

Robert Dougal: OK, well that was a ... that walk you took was our road between our radar station and the camp that was down near the water. It's only a half a mile, but it took a long time to do it. We used tractors, ATs we called them; tractors with AT trailers. And you'd go over a volcanic rock, and then the tractor would come to a bang, on the ground, and then you'd keep on movin'. [It] took a long time to do that [Chuckle] half mile.

Janis Kozlowski: I'll bet. So, did you stay in the camp on the north side, and then you went to over to the radar station when you were on duty?

Robert Dougal: When I was up there, I put the first radar installed on Kiska. I, you know, I stayed there for my tour.

Janis Kozlowski: Now, did you ... you said you didn't see any Japanese aircraft come over the island.

Robert Dougal: [Unclear word] ... There was there.

Janis Kozlowski: But, how about American aircraft; were you able to help in some of the downed aircraft that you...?

Robert Dougal: When the Japs were there, they started to hand dig the ground for their strip. And it was so rocky and volcanic, they gave up – you couldn't land an aircraft. Although we did have aircraft land - some of them crashed in the Kiska Volcano.

Katie Dougal: The worst enemy was the weather.

Janis Kozlowski: Yeah, it sure sounds like it. [Laugh] It affected everything they did.

Katie Dougal: They were trying to go get mail and supplies, and the blizzards - it was dreadful what they went through at times.