

Genadocks file

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The gin'adiks hunting territories

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gin'adiks.

The gin'adiks river was divided
into the ownership of two groups
of people on by the original gin'adiks
of which there were only two groups
the lakibo and the ganhada.

At one time there was only one
royal house on the gin'adiks that
was the royal lakibo house of
nias talax now extinct and the
division of the territory was that the
ganhada group had the lower part
of the river up to what was called the
village of lakpsr and the ganhada
village was at the mouth of the
gin'adiks river. The lakibo village
was at lakpsr which marked the
dividing point of the two phratries
on the gin'adiks river.

The territory which may be used by
the royal gispowndwada group, while

not having any special territory
having become domiciled on the
gin'adzik's territory and accepted as
a royal house was privileged to go
to any part of the gin'adzik's river
to trap and fish and gather berries.

The name of the tribe gin'adzik's
is derived from "The people of swift
water," while the river itself is very
short say about 30 miles. it has a
very rapid drop and exceedingly swift.
The area at the mouth which was
the property of the Gankada group.
and was known as wil/sga/semit.

① this was the ^{where/along} ^{spruce}
"where runs the spruce."
property of the Gankada houses and
the only time the lawabo people went
there was to gather fish there during
the fishing season. adjoining this was
another property wil/sga/lei ② This
^{where/along} ^{alder}.

was so called owing to the dense growth
of alder trees here and these two
territories were the trapping grounds

where the people trapped the beaver
mink, marten, fisher, and all fur
bearing animals. This place has
always been renowned for its wealth
in fur bearing animals even to this
date. (3) Knamoon. This was the
most interior hunting territory
of the Gan'ada Gin'ad'iks, and
they had a river here which was also
abundant in furs. After this territory
there was the Lax'ibo village and
territory of Lax'psa. (1) so called
in clay

because the village was built on a
clay bank. Although Lax'psa was the
principal village of the Lax'ibo the
territory was used exclusively by the
royal Lax'ibo house of Nis'talax
who was the original royal house of
the Gin'ad'iks. Many important
iyaks were held here and Totem
poles were erected here one of which
still is to be seen at this village, being
erected by a former setsan.

Totem
poles

The next territory is the property of
the lak^o.bo house of ss^ogan
in plan A and here on the edge of
the rapids a village which was
used together with all the other
gin'ad^osiks people as a fishing
territory but the hunting privileges
belonged only to the house of ss^ogan
and was known as } laxwil^og^os
"on high place." or level. { a / what / high.

When the salmon season was on people
from all the gin'ad^osiks villages
came here and dried their fish.


From here on the river ~~was~~ is
fairly level and is formed by
an immense number of dams
being old beaver dams and the
whole spread of the upper part
is practically a beaver dam
colony over an area easily
ten miles square and all of
this territory is called } tsig^opanao
"place of frogs" { nothing "frog"

during the spring when the frogs first
come out all you can hear is
the calling of the frogs so this is
why the name is applied owing to
the great numbers of the frogs.

also here was the berry country where
they gathered the kai, a red transparent
berry and the milks (wild crab apple
all of the Gin'adoiks people came
here to gather the berries but the
hunting privileges belonged only to
the laxkibo house of sstsan and
was his exclusive property. Then
adjoining this was another territory
Ktsam/knawaisang 2 This was an
in ~~house~~ ^{house} . ? }

exclusive hunting village of the house
of sstsan. This laxkibo house
together with the house of ^{was} were
the more numerous of any of the
other phratrys, and today they still
are the more powerful in the

Gin'adoiks ~~group~~ and the Ganhada
are nearly all gone.

Then the next territory is the lake and all the valley and hills surrounding the lake. This was known as *la x t e m* *gin'doiks* and was the the exclusive property of the *la x t i b o* house of *s s o j e n*. There was a house here by *s s o j e n* and where the former old house stood another has been built which is used as a hunting lodge. The territory on the plan  the end of the lake you came to a trail in a divide which when you climbed a short distance say of only six hours walking you looked over into *Kitamst* and it is only a days travelling here to *Kitamst*. Many small raids were made by the *Kitamst* in which they assaulted the *gin'doiks* women. One was. While all the *la x t i b o* men were in the hills hunting the mountain goat a band of *Kit'amst* hunters came over and took from the women their leather breech cloths and assaulted them. It was always the custom in

The hunting season that the hunters
would not have no connection with
their women during the hunting period
and the women in order to further
protect themselves would wear a
thick leather breech cloth between
their legs and around their body
and it was this the Kit'omst men
destroyed and brought misfortune
on the Gin'ad'siks hunters. The
Gin'ad'siks then set out and went
over the trail and killed a number
of Kit'omst hunters and brought
back women captives in retaliation to
the shame that they brought on the
Gin'ad'siks. There is another
territory 3 wilksado-tsk and
where black waters. black out. black
(meaning water)
This also belonged to the Lar'kibo
house of ssodgan.

The Gispowadwada house of
nioslut had no special territory
having come from among the Gilad'gano
and then into the Gin'ad'siks

was privileged to use the hunting territory No. 2. of the house of Sedzan having been granted this privilege by Sedzan when his hut compensated him for having buried a former member of the Sedzan house.

The royal Gispowadwada house while being the recognized head of the Gin'adoks have no special territory being privileged to go from one to another of each of the territories and in as much as they were of Gitxata origin they very often went to the coast among the hunting grounds of hal rather than on the Gin'adoks even to the present. When a Gin'adoks chief of the house of Miswixs dies the Gitxata people come forward and contribute and assist in the funeral arrangements and when one of the royal Gispowadwada of the Gitxata people dies the Gin'adoks do the same.

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10 acres surrounding each of 7
houses along KitKnadoix Creek.