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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

WASHINGTON

May 23, 1921.

To:

Chief of Drafting Section.

From:

Harlow Bacon.

Subject: Examination of Topographic Sheet No. 21502.

- The pantographic reduction of Topographic Sheet No. 2150ª differing decidedly in geographic location from that on 2140 and Chart 8244, an examination was made to determine the cause of the discrepancy and rectify the same if possible.
- The topographer evidently used East Base Tip 2 as a line for The shrinkage on the sheet as tested from this line orientation and control. and the 2000 meter lines varied from 7 to 8 meters per 1000, 8 meters per 1000 was used in the calculations and tests.
- In addition to the two triangulation stations, the plane table stations Cross, Mast and Spindle were found to be identical with those on 2150. By means of the description of station the Astronomical station was located approximately by its relation with church spire.
- A piece of tracing was laid down on 2150 and lines drawn from the stations above named. This was superimposed on 2150 and it was seen at once that there was an error in orientation. With E. Base as a center, the points Gross, Mast, Ast. Sta. and Spindle all fell on the proper lines, while Tip (practically identical with Tip 2) was decidedly off the line. This showed that there was an error in orientation at the first set up which was carried through the survey. This might have been caused by an incorrect location of Tip 2 on the ground. It would be well to make further inquiry on this point.
- For further tests, various distances were calculated from the Geog. positions or from scaling of positions on 2150 and these distances measured on 21502, making the 8 meter per 1000 allowance for shrinkage. The result was that all distances in the general direction of the shore line (E. Base -Ast. Sta.) were found to be correct, while the distances from Tip 2 to points to the northward were short about 20 meters, proving again the error in orientation or station location.
- To adjust the geographic position, a projection was laid down on 2150a using the points E. Base, Cross, Mast and Spindle, the unregistered: positions being scaled and calculated from sheet 2150. Tip 2 was ignored. Cross 0, scaled from 2150 57002'+16975, 135°26'+440. Back against to E. Base 115°22'43"

-Distances calculated by right might triangle method;—

E. Base - ast Sta. 1516, E Base Tip 2 1267, Rock-Tip 2 1075, E. Bay-Cross 1337.4

Ast Sta-Tip 2 792, Cross-Tip 2 740 Sight-Tip 611, E. Bay-Wirden 2331

Ast. Sta. is about 2911 month and 811 month of Church spire. Acaded distances from 21500 allowing for shrinkage, (8 per 1000) are shown in red.

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- 7. The method used in placing the projection is the best that can be devised with the data available. On laying the reduction, with the new projection, down on 2150, the agreement was found to be satisfactory. 2150 is fairly accurate considering the speed with which it was done.
- 8. The error in orientation on 21508 has apparently not affected the value of the survey. The only noticeable difference is a small reduction in the scale. Subsequent investigations show that Wireless may be slightly in error.
- 9. An examination of the triangulation records, Acces. 73,664, made in connection with this survey shows that the observer failed to take the angles necessary to check his azimuth E. Base Tip 2. This leaves the triangle E. Base Rock Wireless, swinging on the pivot E. Base, due to the unobserved angle to Rock. As the azimuth E. Base Wireless depends upon the azimuth from E. Base to Tip 2 as taken from our records, any error in the location of Tip 2 would appear in the azimuth of the survey.
- 10. The Division of Geodesy reports that there are no observations on common stations in previous years that will enable one to correct the azimuth. An attempt was therefore made to determine the azimuth by the measurement of angles to lines on the survey whose azimuths were known.
- 11. The azimuth of E Base Spire was determined by measurement on 2150 of the angle from Azi to Spire. The observed angle between Spire and Tip 2 gives the azimuth E Base Tip 2.
- 12. The azimuth E Base Tip 2 was determined by measurement of angle Sitka Lt. Tip 2 on 21508, the azimuth E Base Sitka Lt., being known.
 - 13. The results are as follows:

Azimuth E Base - Tip 2 as recorded 81 36 19"
Azimuth as measured from Spire 82 22 06
Azimuth as measured from Light 82 21 28

Error about 45' or 46'. This leads to the conclusion that the Tip 2 here observed is not the same as the one observed and computed in 1897.

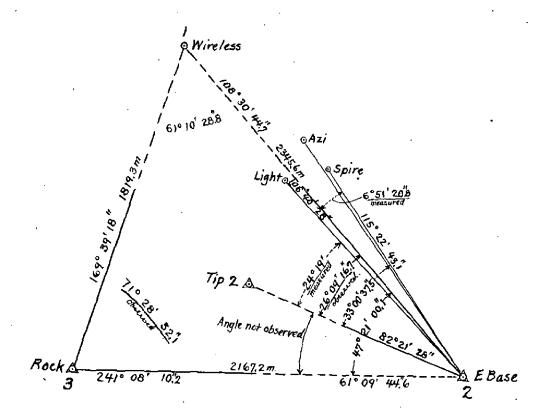
- 14. As a further test, the position of triangulation station Wireless was recomputed using the azimuth 82° 21' 28" and the corrected angles. The results of the computations are appended.
- 15. The only way to absolutely determine the correct azimuths is to occupy E Base and observe the angle Rock Tip 2.

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16. It is recommended that the new projection as determined graphically in 6, be laid down on 21508 and that the survey as adjusted be used in the correction of Chart No. 8244.

Harlow Bacon

Harlow Bacon Draftsman.



Descriptive Report to accompany
Plane Table Revision Sheet of Sitka Waterfront
in accordance with Telegraphic Instructions Dated Sept. 29.1920

This sheet includes the shoreline from A E.Base to bouy # 3, the Haval Wharf, wireless towers, and several promihent objects on the Sitka side.

There was no available triangulation data. As weather was rainy, laid out distances of 2000 meters over various parts of sheet. Sheet contracted some and tried to correct readings for change but know that contraction was not uniform while in the field.

Began near E.Base and carried traverse the whole distance, located A Tip 2 by cuts, also the wireless towers one of which was also rodded in. (reading checked cuts)

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The light shown near the prominent house on an island east of the wharfs, is an electric bulb on a yellow post about four feet high and is rather noticeable from the shore.

Respectfully submitted

Approved: T forwarded

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J.M. Dailey
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-DESCRIPTIVE REPORT. (to accompany revision sheet of Sitka waterfront, Alaska)

This sheet included the warfs and aids to navigation along the waterfront of Sitka, Alaska, and a few poles and huoses a along shore . on a scale of 1 to 5000.

The start was the line East Base-Tip 2, setting up table at East Base. East Base was found as described but Tip 2 does not answer the description sent. The present mark is a pipe about three feet high cemented into the rock. There is no date in cement but C C. & G. S. in large letters. There is a similar brass pipe on a ledge on the northwest side of Fritz Island but here there are no letters. Positions of the mark on Fritz Island, and of some of the spires shown on office photostat would have made the start-eas easier. It is easier to start from a three point fix from a Prominent high objects than find and start from brush hidden stations.

No attempt was made to rerun shore line but located all structures outside H.W.L. The three wireless towers were located by cuts and one was rodded in. Later they were computed. The difference was about 5 meters, As most of work was done on a damp sheet and does not check the chart, no adjustment of wharves was made.

Respectfully submitted.

d. M. Dailey, D. O.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

U.S.S. SURVEYOR. Seattle, Wash. Dec. 24, 1919. Oha 29 3 30 9H -19

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To:

Superintendent of Coast and Geodetic Survey.

From:

Commanding Officer. Str. SURVEYOR.

FIELD NECORDS (C)

Subject:

Revision Work of Sitka.

l. In accordance with the instructions from the inspector at Seattle, dated Sept. 9th., revision work in Sitka was accomplished enroute south on Oct. 25th. to 29th. Your instructions referred to in your letter of Sept. 25th. were never received.

- done on a scale of one to five hundred thousand. The trianulation stations Tip "2" and East Base used for determining the location of the wharfs and warehouses along the Sitka water front. The radio station and the Navy wharf at Japonski Island were also determined topographically on the same projection. East Base was recovered as described. Tip"2" station mark was found to be a pape about three feet high cemented into the rock. There is no date in the cement but C. & G. S. is shown in large letters.
- 3. The wireless towers on Japonski Island were also located by triangulation from the line Δ East Base and Δ Rock, both of which stations were found as described. The determination of the wireless towers by triangulation and topography agreed within the limits of topographical methods.
- 4. Soundings were taken along the face of all the docks. The least water was determined on the submerged rock referred to in paragraph 2 of the inspectors instructions at 13 ft. A wire drag was set at an effective depth of 18 1-2 feet. Between the black and red buoy # 3 and 4, the drag fouled once and on sounding, the least water found was 17 1-2 feet M.L.L.W. The obstruction of this sounding was inside the three fathom curve as shown on the chart. No other obstacles were found.
- 5. This data was forwarded to you as the geodetic positions furnished the party do not agree with these shown on chart # 8244. It is thought that since the publication of the chart, the triangulation datum has been changed.

6. There is a great demand by local shipping interests for this work and I am sure it would be appreciated by them if the results were adjusted and the revision work sent to the inspector at Seattle as soon as possible.

F. H. Hardy.

Hydrographic and Geodetic Engineer.

Commanding Str. SURVEYOR.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

WASHINGTON

September 28, 1920.

SECTION OF FIELD RECORDS

Report on Topographic Sheet 2150a.

Surveyed in 1919

Chief of Party: F. H. Hardy.

Surveyed by I. M. Dailey.

- 1. This survey appears to have been made in response to instructions dated September 9, 1919, although these instructions, in so far as they directed the execution of topographic work, were countermanded on September 12, 1919.
- 2. A comparison of the survey with the chart shows irreconcilable differences in important features. As the control for both the old and new surveys was identical and ample it is not possible to determine which is correct.
- 3. The differences are so considerable that the new work cannot be placed on the chart with a reasonable degree of accuracy, and it is recommended that a new topographic survey of Sitka Harbor and approaches be made.

E. P. Ellis

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TOPOGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

The finished Topographic Sheet is to be accompanied by the following title sheet, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

Remarks:

Hornsontal angle book, Sounding record

