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TITLE: A. E. Languille Album

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2015.022

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1914-1920

Extent: 1 box; 1.25 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English and French.

Name of creator(s): Edmund Andrews, Winter & Pond, Lomen Bros., W.H. Case, White Pass & Yukon Route (Firm), Case & Draper, Regnold-Frost Studio

Administrative/Biographical History:
A. E. Languille was a bookbinder in Seattle whose sales territory covered the Pacific Northwest and Alaska. This might be the same person as Albert E. Languille, listed in the 1910 census as resident of Washington State, born 1886.

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of one album, gold-stamped with the words “Alaska Album, A.E. Languille,” measuring 11 x 15.5” and containing 171 items, including photographs, postcards, playing cards, and ephemera collected by Languille. The photographs are primarily commercial images of Alaskan scenes. Of note are several examples in which the same image has been reprinted in multiple formats (e.g., .1, .4, and .29). A set of 56 White Pass & Yukon Route playing cards illustrated with halftone images has been glued onto pages in the center of the album. There are also a few personal snapshots, most of which show unidentified individuals. There are 13 World War I-era postcards from Europe, possibly indicating that Languille served overseas during the war. For more information, see Detailed Description of Collection.
Arrangement: Not applicable

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

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

Physical Access: Original items in poor to good condition. Album pages brittle and breaking. Several pages already detached from album at time of receipt. Many items torn out of pages, and pages possibly cut out of album, prior to receipt.

Technical Access: No special equipment is needed to access the materials.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by R. David Cousineau in July 2015. Cousineau had been given the album by Languille’s son, Msgr. Patrick Languille of Los Angeles.

SUBJECTS
Northwestern (Ship)
Abler (Ship)
Gold mines and mining—Alaska
Glaciers—Alaska
Dogsledding—Alaska
Reindeer herding—Alaska
Douglas (Alaska)
Juneau (Alaska)
Ketchikan (Alaska)
Nome (Alaska)
Skagway (Alaska)
Treadwell (Alaska)
Unalaska (Alaska)
Detailed Description of the Collection

.1 – Juneau and Gastineau Channel. E. Andrews Photo [bird’s eye view of town and water, Douglas and Treadwell visible in distance. 9 x 14” print]
.2 – Juneau, Alaska [bird’s eye view looking northwest. postcard]
.3 – U.S. Court House, Juneau. A87 [exterior. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.4 – Juneau and Gastineau Channel. Andrew’s Photo [same image as .1. postcard]
.5 – The Governor’s residence, Juneau, Alaska. A98 [exterior. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.6 – Juneau, Alaska [bird’s eye view of docks. Postcard]
.7 – B.M. Behrend’s bank, Juneau. A96 [exterior. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.8 – Juneau street scene in winter, with pedestrians, “Laundry” sled at left, signs for Model Café, Heidelberg Lunch, Alaska Grill, Star Restaurant. Postcard
.9 – New Cain Hotel, Juneau. A80. 1232, LHP[?] [exterior. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.11 – Juneau, Alaska, Jan. 1916. E. Andrews, Photo [view from Douglas Island to town in winter, A-J Mine at right. 9 x 14” print]
.12 – Moonlight on Gastineau Channel. A97 [scenic. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.13 – Alaska Juneau Mine. A83 [aerial. 1.5 x 2.5" commercial print]
.14 – St. Ann’s Hospital, Juneau. A84 [exterior. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.17 – Taku Glacier [view from water of terminus, icebergs in foreground. Postcard]
.18 –Salmon Creek Dam spillway. A94 [pre-1914? 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.19 – 5616. Steel bridge, Copper River, Alaska, showing Childs Glacier [view down river to bridge, icebergs in water. color halftone postcard]
.20 – Mendenhall Road. A88 [view down dirt road with buildings. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.21 – 5613. Skagway, Alaska. c. W-P. Co. [bird’s eye view of docks. color halftone postcard]
.22 – Taku Glacier. A81 [same image as .17. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.23 – 11811. La Conte Glacier, Alaska [distant view of LeConte Glacier, with trees in foreground. Halftone postcard]
.24 – Totem pole. A91 [house post or memorial pole, with Thunderbird and Bear, possibly Alert Bay. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.25 – 11557. Muir Glacier, Alaska [distant view of steamship next to terminus, icebergs in foreground. Halftone postcard]
.26 – 103. Taku Glacier. E. Andrews, Photo [terminus as seen from shoreline, icebergs in water.9 x 14” print]
.27 – Alaska Railroad. A90 [view looking out of train tunnel. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.28 – Perseverance Mine camp, Juneau, Alaska [mining complex in Silver Bow Basin with buildings and tailings pile. Postcard]
.29 – Juneau, Alaska. A103 [same image as .2. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.30 – 5605. Scene on Stikine River, Alaska [scenic with patches of ice or snow and wildflowers. Color halftone postcard]

.31 – Juneau and Gastineau Channel. A106 [same image as .1 and .4. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]

.32 – Treadwell, Alaska [bird’s eye view of town and mine, Juneau and A-J Mine visible across the water. Postcard]

.33 – L’orgie [colotype postcard]

.34 – L’incendie de Visé [colotype postcard]

.35 – Tournai, Hôtel de Ville. Nels, Bruxelles, serie 48 no. 34 [colotype postcard]

.36 – 44. Liège, Le Monument Rogier [colotype postcard]

.37 – Bombardement de Malines [colotype postcard]

.38 – L’exode [colotype postcard]


.41 – Mount Shishaldin, Alaska. Lomen Bros. Nome #574 [scenic, with clouds and sunlight. Postcard]


.43 – Liège, L’Observatoire de Cointe. No. 657, héliotype de Graeve, Gand [colotype postcard]

.44 – [reindeer herd in winter, trees in background. Postcard]

.45 – 5. Liège, Monument Zenobe Gramme [colotype postcard]

.46 – [two reindeer browsing in winter, trees in background. Postcard]


.48 – Winners First Annual All-Alaska Sweepstakes, Nome, Alaska. Lomen Bros. [musher with dog team. Postcard]

.49 – On the Agiapuk River, Alaska. Lomen Bros. #182 [musher with dog team. Postcard]


.52 – Power-house No. 2, Salmon Creek, Alaska [view down water flume to buildings. Postcard]

.53 – 11817. Telegraph Creek, B.C. Published by W.H. Case, Juneau, Alaska [bird’s eye view of town on river. Halftone postcard]

.54 – Power-schooner Abler, destroyed by fire, Juneau, Alaska. Sept. 29, 1915 [view from water of ship on fire near shore. Photographer identified as Noko by Juneau-Douglas City Museum. Postcard]
.55 – Treadwell, Douglas and Juneau. A104 [bird’s eye view of Treadwell, looking across Gastineau Channel. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.56 – S.S. Admiral Evans. A85 [steamship under way. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.57 – Alaska Gastineau Mill. A93 [view looking up from docks at Thane. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.58 – Juneau, Alaska. A101 [distant view from water. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.59 – Street scene, Juneau. A89 [pedestrians and signs for businesses including Nelson’s Shoe Store, Bakery. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.60 – S.S. Northwestern in January. Winter-Pond Photo, A100 [same image as .15. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.61 – Native baskets. A86 [display of grass baskets. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.62 – Alaskan bears. Peterson Photo, 195 [bear cubs. C.F. Peterson photographer? 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.63 – S.S. City of Seattle, Juneau, Alaska. A99 [steamship under way. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.64 – Perseverance Mine camp, Juneau, Alaska. A82 [same image as .28. 1.5 x 2.5” commercial print]
.65 – Str. Whitehorse, Thirty Mile River [halftone image on playing card]
.66 – Skagway Valley from Inspiration Point [halftone image on playing card]
.67 – Bennett, B.C. [halftone image on playing card]
.68 – Crevasse in glacier, Skagway [halftone image on playing card]
.69 – Baby moose captured near Bullion [halftone image on playing card]
.70 – Saw Tooth Mountains [halftone image on playing card]
.71 – Engine and train at Summit of White Pass [halftone image on playing card]
.72 – Glacier near Skaguay [halftone image on playing card]
.73 – Str. Victorian, Five Fingers [halftone image on playing card]
.74 – Str. Selkirk, Fifty Mile River [halftone image on playing card]
.75 – Miners’ cabin, Atlin District [halftone image on playing card]
.76 – Third Ave., Dawson, Y.T. [halftone image on playing card]
.77 – Skaguay, Alaska [halftone image on playing card]
.78 – Mining scene, Lower Dominion [halftone image on playing card]
.79 – Looking south from tunnel [halftone image on playing card]
.80 – Caribou [halftone image on playing card]
.81 – Grade near Glacier Station [halftone image on playing card]
.82 – Lake Kluane [halftone image on playing card]
.83 – W.P & Y.R. royal mail, Dawson [halftone image on playing card]
.84 – Atlin, B.C. [halftone image on playing card]
.85 – Lawton Glacier near Glacier Station [halftone image on playing card]
.86 – Novdenskjold River, along Alaska Stage route [halftone image on playing card]
.87 – Sunset on the Yukon [halftone image on playing card]
.88 – Winter trail, Whitehorse to Dawson [halftone image on playing card]
.89 – East Fork from Rocky Point [halftone image on playing card]
.90 – Girl wanted [halftone image on playing card]
.91 – Fishing in Summit Lake [halftone image on playing card]
.92 – Toochi Mt. opposite Atlin [halftone image on playing card]
.93 – Broadway, Skaguay [halftone image on playing card]
.94 – Skaguay [halftone image on playing card]
.95 – Cream of the country, Atlin, B.C. [halftone image on playing card]
.96 – Societe Miniere, Boulder Creek, Atlin [halftone image on playing card]
.97 – Taku Arm, outlet Atlin too River [halftone image on playing card]
.98 – Big horn hunters near Whitehorse [halftone image on playing card]
.99 – Scow shooting in Miles Canyon [halftone image on playing card]
.100 – Steel cantilever bridge, summit White Pass [halftone image on playing card]
.101 – Str. Selkirk on Yukon River [halftone image on playing card]
.102 – Lake Claire, Face Mt., Skaguay [halftone image on playing card]
.103 – Bullion Creek [halftone image on playing card]
.104 – Str. Dawson loading wood for fuel [halftone image on playing card]
.105 – Str. Whitehorse in Five Fingers [halftone image on playing card]
.106 – A Klondike gold prospector [halftone image on playing card]
.107 – Double header approaching tunnel [halftone image on playing card]
.108 – Shooting Whitehorse Rapids [halftone image on playing card]
.109 – W.P. & Y.R. fleet at Whitehorse [halftone image on playing card]
.110 – Scene between Log Cabin and Bennett [halftone image on playing card]
.111 – Dawson, Y.T. [halftone image on playing card]
.112 – Lake Bennett [halftone image on playing card]
.113 – Looking down Yukon River from Dawson [halftone image on playing card]
.114 – Tunnel near White Pass summit [halftone image on playing card]
.115 – Porcupine Mountain [halftone image on playing card]
.116 – Quiet Sentinel, or Face Rock, Yukon River [halftone image on playing card]
.117 – Clifton, W.P. & Y.R. [halftone image on playing card]
.118 – Table of distances, White pass & Yukon Route [playing card]
.119 – White Pass & Yukon Route via Skaguay is the gateway to the golden north [map on playing card]
.120 – White Pass & Yukon Route, the golden land of midnight sun [playing card]
.122 – Berry pickers, Siberia. Lomen Bros. Nome [four native women posed outdoors. Postcard]
.123 – c. Lomen Bros. Nome [portrait of smiling Alaska Native girl wearing fur parka with walrus-tusk gussets and mukluks. Identified on other versions of image as “Mukpie - Point Barrow Eskimo Girl. Youngest person aboard, and one of the survivors of the S.S. Karluk.” Postcard]
.124 – Anvers, Banque Nationale / Antwerpen, Nationale Bank [color halftone postcard]
.125 – [two Alaska Native boys wearing only shirts standing on rocky beach in summer. Postcard]
.126 – Young man, come to Alaska, your finish is waiting for you [four drawings morphing from shovel, pick, and gold pan to skull-and-crossbones. Postcard]
.127 – A touch of nature makes the whole world kin. Lomen Bros. [human skulls lined up on ground. Postcard]
.130 – [reindeer standing next to tree in winter. Postcard]
.131 – [portrait of Alaska Native woman with log hair wearing headband. Probably Lomen Bros. photographer. Postcard]
.135 – Treadwell Mine, 300 stamp mill, battery floor “B” side. Case & Draper [same image as .133. Color halftone postcard]
.136 – Treadwell Mine, 1500 foot level, “ready bullion” [miners in tunnel. Color halftone postcard]
.137 – Bird’s eye view of Unalaska and Dutch Harbor [Color halftone postcard]
.138 – 84. Bruxelles, Fontaine de Broukère [Color halftone postcard]
.139 – A prospector’s camp. Lomen Bros. Nome [man lying in hide sleeping bag next to canvas windbreak, with snowshoes, skies, sled, rifle, and camp fire. Image also attributed to Dobbs. Postcard]
.141 – Eskimos. Living races of the world [Color halftone postcard]
.144 – [two men and woman wearing bathing suits seated on logs near small docks, buildings in background. Snapshot]
.145 – Eskimo reindeer driver, Nome, Alaska [Color halftone postcard]
.146 – [woman standing next to foliage outdoors. Snapshot]
.147 – Sur la tombe des martyrs [collotype postcard]
.148 – Le pillage [collotype postcard]
.149 – Ougréée, Rue de la Station. 13975, Edit Papeterie Choteau [collotype postcard]
.151 – [man wearing eyeglasses posed leaning against tree stump or driftwood, A.E. Languille? Snapshot]
.152 – [man wearing eyeglasses holding infant, standing outdoors next to steep embankment, A.E. Languille? Snapshot]
.153 – [studio portrait of woman wearing broad-brimmed hat, dress with buttons, and fur stole, holding bouquet of flowers]
.154 – [portrait of woman standing at base of mining complex, possibly Perseverance Mine. Snapshot]
.155 – [woman and two dogs on lawn, woman possibly holding double-barreled shotgun. Snapshot]
.156 – [woman wearing black gloves and hat with large feather plume leaning over infant propped up next to wooden-sided building. Snapshot]
.157 – I wish I had a motor car [...] c. G & B [offset lithograph postcard]
.158 – “The Christening” [...] [postcard]
.159 – I hate to sleep alone [collotype postcard]
.160 – Ketchikan, Alaska [bird’s eye view of waterfront, steamships in channel. Postcard]
.161 – Charcoal Point Road, Ketchikan, Alaska. 1175 [photographer’s monogram; Winter & Pond?] [view down docks. Postcard]
.162 – [two people sitting on rocky beach. Snapshot]
.163 – [two women, one holding rifle, one possibly holding dead game, standing with dog next to wooden-sided building. Snapshot]
.164 – [two men standing on rocky beach, one wearing driving cap and necktie holding rifle, one carrying fishing creel, rowboat at left, gear piled on beach, water in background. Snapshot]
.165 – Alaska Gold Mills, Sheep Creek, Alaska [same image as .57. Dated 1914 in manuscript on verso. Postcard]
.166 – Cook Inlet 3/21/15 [group portrait of men in suits and hats, posed outdoors in summer. Snapshot]
.167 – [man wearing suit, hat, and bowtie standing with woman wearing coat and hat standing on walk outside Commercial Café, Juneau? Snapshot]
.168 – [woman and dog standing in front of house with large porch in summer. Snapshot]
.169 – Helen {the girl who stays with us) and myself [two women standing in front of house. Snapshot]
.170 – If you want to be happy [...] [color halftone postcard]
.171 – [still life with set of bound volumes of King County Real Property Tax Rolls. 6 x 8” print mounted on board]
- Clipping. “Birthday party with twenty-one candles.” “A delightful birthday party was given on Sunday evening at the Gastineau Café. The event was in honor of the twenty-first birthday of Mr. Arthur Languille, the popular employe in the Frye Bruhn Market. Covers were laid for twelve and the monstrous birthday cake bore twenty-one little candles [?]tically arranged. The occasion was fraught with many pleasantries [?]erons were the congratulations [?] upon the young man who had attained his voting majority and [?]ed to himself the right to do many things heretofore forbidden.” No date

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