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TITLE: Judge Pray Photograph Collection

COLLECTION NUMBER: B1977.082

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1892

Extent: 2 items

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): unknown

Administrative/Biographical History:
Charles Nelson Pray was born in Potsdam, New York, in 1868. He attended Middlebury College and the Chicago College of Law. Pray was admitted to the Montana bar in 1892 and began a private law practice in 1896. He was elected Choteau County Attorney in 1898. After serving four terms as County Attorney, Pray was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1906. He died in 1963.¹

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of two black-and-white photographs taken in Anvik circa 1892. For more information, see Detailed Description of Collection.

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.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by Montana Historical Society in June 1977. The MHS received them from the estate of Judge Pray in 1965.

SUBJECTS
Episcopal Church – Missions – Alaska – Anvik
Athapascan Indians—Alaska
Deg Hit’an Indians—Alaska
Anvik (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

.1 – A medicine man and his summer residence [two Alaska Native men and two women standing outside wood-plank building, tent at left; at AFN 2014, location confirmed as below Anvik Mission, man identified as father of Clara Reed, last shaman converted to Christianity on Yukon River]
.2 – An old time picture, about 1892, Play day at the mission [Alaska Native men participating in archery competition, two men in foreground holding bows and arrows, spectators lined up along log fence of mission, steam-powered sawmill and lumber pile in background at left]

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