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Bryant, C. A. (Charles A.), 1862-1945

Papers of C.A. "Bert" Bryant, 1937-1945

MS 4-5-1/2

Correspondence with C.L. Andrews, 1939-1945
51 items

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SCOPE NOTE

This file is composed of Xerox copies of original letters in the C.L. Andrews Collection at Sheldon Jackson College. A manuscript journal titled Another Man's Life, by C.A. Bryant is MS 4 Box 5 #1 in the Alaska Historical Library.

These letters include the reminiscences and views of two friends who were also long-time Alaskans. Most of the letters are handwritten by Bryant with some typescript copies of Andrews letters to Bryant.

Letters

1. 1939 Oct. 22. Ninilchic, Alaska to Andrews, 5L (Work of Alaska Guide Association and pack horses, advantages of agricultural and stock raising in Alaska, and various racial and religious biases.)

2. 1939 Dec. 12. Ninilchik, Alaska to Andrews, 4L (Descriptions of Seldovia and Ninilchik)
3. 1940 Jan. 21. Eugene, Oregon to Bryant, 2L (Biographical information on Andrews in Oregon in 1864, Seattle, farming and in 1892 went to Alaska- Sitka, Skagway, Eagle)
4. 1940 Feb. 23. Ninilchik to Andrews, 6L (Biographical, migrated from New York in 1866 to various locations, Montana, hard work on ranches, political views)
5. 1940 Mar. 28. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, 1L, incomplete. (Andrews tells of taking photos of smallpox, publishing Eskimo in which he presents his views on the reindeer industry)
6. 1940 Apr. 24. Ninilchik to Andrews, 4L (Bryant describes visits to Seldovia, Homer, and Ninilchik describing new developments in the towns, and his remembrances of the past.)
7. 1940 May 19. Eugene, Ore to Bryant, 2L (Andrews gives his opinion of the war in Europe and expresses his feelings or the Russians, Germans, and Japanese in general.)
8. 1940 July 9. "Somewhere on Cook Inlet" to Andrews, 6L (Bryant tells about his fishing experiences and his impressions of the world situation.)
9. 1940 Aug. 11. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, 2L (Andrews tell of his experiences on a visit to Alaska and some discussion on reindeer.)
10. 1940 Nov. 7. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, 2L (Discusses problems with white trappers and hunters involving caribou; personal comments about Hitler; recent Presidential elections; and some biographical material.)
11. 1940 Dec. 11. Anchorage, Ak. to Andrews, 6L (Bryant tells of old friends death; circumstances; and his reminiscence of times spent together. Also comments on road development and reindeer.)
12. 1941 Jan. 14. Anchorage, Ak. to Andrews, 6L (Further comments or death of old friend (Nimrod); reminiscences of autobiographical nature.)
13. 1941 Feb. 7. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, 1L (Andrews mentions his book "The Pioneers, and the Nuggets of Verse They Panned from the Gravels of the Past"; discusses proposed book on Baranof; personal comments on government spending; and biographical information.)
14. 1941 Aug. 15. Anchorage to Andrews, 4L (Comments on new highway connecting with Richardson and problems encountered and description; his planned trip along similar route and involvement with fair at Palmer)
15. 1941 Sep. 7. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, 2L (Andrews comments about his book on Baranof and proposed book on the world situation.)

16. 1940 Oct. 28. Anchorage, Ak to Andrews. 4L (Bryant comments, on proposed cannery at mouth, of Yukon; boom of Anchorage; visit with George Yates; visit to fair at Palmer; and upcoming Presidential election.)
17. 1941 Mar. 6. Anchorage, Ak. to Andrews, 6L (Comments on Fur Rondezvous and general comments about friends)
18. 1941 July 6. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, IL (Comments on Geo. Pilz' revelations about dealings with Joe Juneau, Richard Harris, and Chief Cowee; offered Cowee 100 H.B. Co. blankets to find gold ore in Juneau area.)
19. 1941 Oct. 15. Anchorage, Ak. to Andrews, 4L (Bryant talks about building his cabin and prices; personal comments on war in Europe and problems in U.S.A.; discusses Dr. Romig and his book "Dog Team Doctor".)
20. 1941 Nov. 24. Anchorage, Ak. to Andrews, 6L (Bryant's general observations about the weather; friends Pioneer Thanksgiving Dinner; comments on fire in Seward.)
21. 1942 Jan. 2. Anchorage, Ak. to Andrews, 5L. (Bryant's observations on politics and effect on the present. i.e. Japanese attack on Aleutians; his experiences in Montana and freighting in Flathead Lake country; reminiscences about Clyde Thompson and the whereabouts of old friends.)
22. 1942 Jan. 25. Eugene, Ore to Bryant, 2L (Andrews remembrances of a Japanese visit in 1911; their interest in docks, harbors, etc.; his opinions on the current job situation.)
23. 1942 Mar. 27. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, 1L (Andrews asks about Bryant's "accident"; observations on the International Highway.)
24. 1942 Apr. 17. Anchorage, Ak. to Andrews, 6L (Bryant describes hospital stay and eye problems; comments about old friends; describes his hoped for book "Another Man's Life"; impressions of International Highway.)
25. 1942 May 10. Eugene, Ore. to Bryant, 2L (Expresses opinion on International Highway-Edmonton Route twice as long; opinions on the world situation.)
26. 1942 June 1. Anchorage to Andrews, 6L (Bryant's general comments about his health; recreation, old friends, etc.)
27. 1942 July 22. Anchorage to Andrews, 6L (Bryant's comments about the removal of his eye; discusses old friends; reminisces about days in Montana; new library; attack by the Japanese on Kiska; and Billy Mitchell.)
28. 1942 Sep. 21. Anchorage to Andrews, 6L (Reminisces about the past.)
29. 1942 Dec. 10. Anchorage to Andrews, 6L (Poor copy)

30. 1943 Jan. 6. Anchorage to Andrews, 4L (Bryant comments on his accident, \$7.00 a day for hospital; Gov. Dumonds article on censorship; Charles Ott's death.)
31. 1943 July 1. Eugene, Ore to Bryant, 1L.(Andrews writes about general health; everyday occurrences.)
32. 1943 Mar. 29. Anchorage to Andrews, 4L (Bryant's personal comments on general world situation; reminisces about old friends.)
33. 1943 Apr. 26. Anchorage to Andrews, 2L (Bryant comments about his health and old friends.)
34. 1943 May 17. Anchorage to Andrews, 4L (Bryant's personal comments on world problems, politics, and his general health.)
35. 1943 June 6. Anchorage to Andrews, 4L (Bryant reminisces about trips in Montana and Alaska as well as old-timers; general comments on the Japanese invasion of Attu.)
36. 1943 July 27. Anchorage to Andrews, 4L (Bryant's personal comments on politics; his garden; and various occurrences in Anchorage.)
37. Anchorage to Andrews, 6L (Personal views on politics; general comments about his health and everyday activities.)
38. 1944 Mar. 4. Anchorage to Andrews, 12L (Bryant's story of cattle running away at Eagle-ca. 1899; personal views on politics; reminiscences about friends in Montana and their venture to Klondike gold fields.)
39. 1944 Mar. East of Palmer to Andrews 6L (Bryant comments on day-to-day happenings; politics; old friends.)
40. 1944 Apr. 29. East of Palmer to Andrews 6L (Bryant's views on politics; old friends passing away; Ripley's invitation to NOW York; his days as a tracker.)
41. 1944 May 23. Anchorage to Andrews 6L (Bryant reminisces about friends; comments about the Eskimos; statehood and politics.)
42. 1944 June 6. Anchorage to Andrews 2L (Bryant reminisces about friend, Ben Dowing-ca. 1854-1900; various political comments.)
43. 1944 July 27. Anchorage to Andrews 6L (Personal comments on politics; Indian problems; old friends; price of food; etc.)
44. 1944 Sep. 2. Anchorage to Andrews 4L (Bryant comments on local happenings i.e. hunting, politics, etc.)

45. 1944 Oct. 19 Anchorage to Andrews 6L (Personal opinions on politics; biographic information; memories.)
46. 1944 Nov. 10. Anchorage to Andrews 6L (Bryant's personal opinions on politics; his health i.e. last letter.)
47. 1945 Feb. 1. Anchorage; i.e. - Clifford H. Phillips, Pioneers of Alaska to Andrews (Relating events of Bryant's accidental death- hit and run- on Jan. 5, 1945 and his last remaining hours.)
48. no date Eugene, Ore. to Bryant (Andrew's personal comments to Bryant about their personal life; old friends; Baranof and the shop Phoenix built in reward harbor 1793.)
49. "Bonanza Days at the Flora Dora Tavern" (program- no date)
50. "Presbyterian Church - The Community Church" (program- no date)
51. "Bert" Bryant - History of the Thompson Family of Eagle 1900-1942 Title page.