The Anchorage Times Iditarod collection was donated to the museum in 1995 by a Catholic priest who had (quite fortunately) found it in a dumpster behind the Anchorage Times building. It contains negatives, prints, and articles produced by the Anchorage Times between 1973 and 1990 on the subject of the annual Iditarod sled dog race. The collection has heavy coverage of the Iditarod from its founding in 1973 through 1987. The following three years' material is sparse.

The collection for each year includes the following: contact print pages paired with the negatives from which they were made; various sizes of prints, the majority of which came from negatives included in the collection; and photocopies of articles published in the Times, paired with the original newspaper clipping. Some years also include 35mm color slides. Most years through 1987 include photo portraits of each musher who ran the race.

Each image does not have an individual accession number. Rather, the collection is numbered by year. Thus, all of the material for 1973 is 95.27.1973 (95.27.73); the material for 1974 is 95.27.1974 (95.27.74), and so on. If any images from the collection are to be used, please note what format the original was in. This will make it much easier on Archives staff if additional copies are needed.

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