

KAWAWEOGAMA OUTPOST

1979

Transportation: See 1978 report

Supplies for 1st circuit carried in wannigans with Section from camp. Also brought 2nd circuit supplies in cardboard to be cached at base. 3rd circuit supplies carried by Section A and stored at Rusty Myers base and flown in after telephone call from Armstrong. Perishables sent from camp by mail.

Section bussed to Capreol to take train in evening. Supposed to arrive Allan Water about 1:30 in afternoon. Better to have canoes waiting at Allan Water Station rather than Allan Water Bridge.

Car travel as 1978.

Way-freight comes from Sioux Lookout to Allan Water Bridge every Tuesday, arriving Savant Lake going east in early morning -- maybe 8 am. Shipping canoes quite expensive compared to sending them with people as excess baggage. There is a passenger car on way-freight.

1979 schedule had west bound train arriving Savant Lake about 2 pm and eastbound about 6:30 (Central Time).

Allan Water Bridge: One swift to a larger rapid. First time down run on left through a narrow channel. Afterwards run on right through a more violent run, normally motored by locals. Then a swift under the foot bridge -- run in right opening. Watch rocks and shallows all the way through.

Carmody Lodge faces north on left after railroad bridge. Best landing just before main lodge -- short walk to tracks.

Mail handled by Indians in white house just south of tracks.

Freight handled by Carmodys with way-bill that has to be made out.

To portage and avoid pulling up the rapid, walk past white house and follow good trail to right of Indian house just above the rapids.

Apparently no one lives at Allan Water Station, but railroad track is only a few yards from lake and easier to detrain here.

BRIGHTSAND RIVER CIRCUIT

Reports: See Below

Maps: 1:250,000 Sioux Lookout 52 J
Ignace 52 G

1:126,720 (Ontario) 1 inch to 2 miles
Savant Lake 52 J/SE
Metionga Lake 52 G/NE

1:50,000 Seseganaga Lake 52 J/1 (actually only one we had)
Harmon Lake 52 G/16
Empire Lake 52 G/9

Kawaweogama Base to Second Portage after Sunray Lake --

Only possible land seen was a rock point about a mile below mouth of river. Rest of western bay did not have much. West shore was toured from about 3 miles north of river.

River starts behind a thin point and current almost immediately. $50^{\circ} 11' 90^{\circ} 15+$ ' We took right side of island with current and went up on a paddle fairly easily, but was shallow. Maybe left side is deeper.

Current rest of way up. About a mile before northern bend of river on a stretch running west, a rapid that could be run easily coming down, lined on right shore, 25 yards, easy line. $50^{\circ} 12' 90^{\circ} 17'$

At tip of bend on left a lunchsite which probably has tentsites behind $50^{\circ} 12' 90^{\circ} 17'$

Just before Sunray another line on right, pretty easy, 25 yards. $50^{\circ} 12' 90^{\circ} 18'$

Leaving Sunray a swift to paddle up on left. $50^{\circ} 11' 90^{\circ} 18'$

Almost immediately a portage on left around two rapids. Dock at unloading area. Boat at loading area. 150 yards - easy, wide trail. $50^{\circ} 10' 90^{\circ} 19'$

1/2 mile ahead a heavy rapid with a small one ahead of it with an island in middle. We did not like lining at the small rapid -- shallows and brush on banks. On right a trail that parallels the river. Poorly used which we took to trail that takes out at foot of main rapid. $50^{\circ} 9' 90^{\circ} 18'$ 150 yards to main landing; 100 yards on major trail. 1st somewhat overgrown. Main trail wide and easy.

We made a camp at top of portage. A little crowded, but would be good if tents would spread themselves out.

Portage above Sunray to Southern Bay of Seseganaga --

1/2 mile above campsite a swift paddled fairly easily on right $50^{\circ} 9' 90^{\circ} 19'$

At end of river and head of lake an old log dam with openings. Most canoes pulled up through left opening, starting on log-rock dam area in center. Corner tricky to round. Lining on right side safer. $50^{\circ} 9' 90^{\circ} 19'$

We went left along top of lake to east of large island coming in sight of large outpost camp at end of long portage marked from Kawaweogama. About 6 cabins and a couple larger buildings. We then turned south without stopping. $50^{\circ} 8' 90^{\circ} 17'$

We had lunch at narrows on 2nd island into narrows. 1st one had an excellent piece of land on west side just before tip. Maybe the islands north of this are of the same kind. $50^{\circ} 4' 90^{\circ} 23'$

Country not as good before or after.

Outpost camp on left on sand beach 50° 2' 90° 25'

Another -- looks like only a trapper's cabin -- on northern tip of horseshoe island below; sand beach 50° 1' 90° 26'

We camped on left on point that faces south. OK for a night but not good. Too many windfalls though point is good. 49° 58' 90° 27'

Seseganaga to Pond past Gridiron --

At foot of bay where Allan Water starts a 75 yard portage on left of 5-6 foot cascade. Good unloading, loading. 49° 57' 90° 28'

Allan Water has high rock walls in lots of places.

At foot on left a 700 yard portage to head of narrow section. Good walker, but longer than expected. Good rock lunchsite on opposite side of river from end of portage. 49° 53' 90° 31'

After small pond, next section is straight and has a channel all the way up although it is occasionally necessary to step out on rocks and slide canoe through -- particularly last little pitch at top. 49° 52' 90° 31'

At narrows into Sassafras, small channel just to left of island 49° 52' 90° 31'

Portage to Gridiron in bay, marked by yellow portage sign. Good trail. a small hill in center and approach to water is on trail bending left to avoid wet area straight ahead. 200 yards. 49° 52' 90° 30'

Gridiron has no campsites except on left in jackpine just at start -- water in front poor.

We looked for portage out of bay where Ontario map shows it -- it is only a survey line. Also no portage out of Gridiron itself to pond on Allan Water above.

We camped in jackpine on left of creek start. Terrible from all angles. 49° 54' 90° 26'

Gridiron to Hilltop --

We checked stream to unnamed lake to south -- 2½ miles back -- no route. 49° 52' 90° 29'

We walked up creek with soft sand bottom. Only deep enough to ride in places. At top a lift over on right 10 yards around a rocky cascade. 49° 53' 90° 25'

50 yards down pond on right portage to Hilltop -- 1200+ yards, but it seems like more with muskeg in middle and windfalls at end. Trees also often too close together to carry canoes easily. Trail easy to follow, but poor. At end trail had to be cut to left to reach water through windfalls 49° 54' 90° 25'

Outpost camp on small island at head of bay. 49° 53' 90° 24'

We moved up west shore past first rocky point to a sand beach with jackpine behind for camp. Excellent except for sand and need to wade far out to swim. Several possible areas. We used one farthest north because of a plywood table. 49° 24' 90° 23+'

Hilltop to Wapikaimaski --

Much better portage comes from Two Lake about 3 miles north of long one. Comes in at an old outpost camp -- just

north of it a few yards. 49° 55' 90° 22' Trail at most 200 yards. Wide, dry, well-cut -- sand beaches at both ends

Narrows into Hilltop Creek nothing 49° 55+ ' 90° 20' Creek wide and good depth to paddle down to constriction where a waterfall-cascade occurs. 49° 56+ ' 90° 18' Portage on left 200 yards -- good trail, downhill to water at end.

Narrows out of pond below has some rocks but can be paddled. 49° 56' 90° 17+'

Rest of way to Harmon easy with high rock as Harmon is reached.

Outpost camp south and east of entrance -- we did not get close enough to tell exactly where.

We stopped for lunch on 2nd point above entrance. Could be used as a campsite -- old cabin just before point 49° 57' 90° 14'

Harmon has a good bit of rock -- lots that rises too steeply to make getting out easy for canoes.

Outpost camp on left in bay before almost-island 49° 58' 90° 12'

We looked for campgrounds above, but found nothing big enough for us.

Small island advertised in trip report too small and used too much 49° 59' 90° 10'

Rapids at narrows in river too violent and a 3' falls at foot. 50° 1' 90° 13' Portage on right well before rapid. 200 yards. Takes out on broken rock and puts in on smooth rock. Tiny campsite at top and tiny one at foot -- too small for us and too well used.

Narrows below has a lot of dead falls in the water 50° 1' 90° 13'

Sports had a large tent camp on northeast shore of large island in what looked to be a nice area. 50° 2' 90° 13'

We tried lots of other places -- good rock, but often rises too sharply to get canoes out.

Used Natural Resources camp on southern tip of last island 50° 2+ ' 90° 13' Too well-used, but it worked. Supposed to be good swimming area on west, but we did not use it.

Wapikaimaski to Wide Area before Antler --

2½ miles ahead an island in river. 50° 4' 90° 11' Run left side -- good power -- look over well first.

Necessary to run between two cellars -- plenty of room. Portage trail beside rapid -- 25 yards -- well-used (on left)

2-3 miles ahead a little swift with rocks -- fairly shallow 50° 5' 90° 8'

Just below a cascade around a corner. 50° 5+ ' 90° 8' Portage is on right. In normal water you are supposed to sneak right side to landing. In ours we had to run across a ledge in middle and cross to landing. 150 yards, good trail.

To follow left side of island, a little swift between square peninsula and small island. 50° 6' 90° 8'

Just ahead a rapid. 50° 6' 90° 8' From top looks as though left side might be run, but won't work and there's a rock garden at foot. Portage on right. Poor trail, wind falls and pot holes -- report says swamp area, but it was dry for us.

When river swings left a little horserace 50° 6+ ' 90° 8'

When river swings north, report says let down on rocks on left. 50° 7' 90° 9' We ran on left being careful at turn near foot to stay near left shore and not get out into sweepers on right shore.

Straight ahead 1/4 mile a rock shore with a good campground behind, except swimming is poor in shallows and slippery rocks -- kitchen on rocks facing south and six good tentsites, though there are a lot of windfalls behind. Walleye in foot and top of rapids just passed. 50° 7' 90° 8'

Before Antler to Kawaweogama --

At point below campsite -- shallow, short rapid lined easily in one line on right 50° 7' 90° 8'

1/2 mile below a cascade-like rapid. 50° 7' 90° 7' Portage on right. Approach is difficult because of a fallen spruce that had to be rounded just before the landing. 75 yards up over a little rise and in our water we had to walk out on rocks to put canoes in.

1/2 mile below another short cascade with difficult landing on rocks at start. 75 yards 50° 7' 90° 7+' Possible campsite at start.

Some current to Antler

At top of Antler an island -- neither side can be run though right could be looked at. 50° 8' 90° 7' Portage 25 yards on left shore. Approach difficult.

Just before wide stretch another 75 yard portage on left 50° 9' 90° 7' Better campsite at top.

After wide stretch a rapid to run straight down to left of center 50° 9' 90° 7'

After next wide stretch -- not a very rough looking rapid to run on left in higher water -- too many rocks in our's, plus a branch sticking out from left shore. Then a calm and then a couple ledges. In high water maybe left could be run. Portage starts above rapid and trail is perpendicular to river to start and looks like a creek bed. 200 yards. 50° 10-' 90° 6' We had lunch at foot -- fun swimming in foot of ledges.

After next wide stretch, top rapid difficult in our water -- probably OK in higher, but followed by a falls below. 50° 10' 90° 6' Would be tough to stop with a green Section. Portage on right 50 yards -- we had to walk rock into landing.

Some slight fast water as turn north is made. Do not take left side of island -- no water 50° 11' 90° 7' Right side OK.

Just before McEwan, shallow rapids. 50° 12' 90° 6' Portage on left 200 yards -- take right fork of trail. Puts in before end of rapid and run-off is done working across stream to right of center.

Good looking campsite on right as McEwan is entered 50° 12' 90° 6'

Portage to Kawaweogama 100 yards. 50° 12+' 90° 7' Good trail.

Land on east shore behind large island might be used, but boat passage behind Star Island would be tough.

Probably a good time-saver to take longer portage at south end of Kawaweogama 50° 9+' 90° 8'

Trip Reports:

Ignace Natural Resources marked route #7 (no trip report published)

Ignace Natural Resources Canoe Route 62 A -- English River on Highway 599 to Allanwater Bridge

ALLAN WATER to ARMSTRONG CIRCUIT

Maps Reuired:

1:250,000 Series: Sioux Lookout 52 J
Armstrong 52 I

1:126,720 Series (Ontario):

Savant Lake 52 J/SE
(Unnecessary, but we had it)

1:50,000 Series: Seseganaga Lake 52 J/1
Wilkie Lake 52 J/8
Onamakawash Lake 52 I/5
Wabakimi Lake 52 I/12
Armstrong 52 I/6
Goldsborough Lake 52 I/11
Grayson Lake 52 I/14

Trip Reports: 1965 Keewaydin Section A Albany River
Nipigon District Canoe Routes --Allan Water to
Armstrong
Bob McCoubrie Report (1979)

Base to Allan Water River --

Ran right side of rapid before bridge with no problem, running to left of center -- a motor boat climbed it right after us -- our course was excellent. 50° 14' 90° 10'

Carmody store -- pop, candy, fresh fruit. Lodge has an attractive dining room-lounge, with kitchen between store area and dining room.

Burn starts just north of Carmody place.

River sort of low land to start with. Soon island in middle with rapid on either side. 50° 16' 90° 10' Right side too steep and rocky. We ran left side pretty much straight down. There's a good portage trail beside rapid on island from which run can be looked over. Run right of center watching a rock in foot and running between two swells part way down. Idea was to finish left of the rock at foot, but all but 77 finished right.

1/2 mile farther another rapid. 50° 16' 90° 10' Start left of center and run just right of a large rock and just left of a cellar off a ledge, and then slight left and slight right at foot.

After wide stretch and a long thin grassy island, another rapid run on right shore through easy top and between swells at foot -- look over rocks in foot first. 50° 17' 90° 10-'

We had lunch on a flat rock to left just beyond -- only place we had seen so far except for portage at 1st rapid.

River bends right to a little swift to right of an island -- did not seem to be any water to left. 50° 17' 90° 9'

Soon a rapid that can't be run. Portage through burn on right, but trail well-walked and defined (left branch of river). 100 yards -- had to walk out on rocks at foot. 50° 17' 90° 8-'

1/2 mile ahead a heavy pitch that makes a left turn. 50° 17+' 90° 8-'. Could be run with an excellent section. Portage on left before any rapid. Well-walked, through burn, 40 yards

Soon a little swift at a narrows. 50° 17+' 90° 8'

Then a short rapid-cascade, carried on right. 50 yards $50^{\circ} 17+ ' 90^{\circ} 8+ '$ -- put in past 1st available spot and run out tail of rapid.

We camped on rock on left just below. Good swimming -- only spot we have seen so far. Out of burn by about 1/4 to 1/2 mile. Tentsites could be better, but would be fine if used several more times.

Allan Water to Pond before Lac Mondale --

Around bend from campsite a reasonably small swift $50^{\circ} 18' 90^{\circ} 8'$ Then, for this area, a reasonably long paddle.

At narrows, portage on right. $50^{\circ} 18+ ' 90^{\circ} 7'$ Trail very well-used and seems to twist and turn more than necessary. Fireplace on rock about 25 yards in from shore. Could well be used as a campsite. 150 yards

Area just past portage is easily the best campsite area seen thus far. Good rock areas with what look to be excellent tentsites.

At end of bend to east rapid starts with trail on left that goes up on high ground, parallels river, and puts in at end of rapid. $50^{\circ} 19' 90^{\circ} 7'$ However, 1st part can be run to turn north and a portage takes out on right shore just after turn and goes across point. Long portage on left 200 yards. Short one right after running 1st section is 50 yards. At foot of run of 1st section watch rocks in center of what should be obvious approach to shore -- instead coming off run, follow right shore around.

Go left of large island in wide area to follow. Trapper's cabin -- newly made on island about half way up -- peeled spruce logs well-chinked. $50^{\circ} 20' 90^{\circ} 6'$

Just beyond, a rapid around a point. $50^{\circ} 20' 90^{\circ} 6'$ Trail on right 100 yards. We had lunch in a spot about 25 yards from end where others had had lunch.

1/4 mile ahead a very shallow rock dodger that was run blind pretty much in center -- problem is foot which is shallow. $50^{\circ} 20+ ' 90^{\circ} 6'$

Just ahead rapid whose top cannot be run. $50^{\circ} 21' 90^{\circ} 7'$ Trail on left 150 yards -- excellent -- carries whole rapid. (Which we did.) However, a split to right about 25 yards after start of trail goes to river in about 25 more yards, and last part can probably be run avoiding two cellars.

Just ahead, portage on left almost perpendicular to river. $50^{\circ} 21+ ' 90^{\circ} 7'$ Top 2/3 of rapid could be run easily, but bottom is impossible. 150 yards -- well-used. In our water loading area at foot was very shallow and terrible. There's supposed to be a trail on right also.

We camped on left just below after turn west on a good rock area with jackpine and open tentsites behind. $50^{\circ} 21+ ' 90^{\circ} 7+ '$ Good swimming -- excellent.

Before Lac Mondale to Brennan Lake --

From campsite around bend and north of 1st large island, river splits around island. $50^{\circ} 22' 90^{\circ} 7'$ Portage across island -- excellent trail. 150 yards -- take left fork or high road half way over. West side is a cascade with an island inbetween the two sections -- worth looking at. East side is a spectacular cascade-falls. Land and

look at falls.

Excellent campsite possibilities below carry, first on left just after carry. Portage trail could also be used, but not quite as good.

Lake named Mondale by people on Brennan? Boat left at end of portage in. Another on shore on a sand beach on left side -- that faces northeast -- about 3/4 of way up lake. Several sand beaches at northern end.

Rapid out is a short cascade. 50° 24' 90° 5' Portage on right 60 yards. Loading has swells off cascade. Run out foot -- at end there are rocks off right shore.

Narrows below just fast water.

After point where water from Stump joins, just fast water 50° 25+ ' 90° 6'

After wide stretch 1st rapid run right of center and out at left of center. 50° 25+ ' 90° 4' In our water quite rocky. Looked over from high rock at top on right. Careful not to be carried down rapid when trying to stop.

Rapid below run in '63 and '65, but this time no way to avoid cellar at foot. Portage on left (best way to load over rapid) 250 yards. Trail only fair. Shallow unloading and very shallow loading.

Just before leaving map on Brennan something on sand beach bay on left. 50° 27' 90° 1' We did not get close enough to see what.

Very large resort (probably would have radio and aircraft available). on right in bay that reaches east 50° 27' 89° 58+'

We went left of large thin island afterwards and just got through 50° 28' 89° 59'

Lots of campsite possibilities along the way and past here.

Outpost camp with radio -- boarded up -- on first of two large islands before the big one 50° 28+ ' 89° 55'

Channel north of big island seemed to be blocked. We took south channel 50° 28' 89° 54' People in camps have put out several white Javex bottle markers and some wooden floats with red flags?

We were traveling with a very heavy west tail wind and camped in first hooked bay after large island on the north shore. 50° 29+ ' 89° 53' Not the best campsite on the lake, but tentsites (scattered) and kitchen good -- no swimming. Was fine for our situation, but probably not a choice spot in normal weather.

Brennan to Below Black Beaver --

What looks like a large outpost camp on north shore of last large bay before narrows at falls. 50° 30- ' 89° 50' Very large dock out from sand beach. At least two cabins and probably more.

'63 and '65 campsite at tip of narrows on right leading into south channel at island 50° 29' 89° 48'

Just after bend to west is rapid -- pretty good power. 50° 29' 89° 48' Best to catch eddy on left. Portage at chute is on right, but in a small bay just past what looks like a fiord on right side. Walking rapid, fiord can't be crossed easily and start of portage at chute can't be seen.

Portage at chute 60 yards, no real trail, just walk

obvious rock. Could be used as a campsite. Slight run-off after loading.

After turn to north to Brennan Falls a rapid. $50^{\circ} 28'$ $89^{\circ} 47'$ Ledges on left. In our water we could not run -- would have been from right to left. Getting into run was too shallow and difficult to avoid cellars on right. Left ledges too shallow. We unloaded and carried loads across two ledges on left, taking canoes down by hand in water.

Portage at Brennan on right about at top of falls. $50^{\circ} 29'$ $89^{\circ} 47'$ Landing was too shallow and we started about 10 yards upriver on rocks. Portage 100 yards, good trail. Steep drop to water. Best view of falls from far side after loading -- could be camped on if desired, but tentsites would not be too great.

At last island before Granite Lake a rapid. $50^{\circ} 29'$ $89^{\circ} 46'$ There's almost no water right of island. Left side has a tiny island in middle, run right of it -- left is a ledge.

Granite not quite as rocky as Brennan and area of falls, but left shore would have lots of campsites.

A group camped on left in wide bay just before narrows to Granite Falls starts. $50^{\circ} 31'$ $89^{\circ} 47'$

Blaze at head of Granite Falls on right. $50^{\circ} 32'$ $89^{\circ} 47'$ Portage starts here, but better to go around point and start carry at top of a small, steep, rocky rapid. In higher water this rapid might be run or let down; if so, portage can be cut to 150 yards

From top of small rapid, portage 300 yards. Trail wide and well-cut and traveled, but terrible with up and down sections with roots and poor steps up and down. Very steep drop to water. No campsites. A chute has to be run at foot. '63 and '65 sections ran the top rapid on far left shore -- too shallow for us -- and carried on left on a poorly used trail.

Black Beaver -- several miles ahead and can't be run, huge cellar in narrows half way down. $50^{\circ} 34'$ $89^{\circ} 45'$ Portage on right. Too shallow in our water to get to landing and had to take out on rocks 15 yards upstream. 300 yards, good trail. Good loading area.

We camped 300 yards downstream on right on second of two adjacent rock points. Good tentsites slightly inland. Small, but good kitchen. Swimming good.

Back Beaver to Lower Wabakimi Lake --

After wide stretch, 1st rapid. $50^{\circ} 35'$ $89^{\circ} 45'$ We ran right side after looking over for awhile. Several rocks at top to miss, plus a couple to go between. In higher water would probably be quite easy.

At island rapid below, we ran right around bay at top and stopped in north end of bay. $50^{\circ} 36'$ $89^{\circ} 45'$ A good trail takes off here at north end of bay and carries this rapid and the next one. We could not run last part of this rapid around corner, and so walked trail for 75 yards and then cut almost at right angles to the trail and river 50 yards to river just below 1st rapid.

150 yards below, next rapid. A very powerful, straight run on right side running out in middle at end, Steep drop, but a nice run.

Last rapid -- Sturgeon Rapid, portage takes out on a point on right at head of rapid (rapid on far side of point). 50° 37' 89° 44' 150 yards. Good trail. Little run-off at foot. Would make a nice lunch spot at foot of trail -- or at top.

Just below on left an old trapper's cabin. No floor. Roof split, small logs. Canoe with a 1968 Michigan registration left on site (battered).

Outpost camp on left almost at end of bay into Wabakimi 50° 38' 89° 45'

We took north narrows to Lower Wabakimi. 50° 38+ ' 89° 39' Very attractive, rocky area. Should be good for campsites. McCoubrie had one in the area which he did not rate highly, but should be possible to cut excellent ones. Main body of Lower Wabakimi did not look as good, especially north shore.

We camped on right just before last bay on a rocky area. 50° 36' 89° 36' Kitchen small, but good. Knoll to west best for swimming, but also in front. Tentsites adequate.

Lower Wabakimi to Outlet Bay, Smoothrock Lake --

Island at start of river. 50° 35+ ' 89° 35+ ' Left, or east side has very little water. We ran west side after considerable looking over. Come down left side and over ledge on left, then into V to right as only opening in next ledge and then V between two table-like rocks in middle. Look over carefully. Portage trail on west (right) side needs some clearing. 100 yards.

At end of next wide stretch, a cascade-falls with short portages on both sides. 50° 35+ ' 89° 35' One on south side has easy unloading and poor loading -- also a good campsite at top. North portage has poor unloading and good loading. No campsite. Both 75 yards.

At foot of narrow stretch, a rocky rapid, carried 100 yards on right. 50° 35' 89° 35- ' Poor, shallow unloading.

After pond, 150 yards on right at rocky rapid. 50° 35' 89° 35- ' Very shallow unloading. Slightly wet loading.

Just below two semi-horseraces -- watch ledge on left in first and rock in center of second. 50° 35- ' 89° 34'

At islands below, take right side of rock island and chute next to it with a small island to right. 50° 35- ' 89° 33' There are two chutes separated by a high boulder. We took left. There's a rock in middle of run-off that was out of water for us.

Falls-like drop at large island -- take right side. 50° 35- ' 89° 32+ ' There's an obvious take-out about 50-75 yards before it is necessary. Trail well-walked, but narrow and has impossible step-ups. Slip around right shore to better take-out at head of cascade -- only one canoe unloading. 75 yards (using lower landing). Could be used as a campsite.

Just below an obvious campsite on right after river ends and another on left.

Smoothrock up to turn north into Outlet Bay beautiful with campsite possibilities everywhere! Really beautiful lake! After turn to north is made campsites less easy.

We found an excellent one on left at narrows (with current) to left of large island. 50° 37' 89° 28'

Excellent tentsites, kitchen, and swimming.

Outlet Bay, Smoothrock to Whitewater Lake --

Maybe campsites in next islands up, but not as good as last night's. Mostly face north $50^{\circ} 38' 89^{\circ} 27'$

McCoubrie sand island for night paddle is double island just north of word 'Bay' on 1:50,000 map $50^{\circ} 39' 89^{\circ} 26'$

Portage to avoid first rapids in Berg takes out in large bay to left in foot of bay on a grassy landing in poplar. $50^{\circ} 40' 89^{\circ} 25'$ Best approach west of small island to avoid shallows. Good trail. 400 yards. Puts in below a cascade-like rapid.

After bend in river rapid has a V to run with reasonable power. $50^{\circ} 41' 89^{\circ} 26'$

Just below at island a heavy cascade carried on left 100 yards, easy trail $50^{\circ} 41' 89^{\circ} 26'$

After wide stretch another V with heavy water, easy run. $50^{\circ} 42\frac{1}{2}' 89^{\circ} 25'$

After meanders, first marked rapid is really just a swift. $50^{\circ} 43' 89^{\circ} 25'$

On bend to northeast first rapid is too steep and rocky. $50^{\circ} 44' 89^{\circ} 25'$ Portage 40 yards on left. Has been used as a campsite (we used as a lunchsite). Trail continues past second rapid also.

Rapid just below run in center watching rocks or ledge to right below 1st drop.

On reaching Ogoki River there is a rapid just upstream of where Berg enters. $50^{\circ} 45' 89^{\circ} 23'$

On Ogoki, north of islands there is a rapid, very shallow on both sides, run in center, but look over from left shore first to find run. $50^{\circ} 47' 89^{\circ} 22\frac{1}{2}'$

At top of Ogoki river turn west with only slight swifts to watch for. $50^{\circ} 47\frac{1}{2}' 89^{\circ} 22'$ Landing was marked with red cloth and easy to find well before rapid -- on right. Trail goes past a little swift and would be used upstream. Lower take-out around a corner and easy to catch one canoe at a time. Trail well-used 200 yards to a bay.

Follow bay around to right to portage of final rapid 50 yards, easy trail on right.

In bay on right just after river enters a large camp with several cabins, large dock, and float plane when we passed. $50^{\circ} 47' 89^{\circ} 21'$ Looks like a lodge, but we did not stop.

McCoubrie campsite about 3 miles up on right in small bay. $50^{\circ} 48' 89^{\circ} 19'$ Large exposed rock that rises slightly for kitchen -- possible in lots of places. Good tentsites in trees behind -- several on old cabin sites. Swimming poor in that there is no diving.

Whitewater to Best Island --

We took most direct northern channel going left of one island too soon before most northerly part. $50^{\circ} 50' 89^{\circ} 15'$

On northwest corner of island just after narrows a really superior campsite -- at least it looked great. $50^{\circ} 50' 89^{\circ} 14'$

Maybe an outpost on small island to south of this campsite $50^{\circ} 49' 89^{\circ} 14'$

We on west side of large sort of square island

50° 49' 89° 12' West side has shallows and small swift at southwest corner.

Excellent looking lunchsite on south shore of V bay just west of north tip of Best 50° 47' 89° 11'

Wendell "hermit" National Geographic December 1978 page 780 on west side of Best just before narrows with island to west. 50° 46' 89° 9'

Campsite on sand beach on west side of point at south end of Best 50° 44' 89° 8' Unbelievable beach with large, old jackpine just inland. Kitchen put on moss-covered area over sand. Tentsites all over the place without pitching in sand. Only drawback is an outpost camp on south shore right across from beach. 50° 44' 89° 7'

Best Island to Caribou Bay, Smoothrock Lake --

River through McKinley Lake would be exactly the same up or down.

Portage around 1st rapid starts in long bay to right of rapid. 50° 43' 89° 10' Bay is not as wide as map shows -- has a lot of grass with a well-defined channel through. Portage starts as channel reaches a clump of trees toward foot of bay. There is another stand of trees maybe 75 yards on and while walking trail it looked like there was a lesser used trail up from these trees. Trail is damp at start and follows shore of bay for awhile and then goes into more solid higher ground. 400 yards. Good trail. Aluminum canoe at top.

At narrows just north portages on both sides, that on right slightly better. 50° 43' 89° 10' Either way 150 yards. Boat and motor at top of right one.

McCoubrie has a campsite on sand beach on east side of upper part of McKinley. Looked like it would be possible to make ones on bulb in middle of lake. 50° 42' 89° 11'

Portage at south end is to right of stream in 2nd small bay over. 50° 42' 89° 12' Grassy landing 400 yards -- gentle slope up for 1st half. We had lunch at top -- not great, but we needed a lunchsite.

At end of wide area, portage on right 75 yards 50° 41' 89° 12'

Below take left side of island, portage on island (to right of stream) 50 yards. Fine trail 50° 40' 89° 12'

At last narrows almost a man-made channel out -- and water flows into Lonebreast Bay rather than opposite way 50° 38' 89° 13'

Maybe a campsite on rock to right just after narrows. Otherwise we found nothing on north shore all the way to main lake.

We camped at excellent high rock site on south just as Caribou Bay starts on finger point. 50° 34' 89° 22' Landing just north of high rock (or just south). Good tentsites and cooking either on landings or on high rock.

Smoothrock to Outlet Bay, Caribou Lake --

Not much for campsites until long this point that comes out from north shore 50° 32' 89° 20' After that rest of bay looks much better -- east shore on stretch to northeast better than west shore in this area.

Several club sites near Fungler Lake.

Narrows to Fungler Lake deep and easy (slight current) 50° 33' 89° 21'

1st portage on left of rapid with sandy landing. 40 yards, wide, easy trail. 50° 32' 89° 13' Has been used as a campsite often (too often)

Across pond next portage on right, obvious, 150 yards with wet area in middle where a track has supposedly been made to drag boats over. Puts into a little pond at top with a short pitch out of the pond that must be lines (on right). Would be run easily coming down.

At end of wide stretch there are supposed to be carries on both sides. 50° 32' 89° 12' We used one on left which has a lot of rocks and might be wet in high water. 50 yards

At top of next wide stretch portage on right. 50° 31' 89° 11+' Many unloading spots and many trails to loading areas. Shortest route from foot of cascade to top is pretty steep and rocky. Others maybe easier to carry. Short route 40 yards.

From there to Outlet looks to be reasonable for campsites, but we went on to McCoubrie site just before end of bay on west side (one bay before he marked). 50° 29' 89° 7' Has about 10' cliff to dive off of according to him. Top of cliffs is table-like, smooth, but no tentsites for a section.

We went back north to his alternate site which has good kitchen, but inadequate tentsites. (2 bays north) Camp farther north in bay than these two next time.

Outlet Bay, Caribou Lake to Little Caribou --

Portage to Little Caribou just southwest of stream down. 50° 26+' 89° 3' Trail perpendicular to water and starts up a hill. Rise from water gradual, but steep -- easily carried for an uphill portage. 350 yards, good trail. 3-4 loading spots at top.

One good clubber site half way down Little Caribou on west side just before second narrows on a large, bald rock that faces north. 50° 24-' 89° 4'

Bay area before last narrows would have campsites in it if cut out. 50° 22' 89° 5'

We camped on "The Rock" on east side of stream at foot, about 100 yards from bridge. 50° 20+' 89° 5' Landing is on creek to bridge on a relatively level rock. Swimming up on point among broken boulders --quite good. Not quite enough tentsites, but otherwise good.

Little Caribou to Allan Water --

Truck from Ray Laird, Tel 2012 -- Bait Shop or 2425 home. Runs the George Hotel right across from railroad station. Has a covered truck with 14' bed that takes all canoes easily. Brought a pick up also that took baggage and rest of Section -- \$15. Contacted on way through Armstrong by 1st train group. We sent message by Angelina who runs camp at Little Caribou -- camp is nothing -- three tumbled down cabins and her cabin. She took message to Ray that we were ready to come. Truck met us at bridge where creek enters Little Caribou at 8 am and he was only a moment or two late.

Rail agent not too happy, but quickly made out tickets, etc -- \$100 for outfit.

Apprently can get train to stop at any place there is

a siding. A phone is placed at every switch-off and connects to Winnipeg or Armstrong directly. At Collins there is a section man who can make contact for you, but apparently could get stops at other places also.

Collins is a very run-down Indian establishment. Looked like camping right there would be poor.

Train stopped for us on embankment before Allan Water Station right beside water where we only had to go down a sand, rock embankment into water.

Called Station Agent at Savant Lake -- phone 50 -- to make sure freight would be handled ok. Rusty Myers 922 to make sure of plane.

Carmodys make out way-bill on freight shipments.

FLINDT RIVER -- PALISADE RIVER CIRCUIT

Maps required: 1:250,000 Series: Sioux Lookout 52 J
Armstrong 52 I

1:126,720 Series (Ontario): Savant Lake 52 J/SE
(Unnecessary, but we had it)

1:50,000 Series: Seseganaga Lake 52 J/1
Wilkie Lake 52 J/8
Neverfreeze Lake 52 J/9
Wabakimi Lake 52 I/12
Burntrock Lake 52 I/13
McCrea Lake 52 J/16

Trip Reports: 1965 Section A Keewaydin Albany River
Nipigon District --Allan Water to Armstrong
Bob McCoubrie 1978 Report

Kawaweogama to Foam Lake, North --

Area burned up arm from Allan Water. We had lunch on rock just across from narrows to pond. Probably should stop earlier. 50° 16' 90° 13'

Narrows to pond, best channel on right -- lots of rocks.

Next creek-like area can be paddled through with difficulty through grass. 50° 16+' 90° 13'

After east-west pond creek can be paddled for a way with a beaver dam to pull up. 50° 17' 90° 13' Then blocked by a string of rocks. Portage on left on well-walked trail for about 75 yards. Then trail splits. Left is most walked, but shortly is blocked by windfalls. Right less traveled -- stays to low land. We cleared enough windfalls on right trail to get through. Another 75 yards. Both trails end at the same grassy, shallow landing.

Next creek narrow, but deep and easily paddled to a large beaver dam which we broke and lifted canoes through. 50° 17½' 90° 14' (Now out of burn)

At next narrows old map says a 5 chain portage, but we lifted canoes over a thin rock shelf and camped here. 50° 18' 90° 14' Kitchen just before narrows with some tentsites before and some after narrows. If camping, unload at kitchen and take canoes through the narrows unloaded and carry loads to there in the morning. Shallow diving off kitchen. Pike in lake for most part.

Foam to Flindt Lake --

Out of Foam in north bay, portage had an aluminum boat at landing. 50° 18+' 90° 15-' 200 yards. Well-traveled trail.

At narrows at next crossing we had to hand canoes down small rapid, just too shallow to run. 50° 18+' 90° 15+'

At creek into Heafur portage 150 yards on right 50° 18+' 90° 16'

At top of Heafur Lake take right side of island and carry across short rock area. 50° 20' 90° 17' Campsite quite possible, used in '65 -- 20 yards, hardly worth flipping canoe.

At rapid just below, really only a swift made difficult only by low water. 50° 20+' 90° 17'

At rapid out into wide stretch, there's a small rock

island in middle that we carried over in '65, but too shallow to reach this year. $50^{\circ} 21' 90^{\circ} 17\frac{1}{2}'$ There's a 4' drop here that cannot be seen from upstream -- maybe heard. We carried smooth rock on right by lifting canoes across while still loaded.

We took 600 yards portage around long set of rapids. $50^{\circ} 22' 90^{\circ} 16'$ Not as well-used as previous carries, but quite clear. A little broken rock at start and then goes up a hill. A couple stretches of bare rock, but easy to follow. A couple damp spots toward end, but no problem.

There seems to be a portage on north side of last rapid, but we did not land and look.

In point of time and distance might be best to portage to Wilkie and then to Flindt, particularly if coming in reverse.

We portaged rapids to Flet on right on a poor trail with a small red canoe sign with a #2 stenciled on it. $50^{\circ} 22' 90^{\circ} 14'$ Trail was very poor with lots of twists and turns and not well-traveled. 200 yards? Suspect there is a better trail on other side.

Long narrows down into Flindt has a series of swifts that are easy to run with a short, steeper pitch at foot -- also easy -- but rocks at foot -- best route is in center of them $50^{\circ} 22' 90^{\circ} 12'$

Outpost camp on rock point on right where turn to Gault portage would be made -- '63 campsite. $50^{\circ} 23' 90^{\circ} 11'$ Across from it several beautiful camping areas.

We camped on left at start of large bay on left. $50^{\circ} 23' 90^{\circ} 12'$ Nice, small rock point with swimming right in front. Tentsites pretty good, on rock areas right and left. Not bad.

Flindt Lake to Last Rapid on right-hand split of 2nd split --

Portage from Wilkie comes in in bay to north of creek, so would leave Wilkie on left side. $50^{\circ} 24\frac{1}{2}' 90^{\circ} 12'$ Looks to be 200 yards at most. Reasonably well-used.

At north of Flindt at split, on left, we ran a small pitch on left shore -- water very low, but probably the correct path all the time. $50^{\circ} 27' 90^{\circ} 11'$

Just below portage on left in a small bay 150 yards, well-used but starts on poor walking -- boulders and rocks -- and start a little hard to see. Two aluminum boats parked at foot.

Wide area to follow quite attractive with numerous campsite possibilities almost up to portage out.

Small, narrow cut to Sassenach looks like it could be paddled -- no real current coming in. $50^{\circ} 28' 90^{\circ} 12'$

At turn to southeast a small rapid that we could not run -- to shallow in our water. $50^{\circ} 29' 90^{\circ} 11'$ Could be lined down, but we portaged on faint trail on left 50 yards

Just before next rapids, a small one that we lined down. Could be run in better water.

Portage on left, before rapids by a fair bit -- old blazes. $50^{\circ} 28' 90^{\circ} 10\frac{1}{2}'$ Trail hard to see for 20 yards, but after that quite clear. Puts into small 2nd pond. 400 yards.

At end of pond, on left, 150 yards to river. Reasonable trail. $50^{\circ} 28' 90^{\circ} 10'$

We took right fork below -- try left next time.

50° 30' - 90° 10' Drop of water is not that great and we had lost good trails at rapids at top. Country on right fork has no campsites. Small trapper's cabin on south point just before turn to north. 50° 30+ ' 90° 8'

At rapids a small swift to run above island. 50° 32' 90° 7' Then go left of island to a small swift, we had to let down to a smooth rock landing. We used as a campsite. Kitchen good, but nothing otherwise. Tentsites on bed rock. Portage around small chute starts here.

Last Rapid on 2nd Split to 1st Rapid after Junction --

From campsite portage 50 yards on a poor trail to below a little chute that could not be run or lined -- probably can be taken in good water. Puts in on huge boulders, one canoe at a time.

Short paddle to top of next set just below island on map. Portage on left on a very poorly defined trail that takes out on boulders and we had to walk 25 yards of small boulders in river bed to put in. 100 yards. Shallows to navigate to lake area.

Western island of two large ones has had someone camped on it. 50° 32' 90° 6+ '

At top of wide stretch an excellent campsite on right of rapids in from landing 25 yards with water from the rapids. 50° 33' 90° 6- ' Well-used, but by a survey crew. We could find no other trail except one parallel to river cut by survey people.

Rapid after Junction to Tew Lake --

Portage was cut an extra 30-40 yards to put into river easier. In all about 250 yards. Walking poor, but better after we used it. Puts in by walking 10-15 yards on large boulders.

Below north side of island has to be taken -- no water to south. Channel can be picked to next rapid. 50° 33' 90° 5' Landing on left of a smooth rock shelf. Would make a good campsite, not as sheltered as last night's, but excellent. Old surveyor's trail again. We made it shorter and easier by walking flat rock for about 2/3 of the way and then following the surveyor's trail for the last part. Trail improved.

Just below a little island blocks way with no water to left and a rocky rapid to right. We carried rock starting on right of island, across island and put in. 30 yards. 50° 33' 90° 5' If water were up, it would be easy to cut a trail across point to right of rapid -- would be 50 yards at most.

After section goes north, portage to left of island on left shore. 50° 34- ' 90° 4+ ' 100 yards. Trail better used and easier walking. Unloading and loading for only one canoe at a time.

At bend to east, portage starts just to right of rapids and not into little obvious bay. 60° 35- ' 90° 4' Trail basically follows river. Campsite quite easy in jackpine at start. 250 yards. We had to walk large rock beach to put in after end of trail. If camping or if there is time, there is another trail that starts farther to the right in the small bay. We landed here first and then lost the trail. If desired it could be used and

recut (mainly through alder) to go across point and pick up other trail. Would cut walking 75 - 100 yards and would be flatter and easier.

At final marked rapid trail on right just before rapid starts. $50^{\circ} 36' 90^{\circ} 3'$ 200 yards. Wet at start, but then fine. Well-used. No longer surveyor's trail. Good loading on pebble-sand beach.

Just below final portage around closest thing to a falls on river, on left, goes across a point, 40 yards. Well-used trail.

We camped on 2nd of 2 adjacent rock points on right opposite point that reaches out from north. $50^{\circ} 36\frac{1}{2}' 90^{\circ} 1+$ Either rock area good kitchen and swimming. Some tentsites on each. We had two tents on western point, and three on eastern.

Tew Lake to River Bay, Wabakimi Lake --

Leaving Tew there is a rapid at north end of long island that map does not show that can't be handled. $50^{\circ} 37' 89^{\circ} 59'$ Island is really a peninsula and portage goes across south end. 150 yards. Trail not all that well-used. Puts in in a flooded beaver pond. Have to walk 25 yards to left to put in after hitting water.

Portage out of beaver pond at northeast end at left corner of tip of pond. $50^{\circ} 37+ 89^{\circ} 58'$ 100 yards, mostly down a shallow slope. Crosses trickle out of beaver pond and is slippery. Not well-used. Puts in 75 yards below rapid shown on map.

Last chute maybe could be run in very high water if it flattened out. $50^{\circ} 37+ 89^{\circ} 58-$ Portage on right up over rocks. Unloading for only one canoe at a time. No real trail. 40 yards?

Western end of Wabakimi very attractive with lots of rock areas and islands. Outpost camp north of large, round island, $50^{\circ} 40' 89^{\circ} 47'$, more or less in middle. Couldn't tell is on an island or mainland, or which island.

We camped on right in River Bay toward end of bay just before last long narrow part $50^{\circ} 41' 89^{\circ} 37\frac{1}{2}'$ Rock area with reasonable tentsites though crowded. About 2 miles from portage.

River Bay, Wabakimi to Kenoji Lake --

No campsites past the one used last night into the portage $50^{\circ} 42' 89^{\circ} 36'$ Portage on left -- a steep rock can be seen approaching looking as though portage goes up the rock. There is a campsite on top of it -- tent poles were left from two tents. Probably could be used if desired, but other tentsites may not be good. A little swift to run approaching the carry. Trail parallels the river at start instead of going up hill. A little muskeg about 1/3 of way through, but basically a good trail. Puts in on rocks, but easy to get to. 1000 yards.

Rock dodging in our water from here to next rapid. We ran a small swift just before next rapid that has a little island in middle. $50^{\circ} 42+ 89^{\circ} 37'$ Left side curves, but last part had too many power swells for us, plus top was really too shallow. Right side too steep in our water.

'63 and '65 ran left side. After looking hard we found trail on left that parallels the river and really starts above swift we ran. We cut into trail as others had done. Trail well-walked. The way we did it 200 yards.

At north end of island that splits rapid there's a good rock point for lunch.

Just below we let down left side of next short rapid. 50° 43' 89° 36'

Just below (really part of same rapid) we portaged on left on poor trail -- had to let down a few yards to get to start that was blocked by a couple freshly fallen spruce. '63 and '65 ran left on this and let-down before. Trail is poorly cut and has several very big windfalls of the sit-down variety. If using again, walk trail first.

Slight run-off has to be navigated and then a swift. Followed by a lak-like area past next two islands.

Last rapid (take right side of small islands) we ran down center going to right of island at foot. 50° 44' 89° 36' Looked over first from right shore.

There is then a calm stretch before a final flat rapid. Looked over from left (on island actually) before running. We ran next to island and then toward center.

Onto Kenoji, because of threatening storm, we camped on small island just to east of river mouth. 50° 44' 89° 36' Excellent site -- flat, lots of tentsites. Not well-protected, but OK. Only problem is lack of dry wood -- loads of blueberries. Also looks to be a site on larger island just to the east.

Kenoji to 7' Falls on Palisade --

After turn to north is made on Kenoji outpost camp on left about 1 mile up. 50° 45' 89° 39' Pretty large establishment.

Do not go to east of large island just before river starts -- no water. 50° 46' 89° 38'

Just to north of large island on left shore, good '65 campsite with 1st pull-up a few yards north.

1st pull-up on right

Next narrows paddled easily 50° 46' 89° 38'

3rd pulled up on right 50° 46½' 89° 39'

Then long straight stretch with high cliffs particularly at start.

At end where river turns west several swifts to paddle. 50° 47½' 89° 40'

At top of turn to northeast a heavy rapid pulled up on right in '63 and '65 with toss of line across to someone on left at top. 50° 48' 89° 40+' Better -- and quicker -- portage on left 50 yards. Starts before rapid for easier take-out and parallels the river. Poor unloading, but good loading.

A mile ahead, go left into bay instead of on to rapid which can't be handled except by portage. 50° 49' 89° 40' Trail at foot of bay. 75 yards, good walker. Start is a reasonable lunch site.

At top of river where turn to west is made '65 campsite on right -- well-used site (put fireplace on east end of site). 50° 52' 89° 39'

At narrows at end of western run, portage on left of stream 150 yards. $50^{\circ} 52' 89^{\circ} 41'$ Trail closest to stream not all that well-used, but short. Poor unloading, good loading. There is a campsite just left at the top of the trail and there's a second trail that goes into campsite from foot.

After turn to south what looks like a nice wide stretch, following right shore paddling in 6-8 inches of water to next narrows. $50^{\circ} 51' 89^{\circ} 41+$

Portage at 14' falls on left, not a great trail, but possible ('65 notes say trail is on right) 100 yards $50^{\circ} 51' 89^{\circ} 43'$

40-50 yards above either pull up on left, or portage on left. Trail poor through cedar. 50 yards.

'63 campsite on left on west side of bulb point about half way between 14' and 7' falls. $50^{\circ} 50' 89^{\circ} 44'$

Campsites possible in narrows a mile before 7' falls. $50^{\circ} 50-1' 89^{\circ} 45-1'$

At large island before 7' falls left side has a little swift to paddle. $50^{\circ} 49+1' 89^{\circ} 46'$ Old notes day right side requires a pull-up.

At 7' falls portage on right starting at foot of falls (really a narrow cascade). $50^{\circ} 50-1' 89^{\circ} 46+1' 75$ yards. We camped at falls; on trail. Tentsites only fair and swimming not great at foot of cascade. One walleye and one pike taken. There are better campsites prior to this one.

7' Falls to Muskigia Lake --

Halfway up stretch to north a swift too shallow to paddle in our water, pulled up on right, slightly difficult because of overhanging cedar. $50^{\circ} 50' 89^{\circ} 47-1'$

Portage to Bruntrock is directly south of stream in a bay -- go to stream and turn directly away from it. $50^{\circ} 50+1' 89^{\circ} 48' 200$ yards.

Burntrock has some cliff-like rock but probably has campsites on west shore. One also just past mouth of Palisade on west shore. $50^{\circ} 51' 89^{\circ} 51'$

At top a steep narrow cut through the rock. $50^{\circ} 52' 89^{\circ} 52'$ Our water was too low to line, but would be the easiest way. We lifted over high rock on left -- taking several people to take canoe over because of steep drop to water over rocks. Very poor loading. 25 yards.

At end of pond, portage 100 yards on left of creek. $50^{\circ} 52' 89^{\circ} 52+1'$ Top pond has a slight burn and flooding.

At end of wide area portage on right just as creek starts. $50^{\circ} 52' 89^{\circ} 53'$ You don't get in close enough to see falls, if any. 300 yards; watch turns on bare rock in center area. Good, flat rock 25 yards in from start for lunch. Same at end though landing here is quaking bog.

We camped on '63 site on northwest corner of island in main section of lake just north of direct paddling route for way out. There are other rock areas, but water here is deep enough to dive in for swimming. Rest of lake seems very shallow. We found no trout, but lake seemed colder than others we have been swimming in.

Muskigia to Little Metig --

Portage Muskigia to moos pond takes out at right corner at end of bay. 50° 52' 89° 55½' Very wet at start and best to take all loads in to a rock area about 30 yards from landing. 53 chains -- 5/8 of a mile. Walking is poor in many places so seems longer than actually is.

Moose pond to Tinon -- leaves to right of directly across pond. 50° 52' 89° 57' Takes out on a bog that in our water could be walked (in waterproof boots). 200 yards.

Timmon to Davies -- takes out just north of point that would start creek. 50° 52+ ' 89° 58' Takes out on a quaking bog that could be walked in waterproof boots. Gets better once into trees and is not all that bad a walker -- wet in spots -- 43 chains. 900 yards.

Davies to Metig -- leaves left of center of bay on a reasonable landing ('63 section camped 75 yards up trail in rain -- old fire rocks still there). 46 chains. 950 yards. 50° 53+ ' 89° 58' Mostly a pretty good walker. We had lunch at upper end right at landing. It worked, but was very crowded.

No campsites on moose pond or Timons. Davies probably has some. None on first section of Metig. In second section two points on left looked as though they have been used.

New Indian cabin on left point as passage is made to 3rd section of lake. 50° 54' 89° 59' Just to southwest a well-cleared area -- used by moose hunters? We did not go close enough to see, but looked well-cleared. Last section of Mtig mostly grass with no water. Channel goes just north or just south of rocky islands -- we hit it just past them.

Portage to Little Metig in a small pond just before 1st rapid. 50° 55' 90° 0' 600 yards; trail not too bad. At to a well-used Indian? site. We camped here, but it's pretty dirty now. There's another site just upstream from it, but also dirty. There is a newly cleared trail that parallels the creek and must start in little pond between 1st and 2nd rapids and carries only the 2nd rapid. ('63 pulled up both sets of rapids which is not advised, but maybe paddle or pull the 1st set and carry the 2nd?) Would make carry perhaps 300 yards. (McCoubrie does not note any portage here.)

Little Metig to Pashkokogan Lake --

Leaving campsite grass is encountered shortly. Approach to portage is just about directly opposite stream to be carried rather than following shore.

Portage 400 yards is absolutely awful. 50° 56' 90° 1' McCoubrie says Wretch! Old tram car is no more and ties and rails have been torn up mostly, but there's muskeg all the way through and windfalls at spots. Puts in in creek with some current still to Greenbush.

Start of Greenbush is shallow -- as are several other spots.

Campsites on large island in sort of central section of Greenbush are quite good. 50° 58' 90° 4'

Old trapper's cabin on southeast corner of curve where turn to north is made. 50° 56' 90° 8'

Some kind of cabin on east shore opposite large island just before north-south narrows before turn to portage. 50° 57' 89° 9'

Portage to Pashkokogan on west shore opposite large pointed island. 50° 57+ ' 89° 13' Tram cars dismantled. Trail is muskeg, but relatively dry when we came over. Takes out on quaking bog and is wet for first 50 yards, but gets better. 300 yards. Campsite about 70 yards from end would have good tentsites, but no other advantages.

Portage across peninsula were expected. 50° 57' 89° 16' 150 yards, good trail. We had a bees' nest at landing and had to use another to the left. Puts in on rocks.

We camped on south side of peninsula opposite portage. 50° 57+ ' 89° 16+ ' McCoubrie site? Small tent area, but adequate though crowded. Kitchen on rock, not the best, but worked.

Pashkokogan to Road at Little Pashkokogan River --

Several respectable campsites on east end of thin island at start to run to river. 50° 56' 89° 20+ ' Nothing after that to Hamilton.

Portage on left, 100 yards. 50° 53' 89° 26' Top of portage could be camped on -- used as a lunchsite in '78

We camped on left just before small island before road. 50° 51' 89° 29' Site undeveloped, but OK. Access by car is through campground entrance and leads to a dead end just before highway.

Savant Lake to Temagami --

Loading area for canoes at end of entrance road to campsite past several Indian houses and turns to campsites. Is old road before highway was straightened, ends without going back onto highway. Good loading and parking area. Approximately mile 47.

Train left about 6-7 o'clock and arrived Capreol about noon. Bus to Temagami arriving about 3:30

Car to Long Lac for night leaving Savant about 1:00 (Savant Time). Arrive Long Lac about midnight. Arrive Boat Line about 6:00 pm.