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Guide to Collection

Smith, Nanette

Nanette Smith Collection, 1948

MS 241

1 box
0.2 linear ft.
1 Box, 13 postcards, 10 travel brochures, 6 newsletters
1 VHS cassette [Copied from 4 reels 8mm film]

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HISTORICAL NOTE

The items in this collection were gathered by Nanette Smith on the *S.S. Princess Louise* to Alaska June-July, 1948. Her note describes the trip:

I was 29 at the time, and travelled with my parents. We sailed from Vancouver on the Canadian Pacific B.C. Coast steamship *S.S. Princess Louise*. Our itinerary took us up the Inside Passage to Skagway, and we returned on the same ship. There were stops at Alert Bay, Prince Rupert, Haines and Ketchikan. The *S.S. Princess Louise* was a working ship. At each port we had some time for local sightseeing. At Skagway, we took the WP&YR train, via Bennett, to Carcross. From Carcross we made the overnight trip on the *Tutshi* to Ben-My-Chree. Our return trip to Vancouver did not exactly duplicate the northbound passage.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

The Nanette Smith Collection consists of postal cards, pamphlets, and newsletters pertaining to Alaska generally and specifically to Juneau and White Pass & Yukon Railroad. In addition, there are two news clippings and a copy of a Skagway Kangaroo Court receipt. All of these materials date from June 1948. A more recent addition is an unlabeled videocassette tape - a copy of a 1948 trip to Alaska.

SUBJECTS

1948, Alaska tourism, Inside Passage, Alert Bay, Prince Rupert, Wrangell Narrows, West Taku Arm, Juneau, Mendenhall Glacier, Lynn Canal, Haines, Carcross, Bennett, White Pass & Yukon Railroad, Juneau, Skagway, Ketchikan, Port of Vancouver, Yukon, *S. S. Tutshi*

INVENTORY

- 1 Taku Glacier (post card)
- 2 Mendenhall Glacier (post card)
- 3 Fishing Fleet at Juneau, Alaska (post card)
- 4 Main Street, Juneau, Alaska (post card)
- 5 Aerial View of Alert Bay, B.C. (post card)
- 6 Sitka (post card)

- 7 A Yukon Trail (post card)
- 8 Clipper over Juneau, Alaska (post card)
- 9 *S. S. Princess Louise* (post card)
- 10 Juneau, Capital of Alaska (post card)
- 11 Mendenhall Glacier (post card)
- 12 Mendenhall River (post card)
- 13 Winding Road to Mendenhall (post card)
- 14 "A Collection of Yukon River Legends" (pamphlet)
- 15 "A Handbook of Vacation Trips in Alaska and the Yukon on the White Pass and Yukon Route" (pamphlet)
- 16 "The Story of Ben-My-Chree" (pamphlet)
- 17 "Alaska Daily Bulletin" (pamphlet)
- 18 "Alaska The Wonderland: A Guide to Ketchikan" (pamphlet)
- 19 "A Lady In the Wilderness" (pamphlet)
- 20 "To West Taku Arm" (pamphlet)
- 21 "Glacier Tours" (pamphlet)
- 22 "Juneau Alaska and Vicinity" (pamphlet)
- 23 "The Lure of Alaska and the Yukon" (pamphlet)
- 24 "Introductory Dinner - *S. S. Princess Louise*, Commander Peter L. Leslie" (newsletter)
- 25 "Commander's Dinner Commemorating Summer Cruise to Alaska..." (newsletter)
- 26 "Canadian Pacific Railway Company B.C. Coast Steamship Service - Daily Bulletin," undated (newsletter)
- 27 "Pacific Princess Daily Radio News," June 25th, 1948 (newsletter)
- 28 "Pacific Princess Daily Radio News," June 26th, 1948 (newsletter)

- 29 "Alaska Princess, A Daily Radio Newspaper Published on Board B. C. Coast Steamships" (newspaper)
- 30 "Skagway Lives Off Tourists" (copy of newspaper clipping)
- 31 "White Pass & Yukon Railroad Caters To Sight-Seers' Whims" (copy of newspaper clipping)
- 32 Skagway Kangaroo Court of Injustice - Unofficial Receipt
- 33 **Videocassette** - a copy of a 1948 Trip to Alaska (*Copied from 4 reels of 8mm film*)
DVD and DVCam copies of 1948 Trip to Alaska added to collection - 10/2012

Part 1 - Pictures taken from *S.S. Princess Louise* of scenes on the Inside Passage. Stops at Alert Bay, Prince Rupert, and Juneau.

Part 2 - Mendenhall Glacier. Lynn Canal. Port Chilkoot at Haines. Skagway local scenes. WP & YR trip to Carcross, with stop at Bennett for lunch. Steam engine. A few Carcross street scenes.

Part 3 - Cruise of the *Tutshi* on West Taku Arm. Only exterior shot of the *Tutshi*; mostly scenery. Ben-My-Chree garden and outside of home. Shipboard pictures on southbound trip of *S.S. Princess Louise*. Finger Islands. Wrangell Narrows; etc.

Part 4 - Ketchikan (plank streets and covered sidewalks!) Alert Bay Totems. Port of Vancouver. Stanley Park rose gardens and totems. The rest of the reel is of the CPR train trip east from Vancouver.