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My Dear Evans: There are so many things to write you about, I scarcely know where to begin.

Walter Shields is to be sent to Nome this summer as principal and special disbursing officer. An assistant will be appointed to help him with the school. After Updegraff's experience as disbursing Sgt last summer he does not seem enthusiastic regarding making Supt. such. He had much trouble with his accounts -

A few of my winter acct's were hung up a while for some minor irregularities but many of yours hung fire - I don't envy Shields his job - Poor Charles is ~~literally~~ actually working himself to death.

Simpson, the head of this office as purchasing Sgt is a hustler - a Chicago business man and a tireless worker.

Ed Born has the contract. He has contracted with Morrell to carry the fat to Bristol Bay, St. M. and Teller on the Elwell. He distributes it with the Abler & houses on Bristol Bay, a portable on Kuskokwim and material for 5 log buildings on Yukon -

Shageluk was chosen instead of Adsek which you had recommended. It also carries

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a little lumber for Shingnak - I suppose ^{COPY} you will be supervisor of construction for Selawik and Meyers new house. It is reported that Fred Poore will have a steamer up there and will carry fat - has submitted a proposal to carry fat for \$30 per to Uqatah \$40 to Selawik and \$45 to Shingnak. But - I think he will do better than this and the others who have boats there. Rankin may have one. I hope you can go up there and attend to that before the cutter goes north.

Its too bad ~~you~~ we have the same skipper. It was too late when I got down here to try to stop it. I hope you can visit - St L. and Diomedes in June and then go to Kotzebue on Corwin - I may possibly go in via Yukon in July.

Boulter is supervisor of construction for those buildings and will need some help and advice. Possibly. But if my plans are unsettled at present - I would like to see you though before you go north and still hope to see you -

The Post Clarence boys have paid Ichwaballuk nothing. So they are not shipping them another bill. Likewise some others. Okbach's & Wales trading Co's bill is held up until they receive some substantiated encouragement. I think F. Syatunguk owes for his last year's stock.

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Mr. Butts & sister go to Koshkwin. Since you have failed to wire me regarding his brother, I take it that you consider him undesirable hence drop him from further consideration. Have wired Shultz about Mainwright. Funny about his marrying that girl - No one for day leave or Shishmareff. You wired me Adams had forwarded me his resignation but in the same telegram he desired to stay alone - Don't understand it - but I think we are ready to accept resignation and risk getting some one to take his place -

I think Home building is still in some doubt. Methodist are shipping their building "Stoney plan" by Volante. Capt McWhite has been sick for 2½ months. Will not live long - Black has contract for ~~the~~ Simuk house.

Our deer is doing fine on grass.
 Oliver Angoolook, driver is homesick -
 But I think I can persuade him

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W. I am in summer, we all you
send should be allowed about 8000 of ^{COPY} ~~money~~ each
per trip down - I have neglected selecting
site at Fair and other matters connected
with the ~~enterprise~~ exhibit because of the
rush work here at the office -

I may write you more tomorrow

Regards to friends

Yours
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Spent opening day at Fair. Started out
in fine shape - ✓

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