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TO: Ralph Aveoganna

DATE:

on ice - talking about uniaq
- a week - women sewed
briqs, last yr. blding boat

:50 brought frame

1:20 Q - where skins from
lots of boats - more than 20

1:50 names 4 lucky caps

2:30 Q - see any whales
quite a few going by

3:00 Q - when set up camp
Q - how many in crew
8-9

3:25 Q - where get whaling gun
story

4:15 Q - shoot well
solid brass

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Q - who gets to shoot the gun?
vital spots -

5:00 Q - shot at am whales?
3 - bounce off skin

5:45 how has weather been

6:00Robert Aiken

6:07 how long on ice w/ st April

wind strong - pulled camp
for 1 day - boat to safe ice
went back out same night

7:20 got whale yesterday
early afternoon -
~~shot~~ darting gun w/ harpoon
used
another camp saw the float
Robt watched w/ scope - put
outboard on boat & go to stern
reco float

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whale still alive
used 3 more bombs - still
alive -

10:00 - far from camp?
pulled up outboard to camp
kinda windy
pulled it up - cut it up

10:40 how big -
about 20-22 ft but
round - a right whale -
soft meat

11:10 Meat at yr. house
plan to go out again
tonight -

11:45 where is camp located
about 3 mi West of Barrow

12:10 got 2 last spring -
12:30 end

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12:40 Martha
when did husband catch
whale?

Sat - Fri - 28th
at school - left school +
came home - wait for flag
13:40 - talk about flag
used to run, use ski door
what's flag mean -
our crew got a whale
gunny sack flag means
3-day old

14:40 what's difference - fresh +
3-day old
eat muskrat only

15:10 - end
(unanswered Q at end)

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TO: Martha Aiken DATE:

- getting ready for feast;
many trips to bring in meat
save all the meat
 - 1:15 Q- where put meat? - outside, cache
save for feasts during winter
 - 2:00 Q- how big whale?
not know - small
 - 2:15 feasting at Aiken's -
tea + biscuits
eat until flag is down
 - 3:00 Q- diff. ways for people - boil it -
save everything, except lungs +
liver
full day eating
 - 4:30 looking to Nalikhatah?
how prepare meat for Nalike?
miKokok
 - 5:10 whale oil - story of 2 whales last year
have a quantity yet
 - 5:45 end
- ~~Presby congregation prayer meeting~~

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TO: Martha Aiken DATE:

- story of whale -
3 boats went after the whale
exciting - the kill
- 1:25 Q- do women go out in boat
for 1st time - no wonder men
like whaling,
- 1:50 Q- how big - not too -
Q- how many in boat - 7
Q- where were you - middle
- 2:30 Q- why in camp? watching
another whale being cut up
describes where camps were
just gone to our tent
jumped in
- 4:05 - My grandfather mark "N" the
wrong way - colors
3 yrs ago had flag made
grandfather's flag - mark
used for a flag
- 5:20

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5:35 favorite way of whole meat
mikiKok
5:55 cut up until fermented
6:15 end