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TITLE: Gust Johnson 1964 Earthquake Album

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2019.013

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1964

Extent: 1 box; 1.6 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Gust Johnson

Administrative/Biographical History:

Gustav T. Johnson was born in Sweden on October 16, 1902. He came to Alaska in 1941 and worked for Hahn Plumbing until 1960, when he founded his own business, Johnson Plumbing. Gust was a member of the Anchorage Moose Lodge No. 1534, the Plumbers and Steam Fitters Local 367, and the Alaska Pioneers in Anchorage. He died February 7, 1991, and is buried in Talkeetna.

Scope and Content Description:

The collection consists of one album measuring 12.5 x 14.25", containing 16 color and 74 black-and-white photographs as well as ephemera documenting damage in Anchorage from the 1964 Alaska Earthquake. 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 good condition.

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

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information

Donated by goddaughter Marilyn Rudolph in July 2016.

Note

Most photographs bear print dates of July 1966.

RELATED MATERIALS

See Earthquake Resource Guide

SUBJECTS

Alaska Earthquake, Alaska, 1964

Earthquakes—Alaska—Anchorage

Anchorage (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

- Clipping. Title from publication, *Special portfolio of earthquake pictures*.
- Clipping. Poem, "Alaska's earthquake."
- Clipping. Poem, "Alaska."

.1 – [two people walking bicycles past barricade on Fifth Avenue, damaged J.C. Penney parking garage in background, Fifth Avenue Hotel and Norene Realty at left. Color]

.2 – [automobile at corner of Fifth Avenue and C Street, with hand-painted signs reading "1st Fed Open Spenard" and "1st Federal Open No. Lights & Arctic", damaged J.C. Penney parking garage in background. Color]

- .3 – [policeman directing woman at barricade on Fifth Avenue, Fifth Avenue Hotel, Norene Realty, and Uptown Beauty Salon behind, damaged J.C. Penney parking garage in background. Color]
- .4 – [damage to Alaska Sales & Service. Color]
- .5 – [damage to Government Hill Elementary School. Color]
- .6 – [damage to Government Hill Elementary School, water tower in background. Color]
- .7 – [damage to homes on Government Hill bluff, sign on house at right reads “My Neighbors Have Left But I’m Staying!”, water tower and Alaska Native Service Hospital in distance. Color]
- .8 – [closer view of damage to Government Hill houses seen in .7, with Ship Creek in background. Color]
- .9 – [automobile in front of damaged Dalton & Co. warehouse at Second Avenue and D Street. Color]
- .10 – [damage to warehouse. Color]
- .11 – [damage to United Auto Supply, E. Fifth Avenue and A Street. Color]
- .12 – [damage to Anchorage Cold Storage, First Avenue between A and C Streets. Color]
- .13 – [soldier wearing cold weather gear and bunny boots standing at barricade, men loading office equipment onto flatbed truck next to damaged office building, possibly Fourth Avenue between K and L Streets. Color]
- .14 – [damage to concrete block building, possibly Fourth Avenue. Color]
- .15 – [view looking west on Fourth Avenue, men walking in street past Bowling Emporium, Anchorage Westward Hotel in background. Color]
- .16 – [damaged house at 7th Avenue and L Street. Color]
- .17 – [view across snowy yard to damaged house with picket fence]
- .18 – [view down K Street at 6th Avenue showing damaged buildings and sidewalk]
- .19 – [fissure in pavement]
- .20 – [closer view of fissure in pavement]
- .21 – [damage to warehouse building, crate from motor oil in road]
- .22 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including Hangar Bar]
- .23 – [damage to warehouse building]
- .24 – [damage to Monty’s Department Store, Fourth Avenue between A and B Streets]
- .25 – [damage to Flowers By Bagoy, Fourth Avenue and B Street]
- .26 – [front view of damage to Flowers By Bagoy]
- .27 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between B and C Streets]
- .28 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue at B Street including Denali Theatre and Flowers By Bagoy]
- .29 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between B and C Streets]
- .30 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue at B Street including Denali Theatre and Flowers By Bagoy]
- .31 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between B and C Streets including Denali Theatre]
- .32 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between B and C Streets, Anchorage Westward Hotel in background]
- .33 – [view across snowy yard to toppled Four Seasons Apartments]

- .34 – [view across snowy yard to fissures in earth, L Street slide]
- .35 – [view across snowy yard to toppled Four Seasons Apartments]
- .36 – [view across snowy yard to toppled Four Seasons Apartments]
- .37 – [fissure in pavement next to Inlet Hotel, Fourth Avenue between K and L Streets]
- .38 – [damage to Inlet Hotel, Fourth Avenue between K and L Streets]
- .39 – [damage to Anchorage Hardware & Sporting Goods, Fourth Avenue and D Street]
- .40 – [damage to Denali Theatre, Fourth Avenue and B Street]
- .41 – [Bucyrus Erie crane on street in front of damaged house]
- .42 – [view down residential street, fissure in middle ground, Inlet Towers in background]
- .43 – [truck pulling flatbed trailer on residential street, damaged houses in background]
- .44 – [damage to houses in residential area. Similar to .41]
- .45 – [distant view of damage to J.C. Penney parking garage, buildings near Fifth Avenue and C Street in foreground]
- .46 – [view down Fifth Avenue to damaged J.C. Penney parking garage, signs for businesses including National Bank of Alaska, Nerland's, Igloo Native Arts & Crafts]
- .47 – [view down Fourth Avenue between D and E Streets, signs for businesses including National Bank of Alaska, The Hub Clothing, Hofbrau]
- .48 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between B and C Streets including Sedalia Shine Parlor]
- .49 – [damage to McLain's Camera Center, Fourth Avenue and D Street]
- .50 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between B and C Streets including Anchorage Pawn Shop, Corral Bar, and Denali Theatre]
- .51 – [damage to West Anchorage High School]
- .52 – [damage to West Anchorage High School]
- .53 – [view up street to fissure in middle ground, damage to office building at right, possibly K Street at Fourth Avenue]
- .54 – [damage to office building, possibly Fourth Avenue at K Street]
- .55 – [damage to office building, possibly Fourth Avenue at K Street]
- .56 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including D & D Bar & Café]
- .57 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including D & D Bar & Café and Hobby Lobby]
- .58 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including D & D Bar & Café and Pioneer Loan Co.]
- .59 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including D & D Bar & Café, Pioneer Loan Co. and Hobby Lobby, Anchorage Westward Hotel at left]
- .60 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including D & D Bar & Café and McLain's Camera Center, Anchorage Westward Hotel in background]
- .61 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including BJ's Billiards and Mac's Foto]
- .62 – [damage to businesses on north side of Fourth Avenue between C and D Streets including Mac's Foto and Hangar Bar]

- .63 – [damaged bridge on Seward Highway along Turnagain Arm]
- .64 – [damaged bridge on Seward Highway along Turnagain Arm]
- .65 – [landslide, Turnagain]
- .66 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .67 – [view across snowy yard to damaged house, probably Turnagain]
- .68 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .69 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .70 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .71 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .72 – [landslide, Turnagain]
- .73 – [landslide, Turnagain]
- .74 – [man driving pickup truck in area of Turnagain landslide]
- .75 – [man walking in area of Turnagain landslide]
- .76 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .77 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .78 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .79 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .80 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .81 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .82 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .83 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .84 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .85 – [landslide, Turnagain]
- .86 – [damaged houses and landslide, Turnagain]
- .87 – [damaged houses and landslide, man holding camera standing at left, Turnagain]
- .88 – [landslide along shore of Cook Inlet, Turnagain]
- .89 – [damaged houses and landslide, man standing next to pickup truck in foreground, Turnagain]
- .90 – [landslide, Turnagain]

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