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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

Topographic Sheet No. *3052*

LOCALITY:

*United States and
Canada Boundary
Survey, Lopez Island, Seberg
Pt. Boundary Ref. Monument*

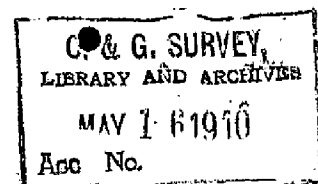
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Descriptive Report to accompany topographic Sheet entitled
"Topography in the Vicinity of the Iceberg Pt. Boundary Reference
Monument, Lopez Island, Washington."

This sheet was surveyed for the purpose of showing the sur-
roundings of the Iceberg Pt. Boundary Reference Monument, and the
monument itself is intended as a reference mark for the turning
point of the boundary line on the North end of Middle Bank, East
from Discovery Island.

The monument stands on a smooth, ice-worn ledge, near the old
Coast Survey triangulation station "Iceberg". The station was so
named because of a marked glacial groove worn in the rock just
East from it. At the time the station was located the part that
glaciers have played in sculpturing rocks was not so well under-
stood as at present, and while the groove was recognized as being
the result of ice action it was supposed that the chiseling had
been done by icebergs, and not by a glacier. Hence the name.

The station is on the summit of the rock, and the monument
stands 8.9 meters Southwesterly from it, and about three feet
below it in altitude.

All the shoreline shown on the sheet is rocky, and is directly
exposed to the swell of the Strait of Fuca. There is a thick growth
of kelp along the shore and extending out two or three hundred
meters in places. There are a number of bare rocky ledges out-
cropping in the vicinity of the monument. The open ground that is

not bare rock is covered with grass and fern, while farther back from the shore line is a thick growth of fir and spruce.

The monument is not located directly on Iceberg Pt. as so named on the chart, but about half a mile East from it. The rock off shore near the monument serves to identify the location.

To reach the place from Puget Sound the small steamer Rosalie may be taken at either Seattle or Port Townsend. She makes three trips a week to various places among the islands. Richardson is her nearest stopping place to Iceberg Pt., and from there the point may be best reached by boat.

Fremont Snow,

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Chief of Party, U.S. & C.B.S.