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TITLE: CAA Photographs

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2019.012

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1946-1947

Extent: 40 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Civil Aeronautics Administration, John C. Hooper, Walt Smith, Don C. Knudsen

Administrative/Biographical History:

The Civil Aeronautics Administration was the precursor of the Federal Aviation Administration. Nothing else was known about the compiler of these photographs at the time of processing.

Scope and Content Description:

The collection consists of 38 black-and-white photographs created by the CAA, and two photographs taken by other photographers. Most depict military installations and communication facilities in the Aleutian Islands. For more information, see Detailed Description of Collection.

Arrangement: Arranged by creator and location, when known.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

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

Physical Access: Original items in good condition.

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

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information

Transferred from the Anchorage Public Library Alaska Collection in July 2019.

Processing Note

Original envelope, "United States Government Messenger Service Envelope" with notation "Aleutian Island trip Feb. 1947", housed in accession file.

SUBJECTS

United States. Civil Aeronautics Administration

Aeronautics—Alaska

Military bases—Alaska—Aleutian Islands

Aleutian Islands (Alaska)

Cold Bay (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

.1 – Kempton, April 1946, A.S.S. steamer *Yukon*, Johnstone Bay between Seward & Valdez, crew of 125 & 371 passengers, 11 lives lost. Photo by John C. Hooper from FAA plane [aerial of the wreck of the S.S. *Yukon*, which sank in February 1946]

.2 – D7 with a Letourneau blade [man clearing snow with Caterpillar bulldozer, another man standing at right]

.3 – [temporary log A-frame pedestrian bridge over creek through grass flats, treed hills in background, building at right, possibly military bridge]

.4 – Rugged coastline, Aleutians. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [aerial of spit and coastal mountains]

- .5 – Attu Is., Feb. 1946. C.A.A. Official Photograph [aerial, Sarana Bay?]
- .6 – N 5, Aleutians. C.A.A. Official Photograph [aerial of volcano, airplane wing NC5 in foreground]
- .7 – CAA, N 5 plane, Jim Hurst [?], Aleutian volcano. C.A.A. Official Photograph [aerial of volcano, airplane wing NC5 in foreground]
- .8 – FAA towers, etc., ? C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [communications installation, with buildings, towers, storage tanks, Jeep parked at left, Aleutians]
- .9 – Low freq. low range towers & bldg., ? C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [building and two communications towers at edge of small lake, several buildings across lake at left, Aleutians]
- .10 – Kempton, ML [?] low frequency CAA station. C.A.A. Official Photograph [view across tundra to building and six towers on shore of bay, Aleutians]
- .11 – Gun emplacement? C.A.A. Official Photograph [sandbagged structure on tundra, Aleutians]
- .12 – C.A.A. Official Photograph [bird's eye view across tundra to waves crashing on rocky shoreline, towers or fence line in middle ground, Aleutians]
- .13 – Military. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [bird's eye view of several Quonset huts on tundra, building and towers on hill in distance]
- .14 – Military. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [view across tundra to bay, Quonset hut in right foreground, depot and building in left background, mountains in distance, Aleutians]
- .15 – Cowin hut, military, Aleutians? C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [Quonset hut, wood crates at right, Aleutians]
- .16 – Makushin Valley, Dutch Harbor CT site. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [distant view of communications site on coastline, Unalaska]
- .17 – Hog Island, Dutch Harbor. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [aerial of communications site in Unalaska Bay]
- .18 – Hog Island SRA, Dutch Harbor. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [three people walking near buildings on beach, communications towers on low hills in background, surveillance radar approach site?]
- .19 – Military installation, Aleutians. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [view down tire tracks on road across tundra to building with camouflage paint, debris and storage tanks at left, depot at right, bay in background, mountains in distance]
- .20 – Military. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [man walking next to small building, metal barrels in ground, utility poles running at right, bay in background, Aleutians]
- .21 – Tanaga CT site from control station. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [view across tundra to tent, storage tanks, building, and American flag on flagpole in middle ground, two buildings in distance, Tanaga Island]
- .22 – ?, C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [closer view of building and storage tanks with American flag seen in .21, Tanaga Island]
- .23 – Military. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [bird's eye view of buildings and Quonset huts on tundra, man walking on road in center, building in distance, Tanaga Island?]

- .24 – Military. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [Quonset hut, poles, and weather station on tundra, Marston matting at left, Aleutians]
- .25 – Military. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [bird's eye view of buildings, Quonset huts, and heavy equipment on tundra, road in foreground, ocean shoreline in background, Aleutians]
- .26 – ? C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [heavy equipment in front of buildings and Quonset hut on tundra, airplane in flight above, Aleutians]
- .27 – ? C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [vehicles and heavy equipment in front of building on tundra, Aleutians]
- .28 – Aleutians. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [bird's eye view of Quonset huts on tundra]
- .29 – FAA, Cold Bay. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [two communications towers on tundra at left, building and Quonset hut at right]
- .30 – Cold Bay. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [view across tundra to buildings, Quonset huts, storage tanks, heavy equipment and pier on bay]
- .31 – Cold Bay. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [view across tundra to buildings, Quonset hut, control tower, and other structures in distance, debris in foreground, man walking in middle ground, airplane on landing strip in background, mountain in distance]
- .32 – Military, Aleutians. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [aerial of military installation on bay, possibly frozen pond in lower left, abandoned piers in water in upper right]
- .33 – ? C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [view down road to buildings and Quonset huts in distance, metal barrels piled in left foreground, building on low rise at left, mountains in background]
- .34 – Military installation, Aleutians. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [view across tundra to buildings and Quonset huts in distance, buildings on low rise at left, mountains in background]
- .35 – Sister's Island out of Juneau. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [aerial of The Sisters Islands, with communications site or lighthouse facility in center]
- .36 – Yakataga? C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [possibly aerial of Cape Yakataga area, with Bering Glacier in distance]
- .37 – Maybe around Yatataga. C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [possibly aerial of Cape Yakataga area, with Bering Glacier in distance]
- .38 – C.A.A. Official Photograph, photo by Walt Smith [possibly aerial of Cape Yakataga area, with Bering Glacier in distance]
- .39 – Photo by D.C. Knudsen [aerial of coastline, with mountains and glaciers, Gulf of Alaska]
- .40 – [interior of Top of the World Club in Quonset hut, possibly 97th Bomb Group, Mile 26 Field, Eielson Air Force Base?]

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