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TITLE: Charles R. “Red” Nelson Photographs

COLLECTION NUMBER: B1985.067

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: ca. 1930s-1950s

Extent: 148 items, 0.3 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Charles R. Nelson

Administrative/Biographical History:
Charles R. Nelson was a photographer in Anchorage, Alaska, and also proprietor of the Inlet Hotel. A photograph taken by Sidney Hamilton shows Red Nelson along Turnagain Arm in October 1944 (B1989.016.73).

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of 147 black-and-white photographs and one colored photograph. Many are portraits of individuals, including Evelyn and Stanley McCutcheon, Inez and Phyllis Thomasson, Mollie Chamberlain Tryck, Mollie Hannon, Bertha Van Zanten Porter, and others. Also depicted are Nelson’s Sand Lake property, Anchorage scenes including parades, buildings, and people, and images of boats and airplanes.

Arrangement:
Arranged by topic.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

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

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by Shannon Garrett, who found the photographs in Nelson’s cabin after a fire. Approximately 70 photographs were discarded at the time of processing due to water and smoke damage.

RELATED MATERIALS

SUBJECTS
Nelson, Charles R.
Anchorage (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

.1-.57 Portraits, identified
.58-.71 Portraits, unidentified
.72-.103 People
.104-.109 Nelson Property, Sand Lake
.110-.133 Buildings, vehicles
.134-.148 Sceney, animals

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