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TITLE: Gonda Winkler Collection

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OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: circa 1905-1935

Extent: 1 folder

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): A.L. Bell, B.B. Dobbs, Case and Draper Photo Studio, O.D. Goetze, Edward H. Mitchell, F.H. Nowell, Portland Post Card Co., The Puget Sound News Company, Purity Pharmacy, Alfred G. Simmer, J.E. Thwaites, Winter & Pond

Administrative/Biographical History:
Nothing was known about the creator of this collection at the time of donation.

Scope and Content Description:
Collection consists of primarily black and white photographic prints, along with a few cyanotypes and tinted postcards. Images depict Indigenous people, landscapes, steamships, and towns in Southeast Alaska, Southwest and Western Alaska.

Arrangement: Not applicable.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Gifted by Gonda Winkler via San Luis Obispo County Historical Society in 1992.

Processing Notes
Eighty-seven images originally accessioned, and six added later after found in 2011.

Notes
Collection contains outdated sentiments and language. The following items have been masked for sensitive and/or restricted content: .28-31

RELATED MATERIALS
Fred Henton Collection, B1965.018
Orcutt W. Frost Postcard Collection, B2000.024

SUBJECTS
Boats and Boating
Churches
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Douglas Island (Alaska)
Elephant Rock (Alaska)
Fish and Fishing
Gold Mines and Mining
Hunting
Indigenous people
Juneau / Dzánti K'ihéeni (Alaska)
Kaltag (Alaska)
Kasaan (Alaska)
Muir Glacier (Alaska)
Nome / Sitŋasuaq (Alaska)
Prince William Sound (Alaska)
Railroads
Reindeer

Seward Peninsula (Alaska)
Sinrock Mary
Sitka / Sheet'ká (Alaska)
Taku Glacier (Alaska)
Teller / Tala (Alaska)
Transportation
Treadwell Mine (Alaska)
Umiaks
Unalaska / Iluuluxˆ (Alaska)
Unga Island / Uĝnaasaqaxˆ (Alaska)
Wales / Kiŋigin (Alaska)

Detailed Description of the Collection

Folder 1

.01 – [Indigenous people - Alaska] [Two adults in parkas with children and loaded dog sled]
.02 – [Indigenous people -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula] [Six individuals standing in front of a fish drying rack]
.03 – Kow Kow Amalouk Tuk [Indigenous people -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula. Fishing in Ocean] [Person in parka ice fishing]
.04 – [Indigenous people -- Alaska. Dryed fish + Pole cache] [Fish racks and raised storage platforms]
.05 – Reindeer [Indigenous person with reindeer harnessed to sled] [At AFN 2024, location identified as "up north."]
.06 – 399 [Reindeer] [People on skis alongside reindeer and loaded sleds. See also B1992.019.7]
.07 – Me, [Reindeer] [People on skis alongside reindeer and loaded sleds. See also B1992.019.6]
.08 – 395 [Transportation -- Reindeers + sleds] [Several reindeer with loaded sleds]
.09 – [Transportation -- Reindeer] [Two reindeer tied to a sled]
.10 – [Unalaska, Alaska. Before 1913. Greek Church -- Sitka] [Church of the Holy Ascension interior, located in Unalaska, incorrectly attributed to Sitka] [Unangaxˆ territory, Iluuluxˆ (Unalaska)]
.11 – [verso:] Sitka, Alaska. Block houses. Built in first days of Russian occupation over 100 years ago] [person standing next to six-sided building. Tlingit territory, Sheet'ká (Sitka)]
.12 – Sitka, Alaska. Native town Sitka. [Waterfront Indigenous community, canoes along shoreline, buildings at right. Tlingit territory, Sheet'ká (Sitka)]
.13 – Juneau, Alaska. 43 [Aug 24 - 05] [Bird's-eye view of downtown Juneau; B.M. Behrends Bank, Merchant Circle City Hotel] [Tlingit territory, Dzánti K'ihéeni (Juneau)]
.14 – [Prince William Sound, Alaska. Knight Inlet - our boat anchored at left] [Scenic bay, Knight Island. Person in right foreground]
.15 – Thwaites. 767. Elephant Rock, Unga, Alaska. [Unangaxˆ territory, Uĝnaasaqaxˆ (Unga)]
.16 – Muir Glacier, Alaska. Copyright by Winter & Pond. No. 13. [Scenic, glacial ice]

.17 – Kaltag, Alaska. Mail dogs going to Juneau on last trip of N.C.Co Steamers 1905. Mouse Point freight in barge. Kaltag Sept 23/05. [Northern Commercial Company at dock, people and dogs on wharf. Koyukon territory, Ggaał Doh (Kaltag)]
.18 – Taku, Alaska. Fishing at Taku. Oct 26, 1911. [Four people holding caught salmon and halibut (or flounder?). Near Juneau, likely Tlingit territory.]
.19 – Nome, Alaska [People shoveling large snow berms outside house. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.20 – Old Kasaan, Alaska [Haida village, totem poles and buildings. Gasa'áan (Kasaan)]
.21 – "11561. Old Deserted Native Village, Kasaan, Alaska." Published by Purity Pharmacy, Juneau, Alaska. [People in Western clothing on shoreline at Gasa'áan (Kasaan), aHaida village. Totem poles and buildings]
.22 – Unalaska, Alaska. [Near Amaknak Island, distant view of boats and buildings. Unangax̂ territory, Iluulux̂ (Unalaska)]
.23 – Unalaska, Alaska. [Same image as B1992.019.22]
.24 – Unalaska, Alaska. [Aerial, Unangax̂ territory, Iluulux̂ (Unalaska)]
.25 – [Unalaska, Alaska. c 1920. 1900 Buildings built for Gold Rush later used during war by military by boats travelled through here en route to Nome. Dutch Harbor, Alaska] [Same as B1992.019.26. Unangax̂ territory, Iluulux̂ (Unalaska)]
.26 – [Unalaska, Alaska. c 1920. 1900 Buildings built for Gold Rush later used during war by military by boats travelled through here on route to Nome. Dutch Harbor, Alaska.] [see B1992.019.25. Unangax̂ territory, Iluulux̂ (Unalaska)]
.27 – [Unalaska, Alaska. River boat on left. This type of boat was built in Dutch Harbor + Unalaska. Two boats on right, freighters. Dutch Harbor, Unalaska.] [Multiple boats at dock, Mount Ballyhoo in background. Unangax̂ territory, Iluulux̂ (Unalaska)]
.28 – [Restricted due to sensitive content]
.29 – [Restricted due to sensitive content]
.30 – [Restricted due to sensitive content]
.31 – [Restricted due to sensitive content]
.32 – Steamer Santa Anna. Taken en route to Skagway. [Steamship, likely Tlingit territory]
.33 – Dog teams hauling freight from "Corwin", Nome, June 2nd, 1907. A.L. Bell Photo. [Dogs pulling loaded sleds, S.S. Corwin in background. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.34 – [Nome, Alaska] [Room interior. Boat leaning against a wall with signs that read "A WARNING TO NOME, Knocking Did It". Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.35 – [Waterfront in winter, Nome] [Winter shoreline, people and buildings at left. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.36 – Dobbs. Nome March 10 08. [verso] It is about the same old story here. - Spring and first boats a long time coming. Regards. [Portrait of an Indigenous woman wearing a hooded fur parka. postmarked March 17 11AM 1908. Inupiaq territory, Sitnasuaq (Nome)] [At AFN 2024 or prior, individual identified as Annie Curtis Scott Kenworthy from Kotzebue.]
.37 – Copyright 1903 by B.B. Dobbs. 143. [verso: Indigenous] belles. Nome Alaska. Parkas and mukluks of reindeer skins. [Four people standing near boats. Inupiaq territory, Sitnasuaq (Nome)] [Similar to B1989.016.2187.4. At AFN 2024, individual second from left was identified as Nora Ootenna Wadluk from Wales.]

.38 – Cong[regational] - Church, Nome, Alaska. [Church interior. Inupiaq territory, Sitnasuaq (Nome)]
.39 – 12197. Treadwell Mine. 300 Stamp Mill, Battery Floor. Published by Purity Pharmacy, Juneau, Alaska. [Mill interior, machinery and equipment. Tlingit territory]
.40 – "More than one way to prospect in Nome, Alaska." [Five children examining each other's hair and scalp. Inupiaq territory, Sitnasuaq (Nome)]
.41 – "Elk's parade going West on Front St Nome Alaska." [Postmarked Mar 10, 10AM 1909: "Dear friends, It is the same old Nome and the same old winter season. My sister & [?] boy remained in. All OK."] [Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.42 – Street Scene in Nome, Alaska. "Does this remind you of old times?" [Postmarked Oct 24, 1914] [Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.43 – 11563. Douglas, Alaska. Published by Purity Pharmacy, Juneau, Alaska. [Bird's-eye view over Douglas Island across the Gastineau Channel toward downtown Juneau] [Tlingit territory, Dzánti K'ihéeni (Juneau)]
.44 – [Indigenous people] -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula [Two adults and three children with sled] [At AFN 2025, location identified as possibly White Mountain based on the trees.]
.45 – [Indigenous people] -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula [Tents and wooden structures including platforms]
.46 – [Indigenous people] -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula [Tents and wooden structures, three people at midground]
.47 – [Indigenous people] -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula [People at camp near shoreline, tents and kayaks (?) nearby]
.48 – Teller, Alaska. Where Amundsen airship landed. [Distant view of shoreline buildings and beached boats. See also B1992.019.49]
.49 – Mission at Teller Alaska. And reindeer station. [Distant view of shoreline buildings and beached boats. See also B1992.019.48]
.50 – Solid comfort on this "Yucatan." Nov. 2 -1911. [People playing card game on the desk of the S.S. Yucatan]
.51 – [Gold mines and mining -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula.] [Tailings and buildings on a snowy landscape]
.52 – Seal Hunters Returning. Bags on their backs are seal skins. [Five people walking single file, snowshoes and spears strapped on their backs]
.53 – Nome, Alaska. [Street scene, tents and buildings line dirt road, Pioneer Restaurant Bakery at midground] [Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.54 – Gold mines & mining -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula. [Two miners with rocker boxes, tent and people in background]
.55 – Taken by Moonlight exposure 3 hours. Light on Steeple 1-1/2 Mile distant. [1900-1909. Nome, Alaska.] [Snowy view of community and buildings. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.56 – 368. Moon exposure 3-hour [1900-1909. Nome, Alaska] [Snowy buildings and tents. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.57 – In the ice. S. S. Victoria. [Upper deck of steamship, person climbing rigging]
.58 – [Indigenous people] -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula [Cyanotype, four adults and infant]

.59 – [Indigenous people] -- Alaska. [Three people with a husky dog amongst tents and buildings] [At AFN 2024, individuals identified as possibly Siberian Yupik from the Diomede area.]
.60 – Nome, Alaska. [Waterfront camp, lumber and tools nearby. Boats at distance. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.61 – Wales, Alaska. [Four children outside building, two riding a wooden tricycle. Inupiaq territory, Kiŋigin (Wales)]
.62 – Nome, Alaska. [Loaded barge or freighter, possibly being pulled along a rope system. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.63 – Early Beach Mining [Gold mines & mining -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula. Miners digging at camp, boat at right]
.64 – Nome, Alaska [Group on beach, buildings and tents in background. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.65 – 06 Maona. Simmer 281 [Indigenous woman in seated pose wearing fur parka and mukluks] [At AFN 2024, individual identified as being from “up north” - possibly Inupiaq. It was noted they are wearing a "sunshine ruff" parka. The parka was identified as being a Kawerak, Bering Straits style parka.]
.66 – Nome, Alaska [Old St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.67 – Council Solomon River Railroad [Group standing on railroad tracks, locomotive at left. Railroad operated between 1903-1907]
.68 – Two tusks found near Deering Alaska in the Candle District [Group posed with tusks. Likely Inupiaq territory, Ipnatchiaq (Deering)]
.69 – Gold Mines & Mining – Alaska – Seward Peninsula. Winter scene. [Description from catalog cards, item missing]
.70 – [Indigenous people] -- Alaska -- Seward Peninsula [Adults and children near structure covered in animal skins]
.71 – Nome, Alaska. Unloading freight. [Cargo suspended over water near beachline. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.72 – Nome, Alaska. [People on busy shoreline, tents and supplies. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.73 – Nome, Alaska. Umiaks. [Indigenous group paddling boat near shoreline, community in background. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.74 – British Columbia. Taken on return trip to Skagway from Lake Bennet. [Building exterior]
.75 – Rev. Cutter "Bear" [Sailing ship U.S.S. Revenue Cutter Bear]
.76 – R.M. Hawley. "Bear" Rev. Cutter [Person holding camera, hill at distance]
.77 – [Dredge on Nome beach, tents and supplies at distance. Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.78 – Frack dredge on Beach. [Inupiaq territory, Sitŋasuaq (Nome)]
.79 – Sailing ships (Bear?) [People on deck, possibly the U.S.S. Revenue Cutter Bear]
.80 – Dawson from across the river. Aug 29-05. [Dawson City, Yukon Territory]
.81 – [Horses pulling loaded sled, followed two people with harnessed reindeer]
.82 – East Cape Siberia. Most Easternly point of mainland in Asia. - Dobbs [View of cliffs from water]

.83 – "Chamaso Island, island in Kotzebue Sound, standing by a pile of stone used as marker by Russians in surveying the coast etc on their first trip in the waters. Date unknown, but in the 1700's I think." [Foggy view of person on rocky hill on Chamisso Island]
.84 – "Sinrock Mary" The Reindeer Queen owns over 500 Reindeer worth $100, to $125. [Crowd gathered around Mary and child in fur parkas]
.85 – General View of St. Michels, Alaska. [Tinted postcard, bay of St. Michael's Alaska]
.86 – On the Trail to Unalaska, Alaska. [Tinted postcard, scenic, sheep in foreground. Unangax̂ territory, Iluulux̂ (Unalaska)]
.87 – 1415 - Taku Glacier, Taku Inlet, Alaska. Copyright 1907 by Case & Draper. [Tinted postcard, scenic of ship near Juneau. Tlingit territory]
.88 – Fourth Ave. Anchorage, Alaska. WLB 101. [Street scene. Dena'ina territory, Dgheyaytnu (Anchorage)]
.89 – [on back:] 11.24.1914. "Things are very much as usual. Times hard + money tight is the usual cry." [View of bay community]
.90 – [Aerial view of a few buildings along pipeline on hillside]
.91 – [Person on horseback and people on foot transport a piece of equipment along trail]
.92 – [People on shoreline with kayak, community in background]
.93 – [Group photo outside log cabin, many in parkas] [At AFN 2024, location suggested as possibly near Yukon area based on the log cabin and the individuals suggested to be miners.]

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