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TITLE: Everett Mink Farm Photographs

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2013.005

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1930

Extent: 6 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Myrtle Everett?

Administrative/Biographical History:

Edwin and Myrtle Everett owned and operated the Northern Lights Fur Farm in Anchorage, Alaska. The farm was located near the present-day intersection of 10th Avenue and P Street. The couple had come to Alaska in 1922, and owned a salmon trap site at Trading Bay in addition to the mink farm. Myrtle had taught school at Tyonek and Eklutna. Edwin died in 1939, and Myrtle remarried in 1951.

Scope and Content Description:

The collection consists of six black-and-white photographs of the mink farm belonging to Edwin and Myrtle Everett of Anchorage, Alaska.

Arrangement: Not applicable

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

Restrictions on Access: The collection is open for research use.

Physical Access: Original items in good condition.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information Transferred from the Tochak Historical Society in January 2013. Photographs had been in the possession of Winnifred White, and were given to THS by her daughter, Margaret White Cooke Hendrickson.

RELATED MATERIALS

Mt. McKinley Postcard, B2013.003 Myrtle Everett Bragaw Collection, B2021.008

SUBJECTS

Everett, Edwin, 1890-1939 Everett, Myrtle, 1888-1973 Mink farming—Alaska—Anchorage Anchorage (Alaska)

Detailed Description of Collection

.1 – Myrtle, Ed, Mike Dederer. At our fur farm in Anchorage with Mike Dederer. He's considered the "world's fastest auctioneer." Don't I look like a thunderstorm coming up?! About 1930 [three people outdoors, standing next to automobile]

.2 – George's camera. The pen mink are so curious we put baskets & things there and they go into them. [mink climbing on camera set on snowy ground]

.3 – After the city pipeline was shut off, we watered in these shallow pans. In cold weather [?] water slightly warmed and they would come in droves for it. [mink near watering trough, with small wooden pen behind]

.4 – It's hard to get a good picture when these little fellows are moving around so. They do love to pick their food out of the feed pot. [mink feeding]

.5 – "Ebbie's" mink pens, Anch., AK 1928-1930s [large enclosure with chicken wire sides and wooden roof]

.6 – [Thi]s box is the furring pen feed box, we have three in each pen then troughs etc and a feed house in one (as an experiment.) These boxes keep seagulls out and in fly time we darken the holes with canvas. I had a cap on in this picture but I look furry. I can go sit in [bull?] pen and mink will climb all over me clear on my head. I give lots of them a bite of one piece of meat or fish, holding it while they each taste. They don't snap at all. [woman with feed pot next to small wooden pen]

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