

Alaska State Library  
Historical Collections

**Guide to Collection**

**Petersburg Fisheries  
Pacific America Fisheries Fish Trap Charts, 1921-1930**

**MS 268**

14 Charts

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**ACQUISITION:** Collection was donated by Patrick Wilson, Plant manager, April 4, 2012. Accession number: 2012-008.

**ACCESS:** The collection is open to research.

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**PROCESSING:** The Charts were flattened and placed into a map folder. They are located in the map case for extra-oversize manuscript collections.

## HISTORICAL NOTE

Pacific American Fisheries dominated Alaska Salmon Fisheries for many years. The company existed from 1875-1964. Petersburg Fisheries has owned and operated the company since 1965. The 15 original charts in this collection, in blueprint format, are historical documents related to salmon fish traps that were owned by Pacific American Fisheries companies and others. The fish trap charts were inherited by Petersburg Fisheries from Pacific American Fisheries. They had been stored in the 1898 cannery that was once owned by Pacific American Fisheries and range in date between 1921 and 1930. [--Notes from donor].

The State of Alaska banned fish traps in 1959, at the time of statehood, and the ban took effect in 1960. For further information, the library has books on the history of the Pacific American Fisheries company and about salmon fisheries from the mid-1800s to mid-1960s. See also the Pacific American Fisheries Records 1875-1994, Western Washington University, Center for NorthWest Studies, and the *Hubbell & Waller* Records 1908-1976, University of Fairbanks, Alaska Polar Regions Collections & Archives, for further background information and related collections.

## SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

Original charts of fish trap locations in parts of Southeast Alaska, 1921-1930. Southeast Alaska locations: Stephens Passage: Frederick Sound, Chatham Strait, Windham Bay, Hobart Bay, Admiralty Island, Pybus Bay, Shipley Bay, Sumner Strait, Prince of Wales Island, Kosciusko Island, Port Houghton, Point Highland, Murder Cove to Herring Bay, Wrangell to Skagway, Warren Channel.

## INVENTORY

### **[Donor supplied descriptions of locations]**

*Located in MS X-Oversize Map Case in Vault*

### **Blue Line**

[1]

Southeast Alaska: Frederick Sound and Sumner Strait

Scale 1/200,000, Soundings in Fathoms at Mean Lower Low Water, Polyconic Projection  
Published at Washington D.C. June 1928; Reissued August 1929 by the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey

[Red - Closed, Green - Open to Traps, Uncolored - Closed to Traps See Regulations  
(Regulations attached to map)]

50.5cm x 62cm

[2]

Southeast Alaska: Chatham Strait and Baranof Island

Scale 1/200,000, Soundings in Fathoms at Mean Lower Low Water, Polyconic Projection  
Published at Washington D.C. June 1928; Reissued August 1929 by the U.S. Coast and  
Geodetic Survey

[Red - Closed, Green - Open to Traps, Uncolored - Closed to Traps See Regulations  
(Regulations attached to map)]

50.5cm x 62cm

[3]

Portion of Southeastern Alaska from Wrangell to Skagway

Compiled from U.S. Coast & Geodetic Survey Charts Giving Distance in Miles

Scale 1in = 10mi

[Legend: Mines, Lights, Canneries, Towns & Post Offices, Milage Between Points,  
Accumulated Miles for Juneau]

Frank A. Metcalf, Juneau, Alaska, March 1921

Metcalf & Gree, U.S. Deputy & Mineral Surveyors, Juneau, AK

51cm x 66.5cm

**Blue prints**

[4]

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries

Situate Stephens Passage, Alaska-mainland between Windham Bay and Hobart Bay

As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929

Scale 1" = 1000'

75.5cm x 57.5cm

[5] *Not in collection: Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Stephens  
Passage, Alaska Mainland between Pt. League & Pt. Windham*

[6]

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries

Situate Frederick Sound, Admiralty Island between Pybus Bay and Deepwater Pt.

As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929

Scale 1" = 1000'

75.5cm x 57.5cm

[7] (Duplicate of [9])

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries

Situate on the West coast of Kosciusko Island, at Ruins Point near the entrance to

Shiple Bay, in Sumner Strait

As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929

Scale 1" = 1000'

75.5cm x 57.5cm

[8]

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate Stephens Passage, Alaska-mainland between Hobart Bay and Port Houghton As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929  
Scale 1" = 1000'  
75.5cm x 57.5cm

[9] (Duplicate of [7])

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate on the West coast of Kosciusko Island, at Ruins Point near the entrance to Shipley Bay, in Sumner Strait  
As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929  
Scale 1" = 1000'  
75.5cm x 57.5cm  
Note: List of map collection titles taped to back of map

[10] (Duplicate of [14])

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate on Northern shore of Frederick Sound, near Point Highland  
As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929  
Scale 1" = 1000'  
75.5cm x 57.5cm

[11] (Duplicate of [13])

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate As shown in Vicinity Map Hereon  
As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle  
Scale 1" = 1000' and 1" = 600'  
75.5cm x 57.5cm

[12]

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate on Northern coast of Prince of Wales I. in Sumner Strait  
As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929  
Scale 1" = 1000'  
(Left bottom corner, which most likely held a Vicinity map, is cut off)  
75.5cm x 57.5cm

[13] (Duplicate of [11])

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate As shown in Vicinity Map Hereon  
As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle  
Scale 1" = 1000' and 1" = 600'  
75.5cm x 57.5cm

[14] (Duplicate of [10])

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate on Northern shore of Frederick Sound, near Point Highland

As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929

Scale 1" = 1000'

75.5cm x 57.5cm

[15] *Not in collection: Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations Admiralty Island between Murder Cove and Herring Bay*

[16] (Duplicate of [4])

Southeastern Alaska: Map Showing Fish Trap Locations of Pacific American Fisheries Situate Stephens Passage, Alaska-mainland between Windham Bay and Hobart Bay

As surveyed by Hubbell & Waller, Civil Engineers and Surveyors, Seattle Aug. 1929

Scale 1" = 1000'

75.5cm x 57.5cm