OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1929

Extent: 1 box, 0.2 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Empress Grocery

Administrative/Biographical History:
The Empress Grocery operated in Anchorage at least through 1944.

Scope and Content Description:
The collection contains carbon copies of receipts issued to customers of Empress Grocery in Anchorage, from six days in January and August of 1929. Several of the names also have towns associated with them; presumably, those without these addresses are Anchorage residents. Goods purchased range from produce (such as potatoes, cucumbers, and honeydew melon) to staples (such as butter and bacon) to treats (such as Cracker Jacks). See Detailed Description of Collection below for a listing of dates and customers’ names. Most names are written legibly; alternate spellings are included when the writing is not clear.

Arrangement: Chronological

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 John McCool, who found the items in a crawl space in the Lathrop Building prior to its demolition.

Processing Note
One damaged receipt discarded.

RELATED MATERIALS
Gordon Romriell Collection, B2021.005

SUBJECTS
Empress Grocery (Anchorage, Alaska)
Businesses—Alaska—Anchorage
Grocery trade—Alaska—Anchorage
Anchorage (Alaska)—Economic conditions

Detailed Description of the Collection

January 7, 1929
Gene Smith
Eva Elliott
Sam Keist / Krist
Jerry Seigman
M. Lickwold

January 8, 1929
A. Nelson
Jess Storm
E. Amunson
Mrs. Priddy
Mrs. Mary Ward
B.E. Irwin
W.A. Elliott
Mrs. Mattschei
Mrs. Vic Nelson
W.H. Cannon
Mrs. Keeley
Mrs. Wolfe
E. Zaelbert / Zallbert / Jaelbert, Moose Creek
Mrs. Frank Johnson
H. Gelles / Sellers
Paul Miers
Mrs. Ames
Mrs. Chick Knapp
H.P. Allen
Jerry Allen
Mrs. Bisel
Geo. Conklin
Mrs. Strigga
Mrs. P.A. Cook
Mrs. J.J.C. Moore
Mrs. Strigga
Mrs. Patterson
Mrs. Staser / Stases
C.J. Simms
Kraft
C.W. Smith
Mrs. Holdiman
Bill Breeze
Bill George
W. Irwin Sr.
A.J. Hewitt
R.R. Brown
Harry Cribb
O. Harrington

January 16, 1929
B.C. Elmes
Ideal Fur Farm, Mile 132
R.W. Elwell, Jonesville
Archie Collins
Chas. Beck
Schultz
Lavalla
S.L. Tenner / Timms
Wm. Johnson, Moose Creek
W.H. Green, Healy
Martin Ostlund, Indian
W.D. Brown
Nevada Hotel
H.I. Wood, Hotel Anchorage
O.G. Teide
H. Momura / Nomura
C.J. Simms
B. Raymond
J. Bagoy

January 17, 1929
P.J. Keeley
Bill Connors
Ed Monan
C.W. Wagner
A. Dahl
Boudreau
Bill Connors
Geo. Conklin
John Erickson
Eva Elliott
Joe Anderson
Striggia
F.L. Wright
J. Wirum
Alaska Railroad Warehouse
J. Seigman
J.E. Bailey
R.M. White
C.E. Swinton
Evan Jones
Loussac
Anton Nelson
Hangdahl / Hougdahl
H. Porter
C.J. Simms
Jack Fabyan, Golden Bear Mining Co.
Elmer Smith, Eklutna
H. Staser / Stoser
C.E. Olson
Kepler

August 2, 1929
Mrs. Lakshas

August 6, 1929
Northern Commercial Co.
Mrs. Jas. Welch
Mrs. Oberg
Mrs. Sims
Ed. Hayes
C.E. Olson
Mrs. McMorrisson
Mr. Kirkland
Paul Beran
Dick Lucason
Mrs. McGibney
Mrs. Allenbaugh
Mrs. Kraft
John Parsons
W.W. Wilson
Jerry Allen
Mrs. A. Nelson
J.A. Borges
Mrs. Al Jones
Mrs. Quentin
Sessions
J.N. McCain
Mrs. M. Watson
Mrs. B.E. Irwin
Dr. Pierce
C.W. Wagner
Mrs. Hardy
Mrs. Lakshas
Mrs. Simms
W.W. Wade, Wasilla
Mrs. Scanlan
Capt. Gaikama
Mary Ward / Wood
Ed. Hayes
Mrs. O.S. Gill
Mrs. Urban
Stiles
Hosber?
Vida Diegh?
Mrs. Wimm / Wirner
Cavanaugh?
Harry Snider

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