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relative size. This 1906 church, built almost twenty years after its prototypes, has enlarged emphasis upon use of the onion-shaped form, though still employed most conservatively. The founders of the new church in 1906 were also the workmen. The church was built entirely by the villagers, though the design has more formal and traditional origins. Among the workmen were Vassily Pestrikoff and his sons Ilarion, Peter and Nicholas, Albert Torsen, Nicolai and John Katelnikoff, Feodor Squartsoff and Abraham Gregorioff. (Ibid.)

The 1906 building was of the traditional three-building segments; in this case, the main building surmounted by a large fully realized octagonal oriel, an extended altar section, and an entry vestibule surmounted by a cupola and bell tower, each telescoped upon the layer below. In 1939 or 1940 major renovation was undertaken to enlarge upon this basic design and arrangement. The cupola and bell tower were moved down to the front gate, with elongation of the curved top open bell tower windows, and a gateway cut through two sides of the former cupola to form the present entrance gateway to the church's front yard. The full west profile of the main chamber was extended westward to enlarge the nave, and a new entry vestibule built with a slightly higher angle gable roof as an entry to the church. In its 1939-1940 (and present) configuration, the church's three segments have lengths which are, respectively, from west to east, 10'4", 33'6", and 11'7"; and, widths, respectively, of 11'3", 18', and 13'4". (Ibid.; Kreta, Notes; Kreta/Merculief, Photos).

QUAD: Lime Hills

- 1. Saints Constantine and Helen Chapel (AHRS SITE NO. LIM-001)
- 2. LOCATION
  - a. NA
  - b. Lime Village
  - c. NA
  - d. Alaska
  - e. 02
  - f. Kuskokwim Division
  - g. 160
- 3. AHRS DATE: May 18, 1973

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- 4. CONDITION: Good
- 5. UNALTERED
- 6. ORIGINAL SITE

This is a square log building, 17'9" on each side, covered by a pyramidal galvanized metal-sheathed roof from whose peak spires an over-sized R. O. cross. The side walls are lighted by pairs of vertical 6-light window sashes separated by single mullions. The front entrance is through a single-leaf plywood door from an uncovered plank-floored porch.

This simple log church, constructed here in 1923, is the evocation of a rural R. O. church structure in Alaska, an outstanding example of durable utile architectural simplicity. (Kreta, Notes; Kreta/Merculief, Photos).

QUAD: McGrath

- 1. Presentation of Our Lord Chapel (AHRS SITE NO. MCG-002)
- 2. LOCATION
  - a. NA
  - b. Nikolai
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QUAD: KODIAK (D-2)

Nativity of Our Lord Chapel, Ouzinkie (AHRS SITE NO. KOD-193)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Building is sited on Tract A of U.S. Survey map sheet 470, enclosed. Sited also on BLM Photographic Atlas, "Ouzinkie 1965".

QUAD: LIME HILLS (B-7)

Saints Constantine and Helen Chapel, Lime Village (AHRS SITE NO. LIM-001)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Property is sited on unnumbered U.S. Survey map sheet, enclosed.

QUAD: MCGRATH (D-3)

Presentation of Our Lord Chapel, Nikolai (AHRS SITE NO. MCG-002)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Building sited on unnumbered U.S. Survey map sheet 570 feet west 32° south of powerplant. Sited also on BLM Photographic Atlas, "Nikolai 1968" and State of Alaska, "City of Nikolai Alaska," aerial photo map (1972, 1973).

QUAD: NAKNEK (C-4)

St. John the Baptist Chapel, Naknek (AHRS SITE NO. NAK-023)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Building is sited 2,160 feet west 7° south of Naknek power plant building, sited on U.S. Survey map sheet 880, enclosed. Sited also on BLM Photographic Atlas, "Naknek and South Naknek 1962"; and on State of Alaska, "Naknek and So. Naknek Alaska," aerial photo map (1970,1971).

QUAD: NAKNEK (C-3)

Elevation of Holy Cross Church, South Naknek (AHRS SITE NO. NAK-022)

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION: Building is sited on U.S. Survey map sheet 3008, enclosed. Sited also on BLM Photographic Atlas, "Naknek and South Naknek 1962"; and on State of Alaska, "Naknek and So. Naknek, Alaska," aerial photo map (1970,1971).

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