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TITLE: William H. Crary Newspapers and Scrapbooks

COLLECTION NUMBER: B1956.005

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1898-1930

Extent: 2 cubic feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Crary, William H.

Administrative/Biographical History:

William Halbrook Crary (b. 1873) was a prospector and newspaper man who came to Valdez in 1898 and was a member of the prospecting party of the Arctic Mining Company. The Company staked the "California Placer Claim" on Slate Creek and worked outside of Valdez on the claim. Slate Creek is a tributary of the Chitina River, in the Chistochina District of the Copper River Basin. Crary was the first townsite trustee for Valdez. He married schoolteacher Nan Fitch in Valdez in 1906 and died March 6, 1956.

Scope and Content Description:

This collection consists of 5 scrapbooks compiled by Crary ca. 1900-1930 and an index for them, as well as ephemera and manuscripts, and 17 newspapers from 1908 and 1910.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

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

Physical Access: Original items are fragile and brittle.

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

Conditions Governing Reproduction and Use:

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Preferred Citation:

William H. Crary Newspapers and Scrapbooks, Anchorage Museum, B1956.5

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information

Donated to the Cook Inlet Historical Society by Nan Fitch Crary-Henderson on September 26, 1956. CIHS transferred the collection to the Museum.

Bound newspapers were deaccessioned September 2015.

Processing Note

Collection appraised, rehoused and arranged by previous archivist. Description reflects existing arrangement.

Separated Materials

Box 5 (newspapers) is in oversized storage.

Notes

Accession file indicates different newspapers than exist in this collection. Newspapers indicated in accession file are:

The Alaska Prospector, February 13, 1902 – December 31, 1903

The Alaska Prospector, October 25, 1906 – December 22, 1904

The Alaska Prospector, November 15, 1906 – January 23, 1908

The Examiner, v. 66, no. 47, February 16, 1898

The Valdez News, March 9, 1901 – March 5, 1904

The Valdez News, March 12, 1904 – March 30, 1907

RELATED MATERIALS

B1962.001, B1962.001A, Crary-Henderson Collection

SUBJECTS

Crary, William Halbrook, 1873-1956
Newspapers
Scrapbooks
Valdez (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

Box 1

.01 – Volume I of the Will H. Crary Scrapbook Collection [designated B95.5.6 by CIHS; consists entirely of newspaper clippings]

Box 2

.02 – Volume II of the Will H. Crary Scrapbook Collection [designated B95.5.7 by CIHS; consists mostly of newspaper clippings, with some correspondence]

Box 3

.03 – Volume III of the Will H. Crary Scrapbook Collection [designated B95.5.8 by CIHS; consists mostly of newspaper clippings, with some correspondence]

Box 4

.04 – Volume IV of the Will H. Crary Scrapbook Collection [designated B95.5.9 by CIHS; consists entirely of newspaper clippings]

.05 – Volume V of the Will H. Crary Scrapbook Collection [designated B95.5.10 by CIHS; consists mostly of newspaper clippings, with some booklet inserts and blank pages]

.06 – Index to Crary Scrapbooks [folder of loose pages; incorporated from B1967.028]

.07 – [Folder of ephemera and manuscripts]

Box 5

.08 – The Alaska Prospector no. 52, January 30, 1908

.09 – The Alaska Prospector no. 2, February 13, 1908

.10 – The Alaska Prospector no. 3, February 20, 1908

.11 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 31, September 8, 1910

.12 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 32, September 13, 1910

.13 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 33, September 22, 1910

.14 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 34, September 29, 1910

.15 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 35, October 6, 1910

.16 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 35, October 13, 1910

.17 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 36, October 20, 1910

.18 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 37, October 27, 1910

- .19 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 38, November 3, 1910
- .20 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 39, November 10, 1910
- .21 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 40, November 17, 1910
- .22 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 41, November 24, 1910
- .23 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 42, December 1, 1910
- .24 – Valdez Weekly Prospector no. 44, December 15, 1910

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