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**Barteau, Ernest Bryant, 1879-1966**

**Ernest Bryant Barteau Photograph Collection, ca. 1890s-1930s**

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151 photographs, b&w

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### Biographical Note

Ernest Bryant Barteau was born in Brookhaven, New York, on May 29, 1879. Around 1897, at the age of 18, he moved to the west coast. Barteau traveled between Seattle, Vancouver, B.C., Whitehorse, Y.T. and Tanana, Alaska. He became superintendent of the River Division of the White Pass & Yukon Railroad. Upon his retirement from the railroad in 1951, he moved to White, Rock, B.C., where he lived until his death on August 16, 1966.

### Scope and Contents Note

The collection contains portraits and photographs of E.B. Barteau, family and friends, riverboats on the Yukon River, communities in Alaska and Yukon Territory, scenes from the White Pass & Yukon Railroad, the Klondike gold rush, Lake Bennett, Carcross, Atlin, Skagway and Whitehorse, several views of President Harding's visit to Nenana to drive the Golden Spike of the Alaska Railroad in 1923, glaciers, railroads, and mining, ca. 1890s-1930s. Photographers represented in the collection include C.L. Andrews, L.H. Pedersen, F.A. Callarman, Marsh & Grant Co., Hamacher & Doody (Edward J. and Jeremiah), Frederick A. Callarman, Harry Beagle, The Photo Album, Auburn.

### Inventory

#### *ANIMALS*

- 1 Caribou - photographed from White Pass and Yukon Route - Dawson Steamer [swimming in river].
- 2 Caribou Swimming the Yukon.
- 3 Carabou [caribou] swimming Tanana River, Alaska. Harry Beagle
- 4 Caribou on Yukon River [swimming].
- 5 Food Caches and Dog Shelters [dogs tied underneath two log caches].
- 6 [Four dog teams and handlers in snowfield.]
- 7 [Dog team, handler and person in sled on frozen shore.]
- 8 [Dog team and sled with three people in front of log cabins.]
- 9 [Dog team and empty sled in snowy forest.]
- 10 A howling mob being transported to winter camps [dogs and gear on deck of barge.]
- 11 [Team of light colored dogs, sled and five men (one in sled).]
- 12 Dog team typical of those used on Lower Yukon trails [with sled in forest].
- 13 Malamute Dog Team [handler and sled loaded with two people].

- 14 White Pass and Yukon Railway - White Horse. "Mr. Gopher," the Station Pet  
15 8 horse team hauling hay for stage line. Coghlan driving lead team Webster on load.

### *E. B. BARTEAU AND FRIENDS*

- 16 Bill Harmon - E.B.B. [Barbeau]. Baby Moose - Whitehorse about 1906 [next to house].  
17 Sixth from left, E.B. Barbeau [with group in front of house].  
18 E. B. Barbeau [studio portrait, head and shoulders]. Curtis  
19 [E. B. Barbeau tipping his hat, later years.]  
20 Ernest Bryant Barbeau passed away Aug. 16, 1966 at age 87 years, at White Rock, B.C. [standing at table saw].  
21 [Three men in fur coats standing outside log cabins.]

### *CHILKOOT TRAIL & KLONDIKE GOLD RUSH*

- 22 Chilcoot Pass [Chilkoot Pass] and Dyea, 1897 [tents and crowds below the Scales].  
23 Scene from Lake Bennett during rush of 1898. Enroute to Klondike Gold Fields. [boat building along shore]. M. H. Craig, Dawson (no. 600)

### *GLACIERS*

- 24 Ice-King's Triumphal Arch, Llewellyn Glacier. Looking north, Aug. 28th, '19 [1919; five people standing at crest].  
25 Ice-King's Triumphal Arch, Llewellyn Glacier. Aug. 28th, 1919, from the north side  
26 Seracs from Timber-line Camp No. 3 [glacier and mountain].  
27 Glacier Bay from bluff above Moraine Lake.  
28 The glacier through the gorge.  
29 Seracs, close up. No. 2 [glacier ice pinnacles].

### *MINING*

- 30 The Yukon Consolidated Gold Corporation, Limited. Dawson, Y.T. View showing lower end of Bonanza Creek and Dredge No. 3... August, 1937.  
31 [Canadian No. 3 dredge near Dawson; Yukon Consolidated Gold Corp., Ltd.]  
32 No photo.

- 33 The Yukon Consolidated Gold Corporation, Limited, Dawson, Y.T. Dredge [Canadian] No. 3 - View of Bow End. August, 1937.
- 34 #1 Pioneer Dredging. Y.G.C. Corp. [Yukon Consolidated Gold Corp.], Dawson [three men viewing thawing operation (probably using steam)].
- 35 Y.C.G.C. [Yukon Consolidated Gold Corp.], Dawson [flooded ground with pipes].
- 36 Y.C.G.C. [Yukon Consolidated Gold Corp.] operation near Dawson [man drilling pipe into ground].
- 37 Dredge no. 3 ... August 1937 [dredge buckets].

### *PLACES*

- 38 Lake Atlin and Mts. [with reflection]. Taylor, Atlin, B.C.
- 39 Atlin Mt. from 3d Island [forest in foreground].
- 40 Spring's Awakening, Atlin, B.C. 3-25-'16 [houses in foreground; frozen lake].
- 41 Atlin, 1913 [view across lake to town]. Blurred view
- 42 Below Bear River Rapids [men on boat in icy waters].
- 43 Carcross, Y.T. [train crossing bridge].
- 44 Circle City, Alaska.
- 45 July 4th, '99. Dawson [large crowd on wharf].
- 46 Manley Hot Springs Hotel at Hot Springs on Tanana River.
- 47 Loading wood near Nenana [two men and loaded cart on gangplank].
- 48 First Nenana office, A.Y.N. Co. [American Yukon Navigation Co.].
- 49 Discharging silver lead ore at Nenana to cars of Alaska R.R. [Railroad] - final destination Bradley, Idaho - B.H. & S. Smelter [crane removing pallets from barge].
- 50 Railroad bridge crossing Tanana river at Nenana.
- 51 [At] Purgatory on Yukon. "Scarecrow."
- 52 Ruby, Alaska [bird's eye view].
- 53 Ruby, Alaska, 840 miles below Dawson, Y.T. [bird's eye view].

- 54 Skagway showing wharves and town. + marks approx. spot where Soapy Smith shot. Early 1900's [view from Mountainside].
- 55 Skagway & Valley - Railway Can be Seen [aerial view],
- 56 Elk's "Farthest North." Skagway, Alaska [B.P.O.E. 431 building]. L.H. Pedersen (no. 1180)
- 57 Carter Mtn. - Near Skaguay [looking across inlet]. F. A. Callarman, Skaguay
- 58 [Northern Navigation Co. Transportation office; child standing in doorway.]
- 59 Aeroplane, Tanana, Alaska. Aug. 27, 1920. Alaska's first thrill for years. Found on Str. RELIANCE, 7/31/23 [plane over town]. Shade
- 60 [Northern Navigation Co. office at Tanana; four men standing in front.]
- 61 [American Yukon Navigation Co. and Wells Fargo & Co. Express office (log cabin) at Tanana.]
- 62 Crossing Yukon with mail at Tanana Mission. Oct. 24th [two men in open boat on icy river].
- 63 Taking the mail from the ice to Shore at Tanana, May Ist. Tanana, Alaska [dog team swimming toward two men in open boat]. No. 651
- 64 Northern Saloon, Tanana, Alaska. Stoddard, prop., in front.
- 65 Tanana, Alaska. Transfer point at point where Tanana River enters the Yukon River [waterfront; Strs. SCHWATKA, YUKON and SUSIE at left].
- 66 Tanana, Alaska on a quiet day. No Steamer or Barges in sight. 1915?.
- 67 [Two men and three children on boardwalk in front of Tannana Commercial Co. store.]
- 68 Ship Cove, Port Conclusion, Baranof Island [overall view].
- 69 Whitehorse near Rapids [snowy riverbank].
- 70 Whitehorse [bird's eye view, early].
- 71 Miles Canyon, Alaska.
- 72 Barge going thru Miles Canyon, 1898.
- 73 Breakup of Ice at Five Finger Rapids [Yukon River]. Christoffer
- 74 Five Finger Rapids, breakup [overall view]. Blurred view

75 Yukon River [unidentified church and buildings on shore; panorama].

***PRESIDENT HARDING'S VISIT TO ALASKA***

76 Pres. Warren G. Harding, Nenana [looking down at crowd on bank of river].

77 Driving Golden Spike, A.R.R. [Alaska Railroad], Nenana, 7-15-23 [1923; looking down on crowd at riverbank].

78 Driving Golden Spike, Nenana, 7-15-23, A.R.R. [similar to 77].

79 Pres. Harding with Miniature Bridge [right]. Mrs. Harding with Golden Spike [center]. Gov. Bone [of Alaska at left]. Nenana, July 15 [1923]. Henrietta Walker

***RAILROADS***

80 Taku Central [small train on shoreline].

81 Flat car being loaded on barge [White Pass & Yukon No. 511].

82 Loco Duchess. Str. TUTSHI in background and Str. GLEANER on bank [Carcross, Yukon Territory].

83 Train at Snowslide, Mar. 26, 1904 [group of men posed around engine in deep snow]. C.L. Andrews (no. 103)

84 Cut Through Snowslide, Mar. 28, 1904. South of Tunnel [workers posed]. C.L. Andrews (no. 107)

85a Rotary snow plow, W.P. & Y.R. [workers posed on snow banks]. C.L. Andrews (no. 11)

85b Rotary snow plow, Mar. 26, 1904? [similar to 85a]. C.L. Andrews (no. 101)

86 Fireman - Charlie Rapuzzi [seven men posed with White Pass & Yukon Railway engines No. 60 and 59; book reproduction?]. Marsh & Grant, CHI

87 Summit Lake, W.P. & Y.R.R. [engine on tracks at right]. Hamacher

***RIVERBOATS AND WATERCRAFT***

88 Steamer ALASKA "near Nenana."

89 BONANZA KING (in Boneyard), White Horse (sic) shipyard ways.

90 Near Nenana [front of Str. CASCA].

91 [CASCA with passengers.]

92 [CASCA pushing a barge.]

- 93 Strs. YUKON & CASCA [docked] at Dawson.
- 94 Strs. WHITEHORSE, CASCA & YUKON [docked side by side].
- 95 [Strs. WHITEHORSE, CASCA AND YUKON docked together; bird's eye view.]
- 96 Loading "car beds" on bow [of the] Str. DAWSON. For Coal Creek R.R., Coal Creek, Y.T.
- 97 Str. DAWSON on passing wharf after having made the turn [stern view].
- 98 Wreck of Str. DAWSON. C.D. Phillips, Dawson. Blurred view
- 99 Blasting dangerous rocks from Channel of Rink Rapids. Str. DAWSON was wrecked where shown [in background. Men working in snow].
- 100 Str. DELTA unloading freight at Tanana (not certain, may be Eagle).
- 101 [Launch HELEN GOULD, right, and an unidentified sternwheeler at left; panorama.]
- 102 [Riverboat KENO and what appears to be a partly sunken barge?]
- 103 [Similar to 102, closer view.]
- 104 Launch KESTREL Landed Out near Circle City, Alaska...river freeze
- 105 Frozen in - hauled out on bank for winter [the KESTREL].
- 106 [Riverboat KLONDIKE.]
- 107 Steamer KLONDYKE - Yukon River.
- 108 [Three men standing on the KOTLIK high and dry in grass.]
- 109 Str. M.L. WASHBURN launching at Hootalinqua.
- 110 [Str. M.L. WASHBURN pushing a barge.]
- 111 Str. [M.L.] WASHBURN following Str. YUKON [looking back from the YUKON].
- 112 Heavy Ice, Yukon River, Alaska [similar to 111]. Harry Beagle
- 113 [Similar to 111.]
- 114 [M.L.] WASHBURN in ice.
- 115 M.V. PEACE [side view near shore].
- 116 SEATTLE #3 at South mouth Yukon, 1921. Barges - HURON, ONTARIO, BEAVER, IRENE, FOX, TRINDER(?)

- 117 [Str. TANANA pushing barges; side view.]
- 118 [Str. TANANA pushing barges; view from near front].
- 119 Str. TANANA Sunk in 30 Mile River.
- 120 Salvaging Str. TANANA in 30 Mile [Str. CANADIAN and barge pushed up to the TANANA].
- 121 [Side view of sunken TANANA in 30 Mile River.]
- 122 Oct. 9, 1921. Str. TANANA Sunk in Van Valeet(?) Channel.
- 123 W.P. Boat, TARAHNE [on Lake Atlin, B.C., ca. 1930].
- 124 M.V. TARAHNE used on Atlin Lake in 1930's.
- 125 Launching Barge - Atlin Lake [Str. TARAHNE in background].
- 126 Str. WHITEHORSE in Five Finger Rapids. [Edward J.] Hamacher, Doody, Whitehorse (no. 1146)
- 127 Str. YUKON - arriving Nenana with tourists [close view].
- 128 [Str. YUKON at dock at Nenana.]
- 129 [Str. YUKON docked at Dawson.] Blurred view
- 130 Str. YUKON leaving Nenana [side view].
- 131 [Str. YUKON and barge WOLVERINE.]
- 132 Str. YUKON leaving Nenana with load of tourists.
- 133 Steamer YUKON in ice below Circle, Alaska.
- 134 Str. YUKON 10 miles below Fort Yukon stopped by heavy ice-weather warmed some days later and she reached Whitehorse O.K. [dog team and people in foreground].
- 135 Clearing ice from stern of Str. YUKON.
- 136 Putting planks on bow [of Str. YUKON] to withstand bucking of ice.
- 137 Str. YUKON with STR. [M.L.] WASHBURN following [in ice].
- 138 [Strs. YUKON, CASCA, WHITEHORSE docked together; stern view.]
- 139 Str. YUKON plowing thru ice [looking forward from ship]. Dark view

- 140 Str. YUKON bucking heavy ice - Yukon River [similar to 139]. Harry Beagle
- 141 [Str. YUKON near shore; men on bench in foreground.]
- 142 EKOTLIK on bank; distant view.]
- 143 [Riverboat with flags on river.]
- 144 Ore pile at Mayo, Spring 1923. CANADIAN, NASUTLIN(?), ALASKA .
- 145 [Boat pushing barges.]
- 146 Sternwheel Steamer on Yukon [stern view].
- 147 Lunch on the bank of the Yukon. Marion, Marcel, Rev. Chapman, McConnell.
- 148 [Sternwheeler on Lake Atlin].

#### *SNOW MACHINES*

- 149 Cam Smith & his snomobile [snowmobile] [with group in street]. The Photo Album, Auburn
- 150 Snow mobile by Birch [Creek village; White Pass & Yukon sleds and large screw].

#### *MISCELLANEOUS*

- 151 Chart showing Temperature during the Coldest Month ever recorded at Dawson in the Yukon Territory, January 1909.

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