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**TITLE:** Milo Fritz Letter to Folks, 1964

**COLLECTION NUMBER:** B2013.046

**OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION**

Dates: 1964

Extent: 1 item

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Milo Fritz, M.D.

**Administrative/Biographical History:**

Milo H. Fritz (1909-2000) set up a practice in Ketchikan, Alaska, in 1940. He served in World War II as a command surgeon for the 11th Air Force. After the war, Fritz relocated to New York, but in 1947 returned to Alaska to investigate blindness among Alaska Native children. Fritz served in the Alaska Legislature, representing Anchorage in the State House in 1966 and 1972, and Anchor Point in 1982.<sup>1</sup>

**Scope and Content Description:**

Milo Fritz was a physician in Anchorage at the time of the Alaska Earthquake of 1964, also called the Good Friday Earthquake. The letter, dated July 2, 1964, recounts his experience of the earthquake and its aftermath, describing in particular many of the cases that came into the hospital in the moments following the disaster. Fritz also held medical clinics in Fairbanks and Sitka after the earthquake, and describes his experiences in those towns.

Arrangement: Not applicable

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<sup>1</sup> Little, Jon. "Doctor, 91, a pioneer, Fritz worked with deaf, blind in Alaska's bush." *Anchorage Daily News*, Sept. 8, 2000.

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### **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

#### Acquisition and Appraisal Information

Item removed from Collections accession file for Fritz Collection and transferred to archives in April 2013.

#### Separated Materials

The Estate of Elizabeth Berry Fritz transferred all of her “Alaska art, papers, photographs, documents and historical material” to the Anchorage Museum in 2009. Objects were cataloged as 2009.007. The bulk of the archival material was transferred to University of Alaska, Anchorage (Betsy and Milo Fritz family papers, HMC-1072).

### **RELATED MATERIALS**

2009.007.001-204

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

Sanborn Recording of 1964 Earthquake, 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  
Kenneth C. Allen Earthquake Slides, B2012.027  
Jean Kaufman Earthquake Photographs, B2012.032  
John Mull III Alaskan Earthquake Reflections, B2012.036  
Sportsman's Club Earthquake Photographs, B2013.001  
Bill and Ellyn Frye letter regarding the 1964 Alaska Earthquake, B2013.011

### **SUBJECTS**

Fritz, Milo H., 1909-2000  
Providence Hospital (Anchorage, Alaska)  
Alaska Earthquake, Alaska, 1964  
Earthquakes--Alaska  
Physicians—Alaska  
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