



## Alaska's Public Health Subject Guide

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### Using this Guide

Archival materials in this guide help tell the story of Alaska's public health efforts and experiences. Photographs, documents, and ephemera reflect the complex and often challenging nature of public health in Alaska. This guide highlights hospitals, Indigenous healthcare providers, disease epidemics, tuberculosis screening and treatment, vaccination, rural healthcare, traveling clinics, public health nursing, nutrition, sanitation, the development of the Community Health Aide Program, and the establishment of the Alaska Native Medical Center.

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The collections are ordered by accession number. Collections without individual items indicate the whole collection is relevant to the topic of this subject guide.. For more information, please refer to each collection's Finding Aid, available on the Museum's website, or contact archives staff at the email address above. This document will be updated as new collections are accessioned, and relevant materials are found through research and review. This guide includes materials available in the Anchorage Museum Archives & Library in the following categories:

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## ARCHIVES

### **Crary-Henderson Collection, B1962.001**

The Crary and Henderson Families lived and worked in the Valdez area during the boom times of the early 1900s. The collection consists of approximately 3600 images in print and negative format, including both film and glass plate negatives. The images are primarily of Valdez, the Copper River Valley, and surrounding mining and railroad operations dating from the late 1890s through the 1930s.

.37, .190, .290 .1134, .1341, .1342, .1665, .1828, .2049, .2117, .2144, .2618, .2619, .2623, .2625, .2631, .2632

Keywords: Drugstores, Pharmacy, Pharmacists, Cordova Community Medical Center (Cordova, Alaska), Valdez Episcopal Hospital (Valdez, Alaska)

### **John Urban Collection, B1964.001**

John D. Urban, Sr., was born in 1882 in Portage, Wisconsin, and moved to Washington state as a child. His mother sent him to Seattle to get more schooling. During the Klondike Gold Rush in 1897, Urban and a friend stowed away about a scow leaving Seattle for Skagway. The Urban Collection consists of 842 black-and-white and tinted photographs and postcards, depicting the Klondike and Nome gold rushes, construction and operation of the Alaska Railroad and the Copper River & Northwestern Railroad, and communities and locations around the state.

.21, .53, .532, .537, .540, .541, .543, .744, .759, .762, .779

Keywords: Pharmacy, Drugstores, Doctors, Physicians, Leonhard Seppala, Togo (Dog), Serum run to Nome, 1925, Antitoxins, Diphtheria, Hospitals, Fairbanks (Alaska), Nome (Alaska), Skagway (Alaska), St. Joseph's Hospital (Nome, Alaska), Bishop Rowe Hospital (Nome, Alaska), Medicine, Traditional Medicine

### **Fred B. Wood Collection, B1965.003**

Fred B. Wood came to Seward sometime prior to 1915 and joined J. H. Romig's real estate business. The materials primarily pertain to the history of Seward and Anchorage, Alaska, during the early development of the Alaska Railroad, 1915-1920.

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Keywords: Government Hospital, Public hospitals, Anchorage (Alaska), Seward (Alaska)

## **Fred Henton Collection, B1965.018**

Fred Henton was born in 1889/1890. He travelled to Alaska as a mail-carrier, game guide, prospector, explorer, and dog musher.

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Keywords: Drugstores, Pharmacy

## **Anchorage Fire Department Early Records, B1967.027**

This collection consists mainly of correspondence pertaining to the Anchorage Fire Department's operations and equipment, as well as some regarding law enforcement, public health, and other aspects of early Anchorage. This collection also includes a record book, documents detailing the specifications of firefighting equipment, booklets, and newspaper clippings.

.13, .13a-j, .19h

Keywords: Anchorage (Alaska), Public health, Sanitation, Antitoxins, Serums, Typhoid fever, Vaccination, Milk, Quarantine, O. S. Gill

## **Spotlight Anchorage, 1964, B1969.006**

The collection consists of one open reel magnetic audio tape, one script, and 180 color PanaVue slides for a presentation on Anchorage developed by the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce in 1964. The slides were created after the Good Friday Earthquake in March of 1964, and the set includes several images of destruction and reconstruction.

.62-.68 healthcare facilities

Keywords: Hospitals, Alaska Earthquake, Alaska, 1964, Indian Health Service, Alaska Native Health Service

## **Arthur Eide Collection, B1970.028**

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Arthur Hansin Eide was a Presbyterian minister and teacher in Alaska in the 1900s. Eide was born in Norway and came to San Francisco on the S.S. Rupert in 1910. He met Annie Koodlalook, an Inupiat woman born in Point Barrow and adopted by Dr. Sheldon Jackson. Annie and Arthur were married and were sent as government representatives to Little Diomede Island. The two worked as schoolteachers, doctors, and commissioners to the people on the island. Annie was the first of Arthur Eide's five wives. After Little Diomede, Eide went to Point Barrow, building the Presbyterian mission hospital. From 1922, Arthur Eide was primarily based in Anchorage and lived in Spenard from 1939 to 1955. He had a weekly radio program on KFQD in 1942, telling his stories of Alaska.

Keywords: Hospitals, Missions, Medicine, Indigenous, Medicine, Traditional, Physicians, Presbyterian Mission Hospital (Barrow, Alaska), Annie Koodlalook, Sheldon Jackson, Arthur Eide, Barrow Presbyterian Hospital, Typhoid fever, Nome (Alaska)

## **Aleen Fowler Collection, B1970.035**

The Fowler collection consists of photographs of various Alaska scenes. Subjects in the collection include the dogs "Klondyke" and "Nanuk," Skagway, Caribou swimming the Yukon, Sheep camp, East Cape in Siberia, Indigenous Alaskans, a Taltans Tribe Medicine Man, Juneau, Gold bars, St. Michael's Cathedral, Bennett Lake, Chilkoot Pass, Treadwell mine, and Skiing at Mount Alyeska.

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Keywords: Indigenous Medical Provider, Traditional Medicine

## **Thomas and Martha Fellers Schultz Collection, B1970.042**

The collection consists of the papers of Thomas W. Schultz, teacher in Unalakleet in 1909, his second wife, Martha Fellers Schultz (married 1933) and her mother Lizzie Fellers. Thomas's manuscript gives his background and the history of his family, then broadens to include a standard history of Alaska, in which he opines no government failure to develop the school system and law enforcement in the early days of Alaska. They were the caretakers of the sick, disbursed medications, and notified health authorities of contagious disease. They talk of the visitors to the village and births, deaths, and marriages of villagers.

Keywords: Rural health services, Illness, Communicable diseases, Childbirth, Drugs, Disease notification, Thomas Schultz (teacher), Martha Fellers, or Martha Schultz (teacher)

## **Minnesota Historical Society Collection, B1970.073**

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The collection consists of 149 black-and-white photographs. Images 51-144 are mounted on cardboard. Sixteen of the loose prints are stereographs. The images primarily depict Nome and Southeast Alaska between 1894 and 1901. Of note are several images of gold seekers traveling up the Valdez Glacier and down the Tazlina River, probably in 1898 or 1899.

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Keywords: Indigenous Medical Provider, Traditional Medicine

## **Alaska Command Collection, B1970.079**

Military Photographs in Alaska in the 1960s. Primary sort is by location and is coded : Ei = Eielson Air Force Base; E = Elmendorf Air Force Base; G = Fort Greely; R = Fort Richardson (including Site Summit); and W = Fort Wainwright. The index includes personal names listed in Goldbeck captions, as well as a few subjects such as fire departments, airplanes, bands, and hospitals. These terms are interfiled for the entire collection.

Ei62-10, E62-8, E65-8, R62-10, R62-43, R62-47, R65-13

Keywords: Military medicine, Hospitals, Infirmarys, Physicians, Doctors, Nurses, Medical units

## **Muller Collection, B1971.088**

Photographs of Anchorage, Seward, Matanuska Valley, the Cheechako movie, and various people.

.70 (night picture of hospital)

Keywords: Hospital, Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Laurence Tyler Collection, B1972.027**

The Laurence Tyler Collection consists of 212 photographs and 111 negatives. The photographs are black and white and are primarily of gold mining in Alaska and Alaska Natives. The gold mining photographs include images from the Klondike Gold Rush and Chilkoot Trail, mining in Nome and on the Seward Peninsula. Images of Indigenous Alaskans are primarily of villages and people from the Bering Sea coast and southeast Alaska.

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Keywords: Indigenous Medical Provider, Traditional Medicine

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## **Dorothy L. Surgenor Collection, B1972.032**

The photo album was that of Louise Margaret Leeper Lynch, mother of donor. Mrs. Lynch came to Kennicott about 1923 as a nurse, recently out of Johns Hopkins nursing school. She was born in Lewiston, ID and had gone to "Normal School" before entering nursing school. At Kennicott, Miss Leeper met Roy E. Lynch, a packer, prospector, and mechanic. It is unclear whether he ever worked for Kennecott Copper Co. They married in Seattle in about 1925.

The Dorothy L. Surgenor Collection consists of around 300 photographs and approximately 100 negatives of Kennicott, Alaska during the years of 1923 to 1925. Most of the images show the town and people of Kennicott, and other towns in Alaska, including McCarthy, Valdez, and Juneau.

Keywords: Nurses, Public health, Public health nursing, Kennicott (Alaska), Louise Lynch or Louise Leeper (nurse)

## **Vernon Humble Collection, B1972.046**

The Vernon Humble Collection consists of 309 black-and-white prints dating from the period circa 1890-1920. The images are primarily of gold mines and gold mining on the Seward Peninsula and during the Klondike Gold Rush, including scenes of the Chilkoot Trail and Dawson City.

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Keywords: Typhoid Fever, Public Health Posters

## **A. C. Cron Collection, B1973.079**

Col. Anton C. Cron was born on Oct. 31, 1878. He was a member of the 10th Infantry division of the U. S. Army. From 1904-06, he was stationed at Fort George Wright in Spokane, Washington. Here he met Nina Nash, a painter, whom he married on January 20th, 1906. He was reassigned to Fort St. Michael, Alaska, in summer 1906.

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Keywords: Fort St. Michael Hospital

## **Muybridge Photographs, B1976.194**

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Photographs of Tlingit Natives, Fort Wrangell, and Sitka. In the collection there are photographs of engravings of the "Report on an Expedition to the Copper, Tanana and Koyukon Rivers in the Territory of Alaska, in the year 1885".

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Keywords: Indigenous Medical Provider, Traditional Medicine

## **Judge Pray Photograph Collection, B1977.082**

The collection consists of two black-and-white photographs taken in Anvik circa 1892.

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Keywords: Indigenous Medical Provider, Traditional Medicine

## **AHFAM Roe Photographs, B1977.107**

Frank Roe lived in Valdez and Ellamar from 1905-1918. Nothing else was known about him at the time of processing. This collection consists of 68 photographs and photographic postcards, primarily of scenes along the Valdez-Fairbanks Trail. Includes pictures from a distemper epidemic and concerns veterinary health..

.17, .18

Keywords: Distemper, Veterinary medicine, Epidemics, Disease control

## **Jesse Lee Home Album, B1978.180**

Nellie J. Nash Lien was an elementary teacher at Jesse Lee Home in Seward, Alaska, circa 1927-1933. She probably arrived in Alaska when her husband began work as a dragline operator during the construction of the Alaska Railroad. She died in 1965 in Roseville, California. Jesse Lee Home was a Methodist orphanage and boarding school which operated in Unalaska, Alaska, from 1889-1925, primarily serving children from the Aleutian Islands and the Seward Peninsula. With the onset of the influenza epidemic in the early 1910's and 1920's the number of orphans from Alaska Native villages increased dramatically.

Keywords: Influenza, Influenza pandemic, Nurses, Infirmary, Appendicitis, Nutrition, Illness, Nellie Nash (teacher)

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## **Alaska Railroad Photograph Collection, B1979.002**

The collection consists of over ten thousand photographic images created by the Alaska Railroad. The majority of the collection focuses on locomotives, bridges, buildings, construction, freight, equipment, passenger services, employees, and track. While the main focus of the collection is the railroad, the photographs often capture events and details of mid-20th century life in Alaska, such as the 1964 Earthquake, floods, celebrations, and many scenic images of the Alaskan landscape. The collection depicts a wide variety of locations along the Alaska Railroad including Seward, Whittier, Portage, Anchorage, Eklutna, Palmer, Houston, Suntrana, Healy, Nenana, and Fairbanks.

3/192 (Medical)

Keywords: Alaska Railroad, Medical

## **FIC Collection, B1981.019**

The collection consists of 178 items from scattered small collections received and/or accessioned in 1981.

.39, .168-.171

Keywords: Surgery, Surgeons, Nurses, Operating rooms, Anfesia Shapsnikoff (nurse)

## **Richard M. Jones Collection, B1982.051**

Collection consists of 29 photographs, most of Indigenous Ahtna individuals taken in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century in the Copper Center area.

.7 (Poliomyelitis, Polio), .8 (Tuberculosis)

Keywords: Polio, Tuberculosis, TB

## **Romig Collection, B1985.063**

.325 (hospital and nurse)

Keywords: Hospital, Nurse

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## **Bessie Kendall Couture Collection, B1987.002**

Bessie Kendall Couture was the owner and operator of two restaurants, the Black and White Restaurant and the Broadway Restaurant and Bakery, in Skagway, Alaska. Her first restaurant in Skagway is thought to be the first Black-owned business in Alaska, operating 1886-1900 during the height of the Klondike Gold Rush began. She opened her second restaurant in the 1920s with her third husband, William Couture.

.29 (Private Hospital after natural disaster)

Keywords: Hospitals, Nome (Alaska), Natural disasters, Floods

## **William Robert Mathewson Photograph Collection, B1987.072**

The entire collection consists of photographs of the early construction of the Alaska Railroad. All photographs are black and white. For more information, see Detailed Description of Collection.

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Keywords: Government Hospital, Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Lu Liston Collection, B1989.016**

Lucien Liston was a longtime Alaskan businessman and artist. In 1944, he relocated to Anchorage and in 1948, he and Francis Bowden purchased Hewitt's Drug Store on Fourth Avenue in downtown Anchorage. Hewitt's Drug Store was an old-school drug store and newsstand that also had a lunch counter.

.895-.898, .2053.4, 2268.2-2268.4

Keywords: Drugstores, Pharmaceuticals, Hospitals, Providence Hospital, Alaska Native Health Service Hospital, Alaska Native Medical Center, Palmer Hospital, Elmendorf Hospital, Vaccination, Immunization, Nurses, Public health, Milk—Sanitation, Pasteurization, Tuberculosis, TB, Poliomyelitis, Polio, Iron lung, Life support systems, Nutrition, Red Cross

## **Steve McCutcheon Collection, B1990.014**

Throughout his multifaceted career, McCutcheon “used his camera to record the history he was helping to make.”<sup>2</sup> He captured the history of Alaska during a time when few gave any thought to the epic transformations going on around them. In the process, he documented lives lived on

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a rugged land, a meeting of cultures, the building of a civilization, the triumphant development of natural resources, and the changing landscape of a northern region impacted by climate change.

.1.36, .1.117, .1.255, Series 4, slide #20, Series 5, negative #10, Anc. Bus. 30 Anchorage Businesses: Hospitals

Key Words: Medicine, Indigenous, Indigenous medicine providers, Medical care, Public hospitals, Railroad hospitals, Anchorage (Alaska), Pharmacy, Drugstores, Skagway (Alaska)

### **Christine Heller Collection, B1991.011**

Christine A. Heller (1907-1989) was born in Utica, New York. She obtained a Bachelor of Science degree (1933), a master's degree (1937), and a doctorate in nutrition (with a minor in botany, 1952) from Cornell University. She worked as a nutritionist in New Mexico and California until she moved to Juneau in 1945. From 1956 until her retirement in 1965, Dr. Heller conducted research on Indigenous Alaskan food ways. For this work, she travelled extensively to gather images from communities including: Allakaket, Huslia, Point Hope, Noatak, Shishmaref, Shungnak, Akiak, Napaskiak, Kasigluk, Hooper Bay, and Newtok. Some of these images were used in the book Heller coauthored with Edward M. Scott, *The Alaska Dietary Survey, 1956-1961*.

The collection consists of 1495 35mm color slides, two 120mm color slides, 49 black-and-white photographs, 22 black-and-white negatives, and one book by Dr. Christine Heller and Edward M. Scott, *The Alaska Dietary Survey, 1956-1961*. The slides primarily depict Indigenous Alaskan food preparation, fishing methods, basket-making, fancy parkas, and maternal relationships within Koyukon, Inupiaq, and Central Yup'ik communities. Approximately 80 slides show charts and diet study reports from her 1956-1961 survey.

Keywords: Nutrition, Diet, Medicinal Plants, Botany, Dietary Survey, Christine Heller (nutritionist)

### **Burchett Collection, B1991.025**

The Burchett Collection covers a wide array of subjects in its scope, spanning from 1889-1909. The photos taken by photographer Suzanne R. Bernardi, range from pictures of Indigenous individuals in Cape Prince of Wales, the Iditarod Trail, reindeer, and glaciers. There is one picture of an Indigenous woman who died in the Influenza Pandemic of 1918.

Keywords: Influenza, Influenza pandemic, Influenza pandemic, 1918–1919, Infectious diseases

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## **Jeanne Schaver Boone Slides, B1991.046**

The *M/V Health* was a “floating clinic,” a marine unit of the Alaska Department of Health. The program was created to facilitate the battle against tuberculosis in Alaska after World War II. Jeanne Schaver (later, Jeanne Schaver Boone) was a public health nurse on board the *M/V Health* from 1951-1952.

The collection consists of 151 35mm color slides taken by Jeanne Schaver and her colleagues during service aboard the *M/V Health* in the 1950s. Most of the images depict rural village life and clinic operations.

Keywords: *M/V Health*, *M/S Hygiene*, *M/V Yukon Health*, Hospital Ships, Tuberculosis, TB, Public health, Public health nursing, Vaccination, X-rays, Jeanne Schaver Boone (nurse), Hazel Blair (doctor), J. H. Jack Hittson (dentist), C. Earl Albrecht (doctor, Commissioner of Health), Clarence Gronning (captain, *M/V Health*)

## **Dr. H.E. Auringer Collection, B1991.048**

Dr. Horace E. Auringer was born in February 1889, in New York. He arrived in Alaska sometime in 1912. The Guggenheim Mine hired him to open a six-bed hospital in Flat, Alaska. From there he traveled the region by dog team and other modes of transportation to serve the miners in the remote areas of the Iditarod District of interior Alaska. He left Alaska in 1916 or 1917 to serve in the U.S. Army medical corps in World War I. He did not return to Alaska after completing his military service.

The collection consists of 186 black-and-white prints, 37 nitrate negatives and a memoir by S.E. Patchell, entitled *My Extraordinary Years of Adventures and Romance in Klondike and Alaska*, (London: A.E. Stockwell, Ltd., 1942). Included are many photographs taken by Basil Clemons, whom Auringer knew while in the territory.

Folders 1-3

Keywords: Rural health services, Hospitals, Physicians, Doctors, Nurses, Nursing, Iditarod Emergency Medicine, Drugstores, Pharmacy

## **Doris Bordine Collection, B1992.033**

Otto W. Geist (1888-1963) was an archaeologist, naturalist, and explorer who worked primarily in the Circumpolar North. One photo album, 7" x 5 ¾", containing 86 photos with 14 loose black and white photos.

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.33, .59, .60, .61

Keywords: Indigenous Medical Provider, Traditional Medicine

## **Liebel Collection, B1993.019**

Photographs and Papers, 1939, Photographs of Old Bethel Hospital and Report of Inspection on Mountain Village Hospital by Vera Liebel. Vera Liebel came to Alaska in the 1930's. She worked as a nurse and a pilot. While in Alaska she learned to fly and later in life would become a Commercial Bush Pilot. She was stationed at Mt. Village in 1939. She stopped nursing in the early 1950's and died at the age of 87 in Mt. View. She is mentioned in *We Live in Alaska* by Constance Helmericks. While a chief nurse at Mountain Village Hospital she wrote a report on the conditions of the hospital for the U.S. Office of Indian Affairs. This report is in the collection. Also in the collection are 34 photographs of Old Bethel Hospital (originally thought to be the Mountain Village Hospital), including images of rooms, staff, and patients, as well as images of Vera's family and aerial views of Juneau. Please see the item list for more specific information on individual photographs. The collection is organized into two folders, Papers and Photographs. Housed with the Collections department of the Museum are two medical bags along with medical supplies of Vera's.

Keywords: Nurses, Nursing, Mountain Village (Alaska), Medical reports, Nursing reports, Hospitals, Hospital inspections, Old Bethel Hospital, Bethel (Alaska), Indian Health Service, Office of Indian Affairs

## **Wennerstrom Collection, B1994.002**

The collection consists of 265 photographs, as well as architectural drawings and documents pertaining to coal mining at Eska and Chickaloon. The first 35 images illustrate the "Report of the Mining Department, A. E. C." for 1921. Numerous images are from the Alaskan Engineering Commission series documenting the construction of the Alaska Railroad. There are multiple photos of hospitals in Anchorage and Chickaloon.

.21, .23, .47, .60-.65, .87a-.87b, .88-.89, .166

Keywords: Hospitals, Railroad hospitals, Chickaloon (Alaska), Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Walter Dyakanoff Collection, B1994.011**

.11 (Photo of M/V Health Ship)

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## **Hoyt Family Collection, B1994.022**

The photograph album contains 511 images, originally belonging to Ray Holt, who lived in the Copper River Valley in the early 1900s.

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Keywords: Drugstores, Pharmacy, Chitina (Alaska)

## **George E. Allen Collection, B1995.010**

According to his cousin, and from an obituary published in the Anchorage Daily News, George E. Allen was a landscape architect who came to Alaska aboard the S.S. Yukon in 1941 on a contract with the Civil Aeronautics Administration. He later continued employment in Alaska with the FAA until retirement. During the FAA years, he served as a building inspector for major housing projects at Qikiqtaġruk (Kotzebue) and Annette Island. Mr. Allen was very interested in photography. In 1956, Allen and his wife, Clarissa Peters, accompanied Alaska Territorial legislator and professional photographer, Steve McCutcheon and his wife on a canoe trip down the Yukon River. Several trays of slides of this trip are included in this collection.

.366, .392, .394, .414, .451, .459, .607, .614, .618, .633, .635, .1930, .4112, .2388, .3213, .3605, .4105, .5748 .6102

Keywords: *M/V Hygiene*, United States. Public Health Service, Hospital Ships, Hospitals, Anchorage (Alaska) Hospitals, Alaska Native Health Service Hospital, Tanana Hospital, Hudson Stuck Memorial Hospital, Earthquakes

## **Eugene Tetinek Photographs, B1995.014**

The collection consists of 2139, mostly black-and-white, 35mm nitrate negatives (only .1.1-.1.10 in color) and 138 black-and-white prints of photographs taken by Eugene Tetinek circa 1932-1956. A significant number of photographs document activities of the Army Air Force 10th Air Rescue Group, particularly the rescue mission at Mount McKinley to recover the wreckage of a crashed C-47. Topics of the photographs include military and civilian aviation, fishing, mining, dogs, surveying, fish processing, transportation, and rescue missions.

.2.12, .53.14, .53.15, .55.5, .55.6, .57.11, .57.12, .57.13, .59.6, .59.7, .89.13, .89.14, .102.9, .102.10, .102.16, .119.10, .119.11

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Keywords: Hospitals, Mountain Village Hospital, Surgery, *Yukon Health*, Public health, Doctors, Nurses, Physicians

## **Edward A. Dunlap Collection, B1996.011**

Dr. Edward A. Dunlap served as a United States Bureau of Fisheries doctor on St. George Island from May 1938 to May 1939. During his year on the island, he was responsible for the general care of both Native and non-Native residents. He delivered seven babies and performed 39 tonsillectomies, one acute appendectomy, one umbilical hernia repair, one torticollis correction, one ventral hernia repair, and one prophylactic appendectomy. All surgeries were performed solo, with the schoolteacher providing support in anesthesia.

Keywords: Surgery, Surgeons, Physicians, Doctors, Obstetrics, Childbirth, Anesthesia, St. George Island (Alaska), Rural health services, Rural medicine, Edward Dunlap (doctor)

## **Adak Historical Society Collection, B1996.035**

The U.S. military base on Adak Island began its existence on August 28, 1942, when American submarines delivered an Army scouting party to determine whether Japanese military forces were present. The Japanese had attacked Dutch Harbor/Unalaska from the air two months earlier and then occupied Attu and Kiska Islands, further to the west. On August 30th, 4500 troops and tons of heavy equipment landed on Adak from seventeen ships and construction began on the temporary, and then permanent, facilities.

B4/f3, .262, Scrapbook 3 (April 1963 event flyer), .1089

Keywords: Military medicine, Medical detachments, Medical tents, Infirmarys, Nurses, Quarantine

## **Christian Rohlfing Collection, B1997.012**

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## **Vern Brickley Collection, B1998.014**

Vern Brickley (1909-1970) came to Valdez, Alaska from Tacoma, Washington, in 1936 not as a photographer, but to work on a movie set. He lived through one winter on Fox Island in Prince William Sound, where he was involved in the herring fishery and raising foxes. Just prior to WWII he moved to Fairbanks, then was drafted into the Army as a photographer, and moved to Anchorage in 1940.

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.1.11092-1.11117, .1.11210-.1.11218, 4.1.11392-1.11423, .1.11866-1.11956, Folder 26

Keywords: Hospitals, Elmendorf Air Force Base Hospital, Medical units, Military medicine

## **Wayne and Marcia Edsall Collection, B1998.018**

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Keywords: Hospital, Hospital Construction, Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Hilscher Collection, B1999.014**

.343-.350, .791-.800, .2031a-f

Keywords: Hospital, Nurse, Nursing

## **Hazel M. Davies Collection, B2000.012**

Photographs, 1920s, photographs of the P.O. Davies family, and Anchorage scenes.

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Keywords: Hospital, Anchorage (Alaska)

## **M/V Health Collection, B2001.035**

The *M/V Health* was a —floating clinic, a marine unit of the Alaska Department of Health. The program was created to facilitate the battle against tuberculosis in Alaska after World War II. The collection consists of 28 black-and-white photographs, nurse reports, newsletters, and ephemera. The photographs primarily depict villages and villagers in coastal Alaska. There are also some photos of the crew of the *M/V Health* and the ship itself.

Keywords: *M/V Health*, *M/S Hygiene*, *M/V Yukon Health*, Hospital Ships, Tuberculosis, TB, Public health, Public health nursing, Vaccination, X-rays, Jeanne Schaver (nurse), Hazel Blair (doctor), J. H. Jack Hittson (dentist), C. Earl Albrecht (doctor, Commissioner of Health), Clarence Gronning (captain, *M/V Health*)

## **Martha Quimby Photographs, B2001.036**

Martha “Marty” McMaster Quimby (January 1930 - October 2021) was a long-time resident of Anchorage, Alaska. In the 1980s, she worked for the State of Alaska as an itinerant Public Health

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Nurse and travelled around the state for ten years. During this time, Martha earned her Master of Public Health from the University of Washington through remote coursework. In the 1990s, Martha began working for the Alaska Department of Corrections as a Nurse Coordinator and retired from this position in 1996. Martha passed in October 2021.

The collection consists of 3874 color photographs and negatives taken by Quimby during her years as a traveling public health nurse in rural Alaska. Many photos are of Community Health Aides and other health workers. Many of the photos are of residents who have come to clinics for treatment. Also included are images of clinic facilities and other village buildings.

Keywords: Public health nursing, Nurses, United States. Public Health Service, Vaccination, Rural health, Rural health services, Nutrition, Substance Abuse Prevention, Preventative Medicine, Medical clinics, Hospitals, Health education, Community Health Aides, C.H.A., CHA, Community Health Practitioners, Martha Quimby or Marty Quimby (nurse)

## **Tisdel White Mountain Government School Collection, B2002.011**

White Mountain was established on the site of the Inupiat fish camp called Nutchirviq. The town grew after an influx of prospectors during the gold rush of 1900. A government subsidized orphanage was built at White Mountain and was converted to an industrial school in 1926. The post office was opened in 1932. The city government was incorporated in 1969.

.14, .180, .209

Keywords: Nurses, Diphtheria, Gunnar Kaasen, Serum run to Nome, 1925, Antitoxins, Balto (Dog)

## **James von der Heydt Collection, B2003.022**

During his early years in Alaska, von der Heydt travelled to many places in the territory and took hundreds of photographic slides with his Leica camera. He used the slides in a series of lectures that he presented in various locations outside Alaska. The collection consists of 374 35mm color photographic slides of Indigenous Alaskans, Indigenous hunters, Alaska airports, and the Alcan Highway. The slides were taken in King Island, Nome, Gambell, Saint Lawrence Island, Teller, Stebbins, Kotzebue, Unalakleet, Cape Prince of Wales, Juneau, Fairbanks, Chatanika, Northway, and Tok.

.125 (Hospital—Fairbanks (Alaska), .186 (Hospital—Nome (Alaska)

Keywords: Fairbanks Hospital (Fairbanks, Alaska), Nome Hospital (Nome, Alaska)

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## **John Ransom Photographs, B2004.020**

John Ransom was a cab driver for the Alaska Cab Company in Anchorage, AK, in 2003-2004. He was interested in recording information about the city's historic buildings, particularly those relating to cab services, night spots, Spenard, and downtown Anchorage.

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Keywords: Hospital, Alaska Native Medical Center

## **Clarence and Winona Gronning Collection, B2005.013**

The *M/V Health* was a “floating clinic,” a marine unit of the Alaska Department of Health. The program was created to facilitate the battle against tuberculosis in Alaska after World War II. Captain Clarence R. Gronning and his wife Winona served aboard the *M/V Health* in 1951-1952. The collection consists of 455 color 35mm slides, most taken in the 1950s during the Gronnings’ service aboard the *M/V Health*. The *Health* primarily held clinics along the Aleutian chain and up along the Bering Sea to villages on St. Lawrence Island and Norton Sound.

Keywords: *M/V Health*, *M/S Hygiene*, *M/V Yukon Health*, Hospital Ships, Tuberculosis, TB, Public health, Public health nursing, Vaccination, X-rays, Jeanne Schaver (nurse), Hazel Blair (doctor), J. H. Jack Hittson (dentist), C. Earl Albrecht (doctor, Commissioner of Health), Clarence Gronning (captain, *M/V Health*)

## **L. J. ‘Osky’ and Henrietta ‘Hank’ Weeda Family Albums Collection, B2005.019**

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Key Words: Drugstore, Pharmacy, Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Julius Sirilo, B2005.016**

.289, .310

Key Words: Nurse, Nursing

## **Allan Rennie Collection, B2005.032**

The collection consists of one photograph album, 33 loose commercially produced images and photographic postcards, and one pamphlet documenting a trip on the White Pass & Yukon

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Route, from Portland to Alaska, through British Columbia and Yukon and up the Inside Passage, taken by Allan Rennie in the mid- to late 1920s. For more information, see [Detailed Description of Collection](#).

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Keywords: Nurse, Nursing

## **Mary Jane Sausser Collection, B2006.001**

Collection of photographs, postcards, and letters regarding life in Copper Center, Alaska.

.28a-b, .61a-c

.28a-b, .61a-c

Keywords: Public health, Public health nursing, Inoculation, Vaccination, Tuberculosis, TB, Dental care

## **Joe Redington Sr. Family Collection, B2006.023**

Joe Redington Sr. (1917-1999) was an American dog musher and kennel owner, who is best known as the “Father of the Iditarod” for helping to the modern Iditarod dog sled race. The first race was run in 1973 with a field of 35 mushers. Redington competed in seventeen Iditarod races from 1974 to 1997, including as an honorary musher in the 1997 race.

Key Words: Seppala, Leonhard, Serum run to Nome, 1925, Diphtheria, Antitoxins, Nome (Alaska), Iditarod Trail

## **Abbie Morgan Madenwald Collection, B2008.14**

The Abbie Morgan Madenwald Collection provides a window into the life of a schoolteacher in a Bristol Bay Alaska Native village in the early 1930s. Abbie Morgan lived and worked as a schoolteacher in the Alaska Native village of Kulukak, Alaska (no longer existing) from 1931 to 1933. This collection consists of photos taken by herself and her husband, Ed Morgan, and extensive letters from and to Abbie from her relatives, friends, and former students in the village. The many photos and letters provide a fascinating glimpse into the hardships and triumphs of life in Bush Alaska in the early part of the 20th century. Mrs. Morgan Madenwald’s book, *Arctic Schoolteacher: Kulukak, Alaska, 1931-1933*, uses many of the unique and important photos included in the collection and provides an in-depth look at her time in Alaska. Many of Abby Morgan’s letters concern the health and medical challenges of rural Alaska.

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Keywords: Epidemics, Communicable diseases, Epidemics—Psychological aspects, Indigenous Epidemics, Vaccination, Inoculation, Wounds, and injuries—Treatment, Dental care, Medicine, Indigenous people, Hospitals, Childbirth, Nurses, Physicians, Doctors, Patient Transportation, Nutrition, Malnutrition, Fever, Surgery, Scarlet fever, Tuberculosis, TB, Diphtheria, Serums, Abby Morgan (teacher)

## **Cornelia Templeton Jewett Hatcher Papers, 1867-1953, B2008.15**

These papers consist of three scrapbooks including numerous photographs related to Cornelia's years as editor of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union newspaper, The Union Signal; her visit to the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition in Seattle in 1909; her trip to Alaska with a group of national newspaper editors the summer of 1909 on the Alaska Steamship company's vessel the S. S. Northwestern; her 1911 marriage to Robert Lee Hatcher, the prospector and miner who is credited with starting underground mining in the Talkeetna Mountains of south-central Alaska in 1906; her winter in Knik, Alaska, in 1912- 13; her role in Robert Lee Hatcher's development of the Gold Mint Mine; her gathering a petition for woman suffrage that contributed to the first bill passed by Alaska's first legislature enfranchising Alaska women in 1913; her service as president of the Alaska Woman's Christian Temperance Union, 1913-1924; her leadership of the 1916 prohibition campaign in Alaska that resulted in a two-to-one vote in favor of prohibiting intoxicating liquor effective January 1, 1918; her lobbying Congress for approval of Alaska's Bone Dry law; her support of the Alaska Federation of Women's Clubs; her operation of a beauty salon and service as a leader in the Business and Professional Women' and Soroptimist clubs in Long Beach, California, 1924-30; her service during the Hoover administration as research secretary for the Women's Division of the Republican Party, 1930-35. [Scrapbooks were assembled by Cornelia's daughter, Hazel Jewett Phelps Wells; they contain Hazel's notes on her mother's life.]

Keywords: Women's Christian Temperance Union, Alcoholism, Alcohol, Prohibition, Cornelia Templeton

## **Frederick Jerauld Collection, B2008.027**

Frederick N. C. Jerauld of Buffalo, N.Y., was a surgeon in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He was stationed at Fort St. Michael and Fort Davis, Alaska, circa 1901-1902. His wife May gave birth to their daughter, May Ruth, at Fort Davis in February of 1902.

The collection consists of 58 black-and-white photographs taken by Frederick Jerauld in Alaska, along with several newspaper clippings pertaining to Jerauld's travel and mining interests. There are several images of passengers and crew aboard the U.S. Army Transport ship W.H. Seward; interior views of Jerauld's living quarters on base; and scenes of Fort Davis, St. Michael, and Nome.

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Keywords: Surgeons, Doctors, Military medicine, Frostbite, Surgery, United States Army, Holy Cross Hospital (Nome, Alaska), Nome (Alaska)

## **Ernest Alexander Gardner Album, B2009.002**

Ernest Alexander Gardner served with the United States Army in Unalaska and Cold Bay, Alaska, during World War II. Nothing more was known about Gardner at the time of processing. The collection consists of one album measuring 15.5 x 11.25" and containing 687 images, including personal snapshots of Gardner's service in the Aleutian Islands in World War II as well as commercial photographs of Alaskan scenes, with ten loose photographs slipped in. Includes several images of the Japanese air raid on Fort Mears on June 3-4, 1942.

.17b, .25h, .26a-.26e, .25-.27, .65k

Keywords: Military Medicine, Army Hospital, Military Medics, Army Nurses, United States—Armed Forces—Nurses, WWII, World War, 1939-1945—Campaigns—Alaska—Aleutian Islands, Aleutian Islands (Alaska), Hospital Bombing, Native Hospital, Air-Raids, Unalaska (Alaska)

## **Anchorage Daily News Dunlap-Shohl Political Cartoon Collection, B2009.017**

Peter Dunlap-Shohl drew political cartoons for the Anchorage Daily News for over 25 years. In 2008, he won the Howard Rock Tom Snapp First Amendment Award from the Alaska Press Club. The collection contains the original artwork for Peter Dunlap-Shohl's editorial cartoons, published in the Anchorage Daily News (ADN) circa 1982-2008, as well as unfinished and unpublished cartoons. The original strips from the first year of Dunlap-Shohl's comic, Muskeg Heights, are also included; the strip ran in the ADN from April 23, 1990, to October 16, 2004. Includes Political cartoons from 1982-2008 regarding health policy, medical care, and public health concerns.

Keywords: Health policy, Medicaid, Medicare, Hospitals, Sanitation, Medicine, Alaska Native Medical Center, Serum run to Nome, Immunization, Avian influenza, Vaccines

## **Margaret Lantis Collection, B2010.023**

Born 1906, Margaret Lantis died in Dayton, Ohio, on September 8, 2006, a few days after her 100th birthday. She was educated at the University of Minnesota (BA, 1930) and the University of California Berkeley (1939, PhD). She served with the U.S. Public Health Service from 1954-1963, including time spent at the Arctic Health Research Center in Anchorage. Before joining the Health Service, Lantis conducted four sessions of field work in Alaska, beginning as early as 1933.

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Keywords: Health research, Public health, United States. Public Health Service, Anthropology, United States Indian Health Service, Alaska Native Health Service, Hospitals

## **Etta Jones Collection, B2011.007**

Etta Eugenie Schureman ("Tetts") was born to Abram and Esther Parker Schureman in Waterbury, Connecticut, on September 30, 1879. In 1922, she traveled to Tanana, Alaska, with her sister Marie ("Dump"). In 1923, she married Charles Foster Jones ("Foster") in Tanana, Alaska. Etta and Foster lived in Tanana, Old Harbor, and Kipnuk, Alaska, before moving to Attu in September of 1941. Etta was working as a Bureau of Indian Affairs teacher, and Foster as a radio technician, on Attu when the Japanese Navy invaded the island in 1942. Foster was killed during the invasion, and Etta was taken to Japan as a prisoner of war. There, she was interned with Australian nurses, who had been taken prisoner in New Guinea. Etta Jones remained in a Japanese POW camp from June 1942 until her liberation in July 1945. Etta died December 12, 1965, in Bradenton, Florida.

Series 5: Liberation Records, B2/F1, Immunization and Medical Records, B2/F5: .3, .129-.136, .228

Keywords: Prisoners of war, POW, Health records, Rural health, Nurses, Hospitals

## **Lane Family Photograph Collection, B2011.014**

This collection may contain unrelated groups of photos. Several photo processing envelopes containing negatives are from Fairbanks photo studios and have the name "Lane" penciled on them, and two postal envelopes were addressed to Harry or Mrs. Lane [see Box 2, Folder 5, "Ephemera"].

.53, .109, .146

Keywords: Hospitals, Nurses, New Hospital (Anchorage, Alaska), Hudson Stuck Memorial Hospital (Fort Yukon, Alaska)

## **Joseph W. Graham Collection, B2012.013**

Joseph W. Graham arrived in Spenard, Alaska, circa 1954-1956. He served as Director of the Spenard Public Utilities District and Director of the Greater Anchorage Health District Board of Directors.

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The collection consists of business records, meeting minutes, correspondence, maps, plans, and other ephemera pertaining to Kwik-Log, Inc.; the Spenard Public Utilities District; the Greater Anchorage Health District; and a fundraising campaign for Central Catholic Junior High School.

## Folders 2 and 3

Keywords: Sewerage, Sanitation, Public health, Anchorage (Alaska), Spenard (Alaska), Board of health, Anchorage Health District, Joseph Graham

### **Eugene Tetinek Album, B2012.016**

The collection consists of one photo album, measuring 15 x 11 inches, containing 391 black and white photographs of Interior Alaska, primarily towns along the Yukon River, taken between 1932 and 1940. Also included are photos of Tetinek's service with the 11th Air Force Rescue Squadron during World War II, during which time he participated in the recovery of a downed C-47 near Denali.

.98, .166-.169, .170-.174

Keywords: Hospitals, Doctors, Physicians, Tuberculosis, TB

### **Katherine G. Kane Manuscript, My Twenty Seven Years in Alaska and the Aleutians, B2013.049**

According to her autobiography, Katherine Gertrude Kane worked as a teacher and public health nurse in rural Alaska from 1913-1938. In 1914, she moved up to Talkeetna to establish a school for local Indigenous children. In 1917, she transferred to Susitna Station, where she taught and then helped care for residents during an outbreak of influenza in 1918. In 1919, she moved again to Kokrines on the Yukon River, where she taught for five years. After a short stint in Anchorage at Emard's, she relocated to Akutan in 1923 and taught in that village for five years. She spent four months in Koggiung in the Bristol Bay region before heading west again, to Atka in the Aleutian Islands. After one year, she transferred to Copper Center in Southcentral Alaska, spending another year establishing a school there. In 1931, she left for Alitak, or Akhiok, on Kodiak Island, remaining there until 1937. The memoir ends with her request for a one-year sabbatical from teaching and her return to Washington State.

The collection consists of a 255-page typescript manuscript written (probably in 1938) by Katherine G. Kane, titled *My Twenty Seven Years in Alaska and the Aleutians*. The text is illustrated with mounted photographs, including both snapshots and commercial images. Twelve additional photographs were enclosed in an accompanying envelope.

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Keywords: Public health, Public health nursing, Influenza, Influenza pandemic, Medicine, Traditional, Infectious diseases, Mortality

## **Alaska Native Hospital Panorama, B2013.071**

E. O. (Eugene Omar) Goldbeck, born 1891 or 1892 in San Antonio, Texas, was a well-known photographer specializing in panoramics and military photography. This collection consists of one panoramic photograph, 72.5 x 10 inches, labeled "Alaska Native Hospital, Anchorage, Alaska, Goldbeck Photo No. 2921581, National Photo & News Service, San Antonio, Texas." Print also has "mask here" written on it in two places along lower edge. Photograph probably taken from atop McKinley Apartments in Anchorage circa 1952-1960, looking to the east and including Elmendorf Air Force Base at left, Merrill Field near center, and numerous businesses and residential buildings.

Keywords: Alaska Native Medical Center, Alaska Native Health Service

## **Rural Village Environmental Health Photographs, B2013.075**

The United States Bureau of Indian Affairs in the Department of the Interior provided health care to federally recognized tribes until 1954, when the Surgeon General, acting through the Public Health Service, established the Division of Indian Health as part of its Bureau of Medical Services; in 1968, the Division became the Indian Health Service. The Alaska Native Health Service was established as a counterpart of the Division of Indian Health and operated under the jurisdiction of that Division. In June 1998, the Alaska Area Native Health Service signed a contract transferring statewide services to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC). ANTHC's Division of Environmental Health and Engineering (DEHE) provides planning, design, construction and operations support for public health infrastructure.

Keywords: United States. Indian Health Service. Alaska Native Health Service, Sanitation, Rural health services, Public health, Water supply

## **Harold and Malita Hitchen Collection, B2013.010**

Hitchen came to Anchorage in March 1944 as an avionics engineer for Morrison-Knudsen. In 1945, he married Malita Weldon, who worked as a nurse for the Alaska Railroad. In 1946, the couple purchased a home in Olympia, Washington. In 1950, Hitchen returned to Alaska and established Communications Equipment & Service Co. in Anchorage, which he operated until 1958.

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Keywords: Providence Hospital (Anchorage, Alaska)

## **Milo Fritz Letter to Folks, 1964, B2013.046**

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.

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.

Keywords: Alaska earthquake, 1964, Medical triage, Emergency medicine, Disaster relief, Fairbanks (Alaska), Sitka (Alaska), Medical clinics, Hospitals

## **Mayor's Office Photographs, B2013.074**

The City of Anchorage and the Greater Anchorage Area Borough merged in 1975 to form the Municipality of Anchorage, and in 1978 "Project 80s" was begun to improve infrastructure and spur urban development.

.148-.158, .290-.300, .328

Keywords: Emergency services, Disaster drills, Ambulances, Fire trucks, Military medicine, Military hospitals, Humana Hospital, Emergency service, Hospital emergency service

## **J.O. Anderson 1964 Earthquake Photographs, B2014.006**

J. O. Anderson and family lived in Anchorage at the time of the 1964 Good Friday earthquake. The collection consists of 77 black-and-white prints of damage from the 1964 Alaska Earthquake in Anchorage.

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Keywords: Alaska Earthquake, Alaska, 1964, Earthquake Damage, Physicians—Offices, Doctors, Clinics, Outpatient services (Hospitals)

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## **Charles W. Wray Negatives, B2014.012**

Charles W. Wray was born in 1888. He was assigned to a teaching post in Nushagak in 1910, coming to Alaska from a post in North Dakota. He was posted to Shishmaref in 1912. Nothing else was known about Wray at the time of processing.

.25, .46, .53, .74, .87

Keywords: Hospitals, Bristol Bay (Alaska), Rural health services, Rural medicine, Public health, Moravians

## **Tron Andersen Collection, B2014.013**

Tron G. Andersen (born Trond Roar Andersen) was born in Oslo, Norway in 1907 and moved to Portland, Oregon, with his family at the age of six. He moved with his wife and children to Spenard, Alaska, in July 1945. He was deeply involved in community life in Spenard and was one of the organizers of the Spenard Social and Civic Club. During his time in Alaska, Tron became a member of the Cook Inlet Historical Society and began work on a manuscript of historical sketches on the settlements of Knik, Tyonek, Beluga, Ladd Station, Aurora, Dutton, Hope, and Sunrise. He also researched the early history of the mail service in Alaska. A copy of the 9-page memorial piece, "Tron Andersen: an appreciation," an offprint from Spenard Life, is available in the collection accession file.

The collection consists of materials created or collected by Tron Andersen during the course of his research into the history of settlements in the Cook Inlet region of Alaska. It includes Andersen's personal papers, research notes, and manuscripts, as well as primary source materials that he collected, such as business records, correspondence, maps, and ephemera.

B2-FG (health and sanitation clippings)

Keywords: Health, Sanitation

## **Matthew P. Mullaney Slides, B2014.019**

Matthew P. "Bud" Mullaney (1890-1953) served as Commissioner of Taxation for the Territory of Alaska from circa 1942 until his death in 1953. He and his wife Nell had no children. Dr. Flora is likely LeRoy Flora, who practiced in Anchorage for a time in the 1940s-early 1950s with his wife Gunda (1909-1996), a nurse at the Alaska Psychiatric Institute.

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Keywords: Hospitals, Alaska Psychiatric Institute, Psychiatry, Mental Health, Nurses, Palmer (Alaska), Palmer Hospital, Providence Hospital (Anchorage, Alaska), Maynard Hospital (Nome, Alaska), Gunda Flora (nurse)

## **William R. Gore Collection, B2014.031**

William “Billy” R. Gore was born in 1915 in Tacoma Park, Maryland. Gore enlisted with the U.S. Army in January 1941 and was assigned to the Medical Detachment, 39th Infantry, 9th Division. From September to November 1942, he attended the Medical Army Corps Officer Candidate Course at Carlisle Barracks in Pennsylvania. He served as administrative officer with the 179th Station Hospital on Adak from January 1943 through February 1944. He was then transferred to the 42nd Station Hospital on Amchitka and served primarily as Mess Officer. He was discharged from the service in December 1945. Gore worked as a professional musician in Florida after the war. He died in St. Petersburg, Florida, in 1995.

The collection consists of 258 letters from Gore to his relatives written during his tours of duty in World War II, as well as five photographs and four pieces of ephemera pertaining to his service.

Keywords: Military medicine, World War, 1939–1945, United States. Army Medical Corps, 179th Station Hospital (U.S.), Adak (Alaska), Hospitalization, Influenza, Medical detachments, 42nd Station Hospital (U.S.), Hospital administration

## **Sara Elaine Atwood Collection, B2014.037**

The collection consists of 76 film negatives, measuring approximately 16" x 12," of 75 historic front pages of the Anchorage Times published between 1917 and 1985; drafts of a manuscript work of fiction; Atwood’s notes pertaining to Marilyn Atwood Coles and Marvin Coles; and ephemera. Of note is a letter sent by Evangeline Atwood to Elaine and Marilyn after the 1964 Alaska Earthquake.

B2: Monday January 13, 1936. “Quarantine placed on city to stamp out scarlet fever.”

Keywords: Scarlet fever, Quarantine, Scarlatina, Streptococcus pyogenes

## **Russian Far East Task Force of the United Methodist and Moravian Churches Record, B2015.006**

Contains photographs, negatives, records, journals, correspondence, original art, and audiovisual materials. Arranged by provenance into two series: 1. Campbell records. 2.

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Mendenhall records. Mendenhall records arranged by format and date. Folder labeling retained when available. Original arrangement of Campbell records maintained.

Keywords: Humanitarian Aid, Nutrition, Methodist Church—Missions—Alaska, Moravian Church—Missions—Alaska

### **Dora Keen Collection, B2015.008**

Dora Keen was born June 24, 1871, in Philadelphia, a daughter of the surgeon William Williams Keen. She was educated at Bryn Mawr College, graduating in 1896. Her interest in mountaineering began during a trip to the Alps in 1909-1910. She traveled to Alaska in 1911 and shortly after arriving developed her plan to summit Mount Blackburn. After summiting Mt. Blackburn, she traveled across the interior to the Yukon River, becoming the first woman to cross the Skolai Pass. In 1914, she was part of a scientific expedition to Harriman Fjord and College Fjord, in Prince William Sound, and made the first explorations of the Harvard Glacier. Includes photographs of hospitals, army camps, and a typhoid quarantine.

.766 – 342.3, .1108, .1064

Keywords: Typhoid fever, Epidemics, Hospitals

### **Austin E. Kiser Scrapbook, B2015.018**

The collection consists of one scrapbook measuring 12" x 10" containing pressed plants, Vmail, poetry, postcards, photographs, and other ephemera created or collected by Austin Kiser during his service on Adak from 1943-1945.

p. 35 (Certificate. Medical examination, Austin E. Kiser)

Keywords: Military medicine, Medical certificates

### **Rhoda Edwards Collection, B2015.019**

Rhoda Edwards worked as a nurse in the Alaska Native Health Service from 1978-1980. She worked in the rural areas of Tanana and Dillingham. She died in 2015. The collection consists of 98 color 35mm slides, 28 color prints, and one diary, all created by Rhoda Edwards during her nursing service in Tanana and Dillingham in 1978-1980.

Keywords: Public health, United States Public Health Service, Nurses, Rural health services, Infectious diseases, Hospitals, Injuries, Rhoda Edwards (nurse)

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## **Valdez Drug Co. Glass Lantern Slides, B2015.032**

The Valdez Drug Co. was incorporated in 1911 and operated until at least 1967. The collection consists of seven glass lantern slides (6 black-and-white, 1 color) advertising Valdez Drug Co. products and services.

Keywords: Pharmacy, Patent medicines, Drugs, Pharmaceutical advertising

## **Fran Durner Collection, B2016.004**

Award-winning photojournalist Fran Durner came to Alaska in 1973. She worked for the Anchorage Times from 1976-1979 and the Anchorage Daily News from 1979-2010. She did freelance work for numerous publications including Life, National Geographic, Time and Der Spiegel.

.57.16-20, .57.21-25, .57.26-30, .102.1-67, .103.1-106, .137.1-12, .850, .975-.981, .1007, .1051, .1052, .1056, .1056-.1061

Keywords: Hospitals, Physicians, Bethel (Alaska), Veterinary medicine, Veterinarians, Emergency medicine, United States. Coast Guard, Surgeons, Flight surgeons, United States. Public Health Service

## **William P. Freeborn Collection, B2016.007**

William P. Freeborn (1918-1999) was educated at the University of Pennsylvania. Nothing else was known about him at the time of processing. Of note on the Arctic trip, Freeborn took a multiday boat trip down the Mackenzie River from Inuvik to Reindeer Station on the Arctic Ocean, documenting fish camps, scenery, and life along the river (.1038-1090). The people of the town of Kittigazuit were completely decimated in the 1918 Flu Pandemic.

.1035, .1036, .1071, .1072

Keywords: Influenza, Hospitals, Kittigazuit (Alaska), Influenza pandemic, 1918–1919

## **Leonard and Geraldine Thomas Photographs, B2017.007**

Leonard G. Thomas was working for J.B. Warrack Company on construction of the north tower of the Anchorage Westward Hotel at the time of the 1964 Good Friday Earthquake. An executive with the Alaska General Contractors Association, Thomas was tapped to lead AGCA and union workers in recovery and cleanup efforts. Leonard and his wife Geraldine were both amateur

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photographers. The images primarily depict the aftermath of the 1964 Alaska Earthquake in Anchorage and Seward.

.22a., 54a, .98a, .198

Keywords: Alaska Native Health Center, Earthquakes, Alaska earthquake, 1964, Public health, Anchorage (Alaska), Seward (Alaska)

## **Charles Gullledge Album, B2017.015**

Charles Graham Gullledge (1919-1995) was a resident of Morven, North Carolina. He served with the United States Army in Anchorage from 1943 to 1945.

The collection consists of one album, measuring 11.5" x 15.5," containing 168 black-and-white images and 8 color photomechanical postcards, most depicting life at Fort Richardson and in Anchorage. There are also five loose photographs, one loose color postcard, and ephemera collected during Gullledge's tour of service.

Photos: .3, .5, .6, .13, .39-.42, .139, .140, .144

Ephemera: Immunization register and other medical data. For Charles G. Gullledge

Keywords: Immunization, Inoculation, Medical records, Military medicine, Providence Hospital (Anchorage, Alaska), Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Elanor Marie Johnston Collection, B2017.019**

The collection consists of 2332 images in transparency and print formats, as well as ephemera and a manuscript diary of a trip from Anchorage to Circle to Whitehorse to Skagway and back again in 1945. Two photo albums contain 685 of the prints.

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Keywords: Inoculation, Vaccination, Military medicine

## **Amos Joe Alter Slides, B2017.028**

Amos Joe Alter (1916-2000) was a civil engineer who specialized in issues of water supply, waste disposal, environmental conservation, and pollution control. He arrived in Alaska in 1944, and worked with various federal, territorial, and state agencies for over 35 years. He wrote numerous articles and monographs and served in many local and national professional associations.

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The collection consists of 180 color 35mm slides created by Alter. Most of the images document a water pollution survey of the greater Anchorage area that was conducted in 1961.1.

Keywords: Sanitation, Pollution, Waste disposal, Water supply, Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Romig Family Certificates, B2017.031**

Joseph H. Romig (1872-1951) was a Moravian missionary and physician. He also served as a U.S. Commissioner, school superintendent, Alaska Railroad physician, and mayor of Anchorage. Joseph's son Robert H. Romig was born in Bethel in 1897 and died in 1962. His son Dr. Howard Romig was born at Seward in 1911 and died in 1987.

Certificate, Territory of Alaska. Appointing Howard Romig to Territorial Board of Health.  
Signed by Waino Hendrickson, dated March 15, 1957.

Keywords: Territorial Board of Health, Public Health, Joseph Romig

## **Ron Pavellas Collection, B2018.004**

The Anchorage Presbyterian Hospital opened in 1963 on 8th Avenue and L Street in downtown. In 1968, the name was changed to Anchorage Community Hospital. In 1976, the hospital was sold to the Teamsters, renamed Alaska Hospital and Medical Center, and moved to DeBarr Road. Ongoing financial difficulties led to the sale of the hospital to Humana in 1982. Ron Pavellas was born in 1937. He came to Alaska from California in 1979 to serve as administrator for the Alaska Hospital and Medical Center. The collection consists of 27 black-and-white photographs and news clippings collected by Ron Pavellas during his time as an administrator of Alaska Hospital and Medical Center.

Keywords: Hospitals, Medical centers, Humana Hospital, Anchorage Presbyterian Hospital

## **Addison H. Laflin, Jr., Photographs, B2018.007**

Addison H. Laflin, Jr. (born 1911) served with the United States Army in Alaska during World War II. He was apparently stationed at the Army camp in Nenana.1 After the war, he returned to California and served as secretary of the Bay Area Electric Railroad Association for several decades in the 1950s, 1960s, and 1970s. Nothing else was known about him at the time of processing.

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Keywords: Alaska Railroad Hospital (Anchorage, Alaska)

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## **Eklutna and Anvik Collection, B2019.003**

A collection of photographs documenting two Alaska towns: Anvik and Eklutna, possibly compiled by a female missionary for the Christ Church Mission in Anvik. [Cataloger's note: the photographer is likely one of the two women shown in the photos on Sheet 6, "Scenes from Cook's Inlet.

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Keywords: Missions, Hospitals, Residential schools, Eklutna (Alaska), Anvik (Alaska), United States. Bureau of Education. Medical Service, Public health, Rural health services

## **Alice Puster Collection, B2019.017**

Alice Jean Puster (1927-2011) was born to Otto and Loretta Puster in Pomona, California. As a young woman, Puster and her sister Florine traveled through 33 states, where she photographed the entire trip. In 1962, she moved to Anchorage, Alaska, with Martha Brewer and got a job as a photographer for The Anchorage Times.

Folder 7, Folder 9, Folder 31, Folder 175, Folder 264

Keywords: Hospitals, Gunshot wounds, Nurses, Typhoid fever, Alaska Native Medical Center, Providence Hospital (Anchorage, Alaska), Vaccination

## **Mayfield Evans Collection, B2022.001**

Mayfield Evans was born on November 17, 1935, in Greensboro, Alabama to Murphey and Alice Evans. After graduating from Hale County Training School in 1955, Evans enlisted in the U.S. Air Force, where he served as a chef. Evans retired from the U.S. Air Force in 1983, with the rank of senior master sergeant. From 1998 to 2015, Evans served as the executive director of MQC Enterprises, Inc. Evans was named outstanding volunteer in philanthropy by the Alaska Chapter of the National Society of Fund-Raising Executives in 1996. He also served on the Alaska Veteran's Advisory Council, the Alaska Workforce Investment Board, the advisory commission for the Anchorage Police Department, and the Mountain View Task Force. He was vice president of the NAACP Anchorage chapter and served as a member of Alaskan Governor Tony Knowles' transition team as well as Alaskan Governor Frank Murkowski's transition team. Evans was a member of the Committee on Employment and Rehabilitation of People with Disabilities from 2003 to 2008. For his service in the military, he received the Air Force Commendation Medal, the National Defense Service Medal with three bronze oak leaf clusters, and the meritorious service medal.

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Keywords: Disabled persons, Rehabilitation, Anchorage Neighborhood Health Center, Military medicine, Public health

## **Anchorage Spotlight Slides, 1973, B2022.007**

Collection contains 116 PanaVue 35mm slides for Spotlight Anchorage presentation with accompanying Instruction Sheet and annotated Script. Presentation developed by the Anchorage Chamber of Commerce in 1973.

.24 – 43 Health & Welfare – Community Hospital .25 – 45 Health & Welfare – Cobalt Machine, .26 – 47 Health & Welfare – API / McLaughlin, .27 – 48 Health & Welfare – Neighborhood Centers, .28 – 49 Health & Welfare – Montage

Keywords: Hospitals, Medicine, Health, Public health, Clinics, Anchorage (Alaska)

## **Hugh R. Brown, III Collection, B2023.010**

Hugh R. Brown, III was born in Los Angeles, California in 1962 and moved to Anchorage in 1974. He has worked in banking, housing, education, and healthcare. In the early 1990s, Brown became passionate about HIV and AIDS education; he continues to help educate community members about HIV-AIDS prevention. He was a candidate for the Alaska House of Representatives in 2012. Brown plays drums, and enjoys interior design, graphic arts, and photography. This collection consists of photographs, papers, and ephemera documenting the life and experiences of Hugh R. Brown, III, a community activist and HIV-AIDS prevention educator.

Keywords: HIV (Disease), AIDS (Disease), Community organization, HIV infections—Prevention, Public Health

## **James T. Wilson Collection, B2024.003**

William Arthur "Art" Gibson, Jr., was born June 11, 1936, in Topeka, Kansas, to William A. Gibson, Sr. and Lillian Japhet Gibson. After graduating from Topeka High School in 1954, Gibson joined the Army and was stationed in Alaska where he served as a photographer.

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Keywords: Military medicine, United States Army

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