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TITLE: August Cohn Collection

COLLECTION NUMBER: B1997.022

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 1915-1917

Extent: 1 album, 298 black and white photographic prints

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): August Ferdinand Cohn

Administrative/Biographical History:

August Cohn was a civil engineer and surveyor with the Alaska Engineering Commission. His work focused on the original Anchorage town site. He was also involved with work on many bridges constructed along the Alaska Railroad from Seward to Nenana.

Scope and Content Description:

This collection contains 298 black and white photos taken by August Cohn during his work with the Alaska Engineering Commission, 1915-1917. The photos focus on the Anchorage town site area, including images of construction, railroad buildings and equipment, anchorage residents and their families, houses, cabins, and local businesses.

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

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

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

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information

This collection was donated to the Museum by Helen Copeland, daughter of the August Cohn, on December 26, 1997.

Notes

Collection scanned by Library of Congress for the Meeting of Frontiers digital library project in early 2000s. Digitized album can be viewed here: <https://www.loc.gov/item/2021671106/>.

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SUBJECTS

Cohn, August "Gus" Ferdinand

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