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TITLE: Eugene C. Jack Collection

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2012.025

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1916-1925

Extent: 37 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Eugene C. Jack, John E. Thwaites, Lomen Bros., Lew Smith

Administrative/Biographical History:

Eugene C. Jack traveled to Alaska in the 1920s and served with the U.S. Navy building radio towers. He was also an amateur photographer.

Scope and Content Description:

The collection consists of 35 black-and-white photographs of Alaskan scenes of the 1910s and 1920s, depicting town life, fishing, whaling, fur trade, and transportation. Also included are a bound volume of self-published essays by Eugene Jack and an essay on "The Alaska fur seals," presumably by Jack.

Arrangement: Arranged by format and subject

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

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

Physical Access: Original items in good condition. Book of essays on brittle paper; photocopying may be limited.

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

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information

Donated by granddaughter Laura Barlow in October 2012.

Processing Notes

Book of essays on brittle paper; consider preservation copies.

RELATED MATERIALS

SUBJECTS

Jack, Eugene C.
Holy Ascension Orthodox Church (Unalaska, Alaska)
Copper River and Northwestern Railway
Stiklestad (Steamboat)
Corwin (Ship)
Star of Iceland (Ship)
Algonquin (Steamboat)
Canneries—Alaska—Cordova
Docks—Alaska
Ships—Alaska
Fishing boats—Alaska
Revenue cutters—Alaska
Seals (Animals)—Alaska
Fur trade—Alaska
Dogsledding—Alaska
Unalaska (Alaska)
Nome (Alaska)
Kodiak (Alaska)
Cordova (Alaska)
Miles Glacier Bridge (Alaska)
Akutan Island (Alaska)
Saint Paul Island (Alaska)

Sitka (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

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- .1 – Eskimo flappers, Alaska [four Alaska Native women in fur-trimmed parkas]
- .2 – Unalaska, Alaska [view of town from water, with Holy Ascension Orthodox Church]
- .3 – Russian church, Unalaska [Holy Ascension Orthodox Church]
- .4 – [Photographic postcard] Interior Russian Greek Church, Unalaska [Holy Ascension Orthodox Church]
- .5 – [Photographic postcard] Unalaska, Alaska, in October J.E.T. [view of town from hills above]
- .6 – [Photographic postcard] Bird's eye view of Nome Alaska, Lomen Bros. [view of rooftops dusted with snow]
- .7 – [Photographic postcard] Kodiak, 17 [view of town from water]
- .8 – [Photographic postcard] Main St. Cordova Al., 216 W.H.P. [on back] A swell town for the "gobs"
- .9 – Canneries at Cordova Alaska
- .10 – [Photographic postcard] Cordova from City dock, #123 Lew Smith Photo
- .11 – [Photographic postcard] 137. Ocean dock Cordova Bay Cordova Alaska
- .12 – [Photographic postcard. Cannery facility?]
- .13 – [Photographic postcard. Miles Glacier Bridge near Cordova]
- .14 – [Photographic postcard] Bucking snow on the Copper River Ry., Alaska [on back] 1924-25 Cordova Alaska [steam engine with snow plow clearing track]
- .15 – [Unidentified rock formation along sea coast]
- .16 – [Photographic postcard] S.S. Stiklestad [steam cargo ship]
- .17 – [Photographic postcard. S.S. Corwin]
- .18 – [Photographic postcard] Taku Glacier [on back] Fishing boat, Juneau [two men aboard the Concord]
- .19 – [Unidentified passenger steamship docked, life boats visible and passengers on deck]
- .20 – Bering Sea, Star of Iceland, 1925
- .21 – [Photographic postcard] "Algonquin" [Coast Guard revenue cutter at dock]
- .22 – [Photographic postcard] Algonquin leaving St. Paul Island for Unalaska [circa 1922-1926]
- .23 – Steamer San Juan on the rocks at Dutch Harbor, Alaska ["San Juan Libby, McNeill & Libby" on prow]
- .24 – Whale at dock, Unalaska, Alaska, August
- .25 – [Photographic postcard] Whales at Akatan [sic] Alaska whaling station
- .26 – [Photographic postcard. Men cutting whale]
- .27 – [Fur seal on beach]
- .28 – [Fur seals on beach]
- .29 – Baby seals, St. Paul Island, Aug. 1925
- .30 – [Photographic postcard] Fur seals, St. Paul, Bering Sea, Alaska
- .31 – Alaskan huskies
- .32 – [Photographic postcard. Dog team pulling sled]
- .33 – [Photographic postcard] Foot of Alaskan brown bear

.34 – Sitka from radio tower, Sept. 1922

.35 – Hazel Grace & Eugene C. Jack [with] Grace Jack (twin), Baby Bernice Jack, Ruth Jack (twin), 1923

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- Book. Jack, Eugene C. *Anecdotes of life along the Alaskan coast*. 1942. 52 pages

Contents: Foreword – Alaska under the Russians – Shooting of the marshal – The things we worry about most never happen – Aground? – The broom, a woman's weapon – Bears romp – Pawned his wife – Joe Ibach goes to Middleton Island – Wrong course – Flesh and blood submarines – Concessione extraordinaire – Fishing – Marital autonomy – Local geography – Mink and weasel – Lawbreakers – Merry Xmas – Prisoner? – Spirits fermenti – Mail – Human spuds get peeled – Conversion or compassion – Distortion of facts – Goats.

- Typescript. "The Alaska fur seals (St. Paul & St. George)." 3 pages

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