corner of Nuhlig-Hoffman(?) an attempt was made to reach what looked like Lange Platte. But poor visibility, crevasses + shortage of stores compelled us to reluctantly turn W.

towards Regula Kette. Four days of bad surfaces were encountered before we reached the top of the Pyramids - Stevan Pass. Approximately 500 Pms. were sledged in 22 travelling days, being up for weather for four days, geology + survey taking up the remainder. We were very lucky with weather having perfect survey conditions + usually travelling on poor days. Dogs - "Whiskey" lame most of the trip, "Peg" sick half the time + "Bub" became very thin + died of some internal disorder. Radio - our last contact was on 27.1.51 when good R/T conditions were experienced + a long conversation with B.B.R. ensued. Some members (names supplied on

request) hope this was the last contact  
this season. I would like your precedent  
to be followed.

R 22.2.51

Established radio contact on  
25<sup>th</sup> Feb. with Maudheim and  
received following very  
bad news from John Graeber.

Knalle, Lee, and  
Gelbart dead in a weasel  
accident on Friday (23<sup>rd</sup> Feb.)

Nils heard most of  
an account of the accident  
on Radio Norway on 26<sup>th</sup> Feb.

It appears there were four  
people in the weasel, and

a piece of "ice barrier" broke  
away in Narsel Bay tipping  
the weasel into the sea. The  
fourth person swam 200 metres  
to an ice flow and escaped.

(Nils thinks it was Hallbern  
the photographer)

Graeber spoke about the  
accident, its effect on the base  
etc. and said we would have to  
manage as best we could  
during the coming winter.

Rag ~~is~~ agreed to contact one another  
at 2045 next night - but have  
tried 2045 and 2300 for four nights  
and heard him once only at <sup>2300</sup> ~~2300~~  
~~2300~~ and once weakly at 2045 but

have not been able to  
establish contact - Robbie 1/3

4/3/51 Following radio messages  
sent and received at 2045 tonight.

Nils Fred Olan left for one  
month southern journey third  
March stop agreed. I remain at

A.B. and return to help at  
Maudheim <sup>with Valter</sup> this month instead

of probably May stop. Hope one of  
Valter's party can replace me with

Nils stop. Tried contact you

every night for decision but

unable. <sup>our</sup> hope agreement

approved stop.

(This message was repeated  
back word for word correctly.)

Maudheim Agreement is approved.

A.B. Good Thanks is rawin

stopped

Maudheim We are running diesel  
one hour per day only for sledging

party and Tharshacvodi. Rawin  
is stopped (but taking theolitic

wands when possible?). Balloon

is going up soon with sonde.

Will listen at same time tomorrow

A.B. Thanks out  
Maudheim out.

13<sup>th</sup> March

Peter & I are returning

to Maudheim today —

Valter, Charles & Doc are  
doing a 7 day trip to

Bergen then returning —

& ~~to~~ Valter does not believe he  
can leave Charles to help

you. Valter will try to run  
an autumn weasel trip  
on return if at all possible

but prospects are not  
very bright. He will

not put the boring base  
at 71 but on the hill

south of the base. He will

give first priority to an

autumn trip though  
but we have not heard  
the condition of the  
weasels and it seems  
very unlikely.

Valter will add a note  
but I understand he will  
take as many rocks as  
possible in the hope of  
saving you relaying  
& saving ~~meat~~ dog  
food for next year.

Peter & I have 7 dogs including  
Whisky & one other non puller,  
so are taking no rocks, Valter  
has 9 & Charles 7.

I had ~~two contacts~~ with

two more contacts with  
Reg on radio but he  
faded out both times.

He was informed when  
you would listen and  
Quaver asked that

Peter & I return otherwise  
suggested parties do as  
much as possible this  
season as he thinks it  
may be difficult to do  
much next year.

I should be back  
about the end of march,  
so will listen at 2045  
from 1<sup>st</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> April  
in case you can

get the radio going  
and tell us all is  
O.K. with you. The  
instruction book is in the  
AB mat box to help  
- be careful not to take  
the faulty generator in  
the radio box - there is  
a note with it.

To call base you  
send \_\_\_\_\_

LH2F DE 2H

Then

K - tells base to "carry  
on" or answer,

R - means you have  
received the base  
call sign or message



AR — end of message  
sign

For your help,

A . —  O — — —

B — . . . . . P . — — .

C — . — . . . Q — — . —

D — . . . . . R . — . . .

~~E~~ → E . . . . . S . . . . .

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H . . . . . V . . . . —

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7 — — . . . .

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9 — — — — . . .

0 — — — — —

Alan — The trousers  
& climbing boots I left  
for you, are in the box  
with <sup>the</sup> pemmons.

The radio kit bag full of  
clothes are ones I leave

behind to lighten  
the load so help go  
yourselves if you need  
any & see them return  
to me at Maudheim if  
for some clothes

March 20.

- Nils, Alan and Fred returned to the Advanced Base on March 14, after a fast move from a camp near the "ridge-with-a-spire-on-the-end" southwest of Borgen. We returned in order to contact Ove before he returned to Maudheim, to get him to examine Alan, who had been struck on the right eye by a fragment of rock while doing geology on March 11. Upon reading Robbie's note that the glaciological party would be back in a few days, we settled down to wait, and to catch up on various domestic and technical chores.

Valter, Charles, and Ove returned on March 19 — while, incidentally,

Alan and Fred were climbing the west peak of Pyramiden —, after a successful trip in the vicinity of the west end of Borgen. The survey-geology party must have passed quite near their camp when coming to the A.B. in thick drifting snow on the 19<sup>th</sup>. Ove examined Alan's eye, found that there was absolutely no sign of infection, that the ruptured cornea and bruised eyeball was healing nicely, and concluded that there was nothing further he could do for it in Antarctica. There was no objection to Alan continuing field work.

The glaciological party left about 1400 on March 20, taking with them, to the geologist's delight, over 200 kg of rocks. The survey-geology party spent the day getting ready to resume the southern journey, and are now (2200, March 20,) ready to leave in the morning.

When the main peak of Pyramiden was climbed on March 19, a large cairn was built on the summit. It is hoped that this cairn will stand for some years, and serve as a marker for the site of the short-lived advanced base. In the

cairn, about  $\frac{2}{3}$  way up from its base on the northwest side, is an aluminium film cartridge case - (Kodak FX120) containing an N.B.S.X. geological specimen label with a message something as follows:

" The Advanced Base of the above expedition (printed on label) was located at the west foot of this nunatak. The site was first reached, and the east peak of the nunatak climbed, by A.W. Reece and E.F. Roots on Oct. 24, 1950; and the site for the base was chosen on Oct. 25 by V. Schytt, P. Mølleby, Reece + Roots. The base was stocked in late November and early December by

the above personnel and B. Ekström, C. Switherbank, G. Robin, and J. Snarby. The first field parties reached the base on Jan. 5, 1951; and it has been occupied intermittently since that time."

(Names, dates, etc. in their proper places on the label.)

ADVANCED BASE BIBLE

SECOND EDITION

THIS EDITION CANCELS ALL PREVIOUS  
EDITIONS.

COMPILED MARCH 27-28, 1951

REVISIONS:

Apr. 28, 1951 - JR

Refer to box numbers on lid only.

① 3279 loaves

~~① 3332 loaves~~

② 3300 <sup>\$4</sup>~~13~~ cartons (140 PKg.)  
blueberry soup

2 ~~1~~ 7 kg Bitsøcker

3300

① ~~3329~~ + box ~~dehydrated potatoes~~

+ can ~~SFMP milk~~

~~+ 2 cans meat balls "L"~~

6 ~~7~~ cans farikal

1 ~~4~~ 8 cans seikaker

1 can bakpulver

Norusc

~~① 3300~~

~~① 3329~~

(cont'd)

Name

~~4 pkg pannkaka mix.~~

2 cans bloodpudding "BP"

~~2 cans sukret milk~~

2 cans tomatpure

~~2 pkg must~~

① 3262 <sup>14</sup>~~14~~ pkg. flatbrød

7 ~~11~~ pkg klipfisk

+ ~~2 cans lunch sild~~

~~1/2 milk can barley beans~~

2 ~~1~~ large cans tea

4 ~~1~~ ~~1~~ pkg must

8 ~~1~~ ~~1~~ boxes läkerol

+ kg strösocker

11 choc. fuds

① 3250

2 boxes marmite - (24 jars)

1 case coffee (fish can)

~~11 12 13 jars marmite~~

~~7 3 boxes takerol~~

~~1 milk can apricots~~

~~2 6 cans (13) coffee~~

~~45 50 56 60~~ cans Norwegian Girls

39 1 Must

13 Cooking choc.  
Raisins

① 3234

Lemons + bacon

~~57 75~~ 14 pkg. Ry-King

2 flasks Gin

~~1 flask Rum~~

1 flask Aquavit

~~2 pkg. matches~~

~~1/2 large boxes Blue Master~~

70 cans B'laa Mixture

1 wht. material

~~1 box seal meat~~

~~109~~ 29 boxes sledging rations

① ~~3239~~ - Miscellaneous food, pots.

D (3) "FOOD" " " "

① 3319

1 double burner primus

1 large saucepan

~~1 coffee pot~~

1 plate

~~1 primus redstart can~~

etc

1 double burner primus

2 fry pans

1 sledge fry pan

1 bag leaves

3 sea kaher tins

① 4819

2 Primus lamps

4 toilet rolls

6 enamel mugs

34 bars soap

~~7 towels~~

2 boxes mantles for Pr. lamp

1 small box spares for Pr. lamp

1 small saucepan

2 lids

1 false bottom

1 2 boxes Narva stovlesmøring

1 box klister

1 can grunnsmøring

1 can impregnering

~~2 climbing ropes (USED)~~

1 pr leather gauntlet mitts (OLD)



⑥ 3808

- 2 small hurricane lamps
- 1 folding rule (2 m. - wall)
- 2 sheets emory cloth
- 1 carborundum stone
- 1 slab carpenter's fish glue
- 1 can Casco glue
- 1 hack saw + blades
- 2 rolls friction tape
- 1 bar hard solder
- 1 spool resin core wire solder
- 1 can soldering flux.
- 2 small "C" clamps
- 1 pinch vise
- 1 hand drill brace
- 2 pkts twist drills
- 7.0, 6.5, 6.0, 5.5, 5.0, 4.75, 4.5,
- 4.25, 4.0, 3.75, 3.5, 3.25, 3.0, 2.75,
- 2.5, 2.25, 2.0 mm.

⑥ 3808  
(cont'd)

- 1 box nails and screws
- 1 flat file
- 1 diamond file
- 1 rat-tail file
- 1 soldering iron
- 1 clawhammer
- 1 rivet sett.
- 1 carpenter's saw
- 6 choke chains
- 1 pc. black pebbled leather
- 12 halfsoles
- 1 bundle rawhide
- 1 pc spare heavy canvas
- 6 balls balloon cord
- 2 skeins cod-line
- 1 shoemaker's last
- 1 shoemaker's hammer

⑥ 3808  
(cont'd)

- 4½ rolls lampwick
- ½ slab gummi-beck
- 2 blist-energy tubes shoe nails
- 3 spare ski tips
- harness rings
- roll fine flexible steel cable
- 1 box wood pegs for shoes
- 1 awl
- 1 marlin spike
- tacks
- waxed ends
- 1 small saucepan
- 1 small blowtorch
- 1 Primus lamp priming can

① 3258 ~~5~~ pkg matches  
~~5~~ boxes candles (6 each)

- ~~4 primus batteries~~
- ~~9 primus bulbs~~
- ~~2 thermos bottles~~
- ~~2 plastic tumblers~~
- ~~1 pressure cooker~~
- 2 Primus stove priming cans
- 1 ~~Primus lamp priming can~~
- 1 ~~Primus stove wind shelter~~
- ~~1 Primus 110 sp. complete (USED)~~
- 1 ~~Q~~ boxes Primus 110 sp spares  
(one has only 1 spare burner)
- 3 USED Primus 110 sp burners  
(probably all U/S)
- 5 whistles
- ~~1 enamel mug~~

① 3258

(cont'd)

- ~~6 knife-fork-spoon sets~~
- ~~1 extra fork, 1 extra spoon.~~
- ~~6 sheath knives~~
- ~~5 enamel plates~~
- ~~1 toilet roll~~
- 2 Primus 110sp reflectors

- "RADIO" AB. - 2 transmitter-receivers
- 2 hand generators - (one broken)
- 2 accessory bags, each containing:
  - 2 generator support legs
  - 2 sets earphones
  - 1 microphone
  - 1 key
  - 1 generator crank handles
  - 1 power cord
  - 1 instruction manual
  - 1 antenna (IN ONE ONLY)
  - 1 empty accessory bag
  - 1 box spare valves.

⑥ 3802

Removed

1 transmitter-receiver

1 generator

1 accessory bag containing:

2 generator crank

handles (one broken)

1 antenna

1 counterpoise

2 sets earphones

1 power cord

1 Key

1 microphone

1 box spare valves

1 instruction manual

1 halyard on reel

~~2 generator legs~~

1 AB battery back for time-signal receiver

Bag - 4 Generator seat-legs

2 Generator front legs

1 time-signal receiver - out of order?

~~Bag - Parts for Forisdal sledge~~

Bag - Snow sond + ice borer tubes

Bundle deck for Forisdal sledge

bag snow boring tubes

1 pr. tonkin ski poles

(one basket missing)

1 pr Gomme skis, no bindings

2 pr laminated skis

2 pr hickory skis

- all ~~the~~ skis have broken or missing steel edges, split tips or heels, toeplates partly or completely removed.

(30) D "CHARLES + PETER"

1 rope ladder

1 komtilbakmachine

spare clothes

1 partly complete sledge repair bag

1 bag portion of first aid kit

↳ Mandlunin

(31) D "RUCKSACKS"

3 rucksacks (one Vatter's)

2 small pieces renskinn

3 ice axe heads

1 empty small green canvas bag.

1 A-B battery-pack; partly used

1 renskinn soveposse (Peter's)

2 bags renskinn mattresses

(23) 7622 - 2 doz. quarter plates

1 bucket

1 crowbar

6 2 gall. cans paraffin

14 Jerry cans - empty

~~4 7/8 " " full of paraffin~~

~~5 1/4 sledge tins paraffin~~

↳ M

(3) 7443 - geological equipment

~~surveying equipment~~

~~1 sledge bag~~

(29) 5409

~~1 pot (sledding outfit) 2 hot~~~~2 small pots (2 handled) 1 lid~~~~1 can opener~~

assorted Swix

~~1 hypsometer; thermometers~~

# 9189, 9152.

~~1 hand generator (condition?)~~

1/2 coil lashline

~~1 pr crampons (1 broken)~~

1 set spare traces

~~1 ice boxing bit 1/2 meter~~~~1 ice boxing brace~~

1 nylon main-trace toggle

1 yellow sedan (Humber 8?)

~~1 mattress bag~~

1 tap for paraffin fat.

Parr lamps, shi lin amp.

~~9  
18 1/3 boxes - dog pemmican~~~~3 1/2 bales stock fish~~~~1 bag stock fish~~

3/4 1/2 barrel blubber

~~1 2 1/4 c.m. whale meat~~

1 Norwegian sledge box - "Medical" A.B.

(see accompanying list)

1 stretcher-splint

1 K-K heavy duty sledge

2 Camptor's pyramid tent (used, o.k.)

Bunk by Wilson

~~1 Batcher-Glover-Wilson tent (unused)~~

12 empty 30-60-60 boxes in various states of repair

3 empty sledge ration boxes  
miscellaneous wooden boxes

4 empty barrels (paraffin, petrol)

1 personal bag - (Valter's?)

1 radio kit bag - (Robin personal)

① 3245 - Reece personal

~~sledge bag cover - Reece personal~~

~~① 3005 - Hattgren (photographic)~~

~~2 man ration boxes } left by V.S.  
3 30-60-60 boxes }~~

~~① 3062 - Ross Survey~~

~~1 tripod~~

~~1 K20~~

② 5117 } To Mandlun

~~① 3068 } Food.  
V.S.~~

⑧ 4941 } To Mandlun

sledge ration box - geology

1 dog pack Geological

~~sledge ration box - matches, canyons, maps~~  
~~sledge hardware~~

~~sledge ration box - dog collars~~  
~~books~~

March 31, 1950

The topographical-geological party did not leave immediately after the glaciological party, as hoped; the morning after the foregoing note was written Alan felt ill, and we felt it prudent to wait at the Advanced Base until he should be fit to start a journey. The injured eye did not heal as smoothly as expected, and it is only now that Alan, and his eye, seem well enough to travel. We hope to start south tomorrow, with food sufficient for a 20-day journey from the camp we evacuated on Mar. 14.

If the weasels arrive this autumn, the following load should go back to Maudheim:



Load to go back to Maudheim

4 sledge ration boxes rocks @25 =	100
1 schous box rocks	40
1 (11) 7794 box rocks	50
1 marmite box rocks	30
① 3233 clothes, books, tools, etc.	25
1 sledge ration box "books"	18
1 sledge ration box "geology"	18
1 rucksack + theodolite	14
1 soveposse sack personals	17
plane table, tripod, maps	3½
K 20 camera	9
K 20 camera mounting head	8½
K 20 camera tripod	6
Subtense bar (2 pcs.) + umbrella	7½
Hypsometer + barometer	1½
Barograph	2½

2 sledge ration boxes } left by  
 3 30-60-60 boxes } V. S. ~~W. S. Latham~~

③ 7443 - Geological equipment.

- All of the above, except the rocks, are piled with the boxes left by Valter at the east end (nearest Pyramiden) of the stores. All of this pile should go back. The rocks are in a separate pile to the SW. All empty jerry cans (9 at time of writing) should go back. The barograph may be left for us to take by sledge, if inconvenient for the weasel.

28.4.51

On 24.4.51 Fred, Nils + Alan returned to A.B. after having been away 24 days. Only a ~~short~~ short journey was accomplished, about 200 kms, owing to very sticky surfaces. Relaying was essential for the first two weeks + only 20 kgs. of dog could be carried. The southern or south western end of Regula Kette was reached + a further scarp face of musaleks could be seen to the S. across Punch Bulde, extending from a mass that had been taken as Lunge Platte on the eastern journey.

A survey station was set up very close to the position where the German photo of Regula Kette was taken.

Fine, but cold weather was experienced & until about the middle of April sun cloudy, warmer weather set in + one gale was experienced for some 12 hours. Lowest recorded temperature was  $-41.0^{\circ}\text{C}$

Tomorrow we hope to leave A.B. for Mandheim. We are carrying about ten deep stations which with rocks, etc. brings our load up to 35 pigs/day, + hope to

live mainly off depots.  
A.

Oct. 18, 1951

Valter, Alan, and Stig arrived here Oct. 15, after relaying all the way from the Advanced Depot at Flag 31. Stig had joined the party at Flag 6, where he, Nils, and Fred had met Valter and Alan on a relay shuttle.

On Oct. 16, Valter, Alan and Stig left to establish a supply dump west of Borgen, and later that day Nils and Fred arrived at Advanced Base. The next day the former party returned from near Borgen, while the latter two brought up the last relay load. Altogether, nearly  $2\frac{1}{4}$  tons was moved by dog team from Flag 31.

Today Valter surveyed the profile NE

of Pyramiden, Alan "fixed" a few points in the Pyramiden stratigraphic succession, Stig photographed, Nils + Fred prepared for the southern journey. To-morrow, if the weather does not break, all men will start south. Valter and Alan will be in the Borgen - Tisdagstoppen - Rødbergspasset area about a month.

Nils, Stig, and Fred are starting with twenty-five days' rations. If all goes well, they should be at the nunatak at  $72^{\circ}48'S$ ,  $03^{\circ}14'W$  - "Rendezvous Ridge" - about Nov. 8.

In any case, they can hardly reach this nunatak before Nov. 5 or after Nov. 11.

Therefore, if the seismic party

has any expectation of reaching the nunatak before Nov. 8, 1951, it would be much appreciated if they could take the: 2 boxes dog pemmican, and 1 sack stockfish;

that are piled separately a little up-wind from the main pile of dog food. We will look for this food on the northeast ridge of the nunatak.

The survey-photographic-geological party is taking a transmitter-receiver sledging set. Until further notice will continue to listen (when convenient) on 6210 at 2045 GMT.

It would be appreciated if the enclosed depot lists be brought up-to-date.

Robbie:

We are more than a little worried about the unsatisfactory balance of dog food here. Many of the dogs are not taking at all well to pemmican — seems worse than last year —, and there is even less fish to go around. So we are thinking enviously of your mountains (well, at least a steak or two) of fresh meat, and your dogs with a light (comparatively?) sledge. Would it be possible for you to leave a feed of meat here, in exchange for pemmican? 'Twould save you weight.

Or better still, are you going

to leave a depot near Rendezvous Ridge for your own return? If so, could you make part of what you leave there for us, meat, so that we could give our dogs a bite of real food while they were out? Then, if something should go amiss and we did not get to the nunatak or use the meat, nothing would be wasted, for you could use it yourself on your return.

In short, anything you can possibly do to let us have some meat in exchange for pemmican would be sincerely appreciated. Thanks.

Frid

Oct. 23, 1951

Held here at advanced base by a storm; just departing this morning. ~~Can you~~ Now expect to make "Rendezvous Ridge" on or about Nov. 12, 1951; ~~can't~~ ~~you~~ not Nov. 8 as in foregoing note. So if you can get to this point before Nov. 12, please take the dog food with you.

Fred

As you see, we found the A.P. barometer here. We are taking the other Fness and leaving this with you.

A hypsometer check @ 1200 on Oct. 18 showed it to have a correction (@ 890 mb) of + 0.8 mb.

Oct 23 - 57

Left AB on 23 Oct. for the blue ice field under (S and SW) the Bergen spine. Plan to stay there until 28 Oct. Leave there on 29th Oct for Rödbergspasset, where we will stay about four days. On 2nd Nov. we will go down to the glacier opposite "Pass survey sh 18"; where we should have to spend 3 to 4 days and so leave for Charles' glacier on about the 7th Nov. Hope to be back at "the blue ice field" at about the 13th, and then

stay there until the 12th,  
after one or two days at  
Bergin's NW corner we will  
go down to AB. This  
means that we should be  
back around now 15th  
allowing for bad weather  
it may be a few days later.  
If you reckon to pass  
through Inkepasset - the 18  
Pass before now the 5th

I suggest you leave Ave  
~~there~~ in that valley  
opposite to our glacier.

If you pass through  
Rödbergspasset from the  
~~with~~ north you can

leave him in Rödbergspasset  
as late as the 10th. He will  
find a message from us  
in a cairn on Rödberget  
(agreed upon with Ave) telling  
him in what direction we  
last went. I will leave  
message for Ave in a cairn  
on the dwarf nunatak  
between En-gället and  
Fridagsstoppen.

I hope everything is going  
fine for you and that we  
will meet somewhere on  
Bergin.

If you can - please take  
some shots along the stake



profile from Pyramiden  
towards Staven

Valley

Charles vill du vara  
vänlig lägga 16<sup>m</sup>/m filmen  
i låda ① 3005 Jag har  
inte kunnat finna den  
Taekar på förhand

Stig

Stig var så god — 21 St. ligger  
i din låda. Hilsen

Charles

Depots to Maudheim 8  
9/11/51.

Following is state of depots  
after our outward trip.

New emergency depot at  
sh.ke 139 — about 22 Km NW  
of 1950 Departure Depot.

2 empty petrol drums

3/4 bale fish

1 depot box (from 124)

1 litre paraffin

1 man ration box (sledging)

Note — This has been moved  
here from 124 — which latter  
(124) is no longer a depot.

Departure Depot

- 2 depot boxes
- 2 boxes dog pemmican
- $\frac{1}{2}$  box margarine
- $1\frac{1}{4}$  bales fish
- 2 boxes man rations
- 1 Jerrycan paraffin
- $\frac{1}{3}$  drum petrol.

Flag 71 5 boxes man rations

- 1 box margarine
- 3 bags fish
- $2\frac{1}{2}$  Jerrycans paraffin
- 1 drum petrol
- 1 depot box
- 1 box dog pemmican
- 1 box dog meat
- 1 surveyor's staff.

Flag 48  $2\frac{1}{2}$  bales fish

- 1 box margarine
- ~~1 Jerrycan paraffin~~
- ~~1 sledgacan paraffin~~
- $\frac{1}{2}$  Jerrycan paraffin
- 1 depot box

Flag 45 4 drums aviation

- petrol
- 3 boxes man rations
- 1 utensil box
- 1 sledgacan paraffin
- 1 radio
- 1 small spade
- 1 bale fish

Flag 32 all stores  
from here have been moved  
to flag 31 and added to  
the survey - glac - geol pile  
— namely  $1\frac{1}{2}$  bales fish  
and 1 depot box

Flag 31 Survey - geol - glac  
pile was untouched, and  
stores from flag 32 were  
added.

Pile of seismic stores  
all taken plus half box TNT,  
including 1 box of margarine  
now left at AB for Katter.

1 tin (4 litres) of red  
spirit was also added to  
the depot.

Flag 21

1 depot box  
 $\frac{1}{3}$  drum petrol  
1 box man rations  
(will regard this box of man  
rations as stores for survey  
glac - geol party, as they  
had only two boxes at 31.)

9/11/51

We arrived last night  
to see your notes, and am  
resorting stores. We have  
had moderate results

from seismic but have  
not been able to follow  
echoes up to Försjöfjell  
or Pyramiden - otherwise  
they are reasonably  
convincing - particularly  
at the shelf ice - inland  
ice junction.

Our transport, camping  
sledge system is  
working quite well.  
We should be able

to reach rendezvous  
ridge (by travelling fast)  
~~on~~ the 12<sup>th</sup> Nov - the  
date you wanted the  
stores to be there by -

there is a risk we  
will miss you by a  
few hours, but we will  
take it and take all your  
food.

Shall work  
a quick station on  
Valters profile on the way  
out, and a few on the  
way to Rödbergs Pass,  
on the eastern route.

Shall then do more  
detailed work on the

western route on the  
return journey when  
we have more time.

- Both weasels are  
going well, so I think  
the risk of missing  
this work is worth  
taking.

Our loads were too  
heavy on leaving  
Maudheim to bring  
dog meat for ourselves  
so am sorry we cannot  
help you. Our dogs  
are well - due to light  
loads no doubt.

Best luck

Robbie

Have deposited following  
at AB.

For Vatter 1 box margarine  
from 320

For our return

1 bale fish

1 box margarine

2 boxes man rations

1 jerrycan paraffin

1 drum petrol

For anyone - 2 jerrycans paraffin

1 pyramed tent

Have taken following:

1 radio set complete  
with hand generator

1 pup tent

1 saucepan

1 w. skins w/out bindings  
(see Doc)

Please check & restart  
AB barograph when  
here. That is in box  
on your dog penman's  
pile.

10/11 -51.

Hello! Have been  
left here by seis-  
mic party 9/11.

Spent that day  
on "Knallen".

Am starting today  
13.00 for nearest  
mountains in north

Then  
compass 72°. From  
that mountain to  
next 68° (from AB).  
If weather, time  
and local condition  
permit I will try  
to visit also  
mountain 65° (from AB)  
or ~~mount~~ smaller  
nunatak 62° (from AB),  
whichever seems  
the best at that  
time. Have 10 days  
man- and 8 days dog-  
ration. Will leave  
a small cairn at  
each of these

places I intend  
to visit (stone-  
cairn at foot  
of nearest approach  
to mountain a  
bit away from  
rock on the snow  
with message  
of route and plans.  
Inten to stay  
away about 5 days.  
Hope bad weather  
will not prevent  
my return on  
the 17/11 at the  
latest. Greeting  
to those I will not

meet at AB.

QK

18.11.51

Valters & I returned here on 15.11.51  
after a very satisfactory trip in the  
Borgun Nessig. I was able to do  
much geology & only spent one  
complete day being up. Climbed  
Rindberg & the S end of Borgun,  
but did not reach 52, owing to  
bad weather. Saw the weasel party  
that day on the E side of Borgun.  
This route to 52 is quite easy  
& probably the best way for Nils.  
Approach was up middle of Charles

glaciers + I went on skis all the way. It should take about 4 hours with theodolite etc.

On return here found Ove had burnt down the Balchen-Grauer-Wilson tent! He had returned from a lone trip to the north, fallen asleep with pins on + woke to find the sky above him + his sleeping bag afloat! Managed to salvage most gear + then spent the night, 14-15th, patching up his sleeping bag. It is now mainly made of Salve Plast.

He + Valtter left at 1700

on 17.11.51 with nine days dog food expecting to return home via Boreas + flag 71.

I have fitted up a Forisdal ski sledge + with five days food, fuel, etc. plan to put a camp by the small isolated nunatak between Steven + the next big group to the N.W., about 20 kms from A.B. From here hope to spend one day on outcrops to N.W, + the next on Steven, returning on the third ie 21.11.51 which is the date I expect Row, Rosta, Kallgren back.

I have chopped up the dog meat into 50 pieces, +



if we use the meat real meat  
as well this should give  
two feeds for 30 dogs.

4 boxes (man rations) of  
rocks + 2 60x60x30 (Valtin +  
Ove) boxes have been piled  
N.W. of the spare sledge +  
are for return to Mandheim by  
weasel.

Barograph going in box on  
dog food pile.

~~Alan~~

23.11.51

Fred, Nils, Stig returned from their  
Southern Trip on 20.11.51. They  
found your depot at "Rindgyous  
Ridge" (including Jodgub, etc)  
Trip satisfactory but very hard  
on dogs. Alan returned as  
planned in last message.

Stig + Nils plan to leave  
tomorrow for Bergen, Sokeu Toppun,  
+ N. nunataks. They have 24  
days dog food + plan to  
return to Mandheim afterwards. <sup>via V.B.</sup> V

Fred + Alan expect to leave  
tomorrow for the N. nunataks.  
They have 20 days rations  
but may reduce teams

+ Lince remains out about 25  
days. ~~It~~ returning between  
15th + 20th December. If  
all is well with Seismic  
Party ~~they~~ Fred +  
Alan would appreciate them  
waiting till 20th to help  
with load home. In fact  
everything N.W. of the  
radio-medical sledge  
should go to Maudheim. There  
are 7 man ration boxes +  
2 60x60x30 boxes there at  
present.

If Fred + Alan arrive  
at A.B. before Seismic Party  
they will wait till 24th Dec.

before commencing return to  
Maudheim.

Neither party are taking  
radio on trip N.  
A.

