

Alaska Historical Collections

U.S. Alaska Road Commission U.S. Alaska Road Commission Photograph Collection, ca. 1909-1951

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Historical Note

This collection of 140 volumes of photographs -- one volume of 100, 35 mm slides, and one volume of lantern slides -- records the construction of roads, trails and bridges in Alaska from approximately 1909-1951. These activities were under the direction of the board of the U.S. Alaska Road Commission that was established in 1905 by the U.S. War Department.

Scope and Contents Note

The inventory lists locations and general subject areas contained in each volume but individual photographs are only described for Vol. 139.

One set of lantern slides (Vol. 107B) depicts the construction of the Alaska Highway.

100, 35mm color slides (Vol. 40) depict the opening of Haines Highway and miscellaneous highway scenes from Circle to Homer. A list of individual slides may be found in the metal container.

A selection of fifteen albums has been placed on microfiche: Albums 1-14 and Album 104.

Inventory

<i>Box:</i>	<i>Description:</i>
1	Kuskokwim and Southeastern Alaska, 1924-1939. 590 photographs
2	McKinley Park, 1924-1932. 412 photographs
3	Chitina 1915-1939. 378 photographs
4	Chitina District (Kotsina bridge and trail, Katalla, Nizina, McCarthy, Gulkana, etc.) 1914-1935. 388 photographs
5	Valdez - 1914-1939. 495 photographs.
6	Nome - 1912-1941. 486 photographs
7	Nome- 1915-1941. 430 photographs
8	Nome and Miscellaneous - 1918-1941. 326 photographs
9	Anchorage - 1913-1938. 539 photographs
10	Anchorage - 1921-1940. 531 photographs
11	Anchorage - 1921-1941. 333 photographs
12	Fairbanks, Richardson Highway, Steese Highway. 1905-1940. 511 photographs
13	Fairbanks and Miscellaneous - 1917-1939. 437 photographs
14	Miscellaneous - 1909-1932. 296 photographs
15	Alaska Highway, Richardson, Big Delta to Fairbanks. FAP. 1941-1956. 190 photographs
	Camps and depots - 1943-1956. 183 photographs
17	Nome and Seward Peninsula. 62 photographs
18	Denali Highway and McKinley Park. 211 photographs
19	Denali Highway and McKinley Park. 14 photographs
20	Richardson Highway, 1930-1932. 188 photographs

21. Richardson Highway, 1933-1947. 209 photographs
22. Glenn Highway, Southwest District, 1940-1947. 207 photographs
23. Glenn Highway - 1955-1959, and Tok Cutoff, 1943-1951. 113 photographs
24. Southeast Alaska. 42 photographs
25. Copper River Highway, Edgerton Cutoff and Cordova. 114 photographs
26. Haines Highway. 202 photographs
27. Richardson Highway - 1950. 146 photographs
28. Willow-Talkeetna, and Summit Route. 36 photographs
29. Sterling Highway, Seward, Anchorage and Kenai Peninsula. 207 photographs.
30. Isolated areas, including Kodiak, Ruby, McGrath, Nulato, Dillingham, Naknek, Takotna, Bethel, Iliamna. 95 photographs
31. FAP 42 Glenn Highway, FAP 46, Tok Cutoff. 14 photographs
32. FAP 71 Richardson Highway. 55 photographs
33. FAP 62 Alaska Highway and Fairbanks Division. 51 photographs
34. FAP 95 and Juneau Div. 7 photographs
35. FAP 52 Denali Highway, Inc. McKinley Park. 33 photographs
36. FAP 21 Sterling Highway FAP 31. Seward, Anchorage Highway. 26 photographs
37. Hydaburg Highway 20-IS Hydaburg Village Road 20-A. 24 photographs
38. Douglas Highway. 119 photographs
39. Petersburg - Scow Bay reconstruction #481 - Scow Bay - cannery section. #3406. 89 photographs
40. Mitkof Highway. 174 photographs
41. White Pass Highway. 190 photographs

42. Kake Highway #3472 Kake Cannery Section. 79 photographs
43. Bridge surveys, D-11 (George M. Williams.) 37 photographs
44. Texas Creek Highway. 72 photographs
45. Endicott River. 23 photographs
46. Portage Road. 5 photographs
47. Ferragut River. 28 photographs
48. Tongass Highway, S miles 1-4. 157 photographs
49. Tongass Highway, S miles 5-9. 93 photographs
50. Tongass Highway, N. miles 1-9. 142 photographs
51. Tongass Highway, N. miles 10-16. 86 photographs
52. Patterson Bay - Sister Lake. 11 photographs
53. Mill Creek Highway. 17 photographs
54. Eyak Lake Highway. 189 photographs
55. North Aron-Lisianski In. 24 photographs
56. Blind River Trail. 20 photographs
57. Gartina Highway. 40 photographs
58. Tracadero Road. 3 photographs
59. Wrangell Highway. 205 photographs
60. El Nido Road. 7 photographs
61. Tenakee Inlet - Idaho In. 13 photographs
62. Seldovia. 26 photographs
63. Palmer Creek Highway. 56 photographs
64. Crow Creek Highway. 112 photographs

65. Seward Highway. miles 1-5. 200 photographs
66. Seward Highway. miles 6-12. 114 photographs
67. Seward Highway. miles 13-20. 214 photographs
68. Seward Highway. miles 21-30. 164 photographs
69. Seward Highway. miles 31-50. 175 photographs
70. Seward Highway. miles 51-60. 171 photographs
71. Seward Highway. miles 61-75. 138 photographs
72. Seward Highway Spurs. 217 photographs
73. Cooper River Highway. 17 photographs
74. Copper River Highway. 34 photographs
75. Katalla Highway. 43 photographs
76. Sitka Highway. 192 photographs
77. McKinley Park. 14 photographs
78. Johnson Pass Highway. 6 photographs
79. Chickamin River. 104 photographs
80. Afognak Lake. 58 photographs
81. Report of survey and proposed construction sec, C, D & E Turnagain Arm Road. 7 photographs and 4 maps.
82. Glacier Highway, Miles 19-28+. 140 photographs
83. Glacier Highway, Loop Road. 125 photographs
84. Glacier Highway, Thane Road. 106 photographs
85. Glacier Highway, Spurs. 170 photographs
86. Point Agassiz Highway. 39 photographs

87. [Along Alaska Railroad, September, 1942.] 37 photographs
88. Petersburg Creek Highway. 29 photographs
89. Stedman Street Bridge DA-NR-2. 40 photographs
90. Stedman Street Survey DA-NR-3. 6 photographs
91. Kelsall Canyon Route, Present Haines Highway, Copper River Highway, Seward-Anchorage A2, B3 Richardson Highway. Section H Alaska Freightlines Terminal 1. 40 photographs
92. II. C. 45 photographs
93. III. 40 photographs
94. Monthly reports. 199 photographs
95. General, Juneau, Sitka, Haines, and Cordova. 93 photographs
96. Pictures taken 9/52 on an inspection trip with Mr. Archibald. 33 photographs
97. Kodiak. 22 photographs
98. Construction Juneau area routes 2 and 31. 50 photographs
99. Glacier Highway. 48 photographs
100. Views of Alaska construction and miscellaneous scenes. (Alaska Road Commission.) 26 photographs
101. Interior. 28 photographs
102. Turnagain Arm. 239 photographs
103. Report of survey and proposed construction on sections F-1 and F-2 of the Turnagain Arm Road (Seward-Anchorage) By: R.V. Killewich, Highway Engineer. 13 photographs and 3 maps
104. Nome, Alaska views showing gold dredges, mining operation of Paul Mathis? Also shows storm of 1913 and damages to Nome with photos by Lomen Bros. and Arctic Studio. 68 photographs

105. Photographs of various Alaska scenics and highways, 1949-1951. 294 photographs
Contents include:
- Part I Alaska Highway
 - Part II Glenn Highway
 - Part III Haines Cutoff
 - Part IV Richardson Highway
 - Part V 40-mile Dawson Road
 - Part VI Copper River Highway
 - Part VII Wards Cove Pulp Mill
 - Part VIII Route 2 Glacier
 - Part IX Route 3 Seward-Anchorage
 - Part X Route 4 Cordova
 - Part XI Route 5 Kenai River
 - Part XII Mitkof
 - Part XIII Salmon River Highway
 - Part XIV Route 11 Sitka
 - Part XV Crow Creek Highway
 - Part XVI Palmer Creek Highway
 - Part XVII Hope Highway
 - Part XVIII Wrangell
 - Part XIX Texas Creek
 - Part XX Afognak lake
 - Part XXI Douglas
 - Part XXII Cordova
 - Part XXIII Resurrection Bay
 - Part XXIV Nash Road
 - Part XXV Route 34 Seward
 - Part XXVI Miscellaneous
106. Fairbanks Division Highways. FAP 37, FAP 61, FAS 670, FAS 680, FAS 671, FAS 750. 159 photographs.
107. Series A - 22 lantern slides: maps of Alaska, road and bridge construction, bridges, telegraph stations, dogs, reindeer.
- Series B - 78 lantern slides, contents: "Scenic Attractions of the Alaska Highway"; a selection of pictures taken in 1942-1943 by Gail Pinkstaff, photographer, Public Works Administration.
108. South Central and Southeast Alaska, 946 photographs.
109. Juneau--Maintenance Area: Routes 2 & 31. 11 Photographs.

- 110 Juneau--Glacier Highway--Report of Survey and Proposed Construction on Sections B and L Glacier Highway Alaska Forest Highway in Tongass National Forest. 25 Photographs.
- 111 Juneau-Thane Section--Routes 2 & 31. 28 Photographs.
- 112 Juneau-Douglas Bridge Re-wiring. Project 31--Maintenance. 3 Photographs.
- 113 Juneau Equipment Depot, Seward Highway, Cordova Highway, Wrangell, Sitka Highway, Hyder, Moose Pass Highway, Equipment and buildings. 234 Photographs.
- 114 Juneau--Glacier Highway Miles 12-18. 169 Photographs.
- 115 Haines Cut-off Highway Mile 38-55. 10 Photographs.
- 116 Hyder Dock; Salmon River Highway. 166 Photographs.
- 117 Hyder Area--Maintenance Routes 9 & 18. 28 Photographs.
- 118 Ketchikan Construction Area Route 1. 90 Photographs.
- 119 Tongass Highway Project I-D6, E4. 47 Photographs.
- 120 Tongass Highway Project 1-B7, G3. 65 Photographs.
- 121 Ketchikan Beaver Creek Falls (Southern terminus) and Loring (Northern terminus) North Tongass Highway. U.S. Dept. of Commerce Bureau of Public Roads Division 10. Report of survey and proposed construction of Sections G, I, J, Alaska Forest Highway. 6 Photographs.
- 122 Ketchikan--Route 1 Surveys Sections E & H. 13 Photographs.
- 123 Petersburg--Construction Area Routes 7 & 26. 4 Photographs.
- 124 Sitka--Survey Route 11--Indian Creek Foundation Tests. 7 Photographs.
- 125 Wrangell--Route 16--Point Agassiz. 8 Photographs.
- 126 Wrangell--Route 16; Project 16-A3, B2, C3, D2. 18 Photographs.
- 127 Yakutat Highway; including Yakutat Cannery. 33 Photographs.
- 128 Copper River Highway, Thane--Glacier Highway. 43 Photographs.

- 129 Cordova--Routes 4 & 32; Airport Snow Removal Feb. and March 1951; Copper River Flood, 1954. 103 Photographs.
- 130 Cordova--Routes 4--&32. 22 Photographs.
- 131 Snow Plows--Equipment Maintenance. 15 Photographs.
- 132 Alaska Highway--Section B. 35 Photographs.
- 133 Whittier--Portage. 6 Photographs.
- 134 Anchorage-Seward Area, Route 3. 5 Photographs.
- 135 Seward-Anchorage Area, Route 3. 5 Photographs.
- 136 Point Agassiz Highway, Route 26. Inspection Report. 6 Photographs.
- 137 Kenai River Highway. 10 Photographs.
- 138 Alaska Road Commission personal, individual and group portraits. ca. 1950-1959. 35 photographs.
- 139 ***The numbers marked with an X are oversize Photographs and are in the oversize drawer.***
- 139-1 Glen E. Edgerton, Engineer officer, Alaska Road Commission, 1911-1915 [full face, head and shoulders portrait].
- 139-2 Major Layson E. Atkins. Engineer officer, Alaska Road Commission, 1930-1932 [full face, head and shoulders portrait].
- 139-3X Ike P. Taylor, Chief Engineer, Alaska Road Commission, 1932-1950 [full face, head and shoulders portrait].
- 139-4X Wilds P. Richardson, President, Alaska Road Commission, 1905-1917 [full face, head and shoulders portrait].
- 139-5X James G. Steese, President, Alaska Road Commission, 1920-1927 [left profile, 112 length portrait].
- 139-6X Malcolm Elliott, President, Alaska Road Commission, 1927-1932 [full face, head and shoulders portrait].
- 139-7X John R. Noyes. Commissioner of Roads for Alaska, 1948-1951 [full face, head and shoulders portrait].

139-8X Angelo F. Ghiglione, Commissioner of Roads for Alaska, 1951-Sept. 26, 1956
[full face, head and shoulders portrait].

140. Haines Highway and miscellaneous highway scenes. Includes: Steese Highway, Glenn Highway, Taylor Highway, Haines Cutoff, Tok Cutoff, Anchor River Bridge, ice-fencing, others. 100, 35mm slides, inventory in container. Includes aerial photographs of Turnagain Arm --Rainbow Station, Falls Creek, Indian, Seward Highway, and the Alaska Railroad.

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