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Diack, Samuel L., 1903-1977

A Summer in Alaska in 1923

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Samuel L. Diack was twenty and a sophomore at California Institute of Technology when he joined a summer expedition to the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes organized by the National Geographic Society. He later became a physician and lived in Portland, Oregon.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

This diary is Samuel Diack's account of a two-month trip to the Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes, Katmai, Alaska, in July - September, 1923. Traveling by steamer and freighter through the Inside Passage to Katmai, the expedition spent ten days exploring the valley. Diack and his friend Tom then returned to Seward and took the train to Anchorage and then on into the Interior to Mt McKinley and Fairbanks. They returned to the coast via McCarthy and at Cordova caught a steamer back to Seattle and San Francisco.

SUBJECTS

Katmai, Mount (Alaska)
Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes
Alaska--Description and Travel--1896-1959
Diack, Samuel L., 1903 - 1977

INVENTORY

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