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**TITLE:** Kenneth C. Allen Earthquake Slides

**COLLECTION NUMBER:** B2012.027

**OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION**

Dates: April 1964

Extent: 29 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Kenneth C. Allen, C.P. Johnston Company

**Administrative/Biographical History:**

Kenneth C. Allen had an apartment in the McKay Building in Anchorage at the time of the 1964 Good Friday Earthquake. He was also reportedly one of the first people to travel to Seward after the quake, flying there in his personal float plane to survey damage.

**Scope and Content Description:**

The collection consists of 28 35mm slides of damage from the 1964 Alaska Earthquake, taken in Anchorage and Seward by Kenneth C. Allen. One commercial slide from the C.P. Johnston Company shows the Seward waterfront after reconstruction.

Arrangement: Not applicable

**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. Lightbox may be used.

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### **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

#### Acquisition and Appraisal Information

Donated by daughter Wylie Allen in October 2012.

#### Processing Notes

Two slides of unidentified, non-earthquake scenes deaccessioned.

### **RELATED MATERIALS**

CIHS McCutcheon Collection, B1964.x.006

AHFAM Earthquake Photographs, B1969.011

Betty Bannon Collection, B1970.015

Zappa Earthquake Papers, B1972.060

Portage Earthquake Photographs, B1973.070

Patricia Mayo Earthquake Time Ticket, B1974.013

Kroninger Photograph Collection, B1976.118

Army Corps of Engineers 1964 Earthquake Photographs, B1977.118

Corps of Engineers 1964 Earthquake Photographs, B1979.038

Woodman Photograph Collection, B1980.027

McDermott Collection, B1987.083

Ron Aldrin Earthquake Slides, B1994.024

Seismograph Reading, B1997.023

Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Collection, B2002.002

Charles Koppel 1964 Earthquake Collection, B2002.008

Norman Campbell Photographs, B2005.041

Bronitsky Letter, B2006.021

4th and H St. Demolition Collection, B2007.002

Opal Myers 1964 Earthquake Collection, B2007.003

Christenson Slide collection, B2007.016

Bangkok Embassy Teletype Collection, B2009.044

Truth Coven Gray Earthquake Album, B2009.056

Kleihauer Slide Collection, B2010.004

Johnny Sartor Collection, B2010.020

Langford-Ose Photograph Collection, B2011.002

## **SUBJECTS**

Alaska Earthquake, Alaska, 1964  
Earthquakes--Alaska—Anchorage  
Earthquakes--Alaska—Seward  
Railroads--Earthquake effects--Alaska  
Anchorage (Alaska)  
Seward (Alaska)

## Detailed Description of the Collection

- .1 – School on Government Hill
- .2 – Railroad cars
- .3 – Anchorage [Fourth Avenue, D & D, Frisco Cafe]
- .4 – 5th [Avenue, Anchorage, looking east]
- .5 – Anchorage street [Fourth Avenue, Denali Grill]
- .6 – Turnagain [houses with inlet in background]
- .7 – Tank cars
- .8 – Turnagain [houses with inlet in background]
- .9 – Turnagain [houses with inlet in background]
- .10 – Turnagain [house]
- .11 – Turnagain [houses]
- .12 – Turnagain [houses]
- .13 – Army [boys?] [three men in uniform, two with bunny boots, stand with school and water tank in background]
- .14 – Texaco truck
- .15 – Texaco trucks
- .16 – Matsons market [banner on building “All-America City Seward 1964”]
- .17 – Flower shop
- .18 – Don’t know what it is [overturned railroad cars along tracks, probably Turnagain Arm]
- .19 – Down by the water, the tanks [Seward]
- .20 – On the lagoon
- .21 – The dock
- .22 – Tanks
- .23 – Head of the bay
- .24 – Railroad track end
- .25 – Tracks
- .26 – The railroad tracks
- .27 – Down by the bay
- .28 – Lagoon
- .29 – R268B Salmon Derby at Seward, C.P. Johnston Company

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