

PASION DEL CRISTO

LATITUDE 18° 25.5' N. (ESTIMATED)

LONGITUDE 89° 18.9' W. (ESTIMATED)

The ruins lie about 6 km. southeast of Lagunita from where they were visited February 15, 1938. The first part of the trip is through very hilly terrain with masonry check dams across some of the steep narrow valleys (cf. Calakmul). An hour's travel from Lagunita is the abandoned chicle camp of Pasadita. Ten minutes farther along is a small odoriferous stream which flows westward. From here, on either side of the trail, artificial mounds were noticed almost continuously. One, not far beyond the stream, supports a single-chambered building with doorway to the south. A raised sloping area on the south talus probably indicated the former position of a stairway with a room at one side of its base. On the north side near the lower margin of the mound are the remains of two parallel chambers. The exposed ma-

sonry seen in this complex is of large veneer stones.

A distance of 6 km. farther and directly on the right of the trail is a building formed of a single chamber flanked at either end by a transverse room. The latter project only beyond one side of the central chamber. Excavations had been made in the north talus exposing an opening in the wall; its west margin is in line with the west end wall of the central chamber.

Not more than .5 km. beyond this building is a compact grouping of mounds known at Pasion del Cristo. No exposed wall surfaces were noted. To the left of the trail, and at the west base of a large mound with flat top, are two fallen and one standing stelae and two round altars, each 80 cm. in diameter. West of the trail is a fallen stela, now broken and much weathered.