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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

State: SE Alaska

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# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

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Slocum Pt to Khaz Bay

1925

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TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET NO.\_\_\_

Slooum Point to Khaz Bay,

Chichagof Island, S. E. Alaska.

August - September, 1925.

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Instructions dated February 4, 1925.

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EXTENT: This sheet embraces the outside coast of Chichagof Island from a point limites southeast of Slocum Point northward around Khaz Head to a point on the southwest shore of Slocum Arm, and includes the islands reaching from Khaz Head to Khaz Bay.

LAND FORMATION: The mainland of Chichagof Island at this point consists of very steep mountain masses, rising abruptly from the shore line to heights of over 2000 feet. The presence of shoal water, many rocks, and islands, at considerable distances from the shore line, indicate that extensive erosive action has been performed by the ocean in this vicinity, advancing the shoreline far into the original land masses. The rock met with in this region is almost wholly slate, shale, and soft traprock. The islands have no appreciable elevation. The islands are heavily wooded, as well as on the lower slopes of the mountains, where not too steep to support vegetation.

LANDMARKS: Khaz Head, a sharp bare peak, forms a good landmark, and is fairly prominent. There are no other commanding objects. Such features as are worthy of note are described in the Coast Pilot.

METHOD AND CONTROL: Several earlier triangulation stations were recovered, furnishing sufficient known points to control adequately the work. A number of traverse lines were rum between control points, The closure errors being small, and such errors being destributed in the field. A great many points, especially the off-lying rocks and breakers, were located by intersection lines on the sheet, while a few were located by sextant cuts or fixes.

The entire area covered by this sheet has been surveyed before, that part north of Khaz Point having been surveyed in 1906 by E.F. Dickens and the remainder in 1897 by E. K. Moore. North of Khaz Point the work in general required little correction beyond careful detailing of the nature and characteristics of islets, rocks, and breakers. A few missing details were While the whole area was covered, dependence to some extent was placed on the previous work insofar as some minor irregularities of the shore line were repeated as shown. South of Khaz Point the entire shoreline was resurveyed, great differences being obtained between the present and the older On this exposed shore, due to rough weather and the consequent turbulence of the shoal waters, working was very difficult. It is known that there are many breakers within & mile of this shore, which show only in heavy weather, that could not be located. In fact, it is presumed that there are many areas of this region where the waves break indiscriminately, due to shallow water. A note on the sheet covers this situation. Throughout this work careful examination of every feature shown on previous work was made. and represented in its true condition. This involves the deletion of a few rocks previously shown incorrectly.

GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: The only names added to the area are Khaz Point and Piehles Passage, both in local use.

### RECOVERABLE HYDROGRAPHIC SIGNALS:

(Name)	(La	t)	(DM)	(Long) (DP)		(DP)	(Description)		
Rus	57	28	170	135	58	217	Peak of rock.		
Wal	57	28	1220	135	58	536	Point of land.		
Eel	57	30	625	136	01	485	Pinnacle north end of rock.		
Head	57	30	1535	136	00	358	Sharp peak.		
Bull	57	31	132	136	02	304	Peak of rock.		
Ha <b>v</b>	57	31	361	136	01	982	Peak of rock.		
Dan	57	31	720	136	01	985	East end of rock.		
Bush	57	31	1389	136	01	583	Highest acrub tree on rock.		
Pan	57	32	1392	136	02	84	Peak of rock.		
Car	57	32	1100	136	02	873	Point of island.		
Ban	57	32	1242	136	02	649	Point of island.		
Em	57	33	77	136	04	474	Peak of rock.		
Jo	57	33	1575	136	04	484	Point of land.		
Has	57	<i>33</i>	1714	136	04	<i>5</i> 02	Peak of rock.		
Ed	57	33	637	136	03	882	Point of land.		

Respectfully submitted

E.B. Roberts. .

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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.

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Locality . Slocum Point to Khaz Bay
Chief of party A. M. Sobieralski
Surveyed by E. B. Roberts
Date of survey Season' . 1925
Scale 1-20,000
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