Abstract of

The Place name in The History of the Mongols

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1. Mount Chekcher and Sira Keer (Yellow steppe)

1.1 Points to solve

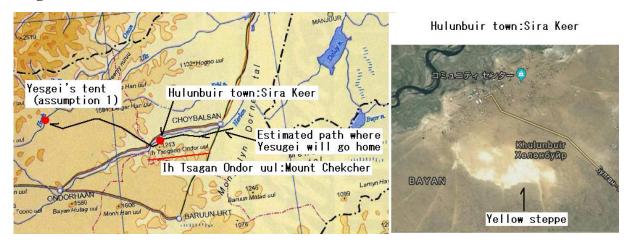
The location of 'Sira Keer(yellow steppe) by Mount Chekcher' being in the section 67, 68 of The Secret History of the Mongols.

1.2 Solution

Jesugei, the father of Chinggis Qan, was on his way home from the east. He met the Tatar tribe at Sira keer at the foot of Mount Chegcher. He was given poisoned food there. After three days he managed to return near home but died.

I put three assumptions. 1: Yesugei's tent was in the Hurh River. 2: The daily speed of movement by a horseback was 90 km. 3: Tatar tribe lived in the south of Kherlen River. According to these, the mountain should have existed within 270 km from his tent. Since Yesugei comes back from the east, I looked up the land along the south area of Kherlen River on Googlemap. As a result, there was only Ikh Tsagan Ondor uul 47.87 N 112.96 E as the mountain considered Chekcher Mountain. The town of Hulunbuir at the foot of the mountain is Sira Keer because there is a yellow steppe. The town is located 240 km apart from his tent of Hurh River.

Fig.1



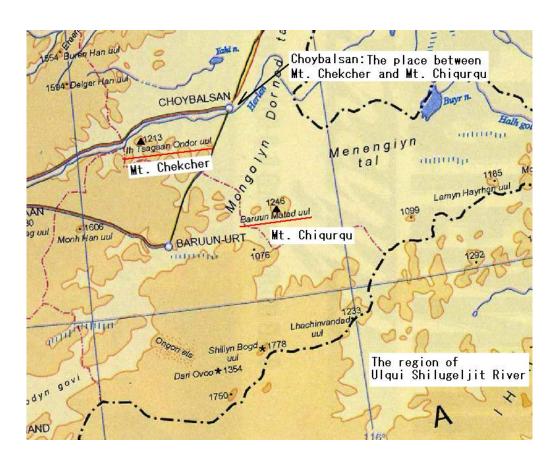
2. Mount Chiqurqu

2.1 Points to solve

The location of Mount Chiqurqu in the History books of the Mongols.

2.2 Solution

When Temujin and Ong Qan were in Ulqui Shilugeljit region, a cavalry came from Mt Chiqurqu and brought news "The Nyman is coming". This sentence is in Yuan Shengwuizhenglu(元聖武親征録). Thinking from the road at that time, the news should come from the north. So the Mount Chiqurqu should be located north of the Ulqui Shilugeljit region. There are several mountains in the direction of the Herlen River, the main road in the north, but I think Baruun Matad uul 47.9N115.2E will be Mount Chiqurqu. One of the reasons is because it is a prominent mountain located on the side of the main road going to Ulqui Shilugeljit region. The second reason is that the distance from the mountain to Choybalsan and the distance from Chekcher to Choibalsan are nearly equal. In section 61 of The Secret History of the Mongols, it is written that Yesugei and Dei Sechen met between Chekcher and Ciqurqu. I think 'The Land between Chekcher and Ciqurqu' was just in the middle of two mountains. It was the present Choybalsan City where they met. I think those mountains are bases of communication by the smoke.



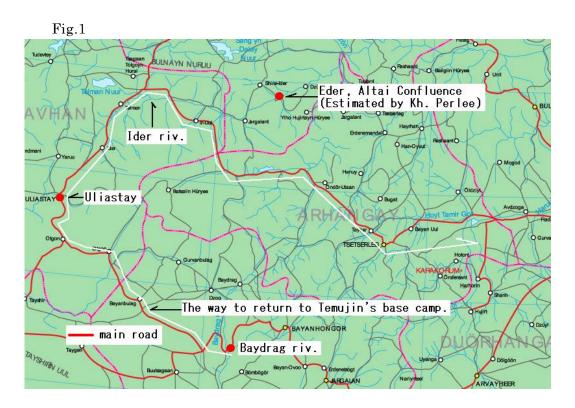
3. Eder, Altai Confluence

1.1 Point to solve

The location of 'Eder, Altai Confluence' in the section 161 of The Secret History of the Mongols.

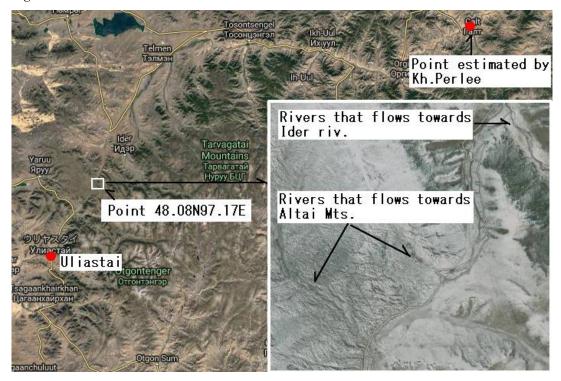
1.2 Solution

The Mongolian archaeologist Kh Perlee pointed out that it is the confluence of the Ider and Altait rivers and is the 49N100E point on the left bank of the Chuluut River. Exactly it seems to be the point of 48.83N99.87E. But I can't agree it. Because, the way is away from the main road and it will soon come to a dead end. It should be somewhere in the path drawn by the white line in the figure 1 below.



I estimated it is a point 48.08N97.17E. There are river that flow in the direction of the Ider River and rivers that flow towards Altai Mts., and they are approaching about 3 km. The two rivers flowing in the opposite direction approach each other at their upstream. That is the 'Eder, Altai confluence.' See figure 2.

Fig.2



3. Annex

All maps were made using Google map.

Please read original Japanese papers to know more details.