

Harry Bailey: But the Russians, you know, they trained them. Did I mention that? At Cold Bay?

Janis Kozlowski: No.

Harry Bailey: That lend lease. Cold Bay had ... was a big Army Fort early in the war and then they closed it down after Attu was taken, and it was empty. And then that lend-lease, the United States gave a bunch of ships to the Russians but they brought them to Cold Bay for training. That's when I ... I realized all these years – 40 years – that's why, where I saw them. It was much later than I had thought of earlier. Then they were training at Cold Bay and ... that on the ship that I was on I mentioned the Russians were, I said, "Oh yeah, there's a bunch of them over there in Cold Bay." So there were a lot of ships that were, you know, given to the Russians – destroyers or smaller, you know, Navy craft.

I was gonna write a little note on the bottom there that I did not see them at Attu, I saw them at Cold Bay.

Harry Bailey: We went over to Chichigof Island [meant Harbor?], that's where the settlement was, and we were going for souvenirs one day and we got deciding we were gonna go to Holtz Bay. And to get around there – we didn't know where we were going – we're going on a steep slope to go out to the point and then circle back to Holtz Bay. And the snow was deep, it was in May, and there were about 6 of us. And we walked, I don't know, about three hours and finally we come to a point where you could see Holtz Bay. It was just too far. We were gonna go back. Actually there was a road there – we didn't know it though – to get over there. So we decided that we would give up on that, it was just too far away.

But in the meantime, you know, late afternoon, the sun had gone down and all that snow that we were walking in where we could ... you know, it was soft. The stuff froze up. And this was, like I way, a real steep incline there. And we got back, of course, but you had to break through the crust every step. I don't know, probably for two or three miles we had to walk. We got back there and there was nobody over there at Chichigof Harbor except a mess hall. So we asked the fellow if he had anything to eat because we hadn't had anything since the morning. And all they had was jelly and bread. But that was good that night.