

U.B.S.S.
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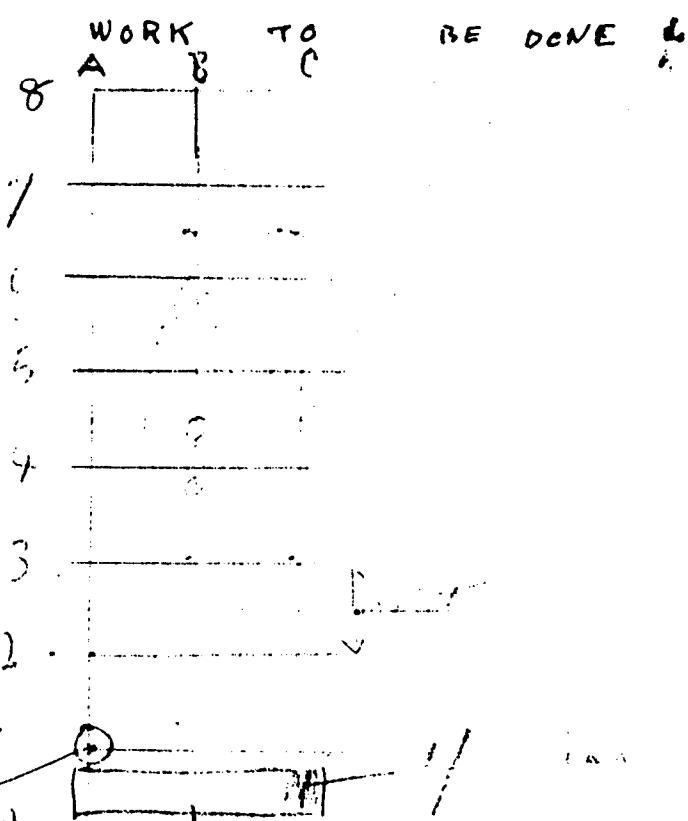
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NOV. 1939

TO

JUNE 1943.

DATE	LEAD BY	N _P PRESENT	WORK DONE
NOV 4 th	K.L.Brown	4	Third trench began on Long Barrow on Dolebury Warren
" 5 th	G.G.Soddal	4	Trench defined to rock. The bedrock was reached at a few inches from the surface except at the eastern end where the section defeneded to about 18 inches. Reference point taken at S. terrace end of gird (point A.I.)



Refined T grad. and

NOTE TURF must be cut in squares and stacked tightly.

Next time

Clear up floor of trash until toe or rake. Note character of section and movements. Cut down sections and of trash to investigate slipping off sections. Then carry section forwards.

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DATE	LEADER	No. Present	Work done
NOV 19 th	A.F. Rogers	6	Explorations to Tambisur Caves
	Z.G. Goodson	7	Excavations in Tigray's fm. dry stream. (G.B.) A large piece of rock was entered. a cane (<i>Helictites</i>). Unique formations found. In first chamber at end the end there is a 12 ft slope. this was negotiated & Passage was explored for 100 yards.
" 24 th	Z.G. Goodson	2.	Photography of formations in main chamber.
" 25 th .		4	1) Grotto in front chamber Photography of main chamber & grotto beyond through hole in wall. Exploration. passage from grotto (now dry) to a water fall some 10 feet high in the floor of a passage. Lower passage followed becomes very small & blocked by a dry fall. The roar of water can be faintly heard

Work to be done.

Photography of formations etc.

Measurements of cave & seaway.

Exploration of lower passage.

& also hole in wall at end of first chamber.

DATE	LEADER	
Nov 16 th	B.A. Cook	4
		Beyond waterfall aitation west passage was followed length about 20 feet, widening out to a ridge in a large chamber, another waterfall coming into this chamber, and disappearing from view with the dip about 20 feet below.
Dec 30 th		7 New Year Party.
Feb 12 th	J.G. Tschirhart	4
- 13 th	Dr. Cook	9 Reconnaissance of local sites. Exploration of side passage in Geesee Cave. A small tunnel from the top of the upper grotto in the main chamber was explored and led in a grotto to a smooth stalactite floor. Some Pebbles & ? Aragonite were brought for examination. Museum of King's College Geog. Class were shown local sites & one candidate done Tortehurst Caves Tunst & Yea were notes at Caves
Feb 14 th	J.G. Tschirhart	3.2

Confer Brewster but to be examined for
possibility of excavation.

Small doorway was removed from NW
corner of H.T. so that they should not damage
the roof.

Date	Lander	No. Caves	Works Done
March 2.	H.G. Giddins	2	More boulders from trees removed. Fox's Hole visited & explored
March 3	H.G.G.	6	"Animals" II shaft on N side of escarpment above Fox's Hole was visited, also fissure (Elephant Hole) on opposite side of escarpment was investigated. There was much silt in the bottom.

~~Access to hole~~

East Twin Knob was investigated. There was much silt in the floor of the second chamber, about covering the pile of boulders at the head. A small rift to the right leading to another chamber was too small to enter without ~~more~~.

Burnington camp was examined.

Sketch of a shaft or well:

rough ground shaft or well
Dip in roof
Maggie

After another chamber was entered
at the same distance

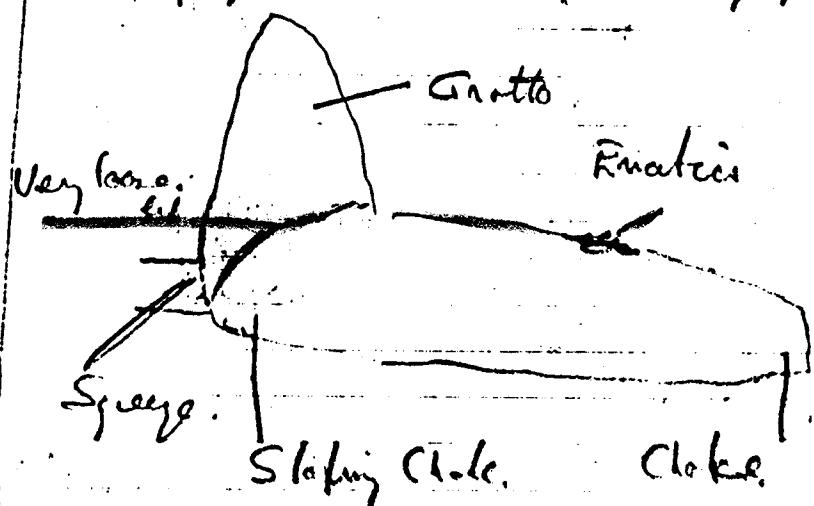
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March 3^(at) Clarke Barlow
6 ft. down

EAST TOWER

new to the Society 10

After entering a ~~large~~ excavation
Pit opened by stream action - about 6' off
mud & choke had been moved ^{Chenille} a small
vertical hole was entered & found to
narrow and became horizontal. This
ended in a small hole filled with
choke, and closed by two small projecting
pieces of rock. This point was
returned to later in the day, and after
about $2\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. excavation the squeeze
was forced and a new chamber entered.
A sloping rift about 10' wide and
30' long ~~the~~ continued in the line of the
main chamber and ended in a choke.
A lot of loose boulders & a few
corsettes. Up to the left a very
pretty grotto about 6' above the squeeze.



R.P.
Rod Peng

CB

11.

March 10th
 B.A. Crook
 C.C. Barker
 F.M. Hall
 R.A.J. Pearce

Party left camp about 9:30 p.m. in the heavier car and the cave was entered about 30 minutes later fine weather. A top ladder, a safety rope, and a shot string line & a pitch were taken.

The dip into the First Stream Chamber was reached (there was less water in the crawl to this than usual) and the ladder delayed to a column of stalactites and descended. It is possible to climb this if necessary from below. Besides the entrance used there were two rifts leading from this chamber, the downward exit rift was explored.

There was no water going down the first part of this. A series of 10' pots were climbed and the rift wound down to a final large pot from which led two small rifts: these led, one about 40' above the other, into a large chamber. This led to the left up a very high slope of loose boulders, not yet fully explored, and down to the right into the main cave system. A candle was left at the rift by which the chamber was entered, and the unfurling party went down the boulder slope to the right.

A series of chambers, were now entered of a loftiness and size rivalling that of the Great Chamber in Lamb's Lair. The floor was covered with loose boulders and inclined at an angle of about 45°, with drops at intervals.

We were now in a huge rift, or 100 foot gorge, of dimension unprecedented in Kentschif. The series of caverns contained for a distance

March 10th

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of approximately (very) $\frac{1}{4}$ mile with a vertical descent of approximately 900'. One drop necessitated a roped descent owing to the loose and difficult nature of the surface; at the height of the base of this to the roof must be about 150'. This was a rift ~~cliff~~ and ~~at~~ a height of ~~150'~~ from the bottom. The going throughout this system was easy, and at the end of the final chamber the rift narrowed into a small grotto.

Out of this led three passages, two closed, and the third a vertical rift, very tight. C.B. & R.P. entered & found that it ended in a deep sump, with a small rift leading to the left, down which water flowed.

The main rift cavern had numerous streams entering it, and the main fissure led up from the left. These were not explored.

Stalactite formations were very beautiful in all chambers; notably long stalactite falls on the walls, ~~and~~ certainly coating the sides, a peculiar ~~formation~~ ~~in~~ ~~fact~~ ~~one~~ ~~long~~ ~~concentric~~ ~~one~~ unique quadruple boss, christened "The Loftail", and a large number of enormous stalactite bosses which had crashed from the roof.

At one point near the end of the rift the lamination of the limestone shales with the mountain limestone was clearly visible.

The whole floor was strewn with boulders, and broken by large falls from the roof. The stream was with us to the end, but did not increase much in volume in spite of the

downward movement.

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March 10th ub. numerous subterranean streams joining it.

The first rift chamber was re-entered only about 1 hr. after leaving it, and the entrance of the cave regained before nightfall. A rope ladder was left above the rift.

On coming out a concealed coat & camera were found to have been removed, but after some contention had been caused were recovered at ~~Young's~~^{Long} Farm, where they had been taken. Mr. Young was visited, and agreed to the Society installing a gate to the entrance of the cave.

The first notice to the effect that the Abridge P.D.C. would place no obstacles in the way of the Society provided that it communicated with the Surveyor if more digging was contemplated. (Western Herald & Mercury - Mar 2nd) was shown us.

Camp was regained by 9 p.m. and the party celebrated the occasion in appropriate manner.

It was generally regretted that Francis Goddard, one of the original discoverers of the cave, was unable to be present at this exploration, owing to ~~an~~ ^{some} illness attended by a mild German measles.

R.A.J. Pearce.

Work to be done.

Further exploration of passenger leading
from main rift cavern.

Survey of main cave system and
completion of Survey of Offer Passage.

Photography of main System.

Fitting of gate with bolt to entrance of cave.

Consultation with Axbridge R.D.C. Surveyor.

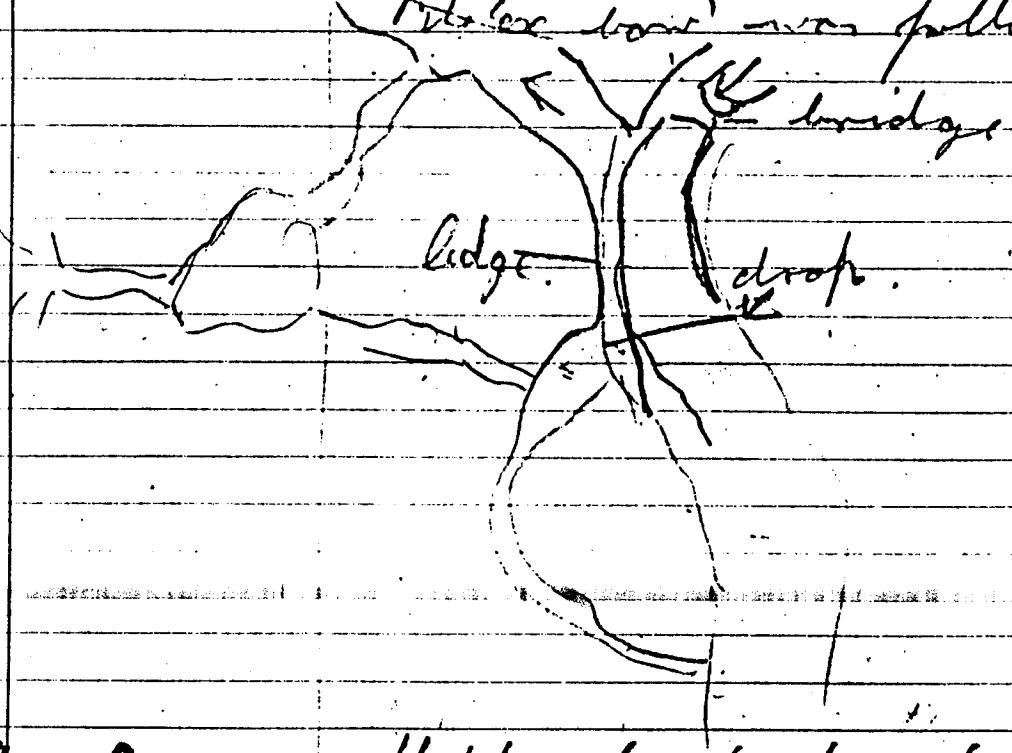
Mar 25

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14.

Infiltration of G.B.:
 came a whole new
 series was exploded
 in the night sides
 of the main banks.
 The 'ex-bone' was followed



Mar 26

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Staff cleaned up and
 boarded, tools obtained
 from George Young
 after part of the boat
 was lost by Mr. G. P. Johnson

Nov 28. 7. Conf. cleared up, but turned
out. Surf began.

29 10 Cightly descended to bottom
of G.B. and survey was
carried on as far as rock
formations.

30 6 At 10 a.m. the lower part
of the cone, around reading
was taken at various
points. Depth from top of
shaft to sample = 45 feet
Survey carried on to
spot before the lip

31 End of conf. - Cleared up and
hermit sold.

- Thursday April 6th. South Town Clifton College "Caving Camp."

Hut swept out & cleaned thoroughly - Lysol etc decontaminated the rat and/or rabbit bones rooms. Gave 20 gds N.W. Hut entrance. Rigged hammock & lashed up camp beds etc.

Friday Main party arrived 11 in all afternoon did Godchurch & Sidcot & walk over Blackdown bed 9.30.

Sat Breakfast 8.0. Two parties explored Read's Cavern & tested the crowd in Water Chamber etc to weed out weak members. Light lunch at 2 p.m. & slack afternoon. Obtained two Rabbits & learnt how to skin one & demonstrated on the other. Rabbit stew & early to bed.

Sunday Intended to do Eastwater but wind too strong for bicycle ride across top of meadow so changed to G.B. Breakfast finished by 8.15 as Head Ruler Mr Hallward turned up with one O.S. in a Ford V.8 and two parties set out for G.B. Great care was taken and the bottom of G.B. was reached in $1\frac{1}{2}$ to $3\frac{1}{4}$ hrs and the surface again in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hrs. Party of 13 in all. Slack evenings preparation for Eastwater.

Monday Entrance to Eastwater in H.M.'s car at 10.15. Party of 8. Very smooth trip. Boulder chamber provided some amusement for 2nd party on way up. Surfaced at 4.30. Paid before entry for "6", but had to cough up extra 2/- as a gain about two extra when the old men came round while changing. Gave the lads "Spelio" Prof Dobson's Queen's B.D. paid us a visit].

Stew & laid out half of them in the evening. Worked out accounts till midnight & took photos - time of claps in their hands - always also tried to interpret growlings & muscular actions of claps as they.

Tuesday 9th

All hit ready for dinner at 9 a.m. - but cleared out. Iads set off home not much the worse for wear. Several proved to be really been clever campers & all round useful. One or two were useless.

No damage to report & sincere thanks from everyone concerned for the use of the U.B.S.S. hut.

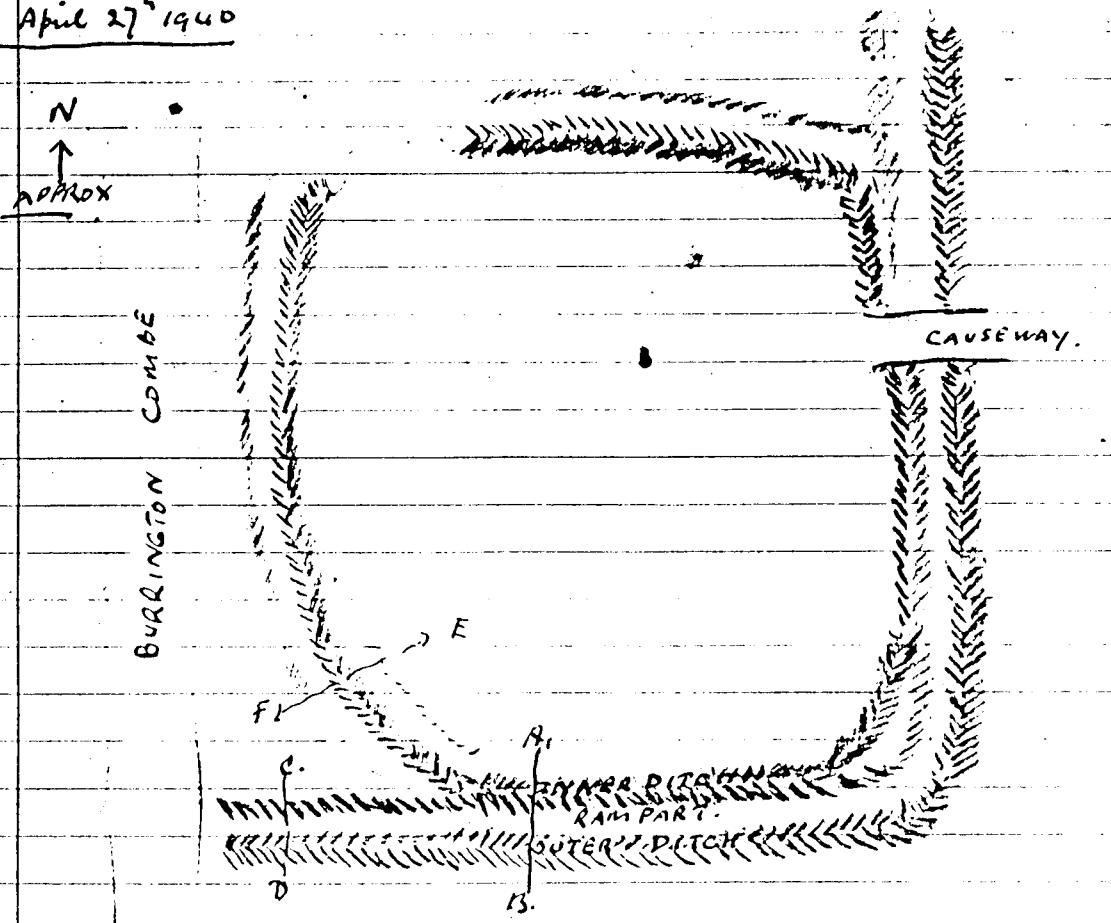
The campers were.	A. Cooper	U.B.S.S.
	C.A. Pickard	"
	D. Miller (Vice-Tutor S.T.)	
	E.C. Davies S.T.	
	Clarke	"
	Sidwell	"
	Braeker	B.H. (ex. ST)
	Roberts	ST
	Reynolds.	"
	Martin	"

X Watson Williams " (G.B. & Entomologist)
For one night P. Crease O.C., The Head Master, and
Colin (a friend of E.N.C. Davies & member of Worcester C.C.)
(last night).

The camp's general expenditure was about 2/6 per man per day.

C.A. Pickard
O.P.D. Clyburn
1 Member U.B.S.S.

Sat. April 27th 1940



Burton-on-Trent Camp was investigated by Miss Molly Hall,
Dr. Cook & Mr. S. P. Jones.

The following points seemed worthy of further consideration:-

- ① The S.E. corner of the main rampart is approximately a right angle to looks called 'Roman'. But
- ② The S.W. corner is more complicated. Along section A-B, one has inner ditch. Rampart. Outer ditch. Section along C-D, where line of rampart continues toward forge, one has Rampart & outer ditch.
- ③ Along E-F one has inner ditch & rampart.

It would seem that here is a pre-Roman structure characterised by inner ditch & outer rampart. A section through the 'Roman' rampart might reveal, as a core, the remains of an older rampart, comparable with the rampart at Esholt B.F.

- 4) The doorway crosses both the main water ditch and is probably the entrance of both the older & later structure.
 These are mere speculations - we would advocate the cutting of sections in the S.W. corner, followed by a section through the main rampart on the S.E. later the 'entrance' needs full attention - There is some evidence of the 'in-turning' of the ditch at the entrance.

C. Rev. F. Goddard, S. Waller carried on digging the surf. The boat was found to have been badly damaged by frost. One wall was badly cracked, and half of the bottom was missing. It was decided that this damage should be repaired immediately.

Pearce, K. Brown & M. Brown & Miss Starkland sent to explore G.B.

On April 27th. A small party (Goddard, Pearce & Waller) visited G.B. and took a number of photographs of the upper part of the wall, then an passage was also explored.

The door was fitted, not locked.

On May 4th. 8 members present include Pearce & Lee as members of Committee
 The floor of the boat was replaced & wheel-barrow loads of boulders were placed in the bottom, and roughly cemented together with 1 cut cement and 3 cut of (4 to dust). The stream was diverted from its course into another swallet. Pearce & another member visited G.B.
 The camp was defaced of ^{w. g. goddard}
 A meal was cooked and camp cleared up.

Sat May 10th - Pitson Camp

Arrived at camp in the morning obtained
from Village etc.
Rock on surf measured

Sun May 11th

A.B. drift started down cane 2:30
Party of 9 started climbing
Front of house of local
after spending hours in the cane
(photographing and exploring, etc.)
return journey in a mule.

~~After~~ A local member of the party was
killed by a left foot

~~After~~ traffic by his left foot
while a local boy was the
second foot to climb the rope
breaks. Party was immediately
obtained from Camp, and
M.R.O. equipment from Wissos
Health Doctor. He calculated what
was 5' long x 3' wide & 1' thick
could be removed without
damaging the body's soft
tissue being his foot was on a
small flat-kite, and the rock
layer of it was 4" thick and
itself was rounded, and the

foot was found.
The patient was removed from the
car at 19:30 p.m. suffering from
shock and some trauma
which were apparently treated by
Dr. Cook & Mr. Mactier.
A stone was probed out
of his left leg at 19:30 p.m.
Patient slept well after this.

13th May - Found defendant's "B"
Bath - work continued on connecting
Member, inserted in shorts, done
up in comfortable right ~~left~~
due to the hot sunshines.

14th May - Shirts and shorts continued
with rigors, several clamps & bandages
were removed, exposing the "egg" of
a leech.

Rope - ladder and ropes, etc.
repaired and re-lashed where
necessary. A rope ladder was
fetched from Periody. Gear was
removed from C.B. car.

C.B. was cleaned up, table
washed off.

1st June 8th

Party arrived

Work work on both

Small party (G did Sisal in the evening)

2nd June 9th

G.B. trip - started down 3.0 fm.
Measured main chamber using
100 ft tape, length 786 feet.
came up at 8.30.

or 263 yards.

Some photography also done.

J.G.S.

Mar. 10th J.G.S. & soft contingent stayed the night
of sun. Conf cleaned up & lost.

7th June 11th

Party of a used conf.
in charge of Mishelli. A Read trip was
done

Sat. 20th. June

4 members in camp.

Meal prepared.

A party of 6 left by. Blanch (Wenatchie) visited C.B. camp.

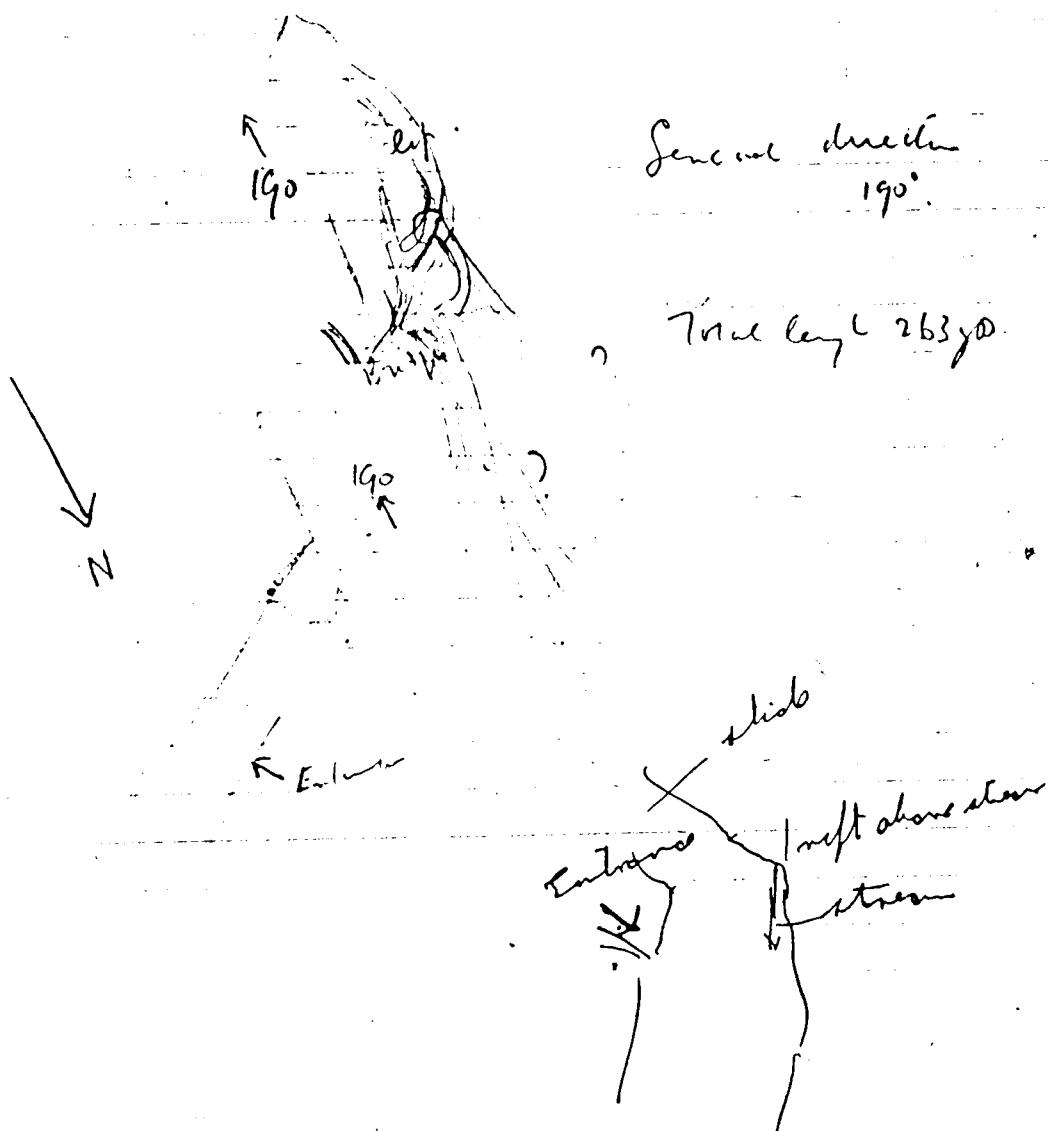
One window found broken.

Sun 21st. Survey of C.B. camp completed to bottom of rope ladder.

Front took a party of Wenatchie members down all enjoyed it.

Mon. 2 members in camp, Shultz arrived.

9 miles road for bugs.



Sat Aug. 24th.

Party left camp 3:0 p.m.

5 members descended C.B. cave. J. G. Gold
M. Hall & H. G. Gold
Nicholson in the party also Dr. Cook, M. Hall & H. G. Gold
Some cave-peaks were discovered at
junction of the large white passage
& main cave.

Sat Aug. 31st.

Party arrived in camp. 3:30 p.m.

Meal prepared in camp.
Walter, Barker, Pearce, Dr. Cook & Gold
left the night

Tom left 1st. Breakfast prepared.

(Cook Dr. Cook M. Hall & H. Gold)

descended C.B. cave 3:30 p.m.

Some passage were explored.

descended a small number of movements in the main cave

A drift above the top of the shear cutting
at top of cave was explored for about
20 ft. This may be passable with the use
of a hammer.

Mon Aug 31st. Barker & Goldard present.

Breakfast made into the country side was
inspected round the twin brooks. Left camp 8:0 p.m.

Lat Left 12th 1940.

G. Goldblatt & Dr. Waller arrived 3 p.m.
meal prepared very early, much beef eaten.

Sun. Left 13th.

Breakfast 12.30 a.m.

Dr. Croop & M. Hall arrived at 2 p.m.

Excavation at northern end of site
was continued, much earth and
stones removed, a large boulder
clifed over attack. We have left it
to be alone later.

P.B. Croop's collaboration Mr?

choosing C. Brown man and
Waller & Goldblatt made certain
measurements in Recals, Caves
and explained the rays near grotto
& Bonito Chambers.

Left camp at 3 p.m.

Note CB number of members have
used camp, and no members of same
appear in Log. Why?

Sat	Left 26 th Goddard, Waller & Co. were in camp stayed all night.
Sun	Left 27 th Goddard, Pease, Waller Dr. Cross & Mr. Hall were present. Entertainment a number of fresh 9 new members in scratch at Read. Prof. Dobsar & Mr. Dobsar present start call in the morning and finished at 6 a.m. 18 people sat down to supper at 6.0 p.m. Stew was cooked in 2nd Hall.
Sat Nov 9 th in Nov 10 th	7 members present. Supper cooked. descended Read's Cove at 8.0 a.m. 5 Members ran up below 3rd ally. at 9.30 a.m. The taming of Smith?
Sun	Start 30 members present. Started down 9.0 1st party with Morgan at 1.30 2nd party up Dr. Cross at 2.30 3rd ... Rhoads & Hussey 3.0. Tent party up at 4.0 p.m. meat prepared & dinner. Left camp 10. p.m.

Sun. Nov. 26th.

From Dr. County H. & Son. R. Pearce. & 12 others
 Party left about 1:30 for Tambs Head.
 The rope ladder was belayed and
 all the party ascended the climb with
 ease. R. Pearce who was last up
 came up with "summa celeritate"
 assisted by a team of stalwarts.

Dinner was prepared, during which,
 Brewster seemed to go up in flames
 Some members decided to go try
 to roast Brewster. others departed for
 home in the distinct heavy
 Pearce & Gold Coast to wash up.

Friday. 31st Jan. 1941.

Present K. Houghton, T. Charles & F. Stettinius
arrived 6.30 pm.

Saturday

left Camp 9.30 am Saturday morning for
Goatchurch and adjoining caves. Photographs
were taken by flash light. Returned at 1.30 pm.
3½ hours spent in Goatchurch, both entrances
being explored, and both the Coal Shale and Easy
way climbed. The photographs included the water
and Boulder chambers.

After visiting the village store, the Supper
where we were reminded that there was an account
outstanding for L. Goddard, an excellent supper was
prepared.

Two ladies young ladies arrived at the
hut and enquired for "Ferry w-2-Lam"

3 bomb craters were examined, in the
direction of the 1st twin valley, debris being found
350 yards away.

Sunday 1st Feb. left camp 10.00 am. for

Reeds. Photographs were taken in the
main chamber, and the lower depths were
visited, after the air had been warmed by
much language in tight places.

Below the far end of the main chamber
a peculiar fossil resembling a honey comb,
and shaped like oil, was found, and its position
marked by a trail of paper arrows.

left Camp after cleaning it up,
at 2.15 pm

Earth Camp.
Sun - Tues. April 18 - 22 1941

Yn. night Dr Crook, C. Rees, Walter Pearce & Goddard were present. A small meal was prepared in the early hours of the morning.

Sat. 9. members in camp. Banks & Boatman G.B. Core. survey was carried on to entrance to main cave. 5 members went down the cave. Pearce & Walter cooked a large stew, the contents of which are still unknown.

Sun. 10 members in camp.
5. members headed by Dr Crook & Goddard carried on the survey at G.B. some 200 ft of which was surveyed and subsequently plotted out on paper.
Dr Crook & Rees left camp at 9.0, today those who remained to Pangford. Goddard, Walter & Pearce stayed long until ~~3.00 p.m.~~ in evening.

Mon. 8.0 a.m. Game still in progress.
8.5 game finished, Walter fished.
Much lazing in camp today, sun shining brightly all day.
A large vegetable stew was cooked on an open fire & fire maintained until black out.
Tues. Break-up of camp. Left camp at 4.0 p.m. camp clean & tidy.

G.B. core. — some wetness
by bats. ~~No stream~~ through
devils elbow, but still a pool 6" deeps
on the bend. no excess of water in main
core.

H.G. Scoldard —
(Hon Sec.)

Friday - 25th April 1941.

Part, arrived at 5.0 p.m. and consisted of J. F. Clarke, K. Hough, D. Sheld - Smith, and M. Harris, Read's and Sedge's were visited between 8 and 11 p.m. and, some photographs taken to the accompaniment of much profuse language, most of which was a biological jargon. A meal was cooked on return. Owing to the presence of a lady (1) the male members were unable to jettison their gaseous cargo.

Saturday - 26th April) 1941.

Party de-bedded at 9am and set off for
at 10 am. Photograph were taken in the
first two grotto and the main chamber both by
light and ribbon. "Lock Lomond"
and ready dry and water was drained off.
The cave was and upper carried
at 6.30. The party left at 8pm.

Sunday 25 May 41

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Hut visited by Bill Bourne (now
Chairman of the Forces) and Tony Bourne (now Major A.A.).
He sent congratulations on great work done
at B.B. - longing to see it. Don't forget our
poor baby - lost twin. See you all after
the War or in Hell.

Sunday: May 24th.

Goddard & Pearce arrived at hut after a good passage on Goddard's bike to find Travis & Schindler already at hut. Party of 14 members of R.N.C. Greenwich brought out by S. J. Jones Esq., and conducted down Read's + Goatchurch. Weather woody, but caves pretty dry.

Goatchurch party of 8 omitted to traverse the chimney.

Read's party under Goddard, Pearce, & Walker, explored Boulder Chamber + were effectively lost twice three times. All were persuaded through T-alley except one and the bottom of the cave reached.

The moving stone above the 90' dip was found to have shifted until it abutted against the rock below it + there were signs of a large fall.

Lunch was cooked by Mr. Hall + was much appreciated

Sunday: June 1st.

A. Pearce.

Goddard, Barker + Pearce in camp with 6 other members Blenkinsop, Bentie + Mr. Hall left camp with party + visited G.B. Goddard + Pearce met Dr. Mc Arthur, Art Editor of London News Agency Photos Ltd. in Corries + after cooking a meal conducted him down G.B.

Other party met on the way out. Party explored bottom of Cave + Goddard + Walker remained at bottom + excavated: a certain amount of progress was made into a small passage for about 10 ft. Photographed second grotto, + surveyed cave with views to further photography.

Stew prepared by Barker + Mr. Travis.

R. Pearce.

Thursday June 5th.

Pearce, Johnson, Barker, Shattock in camp.
Came out by Mr. McArthur's car. Bought
5 lb. sledge from Gardiner's on way out.
Conducted Mr. McArthur down cave:
number of photos taken at cave entrance,
in Grotto and in main chamber.

Barker's Pearce worked on camp + got
into a small chamber beyond choke: blocked
further & more choke. Shot off sledge
found very useful.

Party left camp about 8 p.m. + return
to Bristol by car.

R. Pearce.

Sunday 15th. June.

Walton, Goddard + Pearce arrived
in camp. Found Bertie already in camp.
Attempted to copying out of survey figures
+ retired to Rounhouse Inn. Drank mac
beer. Francis + H. S. C. walked hole over
the hill. Article (?) written in but by
Bertie + Pearce; Goddard proof read short
(good); Walton paralysed.

Pearce left early next morning;
Goddard + Walton remain to work at Bath
and Lumbathie.

R. Pearce.

Tuesday, June 17th. Union Rock Outing.

45 people in camp.

Parties taken down G.B., Sidcot, Roads, & Gratchurch. Chapman fell off ladder from cliff in G.B. + rescue party against Dr. Crooke, Walton, Goddard & Pearce hauled Chapman out of cave + he was transported to B.R.I. in ambulance.

Remainder had good suffer in camp and bus left at 7 p.m.

Remainder, party returned in time for A.H.T. dinner.

Wed June 18th.

Smith & Haughton present; crossed 10:30 p.m.
left in tents.

Thu June 19th.

12 members in camp.

Dr. Crooke led a party, including Sonny, was continued in the cane, and readings were taken as far as the Bristol. The point taken being on the 4-side looking down the cane. A meal was prepared, and 9 members consumed it. 3 members remained in camp. Goddard, Walton & Haughton. Mr. Towns visited us as we were leaving.

Mon June 23rd.

Smith, Houghton & 3 others in camp.

Tues. 24th

Goddard, Waller, Banks, Beaman, Esbensen
Bellant, Miss Foy, Smith, Houghton. A meal we
prepared in the evening. Much cement etc.
was found in the camp ~~as~~^{as} ordered.
Meal was followed by a ^{long} round
camp fire (until after black-out). Houghton & Chark
went to Cheddar. ~~Castleton~~

Wed.

The bath was infested and much
facing removed and stones carried etc.
Most of one wall of the bath was removed.

Thurs. Removal of wall of bath to a depth
of 1 ft 6 in completed, and much casting
of stone etc. Houghton, ~~Gippot~~ & unit
to Cheddar. Looked at some caves & climbed
about in the gorge & visited the great rift cave.

Fri. Mon. and on Sabbath, 25th, 26th, 27th
visited Snailfoot Hill to see the mine shafts.
Descents were made into two shafts.
The first was about 30' deep and contained
a dead fesc. Not very interesting.
Mr. Waller descended the second shaft
on a rope. It was about 80 ft. deep, with
shafts leading to right and left at intervals.

Wed July 9th 1941

11 members arrived in camp. & collected
camp clothes for G.B. trip. Met Jan Russell
of B.B.C. with recording car at 1.15 (only
15 mins late). Spent until after 4.3 p.m.
asked Farmer Young's permission to
go into field with car, then started slow
conv. Made a recording at the entrance,
in first grotto, in double passage
and just before the entrance where
cable ran out. Russell was thrilled with
the cave. Some members of the party
failed to come owing to a technical
hitch with Estelle's car. Frank & Art
of Wexford joined us at the cave.

Cave of very dry at about 4.0.

Pierre, Miss Jane Booth Smith & husband ate all
the slow left, also Morgan, Marshall, Stater
& Mr. B. Nelson some food & found little
to eat. A rabbit & a nightjar were bagged
in the twilight. George & John left after
nightfall.

Thurs. Morgan & Marshall left early.
A meal of fried rabbit was prepared
in the morning. Then the 3 remaining
members of the party went to
Blagdon for bread & provisions.
Came here had large tea of lettuce,
bread & cakes. Later a supper was prepared
after which Robertson Inn was visited.

On return, corona was prepared and the party walked to the mouth of Q.B. in the moonlight. Paper of ash was made & smoked. Mrs Nelson felt slightly quee, but stepped with the walk over Blackholon. To bed as soon broke.

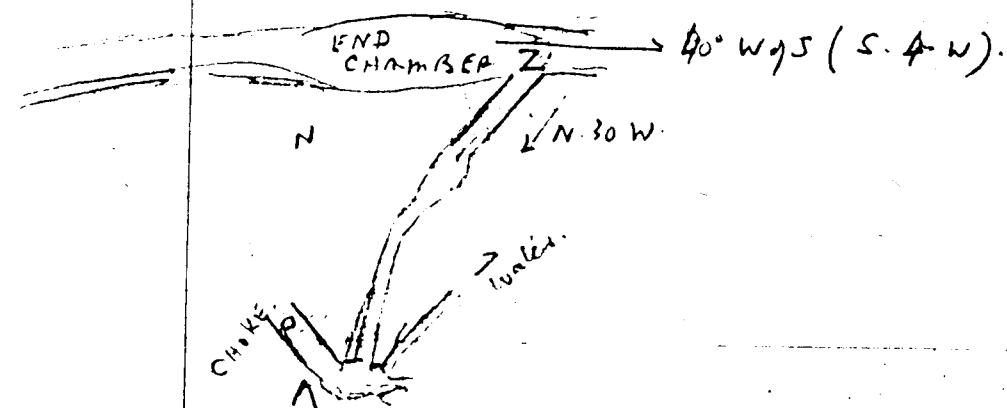
Fri - 11th

Awoke at 6.0 - could not sleep, sun too hot. Breakfast prepared at 11.0. Lunch - ~~pigeons & missals & onions~~
cooked at 4.30. Comp. cleaned up.
Left at 6.0

F. J. Goodard.

Sat 12th July. Painting of two continued survey of G.B.: the sea carried 1 Bridge Block to bath: Bolt still unfinished.

Sun., 13th July. Party of 2 & me have had by 8 this morning 1 walk at least ~~the same~~ at Sump. (morning)
Plan



Monday.

August 4th.

Left out; breakfast 12 noon. Started walk
on both : rained. Retired to hut for the day.
Walter Pease & Tom Brett Smith went to
Rockford to fish. Cleaning up of survey equipment
in hut. Sled prepared 9 p.m. &
put out under shelter successfully. Ann,
Goddard, Walton, & Pease. Good stove.
pancakes made. Retired 4 a.m.

Tuesday

August 5th.

Got up 11 a.m. Prepared breakfast with
breakfast washed out & cleaned up hut.
Wore coat just on end of bath.
Left at 4 o'clock.

H. J. Goddard

Thursday August 14th

Dr. Charles Barker & Pearce hitched
to camp arriving at 4 p.m.
Lit fire & collected wood & had meal.
Made stew. Left at 9 p.m. to
replace mine working in W. Twin. Found
small leadings in about 150'. Drilling
& blasting tools examined with a view
to subsequent use to twisty.

East Twin nugget examined. small
new material found to have dropped
from the roof & washed down to block
of new chamber opened last year.
Sidcot nugget so bad with regard
to its friabilities for blasting. Holes at
bottom examined & slightly enlarged
with crow & chisel. Ate stew dinner.

Friday.

15th. Painting. Cooked breakfast &
were joined by friend Barker.
Planted E. Twin & placed charges of
about 60g each in loose stone in
roof at entrance to 2nd chamber.
Were unable to examine effect
until some time later owing to furnes
E. Twin now more unsafe than ever.
Left camp 7 P.M.

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Sun Aug 24th 1941.

8 Sooldord & Basil Fingel arrived at 11:30
Cooked a meal, Dr Crook & Mr Hall
arrived at 2:00. Cement was mixed,
and the lower ~~interior~~ canal end
new side was faced successfully.
Left camp at 4:30.

Tue Aug 26th Dr Crook turned on the water
in the house.

11:22

Saturday Sept 6th

Goddard, Roger Fay, Joan Crellt Smith, Ebling, Peet & Pearce arrived in camp 2 p.m. Stew prepared & eaten. Wood gathered.

Spent evening at Roubanow: plenty of liquid. Came back & made pancakes.

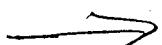
Sunday Sept 7th.

Got up ~~and~~^{an} all bathed except Peet. Made ~~and~~^{up} + joined by Bertie & Molly. Goddard & Bernt took 4' section of canvas ladder down G.B. + exploded passenger loading out of the ox-train. Pearce & Peet took Party to examine East Train.

Found a lot of loose malleable iron been blown out of the roof by the explosion, but no major fall had occurred. Cooked stew + retured to Roubanow.

Monday Sept 8th

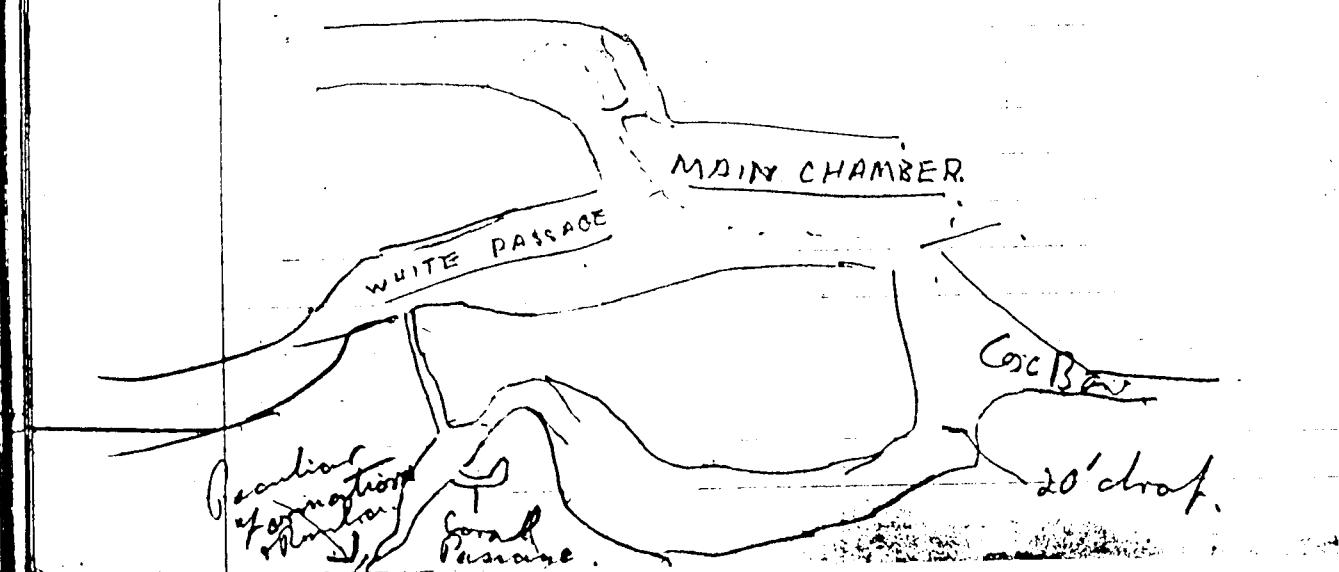
Got up 9:30 + cooked breakfast cleaned up camp. Left 2:0 p.m.



III

This passage, which had been known for some time, had never been fully explored before. It was entered through a fissure in the lower, white passage, and a small chamber was entered. Two rifts were seen to be leading into, and were both explored. The first one was short, and contained beautiful coral formation. It rose steeply for about 30' and ended in a blind chamber. There were more monolithic stalactites and stalagmites here; and color was yellow ochre coral cliff. In the longer passage many curious formations were seen, in one place the drift made musical sounds. The rhythm of the drift was mother-like.

Rumber, and the party executed a fire to the rhythm. At this point the stalagmite was extremely thin like a lace network; the thin deposit appeared to have been laid down upon the mud on the surface of the old stalagmite, and this mud had subsequently been worked away leaving a fine shell which was dark brown in contrast to the white formation beneath. There was also much clay mud deposit leading down from the aforementioned shoulder (it was a rift which ~~had~~ expanded to a width of 30-40 ft. and ended with a 20 ft. climb into the top of the rose bowl).



Sat. Sept 20. Charles, Houghton and Braddock arrived at camp at 1:0 pm. Left for Goatchied at 4:0 pm, and in the bottom Charlie met three members from the Wesssex Club.

Sun. left for Dr. B at 11:30 for photgraphy of cave. Went down cave at 12:20, came up at 6:15, having wet after party.

Large party visited G.R.
Berk, son-in-law of Mrs. Dobson.
Dr. Walks, Dr. Crook, Mr. Crook
Mr. Hall, Mrs. Hall, Dennis, Mrs. Abbott
Gosforth, Watkin, went down at
1:30, up at 7:30.

Mon. Got up 7:30 am (short sleep), breakfasted at 8 am and after cleaning up the Hut departed at 9:15.

Sat. October 25th

7 members in camp. cooked stew, ate stew. 2 members went down Reed's. Remainder walked over Dolbeau camp & back. Made pancakes & retired 12-30 a.m.

Sun. October 26th

14 members in camp. Visited Siderot Smallet & explored new hole at the bottom. Only two of members & I able to get through. Tidied up camp & left at 2-30 p.m.

R.P.

Sun Nov 9th

Avelyns visited by 4 members led by Margaret Tyrone. Foxes hole inhabited by foxes, and therefore impenetrable. Hon. Sec. diverted stream from bath. Stew cooked, mainly consisting of boiled swordes.

Left camp 8.45 pm.

TBS.

Sun 28th

Dec.

Ka Lee. st. in camp: cleaned up ready for New year's party. Donald Duck arrived 4 p.m.

R.P.

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Wed.-Thurs.
Jan 1st.

New Years Eve party: Goeldand, Walker, Peacock, Johnson, Pei, Anwen, Bertie, & Eddie in camp. Robertson visited until 10-30 p.m. Members returned to camp very drunk: ate supper

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+ flagged trap. Bed at 5 a.m.
Left camp Thursday afternoon. R.P.

Sat. Jan 1st. Walter, Pearce, Joan Brett Smith & Peggy
Fry in camp. Walter visited Roads to
collect Penicillium spores. Remained
cleaned up camp. R.P.
Left camp 6 f.m.

Sun. Jan 4th 1943 W. Goddard, J. Pitt, Mrs Pitt & their children
arrived in camp at 12:30. Very severe.
A short visit to Gootchuk was then made.
It was noted that most water on
going down the W. River Valley after the
recent rain. There was also a fair
stream from the new tunnel.
Cars stopped about 3:30, return 1. Jim
letter-box at about 5. A meal was prepared
a working up done. Camp left clean &
tidy? at 8:30.

W.J. Goddard

Sat 1st. Pearce, Walter, Goddard in camp.
Andrea decided it wise to decamp. Back
meal, flagged trap. Bed at 6:30 a.m.

Sun 2nd. Invaded by 3 boys at 1 p.m. & invited them
get breakfast. Got up 5 f.m. Dressed &
raidedly visited G.R. to obtain geological
specimens, mostly in Goddard's collection.
Accident to Goddard's right eye - got some
medicine. 1/2 a cup. P.M.

Sun. 8th Feb: 1942.

Mr. ... Adan's party visited
P.R. to inspect new water-courses.
Unsuccessful because ~~the~~ cave was
fully ~~under~~ explored.
Left at 8.45 pm. H. Davis

Feb 19th. Hut cleaned and bedding aired in the sun.
J. H. Foy.

Sat 21/2/42 2 members in camp. Visited Read's. Stream
not flowing. Penetrated as far as possible down stream's
course through a few smallish chambers connected
by perpendicular parts of water-course. At very bottom
stream appeared to run away by means of a number
of small cracks in two main regions. Cumming was
the other member. P. E. Andrews

Sunday
22/2/42 River reported back cleaned. End of bath gradually
eroding into back N.B. must be converted.

Surveyed side passage (see entry for 8/2/42)
in Main George. Left Camp 6.30 pm
^{After E.H.H.}

H. Davis

Sun 1st March '42 Party went down
Rutgator in Sikkim Parallel. Got
horribly stuck

H. Davis.

Sat. Mar 9th

Walter, Goddard & Pearce arrived in camp late in evening. Meal prepared.

Dismantled Roads at 1:15 a.m. Explored a fissure at far end of main chamber went down some way all difficult squeeze. Investigated grates at end of boulder chamber - No water in pools - no bugs.

Sun. Mar 10th.

F.G. Goddard took ~~to~~ party of 4 down C.B. Blanchard Party did not come.

Bartie & Blenk arrived but did not come down. Arrived ~~home~~ ^{back} too late to go down stayed the night.

Mon. 9th. Left camp clean & tidy at 12:30.

Sun March 22nd. 1962

Party of 5 arrived in camp at 2:0 pm. Went down P.B. Brought ~~some~~ tools up to 1st grotto down sump and commenced digging in side-passage Nth of 1st grotto. Penetrated 5' along in line with the side passage at higher level. Did not start any digging in earth at lower level of the side-passage. Arrived back at hut in two groups, first at 8:30, second at 9:30. Consumed stew, sausages, coffee, pancakes. Donovan & ~~one~~ one member went down P.B. also but left early.

In Main Cave, ½-way between 40' drop and the sump, was found a fully grown frog (*Rana europea*) which ~~was~~ possessed definitely ~~not~~ normal ~~normal~~ ^{normal} vision and seemed to possess average muscular powers. This observation is of interest

in view of the discovery of a frog which appeared normal in — at the other end of the sump in July 1941.

Also, in Devil's Elbow, was observed an insect, in appearance like a pond-skater but smaller than the commoner species. It behaved like a skater on the surface of the water. ~~but~~ It would probably be safe to relegate it to the Order Hemiptera.

P. E. Andrews

Sun. March 23rd, 1942. Party had breakfast at 6.30
I left camp at 8.00 am.
H. Davis.

Sun March 29th, 42.

Party of Thirteen arrived in camp between 10 am. and 2 pm. (mainly Kings Engineers). Took ss 6 sections of iron ladder (picked up one later) and two ropes down G B - to explore gallery in main chamber. Ladder bolted together by Engineers and safely erected. Rodney and Charles investigated - disappointing. After stay nine members left after last bus. Four decided to walk a mile back to Bristol remainder stayed the night leaving at 7 am. H. Davis remaining until 12.

D. A. Johnson

Th. April 3rd.

8 members in camp. Stew cooked on fire, somewhat burnt owing to heavy rain which made stirring an uncomfortable job. Bodman, Johnson, Mr. Boyd, went to Langford. Pesi & Willets started but returned after about

a mile. Made pancakes. Played brag. Bed about 2.30 am
Sat. April 4th

Rose 10 am. Goddard, Foster, Ebling and L. Keppid arrived about 2 pm. Party visited Reads, where Foster lost a pipe. Stew cooked by Walton & Pesci, spoilt by Lemon Essence, the remainder of which was removed by Hon. Sec. Johnson left camp early. Brag, pancakes. No pub-crash owing to rain. Bed about 1.30 am.
Sunday April 5th

Weather very good. Cullingford and Army party taken down Reads and Sideset, by Goddard and Walton. Another party led by Pearce went down Goat Church. A very small hole was penetrated inadvertently by Bourke. Stew cooked by M. Hall and N. Wilson. Very good. Visited Rowberry Swan. Walton and Bourke returned on former's bike without lights, and in spite of mounting several blocks arrived safely back in camp. Bodman & M. Boyd returned somewhat steered, & kept the remainder of the camp awake for some time. Eventually settled about 2 am ^{& about time!}

Monday April 6th

Very fine breakfast eaten at 12 noon.
3 P.M. Visited Goat Church, that cleaned and camp left in good order 5 pm.

JBS

Sunday April 26th

2 p.m. 6 members in camp

Hanser & Van Treas. finished
cementing of bath: Francis' shirt
employed to stop leak at top
end. 3 ~~other~~ members visited Rock Cave.

N.B.

R.P.

Sunday, May 2nd.

F. Tracy and party of 6 visited Goshen. H. Morris,
Arden, & Bunning arrived 2 o'clock and restored order in
the Hut. Later went down Sides St. Collected firewood.

Monday, May 25.

Poured with rain therefore stayed in bed until
3.0 p.m. Litied up Hutt and left Camp at 5 p.m.

N.B.

When staying at Burlington do not think
too much, thought results in actions which
may conflict with the actions of others - if
you must think differently from the mass.
Let your subsequent actions be constructive.

N.B.

- ① The fire place was built to save paraffin.
- ② The seat to stop people flinging tea leaves
out of the window etc.
- ③ The sump dug for the reception of rejectants.
- ④ The tent erected for women to sleep in (see over)
- ⑤ Ferns and flowers were planted by the door
to inhibit the use of the doorstep for dumping
carbide.
- ⑥ The clothes shed is for dirty cloathing, this
is not to be brought into the hut.

Subjugate your libido by positive action
of subjective interests towards the
fundamental objectives of the U. B. S. S.

① Discovery of Caves and the
collection of information they may yield.

② Investigate local archaeological
monuments.

③ Keep the hut and clearing in working
order.

Do not

① Make Burroughton a picnic ground

② A hunting ground for dissatisfied ♀♀.

③ Waste time showing others
down the same cane time after time,
let them B. well find their own way —
someone had to in the beginning

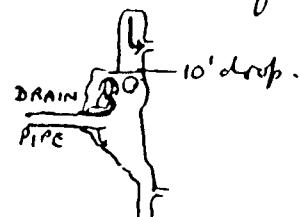
A true Spaelio or Troglodyte goes
STRAIGHT ON.

Some rules lately forgotten.

- ① The Hon-Sec's word is final. OR ELSE
- ② Fill the Kettle after emptying it.
- ③ Leave a note in hut before doing a cane
and give particulars.
- ④ No one can sleep in the hut - it is
condemned - the tent is for male members
to sleep in, and a ~~com~~ ^{com} ~~be~~ ^{be} kept there
Women do not sleep at Burroughton — MUCH
(during the camp) at all,
- ⑤ No party is allowed to use the hut
without there being a member of committee
present.
- ⑥ The bath was constructed for the reception of
those who break these laws.

Sat, 30th May 1942

Cumming, Andrews & 2 ♀s arrived 11.30.
12.30 descended goatchurch. At end of cave, course of stream was as indicated, and quantity of water approse. equalled that flowing in Boulder Chamber. Party returned & left cave via letter box. Cumming & 2 ♀s were then induced to return by letter box and follow cave round to other entrance.



Party then search West Twin for Whitcombe's Hole, mentioned by Balch, but were unsuccessful. Returned 4.30.

Boddard & Walton were in camp.

Stew prepared & eaten.

Accommodation found at Mrs Jeffries Little Orchard, for 1 ♀ who wanted to stay night. Bed 1.15 am., Walton, Cumming & Andrews remaining for night in camp. P. S. Andrews

Sun 31st May. '42

Breakfast cooked & eaten. Waste pail emptied. Cumming, Andrews & ♀ prepared for visit to C.B. with intention of digging in side-passage (see 8/2/42 & 22/2/42).



Went to bottom of cave & attempted to make ladder

more secure leading to gallery off Main Cave (see 29/3/42). Attempt partly successful.

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Brought pick and spade up from sump & log ether with large crow-bar taken from butt, left them at 'A' in sketch. Owing to the extreme wetness of the cave it was impossible to carry out the work intended. This had been to attempt to force a passage through the choke indicated in sketch, as this appeared to be an alternative method of connecting this passage directly to 1st grotto, the idea being based on result of survey made on 22nd Feb, 42.

An attempt to dig from side-passage at First grotto is mentioned under log of 22nd / 3 / 42.

Walter prepared slugs (excellent consistency - distinctly 'predigested') which was consumed by all. Bath was used by 8 members.

Poles taken to swallet nr. bath and the tripod erected. Cumming fixed block at top.

Left butt 8.50.

good comp.; much stone.

Ch. 1

P. E. Andrews.

Sun June 13th

4 members in camp Dr. Cook
took a party of Guards officers down
Foothills. ^{8000 ft.} Lector Smith &
Scott found some. Too much salt
Tent erected. R.P.

Sun June 14th 1942.

Pearce & Walton in camp; arrived
3.30 13th - ate, smoked, cursed &
shot small vermin for stew and then
slept, until awoken by Dr. Baxter 11 am.
(the usual rude reception) who brought kind
invitation to lunch at his camp. Therefore
no breakfast partaken; but arose and
partook of said meal with great
gratitude satisfaction & repulsion - returned
to camp. Ate, smoked, slept until gangs
of hunger assailed us. Porridge, rabbit
liver, blackbird, bacon, eggs, potato, fried
bread, tea etc etc devoured with troglodyte
avidity at 7 am. until 8.30.

Work done - one Rumex (Burdock)
removed from clearing. Much reflective
thought and ponderous contemplative
celebration was expended with respect to
the line of attack on projected new
fireplace and excavation, involving the least
expenditure of energy -

Never did so few do so little for
so many!

Left. 10.30 am.

J.W. Walton

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Summer Camp

Thurs.

June 18th

Pearce + Johnson arrived 8-30 p.m.
Called on the Birns + Bill Farn.
Cooked meal + smoked round fire
until midnight. Weather dull but
warm. Very peaceful in camp.

Fri 19th

Got up 10 a.m. Ate bacon. Scratched
+ painted front of hut. Had breakfast.
At 4 p.m. Bertie + Curwen arrived. Pearce
no longer needed. Destroyed wall at
back of hut + dug out crater for fireplace.
Paint concrete floor. Old Ethen prepared
by Pearce + Johnson. Retired to Routhman.
Bertie + Curwen left out.

Sat 20th

Weather fine. Got up 9-30 + made breakfast.
Johnson descended. Bertie, Curwen,
Pearce + Bodman went down G. S.
Eventually got to the bottom after Curwen
had been persuaded to leave the first
ladder to look after itself. Assembled the
several ladders + erected 5 sections over
the 40' drop. Took the other 3 sections
up to the boulder chamber + carried
out 2 ropes + the safe ladder afternoon
sweat + cursing. Dealt with Bertie
outside cave + again in camp for the
rest of the day. France in camp. Went
up to clarify the Hibbard + returned
old bag.

in one piece. Unfortunately. Hansee then went up & landed on the water. with 2 successful results. Roy & Eliff again played until 3 am.

Frances Darter, & Hansee slept out

June 24th Got up 10:30 a.m. Again fine. swept lot of dirt & had breakfast. Frances & Hansee completed painting of bunk, & Curwen & Bebbie made fire green with the fireplace. Almost finished by 8 p.m. Had & stew cooked by Peggy Terry, Tom Brett Smith & Tom Hatcho. Henry. Camp cleaned up to catch 9:55 bus. Curwen & Bebbie cleared up camp.

R. Pearce.

Union Week Outing.

Thurs.

June 25th: 16 members in camp. No bus provided. Had meal & two parties taken down Goatchurch by Goddard & Johnson. Returned to camp at 4:30 p.m. & had tea. Camp cleaned up & left at 6:45.

R. Pearce.

Friday. July 10th

Walton + Pearce arrived in camp 9 p.m.
but in a hell of a chamber. Gallery
window broken + everything all over the
Woody place; swore vengeance against
the God who was responsible.

Contemplated Babie's effort at building
a fireplace + passed judgment?
Captured the fireplace in a fitting
manner made a meal + went to bed
at 2 a.m. Smoked out when fire lit.

Sat. 11th.

Got up 10:30 a.m. + proceeded
fireplace to pieces. This took less than
five minutes. Had breakfast. Baxter
+ Johnson arrived long in store.
Peggy + Tom. Brett Smith arrived;
walked up. Completed destruction
of fireplace + planned reconstruction.
Baxter, Walton Johnson + Pearce went
to "country" at Wells. Branks + bird
buff, coat etc + ash tray. On way home
acquired many notices by Commandos
(tactics). Very good clean cooked
by Peggy + Tom. Played bill +
spoke. ~~.....~~

Sunday 12th

Got up 10:30 a.m. + had breakfast of
sausages, bacon, eggs + 12 muffins.
Lit fireplace. Walton inside but
+ Pearce + Johnson outside.

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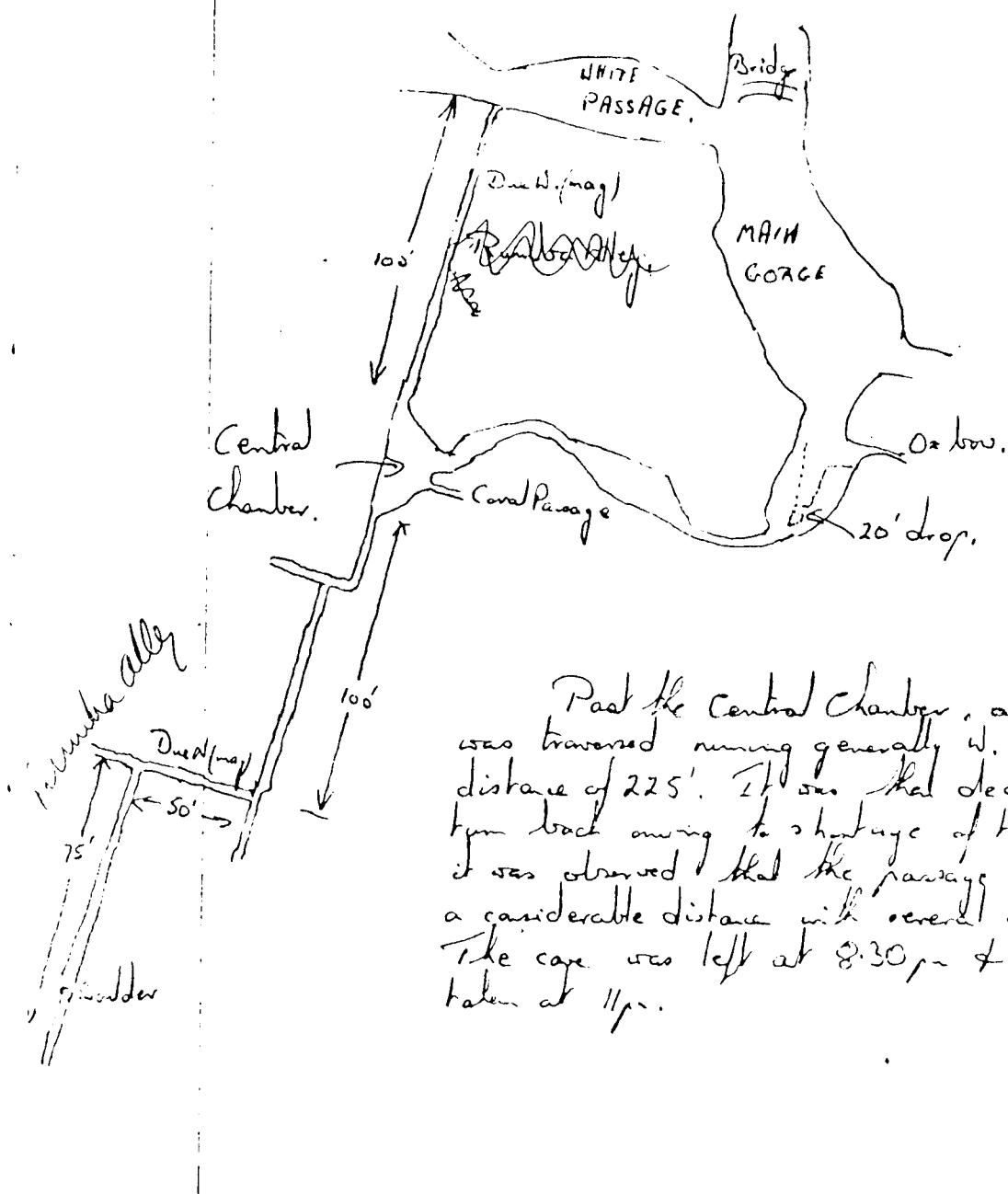
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Sun.

Mon. 29th '42 T. G. Charles, K. Haughton, W.E. Craddock, F.G. Hall, in camp. Got up 10:30 fed moderately and set off for G.B. on 2 motor bikes. Entered G.B. 12:30. Haughton & Hall proceeded down to Main Chamber and up first side passage on right and proceeded as far as choke. Here they stayed and started until ~~carbide~~ carbide shortage compelled them to return. Simultaneously, Charles & ~~Craddock~~ were working on the choke in the first tunnel to the left in the first grotto. No sound was heard from the shakers below. After 4 hours of digging through conglomerate, clay & sand no passage was forced at 14:45 pm into a dry chamber. This was explored and surveyed. The tunnel dug was ²⁵ ~~20~~' from the 1st grotto on a bearing of N20°E (mag.) & the chamber lead on in the same direction for ²⁵ ~~20~~' rising slightly. The floor was chiefly mud. One passage continued on for 30' and led in a choke. Another passage after a climb of 10' continued upwards at 60° for 30' and became too small for the human frame. At this point numerous fine yellow-colored stalactites were found. This new passage has been named by the discoverers the "H & C Passage". On the way out, the tunnel was enlarged and the party proceeded — very at present speed to eat at 17:00. After which first jam & jubes were had if all.

Tues. 30th June. A monstrous amount of food was eaten at mid day which caused great discomfort later in the day. Having recovered, the party set forth to G.B. at 2:30 pm. Photographs were taken in the "H & C Passage" and in the gorge. The mine was surveyed and mapped. The party then ... & and drank their lunch. G.B. was again descended at 5:30 this time as far as the Main Chamber.

An exploration was carried out on the first side passage as far as the choke and the survey checked. Rumba Alley was visited and roughly surveyed.



Past the Central Chamber, a passage was traversed running generally W. for a distance of 225'. It was then decided to turn back owing to shortage of time although it was observed that the passage went for a considerable distance with several off-shoots. The cage was left at 8.30 p.m. & supper taken at 11 p.m.

Wed. 11th July,

Party arose at 11 am had breakfast and cleaned up
the Hut. Adjusted mangelites and trussed
selves up like boating fools and departed at 2 o'clock.

T. J. Charles

Sunday 12th July cont.

Middlepiece & Heath finished + chimney taken up
to level of hut. Coated + the chains
+ left on 9:5 bus with Parris +
Wachan + Barker remained with
rest working + reinforced base
of chimney. D.P.

Wed. July 15th

Walla, Godblad + Pearce arrived
in boat 3 p.m. Completed
work at 2:30 p.m. Started from boat
by 4:30 p.m. with mangle chain and
1 chimney pot. Had vessel +
left at 6:30 p.m.

R.P.

Friday July 17th.

John Duff Smith & Roger Eblig arrived in camp 9:00 a.m. ~~in~~ ^{about} before made meal went to bed 2 a.m. after walk in Dutheny.

Sat July 18th. ~~at~~ 10 a.m. cooked breakfast & went for walk. Collected wood. John Eblig arrived 5:30 & Pearce & Johnson at 7:15 a.m. Pissi arrived 9 a.m. Cooked stew & made pancakes around fire. Bed at 3 a.m.

Sun July 19th. Got up 10 noon. bathed & cleaned out gallery partitions & food cupboard. Had breakfast. Reassembled food cupboard & meal cake done on fireplace. Nettle was & sprigs hoed. Seat constructed & gallery reassembled by Eblig & Pearce. Johnson dealt with penguins. Excellent stew eaten & 9.5 birds caught by party.

R. Pearce

July 24th

Mike Thomas and Walton arrived about 10:30 p.m. Ate, snoozed, cussed and drank until 12:30 p.m. retired to bunks. Arose at 11:30 a.m. - ate, snoozed, cussed and Walton cunningly continued to erect partition completely obliterating all light from hon. sec. bunk - hon. sec. arrived in camp.

Slight umbridge taken by hon. sec., reflex animal retribution instantaneously taken by aforesaid member afterwards deeply regretted.

All round umbridge rightly taken off Walton, even by Australian tough in sub.

Joan Brett Smith, Peggy Fry arrived. Baxter called in - somewhat inferior stew consumed. Brag played - no interest. Poker played on collapsible table which collapsed. Played until 4:30 a.m. & tried to bed.

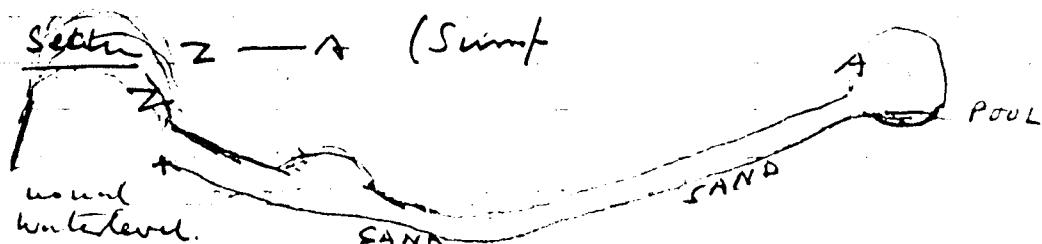
Sunday 26th

Got up 12 noon. Bathed & ate breakfast cooked very satisfactorily on inside fireplace.

Geoffrey Taub & Walton went down Read's river. Thomas & Pearce fitted damper in fireplace & seats finished sand fix. Cupboard rearranged, canfield & stew eaten outside. Hut cleaned.

Left 9:30 p.m.

R. Pearce.



Survey completed

1 Sat:

July 19th.

Goddard & ~~Arthur~~ Lloyd arrived in camp
5 p.m. Fire made & meal cooked. 1 Rabbit,
& 1 Nightjar shot; 1 toad stepped on.
No one drunk in camp.

2 Sun.

July 20th.

Rose early 11th A.M. - breakfast 1 p.m. - considered
activities during p.m. in concreting
bath - supper 7 p.m. rabbit, toad,
& nightjar sausages(?) carrots, potatoes,
onions, tomatoes, solep.

Bath nearly completed; 3 courses of breeze blocks
laid. Hut cleaned out & bedding aired.

Y. J. S.

August Bank Holiday Camp.

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Friday:

August 1st.

Goddard arrived in camp 9 p.m.;
Bertie arrived in camp 11 p.m. with 600.
Real cooked.

Saturday:

August 2nd.

Goddard returned to Quibell's hole with
and officers of survey continued. Miss Nelson,
Walter & Pearce joined in camp with Donavan,
Miss Collier & Sonnino. Real cooked
over to Kimbernow.

Sunday

August 3rd.

Left out: Got up 11 a.m.: I remember got up 5:30 to
heat mushrooms. Then see got up 6 a.m. + shot
1 rabbit (b. small). 6 cartridges expended. Party
taken down G.O. by F.T.G. + Survey of surface
features continued by party under Dr. Cook.

Walter & Pearce completed structure of both.

Party in S.B. went up slide at head of gorge,
+ descended at 4-15 p.m. Survey party on surface
were below at snallet dug by Chapman in
1923 + heard nothing. It is suggested that a
party attempt to communicate from the head
of Boulder chamber to Tym's snallet?

Two members of Wessex C.C. accompanied
G.O. party. Survey party met Solicitor
of Admiralty R.D.C. + told him up. He was
asked to communicate with Mr. Day, R.D.C.
survey + tell him that survey could be sent
in in few days.

August Camp.

Fri July 3rd: Pearce + Joan Gott Smith arrived in camp 7-30 P.M. Found D. Nelson + Alms already there. Fixed shutter over window, made stew + played hog. Rabat left out.

Sat August 4th: Got up 10:30 + had breakfast outside. Michael Kirby arrived. Finished screening in shutters. Goddard, Parker + Barker arrived 5-30 P.M. Made stew + visited Bowesdown. Manufactured moccasins + left to climb above Gott. Played big, longan + poker until 3 a.m. Goddard left.

Sun Aug 5th: Party of school children from Devizes arrived in camp 2-30 P.M. after breakfast. (long part) (B.A.C.) Took them down Gatchurch + I left + settlement + dredged them. Padge Cullingford arrived also (B.A.C.) in camp + took Alms + D. Nelson + (B.A.C.) down G.B. That gave to each went to Bowesdown after dinner acquired timber. Galley window in the big back. Bed at 12.

Monday 3rd: Got up 11 a.m. Had breakfast. Nails + tin over galley + cemented up sides of fireplace. Rest members left in the afternoon. Barker + Parker stayed in camp, + visited G.B., Roper still down G.B.

~~Tues Aug 8th~~ ~~Aug 9th~~ ~~Aug 10th~~ ~~Aug 11th~~ ~~Aug 12th~~
~~Aug 13th~~ ~~Aug 14th~~ ~~Aug 15th~~ ~~Aug 16th~~ ~~Aug 17th~~

Tues Aug 8th. Carter returned to Bright early.
 Carter stayed in bed until 10 a.m.
 + then made meal & returned
 home.

D.P.

Sun Aug 9th. Carter Pearce + J. Brett Smith
 arrived in camp at 7 a.m. Made
 meal of beans + spaghetti.
 Finished computing of fuel cost.
 cleaned inballs for shelter.
 made large stew + left camp
 at 9 a.m. P.P.

Sat Aug 10th. Carter + Goddard arrived in camp
 5 p.m. Made meal of mushrooms.
 Carter left. Goddard started another
 meal. D. L. Pease arrived
 8 p.m. very wet. Watanawich 9-30 p.m.
 also wet. ate stew + played cards.
 Bed at 1 a.m.

Sun 11th
 Got up 10-30 a.m. Reneted gunks
 + bedding. Had breakfast. Cleaned

out hut with scrapers & brooms.
Bertie & Dolly arrived having cycled
from Timbug in 3 hours. Bertie
put in a new middle pane of
glass & Johnson, Walbar & Pearce
painted top end of the hut.

Goddard cleared out the porch shed.
Barker & Rogers dug (?) a bath hole
& consumed beer. Blatt was found
to be leaking & it was emptied &
given a fresh coat of cement.

Stew eaten at 6-30 & camp
cleared up. All brush & bedding
being piled in the middle of the hut.
Left camp at 7-30 p.m.

R.D.

Sun.

Aug 30th. 1942.

K. G. Goddard. An composite of a
school of greenish brown colour. Total height
18 cm. age 1 year. of 1940 same
school - probably Lamba. Relieved
of tree at 5.00. cleaned up & left
camp 8.15.

794.

P.S. Much water in fire place.
Please remember to place soon
wood on the chimney.

Sat. Sept 9th.

Wadsworth, Pearce, Reilly, Johnson + Tom, Croft - Smith arrived in camp 6 p.m. in DeBary car also amidst the leafiness, a couple of hundred thousand bees + a wasp.

Much hounding ensued from the transfat of the bees. Johnson + Pearce both stung twice; German beliefs offering no protection. Took out fireplace + made a meal of stuffing + marrow, whilst Reilly, Johnson + Pearce disinfected the hut. Finished disinfesting at 1 a.m. + went to bed. Cilelta returned to Bristol.

Sun. 6th. Got up 10-30 + had breakfast.

Johnson + Pearce wanted skinning their + I got a rifle + after looking down a party of German students driving back through Bristol we all + returned to Wadsworth's car at 9 p.m. Camp + car were dug + about 10' Christened together.

Thurs Sept 10th.

Strickon + Pearce in camp 2 p.m. Collected 16 lbs of cream spent off Nibbles + painted top end of the hut. Made a fire + slept at 8:30 p.m. taking it with us to eat in Bristol.

R.P.

Sat. Sept. 12th

Kelly, Johnson + Walstan arrived by car 4 p.m.
Found D. Nelson in camp. Pearce, Straker,
John Dett-Smith + Geoffrey Tait arrived
about 7 p.m. Bade well + played
Craps until 2 h.m. All slept well
except women. Johnson + Pearce
slept on deck by the cabin.

Sun. 13th

Got up 11 a.m. + made breakfast.
Continued painting but + Basta removed
Shuts from setting tank to the bath
allowing only water contained in
bath hole. Had stew + left
camp at 10:30 p.m.

Friday 10th Sept.

Pearce + J.B.S. arrived 8 p.m. Started
stew. Basta, Cimarron + McCall arrived
9 p.m. Arrived by land. All stew
+ played cards. Led at 5:30 a.m.

Sat. 9th. Got up 11 a.m. Had breakfast in
clearing. Painted gallery + ceiling +
sink bath hole for a total of \$15.00.
Retired to bunks now + another buck
bottle; one bottle consumed by Barker
surprisingly + another bottle was
saved from the ravages of Cimarron to

Sat. Oct 1st cont.

Present to Jas. Hibberd. Played long & games until 2 a.m. Walton arrived.

Sun 2nd. Camp aroused at 9 a.m. by the clamor of Curnen Rees. Much acrimonious talk ensued & breakfast eaten by 11 a.m. about a record. Curnen left & Walton prepared food ashore. Started in boat until 5 p.m. owing to sinking wattle. Walton defined both excavation. ate stew & left camp at 9 p.m. R.P.

Sat. Oct 3rd.

Walton and Goddard arrived 10:15, having been to social gathering at the "Swan". Intoxication about 70%, much carousing, gamboling and mirth, disgusting steaks broiled on fire when said party was rudely interrupted by precipitously and usual noisy arrival of Hon. sec. — Bloody awful stew made by Goddard eaten by party; remaining hunk of rhinoceros steak & pigified legume put by for next stew after partial digestion by Hon. sec. Retired to bed at 2:30 a.m.

Sunday Oct 14th

Got up 11 a.m. + collected firewood.
Another filthy meal delivered by Walton
+ subsequently consumed with much
effort. Baxper arrived + commenced
work on Bath. One King's fresher +
Johnson arrived later + work has continued
on the Bath Hole. Shaft sunk to a
depth of about 12 ft. + loose sandstone
rocks + gravel encountered. Some bones
+ bones also found at a depth of 10 ft.
One large fragment rock has recovered
— hopeful. Stew eaten at 7:30 p.m.
+ Goddard took two members down
Reads. Left camp 10:30 p.m.
Painting of hut completed, + seat
round fire covered with blankets.

Sunday Oct 11th

R.P.

Joan Sweetland, Pearce + Walton
started hitching out 12:30 am. No hitch
caught Langford bus at reservoirs. Trudged
to camp from Langford 2:10 p.m. Passed
by several blasted mob-laden automobiles
Bath hole filled in by snowdrifts
avalanche - bitter disappointment. Cement
applied to roof of hut by Walton, Paint applied
to inside by Pearce. Stew by J.B.S.
Michall Kenty in camp on carnival
with sugar for bees. Left 8:45 p.m.
Weather and stew good, all else bloody
G.Walton.

Friday 16th October 1942

Arrived 5:30 p.m. Preferred rest.
longest mail in box, received at 1:30.

Sat. 17th October

Got up 12:30. Preferred shower, then
breakfast with mushrooms.

Commenced digging the fallen
bath-hole 40 buckets of mud removed.

Barker & Pearce arrived 5 p.m.

2 King's members, Bond & Barrett & John

Ebling arrived later & were put to
work on the bath hole. Slight unsuccess
made on the first filling the excavation.

Stew cooked & eaten by 9 p.m. so party
retired to "The Swan". Retuned by 10:30
& played桥牌. Bed at 1 a.m.

Sun 18th Got up 8:30 a.m. Barker & Goddard collected
mushrooms, and breakfast was finally
consumed at 12:30 p.m. Honeys & Goddard
were fairly attacked by the rest of the
party in the tea gardens. A counter attack
was launched which resulted in the enemy
withdrawing in disorder but bad
marksmanship on the part of Goddard resulted
in some blood letting on Honeys.

Party continued work on bath hole. The
which was fixed up & about 30 bucket
loads were removed. Barker continued
the facing of the bath, & the bath was

Made finally waterproof ~~over~~ by a coat
of saligum over the concrete on the roof.
Gaddard took a party of 5 down Roads.
Stew eaten + camp left at 8:30pm.

R. Pearce

Sat Nov 14. John Bell, G. Walton & Pearce
arrived in camp by 4:15 hrs.
Collected wood & made meal.
Replied to Roubenow. Returned from
Roubenow with 10 flags & flagged
trail until 4am.

Sun. Nov 15th Got up 12 noon. Bell & Pearce both had
& returned to a breakfast of 2 lbs. bacon,
bacon, egg, spuds etc. Harry rested.
Pearce, Bell & another member went
down Goatchurch. Walton & B. Nelson
cooked a welcome meal. Walton
improved the water supply to the both
which filled completely. Caught 9 pm.
Lions Game.

R. Pearce.

Sat. Dec. 4th

Walton and Mr. Beaton arrived
2.30 p.m. Mouses nest in cornflakes
packet suitably treated, mouse made
hectic escape. P. Gleaver arrived, all
three went down Sidcot. Meal
cooked. Caught 9 pm bus back.

Sat Dec 12th

Flor. Rec. and Walton arrived 3:30
p.m. laden with provisions. Cut wood,
cut more wood. Lit fire. Johnson
arrived 5:30. Cut more wood.
Had fire made still when Philip Weeks
arrived. He saw which was not quite
up to scratch and party adjourned to
Langford. Thrown out of Langford at 10:20
and walked back to camp in a rather
fashion. Cut holly on way. Decorated
but with holly and played桥⁽⁵⁾.
Rodney won as usual. Wet to bed
2 a.m.

Sun

Dec 13th.

34 buckets

Got up at 12 and cooked breakfast
Pungent effect of last night's stew on
Rodney apparent. 2 p.m. from Brett Smith
and Pat Miles arrived and went down
to old church. Pearce, Walton, Johnson
dig in hole at the bottom. Much effort and
language. suspended but very little to
show for it. Retired to camp and
eat stew at 6 p.m. ~~Then~~ in
Why hasn't this 51 guild. ~~Then~~ then

~~Dec 19th.~~

T. Thomas + Dicky Barker in camp.
lit fire & made clear. Did no
work. Made a bloody mess of the
tent. No candles so pack him.

~~Dec 20th.~~

Walter, Pearce & Smith arrived
at 8 p.m. Dug hole. Put in the bottom
the remains of fecal matter & had
to shift. Took ecology & largely
excluded in review. A bushy land.
T. Thomas removed the others.
Retired to camp & ate stew. Camped
mainly of carry & movement.
Darker & Thomas removed themselves
early & remainder caught 9 fish.

1942.

1943 Dec 31st. New Years Eve Party.

Sat Jan 1st. Walter + Pearce arrived 5 p.m. to
find Scattering far ahead in camp.
Got in wood & mended lamp.
Blotted debris of New Years Eve &
made meal. Played bag & went to bed.

Sun Jan 10th. Got up 11a.m. & made breakfast.
Got in dead wood. Shovel was closed
pinches & naked left to a state of
virgin purity. Left 3.30 p.m.

Sat. Jan 16th. Walton & 4 new members arrived in camp by 1-615 bus.

Bon See arrived at 4 p.m. laden with vegetables. Gut wood. Walton broke party down boards. No new tables.

Bon See prepared meal: 6 chops, 2 filets, Spuds, onions & carrots. Michael Illinois arrived 8 p.m. & party retired to the hayloft. Joined by Johnson at 9-30 p.m. Returned to camp & consumed meal. Played poker until 4 a.m. Johnson lost.

Sunday Jan 17th.

Got up 1 p.m. Cooked breakfast of Red Herring. Two new members arrived at 3 p.m. & were taken down goatchuck by Johnson & Price.

Had meal & caught 6-50 lbs.

R.P.

Sat 30th Jan 1943

Kirby & Bassett arrived 2.30
Bloody wet, locked out. Collected
wood.

Bassett & Walton arrived 4.15,
Pearce & Elling " 5.30

Peculiar resilient rubberoid
tissues prepared by Walton, consumed
with great difficulty. Bloody a work.

Visited Redford - no means
of organisation, departed to Blagdon -
damn good booze - members
returned to hut by various
devious ways and means.

Rob, Mr. Secretary, performed well during
trip and splics held over Redford village,
greatly admired in beam of torch
by remaining members.

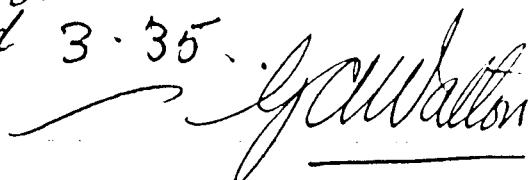
Sun. 30. Food consumed.
Corrugated iron brought up
to hut from Burnington Garage.

Sun. 31st Jan 1943.

Same members present arose
between 1.30 - 2 p.m.

Enormous meal consumed,
cleared up - too damn wet
for any form of work.

Departed 3.35.


G.C. Walton

Wed. 17th February

Goddard & Pearce in camp.

Prospected line of junction of shales
& limestone by the path up to Dalebury.
All the smallets as far as Head's Cave
were examined, & it was decided
to begin a dig on the one about
30 yds w. of the Bath Hole.

A large dry streamway runs from
Blackdown into a basin about 30 ft.
in diameter and there is evidence of
an active smallet having been made
at its northernmost end, where several
rocks have been washed clear of earth.

One of these was removed and found
to be unbroken.

Party returned to camp & caught
7.35 p.m. bus to Buxton.

Wed. Feb 18th

Han sec. in camp. Commenced work on
the new smallet.

The boulders were cleared away
and the bank around the rocks cut
into in order to expose them.

The excavation was commenced and
the soil found to be very dry & friable
and contain numerous small rocks.

One large rock was split off & removed
Caught 7.35 bus.

Sat. Feb 27th.

Pearce Waller, 9 - Goddard arrived in camp at 7:30 - heavily laden with food and 6 new blankets. Dr Crook arrived later. A meal was prepared & party left for Langford. The outcome of the meeting was the passing of a vote of censure on the landlord of said hotel. A large meal was then prepared consisting of pork chops, burnt onions and fried potatoes. Dr Crook departed & after a short discussion the remainder retired to bed.

Sun Feb 28th.

Awak 12:0 a.m.

Meal prepared, devoured, and completed by 3:0. Flat and clover were cleaned up. A lung was inserted & well and tightly driven home into the outlet of the hounds which was found to be leaking. The dog prepared by Baets was partially destroyed. Water was noticed to be flowing considerably more freely. Both now filling rapidly. Left camp clean and tidy at 6:30.

(Signed) W. G. Goddard

Sat. March 20th

Goddard & four members of Greenwich Naval College in camp 4 p.m.

Han See arrived 7 p.m. to find camp in a state of Francisco disorder. Party returned from the village (1 1/2) of the 'Plane of the Allies' & retired to Roubenay. Here a bottle of whisky & much food was consumed & two gallons brought back to camp. Having put one of the Naval officers to bed the party consumed a meal, played cards & retired.

Sun. day 21st March

Party got up 9 a.m., had breakfast went for a walk. Goddard & Pearce got up 11:30 a.m. made breakfast & waited for the others. Went down Goatchurch. Found 3rd way down into the watershed & passed Francis into the fog forest, which he fully traversed after which saw fine leaves & good deal of them & then followed a long dry side by eaffed the bottom. Found it impossible to enlarge with chisel & hammer owing to lack of space. Perceded Settymon to enter which he succeeded in doing after throwing himself of his upper garments. Found a smaller hole

at the bottom which was impossible to get through. Left him there while we finished our pipes. Returned to camp, ate supper & left at 7 p.m.

R. Bruce.

Friday 23 April

R. A. Ellington arrived in camp so found it all locked up. Waited in clothes but collected wood etc. till Baxter turned up at 8 o'clock with key & paraffin. Baxter immediately disappeared presumably to his caravan bed at 10 o'clock.

Saturday 24 April

Arose 9 o'clock. Had porridge & sardines for breakfast. Brought some more wood in. Went for walk round bath & wallet to Swan Brook swallet investigated Armendar R.D.C. efforts then returned to camp viacombe. After tea dinner. Went for a ride around Burrington, Bureshill and Rickford to get some bread; not a hope. Returned to camp when Tony Humphreys and Nixon (Bridgwater C.C.) arrived at 6 o'clock. Fired had off the station and went to Howlearrow came back at 9.30 to find Pearce in occupation having walked from Bristol. Played cards until 1 o'clock and so to bed. R.A. Ellington

~~Food
cards
Vol. for
Sunday 25th~~

Woke up 10 a.m. Had first breakfast. Got up 11 a.m. Had second breakfast. Started work on Bath swallet. Derrick reassembled and bucket retrieved. Much mud removed & a cheet of tin erected to prevent further

Cabildances filling it up. Return of to camp & had stew. Went to Rickford & climb several pits & walked back to camp in the rain. Played Spade rat; Bill Fiscal Inst. Bed at 9 a.m.

Monday 26th. Got up 10.30 a.m. Had breakfast; waited for certain members, who shall be nameless to turn up & unable swillars to be done. Firing ties evidently being too strong after man animal it was decided to do G.P.

Cycled over in a hell of a wind & went down at 2.30 p.m. Party went to bottom & back round the upper slopes & got out at 5.30 p.m. Cycled back again in same hell of a wind & had etces cooked by Nixon & Humphries; good.

Note: a pick was caught out from the main chamber together with a lump of "treacher & god-awful" warmer. F.P.

Went to Rickford and returned to bed at 12 o'clock.

Tuesday 27th

Arose at 9.30 and had a good breakfast washed up etc. and left. Camp clear and tidy at 12 o'clock. R.C. Bellington

Wednesday April 11th/43

Walked from Lorington to H.Q. to meet R.P. Carr & Goddard, having understood from R.P. in a letter, that they

would be in camp on Sunday evening.
Arrived there at 9:15 pm. No sign of anybody. Found one front shutter unfastened waited until 10:00 pm. for somebody to arrive. Left H.Q. after making same secure
C.P. Neaves.

Why didn't you come to the Langford?

Fri
April 11th

Whitcom Camp.

Alms & Pearce met Goddard & Johnson at the Langford 9:15 p.m. arrived in camp 11 p.m. Made meal & went to bed, having missed Weasel who left camp at 6 p.m.

Sat 12th

Got up 10 a.m. & had breakfast. Cut weeds & swept clearing. G. Charles & his friends arrived 2 p.m. & went across G.B. to photograph. Standard authority to ch. of the Godard on Blackdown & had no trouble in getting over the top. 11 colored & 1 black & white ph. for sale in G.B.

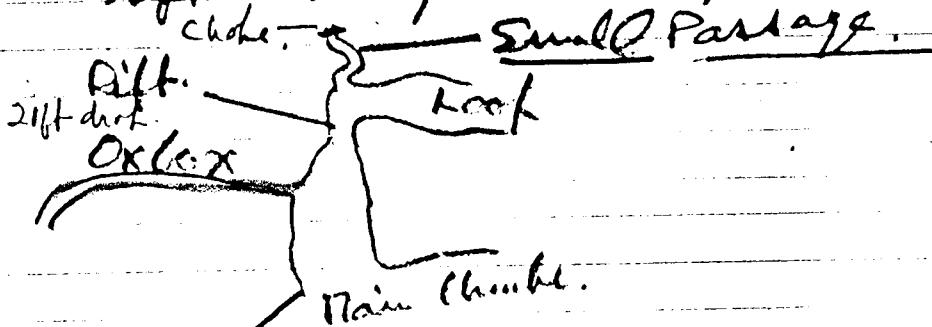
Remainder of party dug at Bath Hole until bucket & bottom fell out. Curious effect of wind currents with. Emallet noted through indicators provided by Dr. Alms intestinal tract.

Joined by Nixon & a friend from B.C.C. Goddard & Pearce, Johnson & Alms went down East & Twin at 6 p.m. & made complete survey. Retained

To camp 11 p.m. + ate excellent stew
made by B.C.C. + went to bed.

Sun. 13th.

Got up 10a.m. + had breakfast. Tested
rope + rended bucket. Settling bar, Tay,
+ large truck load of R.A.F. arrived
11-30 a.m. Charles + Iain left
12-30 p.m. for G.B. to Survey + photograph.
Goddard Pearce, Settaylor passed thru
in 1st gallery + continued to main
chamber, ~~where~~ where Whittlyman,
Blanch, Daffyman + Jack Jonell (R.A.F.
Feltbyham) were met. Continued
with Whittlyman + thoroughly explored
passage leading out of Coal chamber +
way beyond + tried to get through
a small hole at the top of the
rift leading to the Loop.



This was explained + tried by all members
but is blocked by mud choke with a layer
of stalagmite about $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick above it.
The roof is composed of consolidated
choke, + the passage beyond appears to
be about 8' wide + 3' high + leads to

a downward direction. This is one of the few escapable passages leading down small bear diggings.

The complete loop was surveyed, & the passage leading up from the coal chamber was also surveyed.

7 B 17 R.A.F. were taken down by Johnson & alms, & the party returned to stew at 8 p.m. to find Debbie in camp. Went to Robbenow on bikes & bed at 12.

Mon. 14th. Pearce, Alms Charles & party in camp.

Got up 10 a.m. loaded camp & had breakfast. 1 p.m. Settlement party arrived & left for cave.

Charles went down Cookhouse; remainder dug in Bath Hole.

Had stew & caught bus carrying 9 members in camp to return next day.

Why didn't they write at the log? RS.