

Nome, Alaska. Jan. 2, 1914

Mr. C. Ausley,

Noatak, Alaska.

Dear Sir :

Your letters of Dec. 1 and 3 have been received and I take the opportunity afforded by a native who is going to Point Hope to send you this letter.

I hope that some time this year you will be able to get a real count of the deer in the herd. Each herd should be counted at least once in two years. I realize that there were some mistakes in Mr. Snowdens reports and will appreciate your labor in making the necessary corrections.

In reference to the property account from your village I would suggest that, under the circumstances you wait until the end of the trapping season before making it out. However, you might be working on it from time to time and get the record of the valuation of furniture, guns, houses, etc.

I will leave Nome in a few days for Igloo and from there will go to Teller, Wales, Shishmaref, Deering, Kotzebue, Kivalina, Point Hope and Noatak. So you can see that I have a long way to go before I reach your place. I hope to be at Kotzebue the first week in February, and should get to Noatak sometime after the fifteenth of that month. I will try to send you word from Kotzebue when I reach there.

With best wishes, to you all,

Very truly yours, S.

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