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Guide to Collection

Monsen, Helen Troy, 1899-1989

Helen Troy Monsen collection, 1918-1954, 1920-1939

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Biographical Note

Helen Troy Monsen
(1899-1989)

Helen Marian Troy was born in 1899 in Skagway, Alaska. She was the oldest daughter of John Weir Troy and Minerva Lewis Troy, who both came from pioneer Washington families. John Troy came to Alaska in 1897 as a correspondent for a Seattle paper and stayed in Skagway until poor health caused him to return to Washington. John returned with Minerva to Skagway in 1898 and managed a pack train taking supplies over the White Pass. Helen's sister Dorothy Minerva was born in 1901, although it is unclear if she was born in Skagway or in Washington. The Troy family moved back to Seattle, Washington in 1907. In Seattle, John helped organize the Alaska Club and its successor the Arctic Club and founded the *Alaska-Yukon Magazine* that he published for a year. John and Minerva separated in 1909 and divorced in 1911. John moved back to Alaska in 1913 with Helen and Dorothy to be editor of the *Daily Alaska Empire* in Juneau. He purchased the newspaper in 1914. While visiting Seattle in 1916, John Troy married Mrs. Ethel Crocker Forgy, formerly superintendent of schools in Seward and also a licensed embalmer. The couple continued to live in Juneau, where in addition to being the manager and editor of the *Daily Alaska Empire*, John Troy was also Collector of Customs for the District of Alaska from 1919 until 1922.

John and Ethel, both Democrats, were active in politics in the state and in the nation. Both were members of the Democratic National Committee and attended the Democratic National Convention in New York in 1924 as well as other conventions during the 1920s. Because of health problems, Ethel left Alaska in 1920 and lived in Southern California until her death in July 1974.

After Helen graduated from Juneau High School in 1916, she attended the University of Washington where she studied journalism. She met Robert William Bender, also a journalism student, while at the University of Washington. On January 20, 1922 the couple upset family members' plans for a wedding when they eloped in Seattle. Bob Bender worked for Columbia Theaters, Universal Theaters, and Fox Theaters in the northwest and in New York and Ohio. In 1932, Bob and Helen moved back to Juneau to work with John and the *Daily Alaska Empire*. After Franklin D. Roosevelt appointed John Troy Territorial Governor of Alaska in 1933, Bob became the manager and editor of the paper, and Helen acted as the hostess at the Governor's Mansion. In 1937, Bob went south to visit his father, William Lewis Bender, in Tacoma, and to regain his health. On December 26, 1937, Bob Bender passed away in Phoenix.

After Bob's death in 1937, Helen became the manager and editor of the *Daily Alaska Empire*. As editor, Helen was vocal in her support of home rule for Alaskans and disagreed with some who sought statehood. Governor Troy resigned as governor of Alaska in 1939 due to health reasons. Helen married Alf Nikolai Monsen, an experienced Alaskan pilot, on October 11, 1941 in her father's hospital room in Juneau, Alaska. John Weir Troy passed away in Juneau on May 2, 1942 and was buried in Evergreen Cemetery. Alf Monsen continued to live in Juneau and fly for Pan American Airlines while Helen continued as the manager and editor of the *Daily Alaska Empire*. October 26, 1947 while flying from Seattle to Juneau, Alf Monsen's plane crashed into Tamgas Mountain on Annette Island in Southeast Alaska, leaving no survivors. Alf was buried next to John Troy in Evergreen Cemetery.

Helen continued as the manager and editor of the *Daily Alaska Empire* until 1955, when the company was sold to William Prescott Allen. Helen remained in Juneau helping at the *Empire* and working at the attorney general's office until 1966 when she moved to Palm Desert, California. Helen passed away July 4, 1989 in California. She was cremated in California and her remains were buried next to her husband and father in Evergreen Cemetery in Juneau.

Helen Troy Monsen's Family

Names in bold are individuals with items in the collection

Minerva Lewis (1873-1960)—**John Weir Troy (1868-1942)** — **Ethel Crocker Forgy (1887-1974)**
 m. 1892, d. 1911 m. November 27, 1916

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Helen Marian and Dorothy Minerva

Robert William Bender (1896-1937) — **Helen Marian (1899-1989)** — **Alf Nikolai Monsen (1900-1947)**
 m. January 20, 1922 m. October 1, 1941

Harry Morgan — **Dorothy Minerva (1901-1993)** — George Arch Lingo (1901-1976)

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Jack Burton Farleigh — **Joan (1924-2001)** — Tom Moore

SCOPE AND CONTENT

The collection consists of correspondence, newspaper clippings and other articles, images, and memorabilia of Helen Troy Monsen, her father John Weir Troy, her stepmother Ethel Crocker Troy, Helen's husbands Robert William Bender and Alf Nikolai Monsen and her sister Dorothy Troy Lingo. John Troy was Governor of the Territory of Alaska from 1933-1939. Correspondence between family members focuses on family matters, touching only briefly on local or current events. These letters and telegrams give insight to the private lives of the family members both in Juneau, Alaska, in Washington State, and elsewhere in the country. Snapshots taken by members of the family include pictures from Washington, Oregon, and California; bills are primarily from businesses in Juneau. Correspondence between individuals in the collection and others cover such topics as politics and business, specifically newspaper or theater, or formal thank you notes for hospitality. The presence of selected incoming and outgoing correspondence, especially in the case of Governor Troy, adds depth to the topics discussed. The collection will be of interest to researchers interested in Alaska between 1925 and 1940 as well as those specifically interested in Governor John W. Troy, his appointment in 1933, and politics in Alaska between 1930 and 1940. While there are some items relating to the *Daily Alaska Empire*, there are fewer than might be expected. The collection is housed in five boxes and is arranged as follows:

Series 1: Helen Troy Monsen	Box 1
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Timelines

Helen Marian Troy Bender Monsen, 1899-1989

1899, March 22 1907	Born in Skagway Alaska, John Weir Troy & Minerva Lewis Troy Moved to Seattle with family
1913	Moved to Juneau with father
1916 1917-21	Graduates from Juneau High School Attends University of Washington journalism school where she meets Robert Bender
1922, Jan.20	Marries Robert William Bender; live in Seattle working as publicists for Universal Pictures theaters in the area.
1932 1933	Moves back to Juneau with Bob Bender John appointed Territorial governor, Bob takes over as managing editor
1937, Dec. 26	Robert Bender passes away in Arizona, Helen takes over as Empire publisher
1939	John resigns as governor
1941, Oct 11 1942	Marries Alf Nikolai Monsen, John passes away
1947, Oct. 26	Alf Monsen dies in plane crash
1955	Sells Empire to Texan, Prescott Allen of Laredo
1963 1966	Retires Retires to Palm Desert, Calif.
1978	Anchorage newspaper publishes obituary
1989, July 4	Passes away in California

Robert William Bender 1896-1937

- 1896, Sept. 12 Born Tacoma, WA to William Lewis Bender and
Attended public schools in Tacoma
- 1915 Graduated from Stadium High School
Attended the University of Washington
During WWI joined United States Ambulance Corps, saw service in Italy and
France and participated in the drive on the Western Front
Works for the *Tacoma Daily Ledger* in advertising
- 1921 Finishes his work at the University of Washington, Graduates
Assistant Business Manager of the Everett News, Assistant Manager of the
Columbia Theaters in Seattle
- 1922, Jan. 20 Marries Helen Marian Troy
- 1922, January, Editorial Secretary to Dr. Henry Suzzallo, University of Washington
- 1923-1932 Worked in the theater business, manager of the Universal Theaters in the
Pacific Northwest
- 1928 Gloversville N.Y. as Supervisor for the Schine chain of Theaters in New York
and Ohio
- 1930 Fox, manager of the Fox-Brooklyn theater in Brooklyn, NY, transferred back to
Northwest
- 1932 came to Juneau as Editor and Manager of the Empire
- 1937, Dec. 26 Dies of heart problem in Arizona

Alf Nikolai Monsen, 1900-1947

- 1900, Feb. 1 Born in Bergen Norway to Hans and Betzy Monsen
- 1906 Came to the United States with family, returned to Norway (year?)
- 1910 Returned to United States
Attended public schools in Oakland, California
- 1917 Came to Alaska as employee of the Alaska Railroad
- 1920 Returned to Alaska and worked for the railroad
- 1921 Married Margaret Simonsen (Wesley, Albert)
- 1928 Began flying
- 1931, February Got a job with Pacific International Airways in Anchorage, AK
- 1932 Joined Pan American when Pacific International Airways was bought out
- 1941, Oct. 11 Marries Helen Troy Bender in Juneau
- 1947, Oct. 26 Dies in plane crash

John Weir Troy, 1868-1942

- 1868, October 31 Born in Dungeness, Washington to Smith Troy and Laura Bass Weir Troy. Goes to work with Uncle Alan Weir in Port Townsend, Wa, and becomes "printer's devil" while finishing school in Port Townsend
Attended the Academy of Puget Sound/Port Townsend College, 1 year
- 1886-88 Quit farming permanently to become a reporter on *The Argus*, Port Townsend
- 1889-97 WA made a state, deputy auditor of Clallam County and served for a year before becoming deputy county clerk
- 1891-1987 Owned (editor and publisher) *Weekly Democratic Leader* of Port Angeles, WA
- 1892 Designated as county auditor of Clallam county, administered office until 1897, Marries Minerva Lewis (Helen Marian and Dorothy Minverva)
- 1897-98 Aug. 19, Moved to Skagway, Alaska to work as newspaper correspondents
- 1899 Helen born in Skagway
- 1898-99 Gets camp fever, leaves Skagway for medical help
- 1899-1907 Returns to Skagway as publisher of the Skagway Daily Alaskan, beats out other two papers in Seattle
- 1907 Moved back to Seattle
Delegate to the Democratic National Conventions in 1904, 1920, 1924, 1932, 1936
- 1911 Divorced Minerva Lewis Troy, becomes editor and publisher of the *Alaska-Yukon Magazine*
- 1912 Became secretary of the WA state Democratic committee during Woodrow Wilson's campaign for the presidency
- 1913 Moved to Juneau to run Daily Alaskan Empire
- 1914 Purchases Daily Alaskan Empire
- 1916, Nov. 27 Married Mrs. Ethel Crocker Forgy Troy in Seattle, WA
- 1919 Appointed Collector of Customs for the District of Alaska (until 1922)
- 1920 Democratic National Convention, San Francisco
- 1924 Democratic National Convention, New York City
- 1933, April Appointed Governor of Territory of Alaska by FDR, attended FDR's inauguration
- 1932-1934 Chairman of the Democratic Territorial Committee
- 1939, October 15 Resigned as Governor of Territory
- 1942, May 2 Passes away in Juneau, buried in Evergreen Cemetery

Ethel Crocker Forgy Troy, 18-1974

1887, Oct. 4	Born in Wisconsin
1913-1916	Superintendent of Schools, Seward
1915	Licensed embalmer, New York and Alaska
1916, Nov. 27	Married John Weir Troy in Seattle, WA
1920-28	Democratic National Committee
1920	Invited to Mexico for centennial birthday, Democratic National Convention in San Francisco
1924	Democratic National Convention in New York City
1920-74	Resided in Southern California due to health
1974, July 1	Passes away in Los Angeles

Inventory

Box 1

Series I: Helen Troy Monsen, 1925-1954

This series contains personal and business correspondence, as well as telegrams, birthday and Christmas cards addressed to Helen. Correspondents include friends and family: father John Troy, sister Dorothy, husband Alf Monsen, aunt Laura Stone, and cousin Grace Troy. Much of the correspondence is thank you notes for hospitality from individuals visiting Alaska.

Folder 1: 1925-1933, 1936; Letters from Helen's father, John Troy and Christmas greetings from friends.

Folder 2: 1939; Letters regarding newspaper clippings and visitors to Alaska as well as telegrams. Correspondents include Herbert L. Faulkner, Jack Hellenthal, Sadie Orr Dunbar, Foster McGovern, Archie Shiels, Marion M. Frawley, Clarence Ederer, Linton Collins, and Lois Allen.

Folder 3: 1940; Personal correspondence from Helen's sister Dorothy; Al Monsen; Jack Hellenthal; Joseph R. Crimont, S.J.; and Dale and Susie Day. Copies of outgoing letters, telegrams, and some business related correspondence.

Folder 4: 1941-1942; Personal correspondence from Dorothy, Helen's cousin Grace Troy, Helen's aunt Laura Stone, and A. Campbell, an old friend of Governor Troy's, Col. R.R. McCormick of the Chicago Tribune, and to Harold L. Ickes as well as telegrams from Anthony Dimond.

Folder 5: 1943-1947; Personal correspondence as well as some business correspondence and telegrams from Dorothy Lingo, Alf Mosen, T.F. Fitch, Herbert Faulkner, Edward Coffey, and Ross Cunningham about Governor John Troy's estate, and Alf Mosen's accident.

Folder 6: 1948; Personal correspondence as well as correspondence regarding Alf Mosen's accident, Helen's trip to Europe, politics, thank you notes for hospitality, and letters of introduction. Correspondents include Harlee Branch, William R. Carter, Vern Haugland, Murlin Spencer, John May, Thor Smith, Florence Strand, and Minerva Lewis Troy, Helen's mother.

Folder 7 and 8: Information regarding Helen's trip to Europe in 1948 and souvenir brochures and guides.

Folder 9: 1949-1954; Personal correspondence including birthday wishes and thank you notes regarding hospitality, as well as correspondence about the *Empire* from Robert Welsh, Ester Terry, and Roy Pinkerton.

Folder 10-11: no date; Birthday wishes, personal correspondence, and some regarding the *Empire* from Alf Mosen, Dorothy Lingo, Robert Jernburg, and many letters signed with first names only.

Folder 12: Memorabilia, bills, and names of individuals who entered the Nenana Ice Classic in an unnamed year.

Box 2

Series II: John Weir Troy, 1931-1942, bulk 1932-1933

This series contains personal correspondence addressed to John Weir Troy from 1931 through 1942, outgoing correspondence, newspaper clippings collected or about John Troy, drafts of articles and speeches, and memorabilia. Correspondence includes letters regarding Troy's appointment to the Territorial Governor, financial matters, and general interest in Alaska as well as Christmas cards and letters from Laura Stone, John's sister. Memorabilia includes a packet of invitations and tickets to the inauguration of Franklin Delano Roosevelt in 1933, bills from various locations in Alaska, and membership cards.

Folder 13: 1931; Correspondence relating generally to business and politics from Harold H. Post, Anthony J. Dimond, and John E. Pegues and a copy of a letter addressed to James Wickersham.

Folder 14: 1932, January-June: Correspondence, some business, mostly political, from John E. Pegues, Glenn C. Bartlett, Fred W. Johnson, J.J. Connors, William A. Holzheimer, Harry E. Pratt, and Glen Edgerton, and copies of letters sent to others by T.K. Smith, Frank Scofield. Also documents naming John Troy as the proxy for individuals elected as delegates to the National Convention of the 1932 Democratic Party in Chicago as well as telegrams regarding the convention.

Folder 15: 1932, July-October: Telegrams and correspondence regarding various political efforts in 1932 from Emil Hurja, David I. Walsh, John B. Van Dyke, Arch MacDonald, Anthony Dimond, J.J. Kennedy, Dawson Olmstead, R. W. Jennings, and Lester D. Henderson; correspondence received as editor of the *Daily Empire* including a note from F.M. Bradley of the Alaska Juneau Mining Company; and personal correspondence from Mrs. A. M. Pegues. Copies of telegrams from James A. Farley, John Rustgard, and Tom Gaffney. Telegram sent by John W. Troy to Harry Phillips, Emil Hurja, Thomas Gaffney, Senator Anthony Dimond.

Folder 16: 1932, November: Correspondence related to politics from James A. Farley, Lee C. Gault, Charles R. Settlemier, Emil Hurja, M.J. Sullivan, Henry L. Bahrt, Henry O'Malley, D.J. Williams, A.B. "Cotton" Hayes, Joe J. Meherin, and the *Daily Empire* from Barrett Willoughby. A number of letters requesting information about jobs or looking for political favors from individuals within Alaska and outside the state. Congratulatory telegrams from the 1932 Democratic victory. Copies of correspondence between Marian Palmer Smith and Anthony J. Dimond. Some outgoing correspondence from John Troy.

Folder 17: 1932, December: Outgoing correspondence from John Troy. More correspondence looking for help from the Governor. A letter from Attorney John Hartman regarding the case U.S. vs. Troy including a bill for services. Incoming correspondence from Emil Hurja, Al Humfrey, Dr. Thomas Runnalls, Thomas Riggs, Edward W. Allen, Frank T. Bell, Paul N. Doyle, Jack Davis, Harry B. Rutledge, Marion Palmer Smith. Christmas cards from a number of people.

Folder 18: 1933, January: Incoming correspondence from Helen Troy Bender, Bob Tonssaint, Tom Riggs. More correspondence requesting help from the Governor. Outgoing replies to earlier letters.

Folder 19: 1933, February: Correspondence regarding the trip to Washington for the inauguration and appointment and other political events. Incoming correspondence from Bob Bender, John Pegues, Jasper G. Steese, John M. Holzworth, Arch MacDonald, Emil Hurja, Anthony Dimond, John Parks Gilmer, and Derick Lane.

Folder 20: 1933, March: Incoming correspondence, including many congratulatory letters about Governor Troy's appointment to territorial governor of Alaska, from Derick Lane, Emily Hurja, Bob Bender, Joe Meherin, Edward McMiffin, J.C. Gaffney, A.A. Humfrey, A.B. Stevenson, William Sulzer, Laura Stone, Fred A. Sorri, B.M. Behrends, H. J. Turner, George W. Kohlhepp, Will Clayson, E.W. Knight, J.M. Elmer, Charles E. Bunnell, Frank A. Boyle, Stanley Oaksmith,

M.H. McIntyer, Kent Cooper, John Pegues, Llewella Hall Kitchell, William Humphrey, Tom Riggs, Lee Hobart Landis, and Helen Forgy Vogt.

Folder 21: 1933, April-December: Incoming correspondence from John Walmer, Dave Housel, Charles C. Garland, and various Christmas cards.

Folder 22: 1934-1935: Incoming correspondence from Ethel Troy, Ralph Merrill, William C. Freeburn, Bob Bender, J.M. and Mrs. Lathrop, E.S. Evans, Laura Stone, Harry B. Rugledge regarding the National Editor's Association, various postcards, telegram to Mrs. Ethel Troy from John, as well as Christmas cards from friends.

Folder 23: 1936: Postcards and Christmas cards from friends, requests to the governor for information, especially about Alaska. Also information about attending the 1937 inauguration of President Franklin Delano Roosevelt.

Folder 24: 1937: Incoming correspondence from Robert W. Jennings, Laddie Kyle, Dorothy Lingo, Joan Lingo, and Governor Troy's sister, Annie Troy.

Folder 25: 1938: Incoming correspondence from Bishop Crimont, S.J., Helena Mitchiel McEnvy, and Christmas cards.

Folder 26: 1939: Incoming correspondence, including some mentioning Governor Troy's resignation, from Anthony Dimond, Laura Stone, R.M. Chelio, Osborn B. Bond, Leo B. Jacobs, Schiuylar Otis Bland, James H. Condit, Clyde R. Ellis, Harilee Branch, William Timson, George F. Alexander, Ernest Gruening, A.T. Raynor, Sherwood J. Firk, . A copy of a radiophone conversation between Governor Troy's secretary Harry Watson and W.A. Bates.

Folder 27: 1940-1942: Incoming correspondence from L.V. Ray, Thomas Riggs, Laura Stone, James A. Farley, Dorothy Lingo, Ethel Troy, and Christmas cards.

Folder 28: Memorabilia and bills from Juneau, other locations in Alaska, and Seattle. Also contains membership cards for John Weir Troy including the American Red Cross and the Arctic Club in Seattle. Includes a packet with invitations and information about Franklin D. Roosevelt's inauguration in 1933.

Folder 29: Clippings and articles regarding Alaska, various industries, and publishing.

Folder 30: Political clippings and articles..

Folder 31: no date: Incoming correspondence to Governor Troy with no date, primarily Christmas Cards.

Box 3

Series III: Ethel Crocker Troy, 1918-1932, bulk 1920-1924

This series contains correspondence to Ethel Troy who married John Troy in 1916, newspaper clippings and other articles from her visit to Mexico and time as a member of the Democratic National Committee, memorabilia, and pins from the Democratic National Convention. Much of the correspondence is from John Troy, Ethel's second husband.

Folder 32: 1918-1922: Incoming correspondence from T.J. Donohoe, Hans Andersen, Ellis Meredith, H.W. Sierichs, Thomas Riggs, George White, Ethel Gist Cantrill, John Troy, John A. O'Dwyer, Colonel Mariano Montero Villan, C.K. Fankhauser, Clayton F. Moore. Much of the correspondence deals with the Democratic National Committee and Conventions. Outgoing correspondence to Mrs. George Bass, Mrs. Ellis Meredith. Also included are letters of recommendation written by various individuals on behalf of Ethel Troy.

Folder 33: 1924: Correspondence relating to the Democratic National Convention in New York City in 1924 from Elisabeth Marbury, Rodman Wanamaker, Mary Veronica Duggan, Edna Lynn Hirst, as well as correspondence from Bekins Van and Storage Company.

Folder 34: 1925-1926: Correspondence from John Troy.

Folder 35: 1927: Correspondence from John Troy and Helen Troy Bender.

Folder 36: 1928-1929, 1932 : Correspondence from John Troy, Bekins Van and Storage Company, Henry W. Dooley, Helen Troy Bender and Dorothy Troy Morgan, . Copies of letters sent by Ethel Troy to Emily Blaire, Mrs. J.T. Bloodworth. Copy of a 1932 letter to "The Women of Alaska" from Betty Hawley, Chairman, Labor Bureau, Women's Division.

Folder 37: no date: Correspondence from Helen Troy Bender and John Troy.

Folder 38: 1921-1924: Newspaper clippings about Mrs. Ethel Troy.

Folder 39: 1920: A copy of the *Pictorial Review*, March 1920 with a picture of Mrs. John W. Troy, and *The Green Book Magazine*, July 1920.

Folder 40: 1921-1924: Programs and other memorabilia from Ethel Troy's visit to Mexico and the Democratic National Convention.

Folder 41: 1920-1928: Ribbons from the Democratic National Conventions, 1920, 1924, 1928; and from the Seventh National Foreign Trade Convention and the Kentucky Shrine Hospitality Committee in 1922. Originally found in a green envelope with Ethel's monogram, the envelope has been kept. [Folder in Box 5.]

Box 4

Series IV: Other Family, 1924-1947

This series contains correspondence and papers of Helen's first husband Robert William Bender, Helen's second husband Alf Nikolai Mosen, Dorothy Troy Lingo, Helen's sister, and Joan Lingo, Helen's niece.

Folder 42: 1928-1937: Correspondence from or to Robert William Bender, addressed to Mrs. Gene Van de Putte Greely, and from R.D. Wallace, Dr. Victor C. Pedersen, Herbert C. Bryant, C.E. Howard, Harry Arthur, Howard Sheehan, Jim Clemmer, Jack Ayer, Arch MacDonald, Mrs. John Pegues, Eiler, L.B. Schwellenbach, Mable R. Werneke, Helen Troy Bender, and Foster L. McGovern. Much of the correspondence has to do with financial matters or Robert Bender's work as a theater manager. A packet of letters and information regarding the Buchanan estate swindle. A contract between Robert Bender and Jack Miade, owner of the boat Restless for a charter.

Folder 43: 1925-1932: Articles written by or collected by Robert Bender; weekly travel expense reports; information about theaters in New York; insurance policies, mortgages, receipts, motor vehicle license, and ownership information for cars; hotel bills, dental report; a poster for *The Barker*; a memo from Fox West Coast Theaters; a Fox West Coast directory; a card authorizing collection of telegrams to Robert Bender from Western Union; bank deposit receipts; a card for wholesale shoes; tickets and purchase information from the Pacific Steamship Company for Robert Bender and John Troy; a membership card for Rotary International; a Christmas card from the "bunch in the office" of Fox West Coast Theaters, *The Associated Press Directory*, Sept. 15, 1934.

Folder 44: 1924-1926: Publications relating to the theater including *Theater Today*, no date; *The Motion Picture Theater its Interior Illumination and the Selection of the Screen*, 1922; *Film Mutilation and How to Prevent It*, 1924; *Manual for the Training of Theater Employees*, 1926; *Stage Wedding, Jefferson Theater, Beaumont, Texas*, no date; *Outlines for Checking Theatre*, no date;

Folder 45: Black binder with Robert Bender's name and a Seattle address inside, alphabetical divisions with theater related materials inside; smaller black binder with Robert W. Bender's name on it and "compliments of Joseph D. Roberts" containing notes about daily activities and addresses. [Folder in Box 5.]

Folder 46: 1933-1941: Christmas cards from 1933 addressed to Dorothy Troy Morgan, a receipt to Dorothy Lingo from Alaska Laundry, Inc from 1939, a copy of an Anchorage High School newspaper, *The Anchor Chain*, February 5, 1941 which mentions Joan Lingo, and a social security card belonging to Joan.

Folder 47: 1940-1947: A postcard, correspondence from Alf's father and step-mother, minutes from a captain's meeting, July 23, 1942, a 1942 memo about Woodcock, B.C., deposit slips from the First National Bank, an identification card from the Naval Reserve, a letter regarding application for citizenship, balance sheet (no date) from Marine Airways, Special Instructions on an oil dilution system "to be used in emergency only", confidential U.S. Naval Air Station code.

Box 4

Series V: Cards and Images

Series contains business cards arranged alphabetically, Christmas cards with no specific addressee or year, images taken or collected by individuals in the collection, and titles found with the collection but not retained by the library. Most of the individuals in the images are not identified and most of the images do not have the dates they were taken.

Folder 48: Business cards: arranged as follows: Folder A; Folder B; Folder C; Folder D-F; Folder G-I; Folder J-L; Folder M-R; Folder S; Folder T; Folder U-Z.

Folder 49: Christmas cards from individuals around Juneau and Alaska or with Alaskan pictures.

Folder 50: Photocopies of the covers of two books found with the materials but not retained by the library.

Folder 51: Photographs from envelopes labeled, "Fox pictures—fox in 'Rocking Moon'," "Oregon Snapshots," Farue Snapshots," "California Pictures."

Folder 52: Photographs from envelopes labeled, "Snapshots of different people different places," or with information "Seward Bridge after repair of approaches flood damage," or found loose in the collection.

Folder 53: Framed image of unidentified girl. [Folder in Box 5.]

Folder 54: [Alf N. Monsen in pilot's uniform] Negatives found in the collection. Most do not have prints in the collection. (*Located in Oversized negatives*)

Folder 55: Oversized images from the collection including images of glaciers and people from Alaska. [Folder in Box 5.]

Folder 56: Booklet: *A Letter to American Workers* by V.I. Lenin

Box 5

Oversized materials.

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