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## Biographical Note

In 1934, Mary Nan Gamble, an administrative assistant for the Federal Emergency Relief Administration (F.E.R.A.), helped with the planning and criteria for selecting 200 farm families from the Midwest to participate in the Matanuska Colony project, a part of President Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal. Mrs. Gamble was one of three people who accompanied the contingent to Alaska, lived with them in tents until the forest was cleared and roads and cabins built on their forty acre tracts. Upon her return to Washington D.C., Mrs. Gamble maintained case records and a project history for two more years. She later made other trips to Alaska for the government as a census official. *[From: MS 94 and "Inventory of the Mary Nan Gamble Papers, 1935-1945 (MS 94) and Photographs (PCA 270), 1986."]*

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## Scope and Contents Note

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- 1 U.S.M.S. NORTH STAR on dock at Pier 50, Port of San Francisco, Calif., April 20, 1935. (no. 1)
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- 16 Colonist Division Officials (L to R) Steward Campbell, Property Custodian; Frank V. Bliss, Director of Construction; Don L. Irwin, General Manager, A.R.R.C.; Francis L. Biggs, Engineer [seated aboard ship]. (no. 12)
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- 181 Raising old Glory for the first time over the Hospital. May 19, 1935 (L to R) W. Hawkins, nurse; Dr. E. A. Ostrom; Earl Ostrom [typo - should be Osborn as in #15], nurse; Red Cross nurse, Madeleine de Foras [standing in front of tent]. (no. 283)
- 182 School bus stuck in the mud near Palmer. Note crude stove made from an oil drum [rear side view of pickup truck with wooden camper]. (no. 355) [T. Smith's homemade schoolbus]
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#### THE ARRIVAL OF THE SECOND CONTINGENT COLONISTS

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- 207 Unloading [ST.] MIHIEL w/the towering mts. of Seward in the background [dock in foreground]. (no. 131)

#### THE HOMESTEAD DRAWING

- 208 Mr. Don L. Irwin (R) introduces Mr. H.A.R. Carleton to the colonists, May 23rd [1935; standing on platform in crowd with tents in background]. (no. 102)
- 209 Second contingent colonist men on way to breakfast before the drawing, 7:30 a.m., May 23rd [1935, group of men standing on railroad tracks]. (no. 99)
- 210 Men arriving at Palmer for Homestead Drawing [group of men on railroad tracks]. (no. 98)
- 211 Don L. Irwin raps for order as the drawing starts [on platform above crowd]. (no. 100)
- 212 Col. O. F. Ohlsen [raising hat], Gen. Mgr. Alaska Railroad, speaks to the colonists. (no. 101)
- 213 F. V. Bliss, Director of Construction, explains the part of the Construction Division. (no. 103)
- 214 N. L. Troast [sic], Chief Architect, speaks to the colonists. (no. 338)
- 215 Forming a long line, the colonists await their turn [for Homestead Drawing]. (no. 106)
- 216 Arthur Hack of Minnesota draws the first number as Col. Ohlsen holds the ballot box. [(no. 104) on back]
- 217 The drawing, as some 200 men draw lots under the careful supervision of the colonial officials. (no. 105)

- 218 Ross Sheely (left), a colonist, and Stewart Campbell (right) watch carefully as the numbers are drawn from the rudely constructed ballot box. (no. 137)
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- 220 (Left to Right) Col. O. F. Ohlsen, Gen. Mgr., A.R.R.; H. A. R. Carleton, Fiscal Agent, A.R.R.C.; and Frank V. Bliss, Director of Construction [standing near tents]. (no. 111)
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- 232 Waiting silently and rather grimly, the colonists' families await orders to proceed to their homes. Valley City, unofficial name given to colonists' camp at Palmer [small group under a sign]. (no. 144)

#### PERMANENT PROGRAM OF CONSTRUCTION

- 233 Captain Alan Perkins, O.R.C., U.S.A., Director of Construction (left) and Lieutenant Hunt V. Martin, U.S.N., C.E.C., Engineer [standing in snowstorm in front of Construction Headquarters].

- 234 Workmen awaiting orders to begin construction on experimental log cabin office. June 1st [1935; 5 men with axes and logs]. (no. 168)
- 235 Placing the first log. (no. 169)
- 236 Putting foundations in place [6 men setting a log]. (no. 170)
- 237 Hewing logs [man notching a log.] (no. 171)
- 238 With great interest the workers hew the logs [two men working on log foundation]. (no. 173)
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- 241 June 4th [1935; cabin construction]. (no. 195)
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- 243 June 10th [1935; men working on cabin walls]. (no. 211)
- 244 Worker on log cabin as seen from office tent [view from inside tent of man outside]. (no. 198)
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- 246 Chinking with cement and moss. (no. 234)
- 247 Roofing [close-up of 2 men]. (no. 233)
- 248 Building chimney [close-up of 2 men on roof behind log structure]. (no. 232)
- 249 Carpenters crew on cabin (L to R top). D. S. Cumings, E. A. Cushman, J. M. McKuhen, E. F. Young, M. Skiff. (Sitting) P. C. Settle, A. J. Herder [in front of log cabin]. (no. 258)
- 250 Cabin completed. (no. 390)
- 251 Opposite end of cabin.
- 252 Interior of the log cabin office of the Construction Division. (no. 639)
- 253 The first snow on the first cabin, Oct. 21st [1935].
- 254 Laying the foundation for the first colonist cabin opposite Camp 2. June 13th [1935; group of men in a cleared area]. (no. 239)

- 255 Foundation and well workers at cabin site (Ohlmstead cabin). (no. 240)
- 256 Dovetailing the corners for the foundations [man spreading soil on cabin site]. (no. 241)
- 257 Transient worker dovetailing logs. (no. 252)
- 258 Carrying lumber from road to cabin. (no. 25)
- 259 Ohlmstead cabin. June 26th [1935. Under construction]. (no. 287)
- 260 Saw mill in operation at Camp 2. (no. 209)
- 261 Colonist working on mill [close view]. (no. 210)
- 262 Cabin 28. Ohlmsteads. (no. 516)
- 263 Through thick forests and heavy underbrush the colonists haul the logs to the mills [view of man and two horses in harness]. (no. 316)
- 264 Colonist men returning home after a day's labor in the woods. [Mr. Meehan, right] (no. 317)
- 265 Jack [sic] [Johan] Johnson, colonist, hauling logs [through forest behind two horses]. (no. 315)
- 266 Construction work on 2nd colonist cabin. (no. 298)
- 267 Cabin No. 27. (no. 358)
- 268 Clearing, piling and burning area for proposed civic center of the town of Palmer. (no. 162)
- 269 Chopping stumps and burning brush - townsite. (no. 163)
- 270 Pulling stumps at townsite [rear view of a "cat"]. (no. 371)
- 271 Burning brush. (no. 370)
- 272 Clearing operations and results [view of uprooted trees]. (no. 372)
- 273 Workers in the woods. Note mosquito netting. (no. 369)
- 274 Each stump is carefully removed [two colonists in clearing]. (no.164)
- 275 Clearing operations - civic center [site]. (no. 293)
- 276 Burning brush - civic center [site]. [no. 275 on back]

- 277 Edward Burke, enrollee, Con. Div , spotting points for civic center buildings [behind surveying tripod].
- 278 Frank V. Bliss, Director, surveying work on town site.
- 279 Clearing operations [man burning brush]. (no. 344)
- 280 Workers returning to camp. (no. 349)
- 281 Clearing [side view of "cat" clearing brush]. (no. 254)
- 282 Land to be cleared. (no. 199)
- 283 Cutting through the wilderness [man chopping logs]. (no. 202)
- 284 Lumberjacks at work. (no. 201)
- 285 Worker filing saw. (no. 203)
- 286 Piling brush with caterpillar and winch [view of brush pile]. (no. 204)
- 287 Piling brush for burning. (no. 246)
- 288 Clearing [3 men around a fallen tree]. (no. 200)
- 289 Pulling stumps [view from side of "cat"]. (no. 238)
- 290 Loading powder in stumps previous to blowing them up. George Molard (left) in charge [view of 3 men at a stump]. (no. 243)
- 291 The powder goes off [smoke in a large clearing]. (no. 244)
- 292 Stump after explosion [man standing over a split stump]. (no. 245)
- 293 Joseph Puhl, assisted by three neighbors, progresses rapidly on his cabin. (no. 360) [?, Arvid Johnson or Henning Benson with pipe, Virgil Eckert with adz, Joe Puhl, right.]
- 294 Joe Puhl , colonist, who is constructing his cabin [Puhl with saw in doorway]. (no. 359)
- 295 [View of four men lifting a log to cabin wall.] (no. 387) [?, Eckert, Puhl, Benson/Johnson. Same as 359]
- 296 [Men setting log on cabin wall. Same as 359. ?. Puhl, Eckert, Benson/Johnson] (no. 386)
- 297 Puhl's cabin completed. No. 99. (no. 465)
- 298 Logging operations at Moore's [skidding logs down a hill]. (no. 289)

- 299 Log rolling down incline at Moore's [looking down a skid]. (no. 292)
- 300 A. Beaumaster (left) and B. King, enrollees, pushing logs down slide. (no. 291)
- 301 Sawing logs into correct lengths [with a whipsaw]. (no. 290)
- 302 Road being cleared and trees cut down. June 17 [1935] - 3 p.m. (no. 250)
- 303 June 18th [1935] and 10 a.m. [same site after more clearing]. (no. 251)
- 304 Road repairing [men in a large cleared area]. (no. 385)
- 305 Road construction [six men laying soil on a log bridge]. (no. 402)
- 306 Clearing operations ["cat" and burning brush]. (no. 256)
- 307 Pulling stumps at site of saw mill near Camp 5. (no. 206)
- 308 Clearing land at saw mill site [tree falling behind group of men]. (no. 205)
- 309 Assembling saw mill. (no. 207)
- 310 Saw mill No. 2 (in operation). (no. 299)
- 311 Closer view of saw mill operation. Same as 299.] (no. 300)
- 312 Lumberyard at saw mill. (no. 301)
- 313 Saw mill at Camp 5 [mill and lumberyard]. (no. 365)
- 314 With a hasp and a smile the transient worker goes at his task [close-up of a man shaping a log]. (no. 214)
- 315 Constructing a lizard to be used for hauling [two men sawing a log]. (no. 213)
- 316 Well drilling crew at lunch. (no. 307)
- 317 Well drillers [close-up of drilling operation]. (no. 383)
- 318 Alan Perkins, Director of Construction (right) and Claude Hess, colonist, survey the site of cabin. (no. 341)
- 319 Building a cabin in the rain. (no. 439)
- 320 [Cabin construction in the rain. Same as 439.] (no. 438)
- 321 [Cabin construction in the rain Same as 439.] (no. 440)

- 322 Cabin No. 140. (no. 860)
- 323 Cabin No. 23. (no. 463)
- 324 Cabin No. 201. (no. 859)
- 325 Cabin No. 24. (no. 464)
- 326 Cabin No. 19. (no. 389)
- 327 Cabin No. 18. (no. 388)
- 328 Cabin No. 22. (no. 415)
- 329 Cabin No. 25. (no. 462)
- 330 Cabin No. 82 (no 858)
- 331 Cabin No. 61 (no. 856)
- 332 Painting cabin No. 29. (no. 491)
- 333 Harry Jensen, Minnesota colonist, painting the window sills on his house. (no. 490)
- 334 First frame cottage completed. No. 127. (no. 467)
- 335 Cabin No. 56. (no. 616)
- 336 Laying the foundation for a frame cottage. (no. 460)
- 337 Frame cottage No. 96. (no. 663)
- 338 Interior of cabin No. 31. Photographed from front doorway and to the left. (no. 518)
- 339 Same. Photographed from front doorway and to the right. Hatch leads to basement. (no. 519)
- 340 Photographed from back door seen in [previous photo] and shows doorway from which other two previous photos were taken. (no. 520)
- 341 Same. Second floor room [interior of gable end] (no. 521)
- 342 Second floor room [interior view], shows insulation used on roofing. (no. 522)
- 343 Log cabin construction shows type of logs and corners used. (no. 417)
- 344 Round fitted log construction [close-up of log ends]. (no. 608)

- 345 Round log construction. Note size of logs [man standing next to cabin corner]. (no. 609)
- 346 Another excellent Alaskan comparison. In the foreground and to the left is an old settler's cabin, small and with a birch bark and dirt roof. In the background is one of the new cabins completed for the colonist family that is soon to move in. (Cabin No. 42). (no. 601)
- 347 Cabin No. 53. (no. 602)
- 348 Cabin No. 139. (no. 603)
- 349 Cabin No. 52. (no. 604)
- 350 Cabin No. 148. (no. 664)
- 351 Cabin No. 137. (no. 606)
- 352 Cabin No. 202. (no. 666)
- 353 Cabin No. 136. (no. 605)
- 354 Frame Cottage No. 155. [Neil and Margaret Miller House] (no. 881)
- 355 Frame Cottage No. 93. (no. 880)
- 356 Frame Cottage No. 101. (no. 879)
- 357 Frame Cottage No. 105. (no. 878)
- 358 Frame Cottage No. 97. (no. 877)
- 359 Frame Cottage No. 153. (no. 876)
- 360 Frame Cottage No. 150. (no. 875)
- 361 Frame Cottage No. 158. [taken "10-11-35" on back of photo] (no. 874)
- 362 Cabin No. 86. (no. 667)
- 363 Cabin No. 73. (no. 794)
- 364 Cabin No. 164. Constructed single-handedly by Victor Yohn, colonist from Wisconsin. (no. 801)
- 365 Cabin No. 55. (no. 802)
- 366 Cabin No. 58. (no. 804)

- 367 Cabin No. 51 and pump house. (no. 805)
- 368 Cabin No. 100. Constructed by three colonists. [Clarence Sjodin's] (no. 468)
- 369 Cabin No. 78. (no. 807)
- 370 Cabin No. 74. (no. 720)
- 371 Cabin No. 77. (no. 722)
- 372 Cabin No. 71. (no. 723)
- 373 Cabin No. 63. (no. 857)
- 374. Cabin No. 141. (no. 855)
- 375 Cabin No. 60. (no. 854)
- 376 Cabin No. 59. (no. 853)
- 377 Cabin No. 84. (no. 852)
- 378 Cabin No. 10. (no. 935)
- 379 Cabin No. 144. (no. 932)
- 380 Cabin No. 81. (no. 816)
- 381 Cabin No. 80. (no. 810)
- 382 Cabin No. 34. (no. 808)
- 383 Cabin No. 76. (no. 809)
- 384 Cabin No. 29. (no. 487)
- 385 Cabin No. 32. (no. 489)
- 386 Cabin No. 31. (no. 488)
- 387 Cabin No. 98. [Virgil Eckert's] (no. 614)
- 388 Cabin No. 135. (no. 615)
- 389 Cabin No. 26. (no. 486)
- 390 Cabin No. 41. (no. 617)

- 391 Cabin No. 121. Constructed by colonists. (no. 618)
- 392 Frame Cottage No. 106. [Walt Pippel's] (no. 815)
- 393 Frame Cottage No. 112. [? Frank Swanda's] (no. 814)
- 394 Frame Cottage No. 134. [Oscar Kerttula's] (no. 813)
- 395 Frame Cottage No. 132. (no. 812)
- 396 Frame Cottage No. 88. (no. 806)
- 397 Frame Cottage No. 57. (no. 811)
- 398 [Frame Cottage]. (no. 620)
- 399 [Frame Cottage]. (no. 619)
- 400 [Frame Cottage]. (no. 808)
- 401 [Frame Cottage]. (no. 622)
- 402 Frame Cottage No. 200. (no. 661)
- 403 New frame cottage (No. 36) surrounded by cocks of hay that will be used for winter feed for the livestock. (no. 660)
- 404 Frame Cottage No. 124. (no. 607)
- 405 Frame Cottage No. 107. (no. 621)
- 406 Frame Cottage No. 67. (no. 665)
- 407 Frame Cottage No. 4. (no. 796)
- 408 Frame Cottage No. 70. (no. 668)
- 409 Frame Cottage No. 170. (no. 662)
- 410 Sam Geist, transient worker from Washington, sharpening his tools before putting the finishing touches on the newly completed cabin in the background [seated at whetstone]. (no. 699)
- 411 Frame Cottage No. 189. (no. 669)
- 412 Frame Cottage No. I. (no. 797)
- 413 Frame Cottage No. 11. (no. 795)

- 414 Frame Cottage No. 12. (no. 798)
- 415 Frame Cottage No. 2. (no. 799)
- 416 Frame Cottage No. 69. (no. 726a)
- 417 Frame Cottage No. 13. (no. 800)
- 418 Cabin No. 54. (no. 803)
- 419 Frame Cottage No. 133. (no. 724)
- 420 Frame Cottage No. 113. (no. 718)
- 421 Frame Cottage No. 46. (no. 725)
- 422 Frame Cottage No. 169. (no. 873)
- 423 Frame Cottage No. 75. (no. 721)
- 424 Frame Cottage No. 159. (no. 872)
- 425 Frame Cottage No. 110. (no. 719)
- 426 Frame Cottage No. 151. (no. 871)
- 427 Frame Cottage No. 141. (no. 870)
- 428 Frame Cottage No. 154. (no. 865) [Oscar Beylund's]
- 429 Frame Cottage No. 16. (no. 869)
- 430 Frame Cottage No. 152. (no. 867) [Ferber Bailey's]
- 431 Frame Cottage No. 17. (no. 868)
- 432 Frame Cottage No. 156. (no. 864)
- 433 Frame Cottage No. 154. (no. 863)
- 434 Frame Cottage No. 185. (no. 862)
- 435 Frame Cottage No. 95. (no. 861 ) [Henning Benson's]
- 436 Frame Cottage No. 146. (no. 934)
- 437 Frame Cottage No. 117. (no. 927)

- 438 Frame Cottage No. 8. (no. 929)
- 439 Frame Cottage No. 3. (no. 928)
- 440 Frame Cottage No. 122. (no. 931)
- 441 Frame Cottage No. 10. (no. 930)
- 442 Frame Cottage No. 146. (no. 934)
- 443 Frame Cottage No. 143. (no. 933)
- 444 Remodeled house No. 104. (no. 936)
- 445 Cabin No. 179. (no. 912)
- 446 Clearing road between Palmer and the Butte camp, July 23rd [1935. Men and truck in forest]. (no. 443)
- 447 [Truck emerging from trees.] (no. 446) [same as 443]
- 448 Clearing road as they go [similar view in forest]. (no. 447)
- 449 First construction workers on way to the Butte Camp [men working at same site]. (no. 445)
- 450 Cottonwood trees on road to the Butte [man in grovel. (no. 441)]
- 451 Temporary colonists' camp at the Butte [2 wooden shacks and equipment]. (no. 453)
- 452 Note dark spruce trees among the cottonwood trees that predominate [view across valley with tent camp in foreground]. (no. 448)
- 453 Matanuska Valley from the Butte. [(no. 449) on back]
- 454 The Butte. (no. 452)
- 455 The valley looking northwest from the Butte. (no. 450)
- 456 Clearing at the Butte. Matanuska River in the background [view across valley from atop the Butte]. (no. 451)
- 457 Camp No. 10. Construction Camp at the Butte [distant view of tents at edge of the forest]. (no. 883)

Note: Photos Nos. 884 to 912, inclusive, show cabin construction method used at the Butte under the supervision of George Moland, Superintendent.

- 458 Lumberjacks felling trees. (no. 884)
- 459 Shouting "Timber" as the spruce trees fall, the lumberjacks run for safety. (no. 885)
- 460 Trimming branches off of trees. (no. 886)
- 461 Loading the logs on sleds to be taken to the mill. (no. 887)
- 462 Two caterpillars pulling load of logs into the sawmill. Here the logs are cut to size and numbered. There are 15 men working at the mill ten hours daily and it takes one and a half days to cut the logs for a cabin. Logs for 22 cabins, amounting to 198,000 bd. ft. have been cut. (no. 888)
- 463 Rolling the logs off of the sled onto rollers at the mill. (no. 889)
- 464 Lumberjacks rolling the logs onto the saw. (no. 890)
- 465 Cutting the logs to the correct thickness [side view of saw]. (no. 891)
- 466 Sawing three sides of logs [log on saw mill]. (no. 892)
- 467 Long shot showing method by which lumber is pushed along rollers from saw seen in previous photos to swinging saw where the lumber and logs are cut to dimensions, and where the corners are cut on the logs. (no. 893)
- 468 Cutting the corners in the logs [close-up of saw]. (no. 895)
- 469 [Close-up of men feeding lumber into saw.] (no. 894) [same as 895]
- 470 Finished corner [close-up view]. (no. 896)
- 471 Rolling material along rollers to lumber piles. (no. 897)
- 472 From the rollers the lumber is laid out according to its position in the cabin construction. (no. 898)
- 473 Next, each log is numbered according to its position on the charted diagrams for the cabin. (no. 899)
- 474 Cabin complete on platform before being transported to the cabin site. (no. 900)
- 475 Complete side of cabin showing window and corners [laid out flat on the ground]. (no. 901)
- 476 Cabin gables [laid flat] on platform. (no. 902)

- 477 Part of the 11,000 bd. ft. of lumber cut at the mill from the freshly cut spruce trees. This figure cut in addition to logs. (no. 903)
- 478 Transporting lumber from mill to the cabin sites [men loading "cat"]. (no. 904)
- 479 Cabin construction with the numbered logs. Note 2x8's cut at the mill being used for floor construction. (no. 905)
- 480 Placing cut logs into position. (no. 906)
- 481 Comparable to the tinker toy, the workmen skillfully put the logs into position. (no. 907)
- 482 Workmen drilling holes for pins [man astride cabin wall with drilling apparatus]. (no. 908)
- 483 Driving pins into logs [man standing on cabin wall]. (no. 909)
- 484 Pulling up logs for gable construction. (no. 910)
- 485 Completed cabin (No. 178). All of the logs cut and numbered at the mill; it takes four men two days (10 hrs. each) to put up the log walls, and four men one and a half days to put the gables. (no. 911)
- 486 Colonists hauling logs to their cabin sites [using horse team]. (no. 478)
- 487 Col. L. P. Hunt (center, kneeling) on inspection tour at one of the log cabins. (no. 481)
- 488 Cabin construction [large new cabin going up behind old log cabin]. [no #]
- 489 Col. Hunt inspecting a cabin [under construction]. [(no. 485) on back]
- 490 Trading-post construction at the civic center. (no. 479)
- 491 Garage completed. Civic Center. (no. 838)
- 492 Cars of the Alaska Railroad dumping gravel on the new spur track just constructed. Civic Center, Palmer [building foundation in foreground]. (no. 514)
- 493 Foundation for warehouse at Palmer. The railroad has already constructed a spur track to the structure [train in background]. (no. 515)
- 494 Warehouse in construction. Civic Center, August 23rd [1935]. (no. 612)
- 495 Warehouse completed at Community Center. September 6th [1935]. (no. 726)
- 496 Powerhouse completed [showing tall smokestack]. (no. 727)

- 497 Sewerage ditch dug at the Community Center. (no. 791)
- 498 Excavating at the Community Center [two "cats" digging a foundation]. (no. 837)
- 499 Interior of trading post showing insulation. (no. 839)
- 500 F. Durand, mason, making sewer pipe for use at the Community Center. Average output, 24 daily [showing metal mold and completed pipes]. (no. 840)
- 501 Pipes drying before being put into use [pipes stacked on platform out of doors]. (no. 841)
- 502 Alaska Road Commission working on a road to one of the colonist's cabins [view of partly cleared road]. (no. 492)
- 503 [Same site; men removing stumps]. (no. 493)
- 504 A wilderness road through timber near Palmer. Constructed by the Alaska Road Commission. (no. 485)
- 505 Aerial view of Palmer-Anchorage highway.
- 506 New road. (no. 476)
- 507 Road construction by the Alaska Road Commission. (no. 475)
- 508 Another of the new roads. (no. 474)
- 509 New road to a colonial farm. (no. 582)
- 510 One of the three shovels of the Alaska Road Commission at work [loading truck in gravel pit]. (no. 585)
- 511 Hauling gravel for road construction. Gravel pits of this type are found in all parts of the valley. These pits are of huge importance in the road work, and their absence would greatly handicap the fine work being done by the Road Commission [view of shovel and truck in pit]. (no. 584)
- 512 New road [under construction]. (no. 583)
- 513 [Three men working in an excavated bank.] [(no. 714) on back]
- 514 Road Commission blasting a dangerous curve in the road [group of men studying blast debris]. (no. 714a)
- 515 One of the gravel roads that is beginning to form a network throughout the complete valley. (no. 715)

- 516 "Shovels." As important to a construction work as is the plow to agricultural work [shovel bucket hanging over three men with hand shovels]. (no. 761)
- 517 Shadow of shovel dumping gravel into a truck. (no. 762)
- 518 Hauling gravel for road construction [view of work at gravel pit, with small tepee-like structure in foreground]. (no. 759)
- 519 Close-up of [previous photo]. Note shallow depth of soil above ground. This soil is about 14 inches deep; however this is not characteristic of the valley, as in most places the average depth is between three and twelve feet. (no. 760)
- 520 Dumping gravel on a new road. (no. 828)
- 521 Long shot showing graveling operations [dump truck laying gravel on road]. (no. 830)
- 522 Workers spreading gravel on the roads. (no. 829)
- 523 Close-up of a newly graveled road. (no. 831)
- 524 Scenic view with a new road in the foreground. (no. 832)
- 525 New road. (no. 833)
- 526 Newly constructed road to a colonist's cabin. (no. 834)
- 527 Constructing a road to a cabin [man in ditch in foreground]. (no. 835)
- 528 Modern pioneers going down the main street at Palmer. Caterpillar and trailer are the only practical form of transportation over some of the roads [loaded trailer with tent city in background]. (no. 473)
- 529 "A Matanuska Taxi" traveling on the newly constructed Anchorage Matanuska Highway. (no. 916)
- 530 In Alaska the pioneers do not use covered wagons, but the mode of transportation to certain of the camps is slow. Photograph shows group of workers preparing to move to the new camp at the Butte [3 men posing with "cat" and loaded trailer]. (no. 471).
- 531 [Side view of "cat" and loaded trailer.] (no. 472)
- 532 Matanuska Valley to the northwest. (no. 915)
- 533 Scenic view taken from the Butte showing the Knik Glacier in the background. The Valley in the middle distance and a newly constructed cabin in the right foreground. (no. 913)

- 534 Aerial view of Palmer. In the left foreground are the general offices of the A.R.R.C. and also the warehouses and lumber yard. The cars on the [railroad] tracks contain part of the 3-1/2 million feet of lumber purchased for the frame house construction. In the background are the Matanuska River and Talkeetna Mts. (no. 561)
- 535 The Butte Camp from the air. In this vicinity are to be constructed 26 cabins for the new settlers. On the left is the Knik River, and on the right the Matanuska. In the background can be seen Turnagain Arm and Cook Inlet. (no. 562)
- 536 [Aerial of Butte Camp with Knik River and mountains in background.] (no. 563) [same as 562]
- 537 Colonists' Camp No. 8 [aerial view of valley]. (no. 564) [South Springer System]
- 538 Small farm and lake about three miles west of Palmer [aerial view]. (no. 565)
- 539 Matanuska Valley to the west of Palmer. Small farm and clearing in the middle foreground. Talkeetna Mts. in the background [aerial view]. (no. 570)
- 540 Clearing immediately west of Palmer [aerial view of clearing in forest]. (no. 571)
- 541 Saw mill in operation at Moore's [aerial view]. [(no. 572) marked on back]
- 542 [Aerial of Palmer-Anchorage Highway. Same as 566] Note the thick forests. This is the type of country it is necessary to clear in making of all the farms in the community. (no. 567)
- 543 The Palmer-Anchorage Highway now in construction by the Alaska Road Commission [aerial view]. (no. 566)
- 544 From a height of 2,500 feet the spruce and cottonwood trees form a unique picture. Photographed west of the Butte [aerial view]. (no. 568)
- 545 A small portion of the growth. The valley shall never want for timber [aerial of forest]. [(no. 569) on back]
- 546 Land flooded by the Knik River, about 50 miles west of Palmer [aerial showing river at foot of mountains]. (no. 576) [he means 15 m. east of Palmer]
- 547 [Aerial of flooding Knik River.] (no. 577) [same as 576]
- 548 A small glacial stream depositing silt and mud in the valley [aerial view]. (no. 578)
- 549 The valley photographed from the top of Bald Mt. in the Chugaches. Looking to the southwest. The broad Matanuska River forms a conspicuous part of the landscape [aerial view]. [(no. 579) on back] [he means Lazy Mt.]
- 550 Echo Lake, one of the many small sized lakes in the vicinity. (no. 581)

- 551 Little Susitna River in the Talkeetna Mts. (no. 580)
- 552 Air view of stream and forest west of Wasilla, and about 30 miles from Palmer. [(no. 642) on back]
- 553 Lake and marsh in the north west part of Matanuska Valley [aerial]. (no. 643)
- 554 Portion of land that has been formerly burned in the northwest part of the valley [aerial view]. (no. 644)
- 555 Extreme north west part of Matanuska Valley, near the Talkeetna Mts. Note the many small lakes, reminders of the glacial period [aerial view]. (no. 646 ) [Bald Mt. (or "Baldy") in background]
- 556 Northwest part of the valley [aerial view]. (no. 645)
- 557 Area in the southwest part of the valley between Matanuska and Wasilla, that had formerly been burned off and is now covered with black spruce and moss [cabin in background]. (no. 641)
- 558 Administrative offices and quarters of the A.R.R.C. In the background can be seen the warehouse, power house, trading post and garage recently completed [aerial view].
- 559 Aerial view of Palmer, Alaska, in the fertile Matanuska Valley. Only a few of the colonists' tents remain, but additional tents have been constructed [to] house the many new construction workers. In the upper left hand portion of the photograph can be seen the six buildings now in construction at the civic center. (no. 746)
- 560 Matanuska Valley from the air looking west. Tents of the Construction Corps. in the middle distance with a farm in the foreground. (no. 748)
- 561 H.Q. Construction Division from the air. Note the new road being constructed in the middle right of the photograph. (no. 749)
- 562 In a forest primeval grow the roads and houses of the new settlers. Photograph shows Erickson's corners where are located four of the new log cabins of the colonists. In the future, this one spot of wilderness will be the scene of much activity [aerial view]. (no. 751)
- 563 [Closer aerial view of Erickson's corners.] [(no. 752) on back]
- 564 Aerial view of railroad (left) and the Anchorage-Matanuska Highway (right) now in construction. Photographed about five miles from Anchorage. (no. 756)
- 565 Cabins No. 31 and No. 32 as seen from the air. (no. 780)
- 566 Anchorage, Alaska from the air. (no. 755)

- 567 Anchorage with Cook Inlet in the background [aerial view]. (no. 757)
- 568 Line of the Alaska Railroad (in background), crossing mud flats near Anchorage [aerial view]. [(no. 759) on back] [near Eklutna on Knik River]
- 569 Matanuska Valley through the windshield [of the airplane]. (no. 573)
- 570 The Chugach Mts. on the right, and the Talkeetna Mts. in the background [from the air]. (no. 575)
- 571 The snow covered Chugaches [from the air]. (no. 574)
- 572 Knik Glacier as seen from the Butte [view across valley]. (no. 914)

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- 573 Mail Day [colonists, animals and car in front of Palmer Post Office and General Store]. [(no. 414) on back. Store is Felton's.]
- 574 Tent offices and warehouses [tent city in background]. (no. 399)
- 575 Tents used by officials and employees of the colonists' division. (no. 400)
- 576 Main Street, Palmer, on a windy and dusty day [heavy equipment on road]. (no. 401)
- 577 Cloud of dust raised by vehicle traveling down the road. (no. 159)
- 578 Dust all but obscuring the tents from sight. (no. 161)
- 579 Photographed from the back of a truck. Shows dusty conditions of the roads. (no. 160)
- 580 And Alaskan sunset [view across a field]. (no. 262)
- 581 Photograph taken from the University of Alaska Experimental Farm. Note -low overhanging clouds [view of cultivated field]. (no. 393)
- 582 Gordon Astob (?) (left) and Clyde Peck on road between Palmer and Matanuska [car stopped on flooded road under a wooden trestle].
- 583 Road flooded between Palmer and Matanuska [with railroad trestle in background]. (no. 424)
- 584 Road flooded between Palmer and Camp 2 [car driving down flooded road]. (no. 363)
- 585 [Car driving through flooded road. Same as 363.] (no. 364)
- 586 Bridge washed out on road between Palmer and Matanuska. (no. 362)

- 587 Town of Matanuska flooded by overflowing of the Matanuska River. Rising water caused by warm weather melting the snow in the mountains. June 18th [1935]. (no. 425)
- 588 Black bear cub captured by one of the colonists [chained cub lying on the ground]. (no. 457)
- 589 [Chained cub standing on hind legs; children in background. Same as 457.] (no. 456)
- 590 A daily street scene [man leading a cow past Palmer Post Office & General Store]. (no. 470)
- 591 The tent city at Palmer. (no 454)
- 592 The old and the new [photo missing]. (no. 926)
- 593 Buddy and Victor Yohn at play in their new cabin [one boy plays guitar as other looks on]. (no. 920)
- 594 Bearing bouquets of wild flowers, the children of Palmer slowly walk in the funeral procession of Donald Henry Koenen, as the casket is carried to the grave. (no. 285)
- 595 Funeral procession of Donald Henry Koenen [children beside pickup truck]. (no. 284)
- 596 Grave of Donald Henry, Koenen (right) and Dawn Lucille Parks in the new cemetery at Palmer. [(no. 286) on back]
- 597 Primarily work on a colonist's cabin [new cabin being constructed behind an old log cabin. Same as PCA 189-81. (no. 482)
- 598 Mrs. Howard van Wormer and her baby girl, Laura Morena, the first baby born in Palmer, July 11th and weighed 6-1/2 lbs. [mother and child in bed]. (no. 459)
- 599 Mrs. Gertrude Larsh, her new baby boy, Monty Melvin and daughter Beverly [at bedside]. (no. 460)
- 600 Madeleine de Foras, Dr. Earl Ostrom holding the first new born babies, and Mrs. van Wormer, mother of the first colonial child [de Foras with M. Larsh, Dr. with van Wormer.] (no. 461)
- 601 Dr. Ostrom holding the two babies that he attended. [van Wormer and Larsh]
- 602 Colonist singing the "Star Bangled Banner" (sic) at the 4th of July celebration [man on outdoor platform, surrounded by crowd]. (no. 310)
- 603 Mr. Irwin leaves the platform after introducing one of the colonist's youngsters [young girl playing a piano]. (no. 309)

- 604 Entertainment at celebration [musicians and singers]. (no. 308) [Harry Wimmer on trumpet, Donhamp(?) on guitar]
- 605 Eugene Carr speaking to the colonists [on stage in front of crowd]. (no. 305)
- 606 Colonists' picnic and barbecue, 4th of July [1935. View of the crowd with tents in background]. (no. 311)
- 607 Barbecue [looking down on picnickers]. (no. 312) [Irene Beusar in dark hat, hands on hips (bottom center)]
- 608 Mr. Carr speaking [view of speaker and crowd, with tents in background]. (no. 304)
- 609 A group of the colonists' children that play in the streets at Camp 8 [group of children posing with dog in the camp]. (no. 303)
- 610 The colonists' commissary [horse and wagon in front of wood building]. (no. 593)
- 611 Washday in the tent city [woman near laundry line]. (no. 594)
- 612 Mr. & Mrs. Neil Miller and family stop a moment with the work on their cabin to chat with a reporter. (no. 592) [reporter is Arville Schaleben of *The Milwaukee Journal*]
- 613 Publicized pioneers. Although it has been four months since the arrival of the colonists, newsmen and photographers are still prevalent [man taking a photograph of woman and children in doorway of a tent]. (no. 624)
- 614 Madeleine de Foras, Red Cross nurse on one of her health visits, stops at the new cabin of John Meehan, colonist from Minnesota. Colonist Meehan has constructed a very attractive porch and entrance to his cabin. (no. 692)
- 615 E. Chaney, colonist, finds that a small bit of woodwork and a swing for his children help increase the beauty of his forty acres [signpost and child on swing]. (no. 700)
- 616 Deana Reitan, colonist daughter, and her pet bear cub. (no. 715)
- 617 L. L. Bell, colonist of Minnesota, sawing his winter's supply of wood. (no. 717)
- 618 Robert Biller and son, Bobby Jr., of Wisconsin carrying water to his tent [with shoulder yokel. (no. 625)]
- 619 As the progress is speeded and the colonists' cabins are quickly being constructed, the cooperation and spirit amongst the colonists increase daily. Here are shown five of the colonists women who have just completed a day's canning of carrots grown in the Community Garden. (L to R) Mesdames Edward Moss, Johan Johnson, Henry Jensen, Roy Wilkes and Rudolp Leander [women standing behind canned goods on crate]. (no. 623)

- 620 Sunset on Echo Lake between Matanuska and Palmer. (no. 638)
- 621 With most of the colonists' tents on the site of their homesteads, the families can watch and assist in the building of their homes and also work on their land [view of tent and cabin]. [(no. 659) on back]
- 622 Miss Harriet Malstrom of Seattle, Wash., vocalist and entertainer who was featured at the first public entertainment and social affair among the Matanuska colonists held September 3rd [1935]. (no. 683)
- 623 Miss Malstrom giving a recital at the social affair held in the newly completed Community Center warehouse. (no. 684)
- 624 [Miss Malstrom at piano with violin accompanist.] (no. 685)
- 625 Miss Malstrom singing "Cheriberibin" [in front of piano]. (no. 686)
- 626 Col. Hunt (Center) and Ross Sheely to his right at the entertainment held in the Community Center warehouse. (no. 688)
- 627 Part of the five hundred persons, including colonists and members of their families from all parts of the colony area, who attended the first entertainment and social affair amongst the colonists held in the Community Center warehouse. (no. 687) [Fred Larson left of left post]
- 628 Dance held following the entertainment in the warehouse. (no. 689) [Elvi Kerttula, center, blond hair with striped blouse/sweater]
- 629 Colonists dancing. (no. 690)
- 630 [Colonists dancing.] (no. 691)
- 631 Col. Hunt speaking at a colonists' meeting. (no. 846) [Fanny Wirtanen, center, Jack Allman behind her]
- 632 Officers of the colonist council at a meeting held in the trading post building. (L to R) E. W. Barry, committee chairman; Ray Wilkes, council chairman; Mrs. Eino Wirtanen, permanent secretary. (no. 847)
- 633 Colonist men at a meeting. October 8, 1935. (no. 849)
- 634 Members of the 4-H Club at Camp 8 [women and children standing in front of tent]. (no. 442) [L. Fohn-Hansen (dark coat) top center; Mrs. Erickson to left (glasses), left to right front row: Mrs. Kalliosari, H. Vasanoja (2<sup>nd</sup> woman left), 4<sup>th</sup> is Mrs. Wilkes, 8<sup>th</sup> woman is M. Vasanoja (behind baby), Mrs. Loyer (dark clothes), ?, ?]
- 635 When returning home one rainy morning, Mr. and Mrs. Russel Paconen (Mich.) found this bear very much alive on their doorstep. Mr. ran for a gun; Mrs. fainted, but Mr.

- returned with another colonist and two rifles. Six shots rang out and the bear fell dead about ten feet from their cabin door [the Paconens posed with a bear hide]. (no. 495)
- 636 Holding the two claws of the bear that her husband shot on the doorstep of their new cabin [Mrs. Paconen holding two bear paws]. (no. 496)
- 637 Colonist hauling logs for his cabin [man chaining logs to horses]. [Emil Larsh]
- 638 An old sourdough's cabin. This type of cabin can usually be found where ever one travels; some are in use, but most of them are deserted. Compare with the modern colonist's log cabin. (no. 480)
- 639 A street scene in the tent village. (no. 498)
- 640 Washday - Palmer. (no. 499)
- 641 Two colonist children at play [on caterpillar tractor]. (no. 501)
- 642 Mrs. Lydia Fohn-Hansen (left), instructor in Home Economics at the University of Alaska, shown teaching Mrs. Lloyd Bell, Michigan colonist, the art of weaving. Mrs. Fohn-Hansen conducts regular courses at Palmer for the benefit of the colonists. (no. 693)
- 643 Mrs. Lloyd Bell spinning wool into yarn on an improvised spinning wheel made from an old sewing machine. (no. 694)
- 644 Mrs. S. Jodin (sic) of Minnesota smiles gayly (sic) as she runs the wash through her gasoline-driven Maytag washing machine. (no. 696) [woman is Alice Sjodin]
- 645A Colonist women hanging out their wash. (no. 698)
- 645B Mrs. Grant Kensor [sic] (Minn.) doing her ironing with a gasoline heated iron. (no. 697) [woman is Bertie Kenser; her husband in #648]
- 646 Mrs. Carl Erickson (Minn.) shown in her neat kitchen in her tent home at Camp 8. (no. 695)
- 647 Town scene near the warehouse at Palmer [horses and wagon]. [France boy in wagon with hat.] (no. 716)
- 648 Mr. Grant Kensor [Kenser] filling irons with gasoline as the interested children look on. (no. 775) [children are not Kensors']
- 649 Ruth Cook, colonist, taking in her wash. (no. 774)
- 650 Wash day [woman hanging laundry] (no. 776) [woman in Quelika Lentz]
- 651 Mrs. Chris Anderson (Wis.) chopping wood. (no. 777)

- 652 A few of the colonists' children [12 children lined up on a rail].(no. 778)
- 653 Unloading freight at Palmer [at railway]. (no. 766)
- 654 Mr. E. Huseby, colonist, peeling the bark off the logs on his cabin with a homemade tool that he constructed from a hoe. (no. 792)
- 655 Yard scene at one of the new cabins [men sawing logs]. (no. 825)
- 656 Barn and cabin belonging to W. Ising, colonist from Minnesota. (no. 817)
- 657 Curio shop. Here are sold curios made by the colonists and also the Indians in the vicinity. Mrs. Lloyd Bell (Minn.) (left) in charge, and Miss Deana Reitan (right) inspecting a pair of slippers [basketry and other items for sale under a sign: "The Curio Shoppe, Gifts-Souvenirs, Extn. Ser. Uni. of Alaska, Lydia Fohn Hansen"]. (no. 779)
- 658 Homemade articles sold in the curio shop [close-up of items on table]. (no. 779a) on back, album labeled 779]
- 659 Mrs. Henry Rossiter of St. Louis [Co., Minn.] proudly displays her newly born twin girls; the first twins to be born in the colony. The dual birth happened Sept. 28th [1935]. (no. 823)
- 660 Mrs. Vincent Stephan (Minn.) finds that as the nights grow colder her little son needs the covers tucked in tightly. (no. 919)
- 661 Flooded street in Palmer after a heavy rain [tents in background]. (no. 842)
- 662 Moonlight and puddles in the tent city at Palmer. (no. 843)
- 663 Pumping water at Palmer after a recent heavy rain. Oct. 7th [1935. Men in flooded street]. (no. 844)
- 664 Team of horses pulling two vehicles out of the mud. (no. 836)
- 665 Echo Lake on a windless day [with reflection]. (no. 788)
- 666 [Shoreline of Echo Lake and reflection.] (no. 787) [same as 788]
- 667 Pioneer Peak, six thousand foot sentinel that watches over Matanuska Valley. (no. 786)
- 668 Jimmie Ellsworth, young colonist from Michigan, and his steed. (no. 923)
- 669 Grim reminders of approaching winter are the leafless trees in Matanuska Valley. A heavy wind storm removed most of the leaves from the cottonwood and birch trees over night. (no. 846)

- 670 [Leafless tree.] (no. 845) [same as 846]
- 671 Mr. Kenneth McClarty, school teacher, instructing James Sandvik, 15 (Minn.) and high school junior, in the tent home of the Sandvik's. (no. 922)
- 672 As Miss Lorinda Ward (right), schoolteacher, makes the lessons, Miss Margery Potter uses the Hektograph to make copies of the lessons. (no. 921)
- 673 Mr. & Mrs. Paul Nelson (Wis.) find that with their cabin completed and winter coming on that the radio is a source of great entertainment [couple seated in front of a radio].. (no. 918)

## FARMING

- 674 [Produce on display - rutabaga - on a scale reading over 18-1/2 pounds.]
- 675 Ed Moss, colonist, sharpening his axe before starting his land clearing [seated at whetstone]. (no. 432)
- 676 The new farmers mantling tooth harrows and other implements. (no. 78) [Ed Ness, left]
- 677 Assembling a disc harrow. (no. 77) [Walt Pippel, ?, Ed Moss, standing]
- 678 Colonist farm implements. (no. 156)
- 679 Colonist women working in Community Garden at Camp 2. (no. 342)
- 680 Community Garden. Camp 2. (no. 412)
- 681 [Community Garden. Camp 2. Same as 412] (no. 416)
- 682 Cultivating at Community Garden [man and horse plowing field]. (no. 455)
- 683 Box of lettuce grown in Community Garden at Camp 2. (no. 477)

(NOTE: Photos No. 536 to 560 taken under the director of Prof. Goodman)

- 684 Professor A. M. Goodman (left), Agricultural Engineer, and D. F. Watson, a homestead farmer in the valley, discussing asparagus. (no. 536)
- 685 D. F. Watson's farm and garden. Frozen potatoes in the foreground, carrots and turnips in the middle distance and oats and peas in the background. Rated as one of the best farms in the community. (no. 539)
- 686 D. F. Watson in his asparagus bed. Martha Washington asparagus at the extreme right. (no. 538)

- 687 Approaching hail storm as seen from the office of the Construction Division. Aug. 4th [1935]. (no. 502)
- 688 The storm breaks. Taken a few minutes after [previous photo (502)]. Hail and rain lasted about five minutes and the storm also completely covered all of the surrounding mountains with snow [cabin with hail on ground]. (no. 503)
- 689 A patch of potatoes that has been killed by the storm and subsequent frost of Aug. 4th [1935]. (no. 504)
- 690 In Alaska the pots of gold are many, for during the rainy season rainbows are every day occurrences. (no. 506)
- 691 Rainbow following a shower. (no. 505)
- 692 Windlass for hoisting and dressing beef on the farm of D. F. Watson. (no. 539)
- 693 D. F. Watson's potato patch with peas and oats in the background. (no. 540)
- 694 [D. F. Watson's potato patch.] (no. 541)
- 695 Cabbage in Watson's garden. (no. 542)
- 696 Rhubarb, good size, but few stalks. (no. 543)
- 697 D. F. Watson holding a bunch of turnips grown in his garden. (no. 544)
- 698 Turnips ready for market. Grown in Watson's garden and sell for 2-1/2 cents a pound in Palmer. (no. 544a)
- 699 Fireweed and blue top on partially cleared land. A good example of the native growth [man in a lush field]. (no. 545)
- 700 Close-up of fireweed and blue top. (no. 546)
- 701 Prof. Goodman examining Swan Edlund's Alsike clover [farm buildings in background]. (no. 548)
- 702 Showing height of clover. See [previous photo. Man's hand pressing down foliage]. (no. 549)
- 703 Typical farm scene on Wasilla Lake [lake with farm on far shore]. (no. 550) [Swan Edlund farm - see #701 (ARRC 548)]
- 704 A pasture scene on farm on Wasilla Lake [cabin on far shore of lake]. (no. 551)
- 705 Joe Kircher's farmstead. Note earth roofs on house and barn. (no. 552)

- 706 An old settler's cabin and garden at Camp 4. Oats in the background. (no. 553)
- 707 Lettuce in Community Garden at Camp 6. Note hat for comparison. (no. 558)
- 708 Corporation potato patch at Camp 4. Tents in background. (no. 556)
- 709 Monaghan's farm, a native settler. (no. 554)
- 710 Rutabagas in Community Garden at Camp 6. (no. 557)
- 711 A pail of raspberries and a pail of white currants grown on the farm of D. F. Watson. Note fifty cent piece for comparison. (no. 635)
- 712 Rutabagas grown in garden at Camp 6. (no. 560)
- 713 A cock of hay on a drying stack [man next to a haystack]. (no. 555)
- 714 Large head of cabbage not yet fully matured growing at the experimental station [with hat for comparison]. (no. 637)
- 715 Colonist children picking raspberries. These berries abound in the area, and it is possible to pick a pail full in a very short time. (no. 533) [Julia Dingman, second from right]
- 716 Julia Dingman, young colonist daughter, keeps almost as many raspberries in her mouth as she does in her pail. (no. 534)
- 717 High bush cranberries [plant]. These berries grow thickly in all parts of the valley, and make excellent jellies. (no. 537)
- 718 Mrs. Anna [sic] Havemeister, colonist mother, and her family working in a garden near her home. (no. 535) [name is Emma - not Anna]
- 719 Radishes grown in the Community Garden at Camp 6. (no. 559)
- 720 Corporation grain field. (no. 590)
- 721 Ripening oats in a field at the Matanuska Experimental Station. (no. 589)
- 722 Grain field at the Experimental Station. Chugach Mts. in the background. (no. 588)
- 723 Pea vine grown at the Matanuska Experimental Station [hanging next to a measuring stick]. (no. 529)
- 724 [Close-up of pea plant and measuring stick.] (no. 531)

- 725 Pea and oats grown at the Experimental Station. Bundle on right grown in soil to which was added nitrate of soda. Bundle on left without nitrate [next to measuring stick]. (no. 629)
- 726 Thomas Lascon(?) peas growing at Station. Note abundance of pods [close-up]. (no. 627)
- 727 [Similar view of pea plant.] (no. 626) [Same as 627]
- 728 Don L. Irwin, a six footer, finds that this growth of peas and oats are almost as tall as he. Peas and oats are grown by most of the farmers in the region, and are used to feed the livestock during the winter. (no. 632)
- 729 Prof. Goodman and Mr. Irwin [holding a plant between them]. Pea vine being about seven feet in length. (no. 631)
- 730 Prof. A. M. Goodman and Don Irwin examining a crop of peas and oats on the farm of D. F. Watson. (no. 630)
- 731 Barley growing in a field at the Experimental Station. (no. 633)
- 732 Grasshoppers on a log. (no. 591)
- 733 one of the older farms in the valley with a good crop of potatoes and hay [mountains in background]. (no. 634)
- 734 Three cranes in a grain field at the Experimental Station [distant view]. (no. 587)
- 735 Barnyard scene. In the background is a colonist's tent home. (no. 657)
- 736 Rutabagas grown at Camp 6. [(no. 560) on back]
- 737 Large cabbage growing at the Experimental Station. (no. 711)
- 738 Peas grown at the Experimental Station [person holding pea pods]. (no. 628)
- 739 String beans growing at the Experimental Station. (no. 712)
- 740 Cabbages growing in the Community Garden at Camp 2. Note hat for comparison. (no. 710)
- 741 Thirty acre potato patch belonging to the Corporation. This, according to agricultural experts, is the largest potato patch ever planted in Alaska. (no. 744)
- 742 Mrs. Rudolph Leander (left) of Minn. and Mrs. Johan Johnson of Minn. exhibit the lettuce and beets that they gathered in the garden. (no. 740)
- 743 Mrs. Leander and Mrs. Johnson picking vegetables. (no. 739)

- 744 Mrs. Johnson exhibiting four large cauliflowers grown in the Community Garden at Camp 2. (no. 741)
- 745 Emil Krisher (sic)[Kircher] with an armful of Danish Bortsfeldt turnips grown in his garden. Three weigh in over 50 lbs. (no. 826)
- 746 R. S. Griffith, who assisted in the colonist salmon canning [in front of a wall of cans with sign, "Salmon Canned by Palmer Colonists at Matanuska Exp. Station..."] (no. 508)
- 747 Part of the 2,500 cans of salmon packed by the colonists. Canned under the supervision of Mrs. Lydia Fohn-Hansen of the University of Alaska. (no. 507)
- 748 Mrs. E. W. Barry, colonist mother of seven children, proudly displays part of her 140 cans of salmon that she has recently put up. (no. 653)
- 749 W. Ising, Minnesota colonist, inspects the salmon in his smokehouse. Caught in the Matanuska River about a mile from his house, the dried salmon will make excellent food for the winter. (no. 656)
- 750 Willow Creek, one of the many streams in the vicinity that is plentiful with fish. (no. 509)
- 751 Picking peas at the Matanuska Experimental Station at the Univ. of Alaska [two women in pea patch]. (no. 526)
- 752 A basket of peas picked at the Experimental Station [woman kneeling in pea patch]. (no. 527)
- 753 Picking peas [woman kneeling in pea patch]. (no. 528)
- 754 A typical farm scene in the Matanuska Farm colony. Mrs. E. Huseby, colonist mother, in the garden behind her tent home picking turnips. In the background can be seen the Huseby's cabin in construction and their cattle. (no. 742)
- 755 H. J. Lechner, Supt. of the Experimental farm, shown holding a 20 lb. cabbage grown at the station. This cabbage was sufficient to feed 24 people at the Construction Division mess with two helpings each. (no. 743)
- 756 Native growth of blue top grass. Five feet in height [two men chest deep in grass; hills in background]. (no. 547)
- 757 Harvesting potatoes in the Community Garden [three colonists bent over furrows]. (no. 763)
- 758 Part of the 450 tons of potatoes and vegetables already harvested by the Corporation, and which will be used during the winter for subsistence for the colonists [gunnysacks stacked in a shed]. (no. 764)

- 759 E. Huseby with his son and dog in the small garden in the rear of his tent. [(no. 618) on back]
- 760 Mrs. E. Huseby, colonist, working in her garden. (no. 773)
- 761 Johan Johnson (Mich.) colonist puts in his time in the Community Garden at Camp 2 with a cultivator. [(no. 511) on back]
- 762 Claude Hess, Minn. colonist, sharpening his axe before going to work on his land [seated on tent porch]. (no. 403)
- 763 Prosperous farm scene on one of the new colonial farms. In the background and to the left can be seen the new frame house recently constructed, and in the foreground modern machinery used on the farm and the stacks of drying hay. (no. 706)
- 764 [Same as previous photo, no. 706.] (no. 707)
- 765 Caterpillar and reaper in field of oats and peas. (no. 730)
- 766 [Closer view of reaping operation.] (no. 729)
- 767 Hay mower in Corporation hay field [man and horses]. (no. 728)
- 768 "Making hay while the sun shines" is no idle threat in Alaska, for with the predominance of rainy days quick work is a necessity to obtain the best of hay. Scene taken at the Experimental Farm [view of reaper and farm with mountains in background]. (no. 702)
- 769 Harvesting oats [rear view of horses and machinery]. (no. 765)
- 770 Hay poles cut from cottonwood trees in the vicinity. (no. 709)
- 771 Harry Sears, Agriculturist, A.R.R.C., distributing hay poles [in field behind pickup truck]. (no. 731)
- 772 Farm worker placing hay pole in the ground. (no. 732)
- 773 Hay harvester at work [man piling hay]. (no. 733)
- 774 Piling hay on hay poles. (no. 735)
- 775 [Colonist piling hay on stack. Same as 735] (no. 734)
- 776 Completed field of Corporation hay drying. (no. 736)
- 777 Hay drying in a Matanuska field. (no. 707) [Walters/Thuma farm]

- 778 Another Corporation hay field. (no. 737)
- 779 Mowing hay at the Experimental Station [horse team pulling farm equipment]. (no. 703)
- 780 Sheaves of grain in a field immediately back of Palmer. In the background can be seen some of the colonists' tents [and log buildings]. (no. 708) [John Bugge farm]
- 781 Another method used in Alaska to dry hay [hay drying on racks]. (no. 772).
- 782 Sheaves of oats drying in a Corporation oat field. (no. 738)
- 783 Milking time at the Experimental Farm [cows walking around a field]. (no. 704)
- 784 Corporation horses in corral. (no. 770)
- 785 Agricultural Experimental Station of the Univ. of Alaska showing the harvested grains and the several buildings on the farm. It is hoped that someday in the future the farms of the new colonists will present such a picture as this [aerial view]. (no. 750)
- 786 Tent home and cabin construction on one of the new farms [aerial of farms and hay fields]. (no. 753)
- 787 The town of Matanuska, Alaska from the air. (no. 754)
- 788 Government Indian School and hospital at Eklutna located about halfway between Anchorage and Palmer [aerial view]. (no. 758)
- 789 "Wings over Matanuska." From the air only can the real beauty of the valley be seen [aerial of forest and hay fields]. (no. 782)
- 790 This photograph should help dispel the remarks of the critics who claim that the land is not productive [aerial of hay field]. (no. 785)
- 791 Indescribable in words, this scene can only be shown in a photograph for the sheaves of wheat form designs and images that are legion [aerial of field]. (no. 783)
- 792 Digging a cellar and laying the mud sills for one of the few remaining cabins to be built; located in a hay field [aerial view]. (no. 781)
- 793 Hay harvest (aerial view showing stages in harvest]. (no. 7184)
- 794 Close-up of buildings on the Experimental Station [aerial view]. (no. 780a)

#### THE LIVESTOCK OF PALMER

- 795 Government horses being taken to pasture [horses on a dirt road]. [(no. 141 ) on back]
- 796 A newly born bull calf. (no. 264)

- 797 Lunch time for a Guernsey calf. (no. 158)
- 798 Colonist cattle in pasture. (no. 263)
- 799 Charles Richards, Quartermaster, with a colt born en route Matanuska [and mare].
- 800 Government cattle purchased for the colonists [grazing in a field]. (no. 140)
- 801 Unloading colonists' horses at Matanuska [men and horses next to railroad cars]. (no. 339)
- 802 Hauling cattle [five men and livestock in a pickup truck]. (no. 141) [Frank Ring, 2<sup>nd</sup> from left; Virgil Eckert, right]
- 803 Mare and colt. (no. 419)
- 804 Newly born livestock [foal and horses]. (no. 418)
- 805 Government horse [farm equipment and hay in background]. (no. 423)
- 806 Colonist taking horses to pasture. (no. 421)
- 807 Horses grazing [near road]. (no. 420)
- 808 An Alaskan bull owned by a farmer at Knik about 25 miles from Palmer. (no. 422)
- 809 An old settler's cow in pasture. (no. 586)
- 810 Harness contrived by colony blacksmith to shoe the government horses that in most cases, have not been previously shod [horse restrained in a wooden framework]. (no. 595)
- 811 Cutting and storing hay for winter feed [men and truck at a silo]. (no. 673)
- 812 Resembling a western prairie, this photograph shows another contrast that can be found in Alaska. Cows grazing on Cottonwood Flats. (no. 652)
- 813 Horses grazing on excellent pasture on the Flats [mountains in background]. (no. 653)
- 814 Additional stacks of wild hay put up by the Corporation on Cottonwood Flats. (no. 651)
- 815 Sheep grazing on Flats. (no. 654)
- 816 Cottonwood Flats rented by the Corporation as a source of winter pasture. Knik Arm in the background [view across valley]. (no. 647)

- 817 Cottonwood Creek on Cottonwood Flats, about 25 miles from Palmer. Looking to the southwest [view across flats]. (no. 648)
- 818 Robert Lathrop, an old settler, cutting hay on Cottonwood Flats with a pair of Corporation mares. (no. 649)
- 819 Measuring wild hay on Cottonwood Flats [two men measuring hay stacks]. (no. 650)
- 820 Privately owned hay dryer in operation near Palmer. The hay is cut, dried and sacked in one operation [view of dryer shed]. (no. 670) [A. A. Shonbeck farm]
- 821 Pitching the hay into the machine. In the background can be seen the revolving drum in which the hay is dried. (no. 671)
- 822 Sacking the dried hay. (no. 672)
- 823 Two locally owned Alaskan huskies. (no. 768)
- 824 Temporary Corporation barn at Palmer. (no. 769)
- 825 A group of recent arrivals in a colonial barn yard [seven piglets in hay]. (no. 860)
- 826 Colonist shoeing a team [in harness]. (no. 771) [Chris Anderson shoeing]
- 827 Barn at Camp 5 [and chickens]. (no. 851)

#### PERSONALITIES AND PERSONNEL

- 828 Don L. Irwin, General Manager A.R.R.C. [seated at desk].
- 829 Lt. Col. Leroy P. Hunt. Special Administrator, Alaska colonization. (no. 613)
- 830 Organization Chart [personnel hierarchy and duties].
- 831 Construction Division Staff. (L to R top row). Willis T. Geisman, Photographer; Ben Jordan Stewart; Roy Sheridan, Camp Sup't.; Alvah Pilkington, Asst. Acc't.; Frank Carr, Quartermaster; Albert Hawell(?), Chief of Police; John Said, Chief Acc't. (Bottom row) Forest Kelso, Well drill foreman; Alan Perkins, Director of Construction; Col. L. P. Hunt, Special Administrator; Eugene Sedille, General Foreman; Dr. Nataniel (sic) Brown, physician. (no. 937)
- 832 Colonists Division Staff. (L to R) Top Row. John Givens, Asst. Prop. Custodian; Howard Lyng, Asst. Mgr.; Don L. Irwin, Gen. Mgr.; E. J. Cronin, Disbursing Officer; Ross Sheely, Construction Supt. (Bottom row) R. A. C. Atwood, Chief Clerk; Ray Hare, Asst. Acc't.; Orville Cowden(?), Commissary Mgr.; Daniel Sullivan, Asst. Clerk; Eugene Carr, Procurement Mgr.; A. B. Betts, Acting Chief Acc't.; F. L. Biggs, Engineer. (no. 938)

- 833 (L to R) Daniel McGrath, Asst. to Attn'y Gen; Mrs. & Mr. S. R. Fuller, Special Administrator; Frank V. Bliss; Col. Leroy P. Hunt, U.S.M.C. Executive Assistant [in front of Construction Headquarters]. (no. 413)
- 834 Technical experts (L to R). Captain Parsons, U.S.N.; F. L. Biggs; Dr. R. G. Davis; Anton Anderson; Col. Hunt; S. R. Fuller; Dave Williams [standing on road]. (no. 417)
- 835 Dave Williams (left), Architect, Rural Rehabilitation, and Frank V. Bliss [kneeling in front of tent]. (no. 410)
- 836 S. R. Fuller (left) and Dave Williams in a discussion. (no. 613)
- 837 (Left to right) Washington officials--Dr. J. R. Murdock, Dan McGrath, Dave Williams, W. Scott, Dr. R. G. Davis, A. M. Goodman, Capt. Charles Parsons; Lieutenant A. V. Martin, Mr. Fuller, H. B. Hommon, Mr. S. R. Fuller, Col. L. P. Hunt. July 24, 1935. (no. 426)
- 838 Dr. R. G. Davis, U.S.N., on duty in Alaska, reads a paper at nine in the evening. (no. 430)
- 839 Dan McGrath, Special Assistant to the Attorney General on duty in Alaska. (no. 431)
- 840 Dr. Murdock and Dr. Davis wearing mosquito nets (no. 429)
- 841 Dr. Murdock and Dr. Davis. (no. 428)
- 842 G. W. Gasser (left), Director of the Agricultural Experimental Station, and H. J. Lechner (right), Superintendent [with university truck]. (no. 512)
- 843 Anton Anderson, Locating Engineer, A.R.R.C. [sighting along ditch with surveying equipment]. (no. 790)
- 844 "Lest we forget." Dr. Earl Ostrom (holding flag), former area medical officer, obtains the signature of his colleagues before he departs from Matanuska. Shown signing is Alan Perkins, Director. Dr. Brown looks on. (no. 701)
- 845 (L to R) Col. L. P. Hunt, Governor John W. Troy of Alaska, and Don L. Irwin, Gen. Mgr., A.R.R.C. (no. 818)
- 846 Governor and party at lunch on visit to Matanuska, October 2nd [1935]. (L to R) Alan Perkins; Don L. Irwin; Chris Redmonds, Sup't. Alaska Road Commission; Gov. John W. Troy; Col. L. P. Hunt; and Harry G. Watson, Secretary of the Territory [seated at table]. (no. 820a)
- 847 Don L. Irwin (Right) exhibits to Governor Troy a Matanuska Valley turnip. (no. 819)
- 848 (L to R) Eugene Sedille, Col. L. P. Hunt, Ralph Tuck, Congressman M. A. Zioncheck, Dr. Phillip Smith, Eugene Carr, and Col. Ohlsen. (no. 822)

- 849 Colonel Hunt and the Matanuska schoolmarms: (Left to right) Margery Potter, Janet Borges, Lorinda Ward, Col. Hunt, Mildred Ferguson, Margaret Pimperton, Zelda King. [(no. 821) on back]
- 850 Governor Troy poses with six of the new colonial school teachers (L to R) Margery Potter, Lorinda Ward, Zelda King, Gov. Troy, Janet Borges, Margaret Pimperton, Mildred Ferguson. [(no. 820) on back]
- 851 Division heads, A.R.R.C. (L to R) A. M. Goodman, Eugene Carr, Dr. E. A. Ostrom, Don L. Irwin, Col. L P. Hunt, Alan Perkins, Ross Sheely. (no. 674)
- 852 Eugene Carr [standing in doorway of U.S. Commissioner's tent]. (no. 513)
- 853 Capt. McClelland and Eugene Carr [atop flatcar]. (no. 409)
- 854 Capt. Hez McClelland, Air Corps, U.S.A., on a survey in Alaska stops at Palmer [with equipment on top of flatcar]. (no. 408)
- 855 Gladys Forrest, Disbursing Agent, A.R.R.C. [standing in doorway of General Office tent]. (no. 302)
- 856 (L to R) Don L. Irwin, George Moland, Construction Superintendent at Camp 10, and Eugene Carr holding a brown eagle shot in the vicinity. (no. 882)
- 857 Alan Perkins, Director of Construction [reading at desk]. (no. 940)
- 858 (L to R) A. Snell, traveler and lecturer; Col. O. F. Ohlsen, General Manager, Alaska Railroad; and Col. L. P. Hunt. (no. 943)
- 859 Eugene Carr, U.S. Commissioner, sitting at the bar [in front of U.S. flag]. (no. 941)

## MEMBERS OF THE PRESS

- 860 Paul Wagner, Photographer, Associated Press; Wm. Sanders, Correspondent, [Associated Press]; Joe Rucker, Cinematographer, Paramount News; John H. Lienhard, Correspondent, DISPATCH PIONEER PRESS, St. Paul, Minn. [standing in front of tent]. (no. 288)
- 861 Jack Green, I.N.S. [standing on railroad tracks]. (no. 337)
- 862 Joe Rucker (Left) and Mr. Forbes (Right), F.E.R.A. Dept. of Public Relations [with camera on top of flatcar]. (no. 142)
- 863 Arville O. Schaleben, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL. (no. 404)
- 864 March of Time cinematographers [men setting up camera equipment in garden]. (no. 353)

- 865 [Similar view in garden.] (no. 352)
- 866 Arville Shaleben [sic] [Schaleben], reporter and photographer, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL [photographing children on a log].
- 867 Fred Fordham, W.P.A. Motion Picture Record Division, on duty in Alaska [with camera in front of large equipment and F.E.R.A. sign]. (no. 745)

## CAMP LIFE

- 868 (Gateway to Construction Corps tent camp.)
- 869 Gordon Astrole, enrollee, outfitted in official uniform issued to all men. [(no. 626) on back]
- 870 Hovey B. Stoneman (right), Quartermaster, issuing clothes [at desk with 3 men]. (no. 60)
- 871 Boxing ring at Camp as seen from water tower. (no. 351)
- 872 Pay day, Construction Division [similar view as previous]. (no. 407)
- 873 Construction Camp [view of the two rows of tents]. (no. 391)
- 874 Official clothing issue to enrollees [clothing laid out on tarp]. (no. 61)
- 875 Mr. Bliss speaking to enrollees at a mass meeting [rear view of group of men in tent camp]. (no. 231)
- 876 Kitchen crew planting onions [3 men in field]. (no. 406)
- 877 Paul Settle, enrollee from Virginia and carpenter, spends his spare time carving [kneeling in front of picture and carved pieces]. (no. 405)
- 878 Birthday banquet held in honor of Frank V. Bliss. June 13th [1935. View of colonists seated at long tables in tent]. (no. 260)
- 879 (L to R) Alan Perkins, Mrs. Irwin, F. V. Bliss, Mrs. R. Atwood, and Mr. Don L. Irwin [seated at head of tables under U.S. flag]. (no. 261)
- 880 Mess Hall [set for the banquet; American flag hanging at far wall]. (no. 296)
- 881 Kitchen help (L to R) K. Noble, Neil Sumner, T. Murphy, E. Lewis, E. Thompson, J. Stillwell, Joe Grebinsky [standing behind birthday cake at head of tables]. (no. 297)
- 882 Entrance to Construction Camp [mountains framed in log gateway]. (no. 411)
- 883 Construction Camp photographed at 11 p.m., June 13th [1935] as the moon rises over the mountains. (no. 247)

- 884 Transient men leaving by truck for their day's work, 7:30 a.m. [row of 4 trucks loaded with workers]. (no. 494)
- 885 Arrival of 75 additional transient workers, July 24th [1935] in a pouring rain, 7 a.m. [rear view of group walking through tent camp]. (no. 466)
- 886 Through doors and windows the departing enrollees rush the train. July 4th [1935]. (no. 395)
- 887 Enrollees say goodbye to the 75 men who resigned July 4th [1935; view from train toward tent camp]. (no. 394)
- 888 Arrival of 75 new men. July 4th [group loading onto a bus]. (no. 382)
- 889 [New workers leaving train with baggage.] [Same as 382]
- 890 [Workers unloading baggage car.] (no. 524) [Same as 523]
- 891 Arrival of 150 new enrollees, Aug. 2nd [1935; similar to previous view]. (no. 523)
- 892 New construction camp No. 6 [view of cleared site with tents in background]. (no. 500)
- 893 "B" Street, Construction Corps [view down road between rows of tents]. (no. 596)
- 894 Fred Martin, enrollee and butcher from the Construction Division and 52 Rainbow trout that he caught in Cottonwood Creek. (no. 510)
- 895 Robert Mills, enrollee in the Construction Corps doing his weekly washing. (no. 678)
- 896 Clifford McIntyre, transient worker from Pennsylvania [from waist up with axe]. (no. 917)
- 897 Wm. Taylor (3rd from right), Chief Plumber, and plumbing crew of the Construction Corps [around work table]. (no. 675)
- 898 Wm. Taylor (left) and two assistants standing beside a double boiler that they contrived to supply hot water for the 500 men in camp. (no. 675)
- 899 Wash room. Construction Corps. Constructed by plumbing crew. (no. 676)
- 900 Francis Valley, cook in the Construction Corps, at one of the two stoves in the main camp on which the food for about 450 men is cooked. (no. 679)
- 901 Bake shop, Main Camp, Construction Corps. (no. 680)
- 902 Bread oven in bake shop, main camp Construction Corps. (no. 681)

- 903 Part of the supply of foodstuffs stored in the warehouse at the main camp of the Construction Corps. (no. 682)
- 904 H.Q. Construction Division [view of building from road]. (no. 597)
- 905 Breaking camp [men rolling tent canvas]. (no. 924)
- 906 The Construction Corps turns into a Skeleton City, Oct. 22nd [1935; rows of tent frames]. (no. 925)

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- 907 [View of man working on Caterpillar engine.]
- 908 Caterpillars used by the Construction Division [two rows of "cats" next to railroad tracks]. (no. 345)
- 909 Mantling hoists on caterpillars [men with heavy equipment on tripod; rows of "cats" in background]. (no. 62)
- 910 Pulling stump with a winch [view of front of "cat"]. (no. 378)
- 911 E. Show, Cat driver [sitting in "cat"]. (no. 379)
- 912 Falling timber for road building [tree falling behind a "cat"]. (no. 148)
- 913 Snaking logs [using "cat"]. (no. 119)
- 914 Hauling logs [using "cat"; side view]. (no. 350)
- 915 Logging operations [using "cat" to secure a bundle of logs]. (no. 373)
- 916 Ford truck being pulled out of mud by a caterpillar. (no. 377)
- 917 Colonists installing a saw mill. (no. 208)
- 918 Colonist running saw mill [men leading a log through the saw]. (no. 368)
- 919 [End-on view of log going through saw mill.] (no. 366)
- 920 Unloading Ford pickups at Palmer [trucks on flatcar at train station]. (no. 343)
- 921 Unloading school buses [from flatcars]. (no. 344)
- 922 [Driving a bus off train platform.] [Same as 344]
- 923 Car off the road [on] account [of] soft shoulder [two men hitching a tow rope]. (no. 381)

- 924 Hauling gravel for road construction [pickup and cat in quarry]. (no. 380)
- 925 Unloading Diesel motor at Palmer [from flatcar]. (no. 378)
- 926 Initialing first truck [man lettering truck door]. (no. 42)
- 927 Pulling stumps [side view of "cat" at work]. (no. 437)
- 928 Well drill at work. (no. 356)
- 929 [Full view of well drill.] (no. 76)
- 930 "Cat" [pushing] down trees. (no. 441)
- 931 Hauling logs with a "22" cat. (no. 433)
- 932 Hauling logs to the mill [using "cat"]. (no. 436)
- 933 "Cat" at work [two men on a "cat"]. (no. 435)
- 934 Hauling hoists to put on tractors ["cat" hooked up to wagon loaded with equipment]. (no. 434)
- 935 Worthington Diesel motor and generator set up in the power house. Civic Center, Palmer. (no. 611)
- 936 Pneumatic tired car used by the Alaska Railroad [side view of rail-riding car]. (no. 599)
- 937 An old settler's mule team is quite a contrast to the trim airplane in the background. (no. 600)
- 938 [Men using "cat" to hoist a load of lumber.] (no. 640)
- 939 Well rig at work [view of men at base of rig]. (no. 789)
- 940 Construction Corps welder at work. (no. 824)

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### ADDITIONAL PHOTOGRAPHS

*The following group of photographs are not in the official album but were collected by Mary Nan Gamble. Included is a photograph of Governor Jay Hammond and U.S. Senator Ted Stevens with Keith Anne Duncan, when she presented the papers and photographs of her mother, Mary Nan Gamble, to the State of Alaska.*

- 941 Harold Boice family, Alaskan Colonists from Missaukee County, Michigan [2 adults, 5 children standing in yard].
- 942 Home of Harold Boice and family before leaving Missaukee County, Michigan for Alaska.
- 943 One of Boice's cows after a winter of hardship on cut-over land. Missaukee Co., Michigan.
- 944 Typical cut over land from which Alaskan colonists migrated, in Missaukee Co., Michigan.
- 945 Alaskan colonists - Manistee County, Michigan. The Robert Usher family is ready to start. Their household belongings are loaded into the Welfare truck, but the dogs are not pleased with the idea of getting into their crate.
- 946 Alaska Colonists'- Manistee Co., Michigan. The John Kalliosaari family ready for the Welfare truck to come for their household goods [couple and child sitting next to moving crates].
- 947 Alaska Colonists - Manistee County, Michigan. The Thomas Snyder family of Arcadia packing. Billy would like to take his pet lamb. Tom Snyder swapped his manure pile for the Marlin rifle seen at the left.
- 948 Alaska Colonists - Manistee County, Michigan. The Paramount Sound Film men taking picture[s] of the George Venne family [on the farm].
- 949 Alaska Colonists - Manistee County, Michigan. The whole group - four families - eighteen persons and four dogs in their crates - waiting at the station at Kaleva, May 11th, to start on their long journey.
- 950 Alaska Colonists - Manistee County, Michigan. Boarding train at Kaleva for St. Ignace - and Alaska [close-up of colonists].
- 951 Off to Alaska from Michigan [sic] [Minnesota] [a couple with children, ready to board train]. [Tony and Alys Vickaryous and daug. Tiny and Gerry.]
- 952 [A couple with two young men posed for the camera.] (no. 650-1)
- 953 Selected colonists entraining at Superior [Wisconsin] for the long trip to the Matanuska Valley [long view of train station]. (no. 654-6)
- 954 Leaving Rhinelander, Wisconsin for Alaska [close view of colonists and children framed in train windows]. (no. 693-5)
- 955 Leaving Seattle for Seward, Alaska [view down at a huge crowd of people on board ship and on dock].

- 956 Left to Right: Steward Campbell, Ass't. to Mr. Irwin; Frank V. Bliss, Dir. of Construction; Don L. Irwin, Gen. Manager, Colonization Div.; Francis Biggs, Associate Engineer [standing together on board ship]. Calif. Transient Alaskan Expedition. (no. 12) [ARRC-WTG photo]
- 957 Madeleine de Foras, nurse [and] Captain Daniel Pumphrey of ST.MIHIEL (transport used to bring colonists to Alaska - 1935) [standing arm in arm].
- 958 Ship's Captain, ST. MIHIEL - carried Matanuska contingent [Capt. Pumphrey standing on dock in front of ship]. (no. 5)
- 959 [Children seated inside train.] (no. 650-4)
- 960 [Wisconsin family seated inside train.] (no. 650-5)
- 961 Bound for Matanuska Valley. C.C.C. at Anchorage [view of train and crowd at train station]. Hewitt Photo Shop. (no. 4)
- 962 [Colonists disembarking from train.] [ARRC-WTG photo]
- 963 C.C.C. [sic] Camp. A.R.R.&C. Matanuska Project (row of tents). Hewitt Photo Shop. Anchorage. (no. 8) [actually is tent city in Palmer]
- 964 A specialist among us. A.R.R.&C. Project [man carving a toilet seat in front of tents]. Hewitt's Photo Shop, Anchorage. (no. 11)
- 965 "All same." So. St. Paul. Matanuska Colonist Project [view of tent city under construction]. Hewitt's Photo Shop, Anchorage. (no. 1)
- 966 [Palmer Post Office and General Store; log building and tent city in background.]
- 967 Miss Gladys Forrest Deputy Administrator, Alaska E.R.A. [standing next to a rail-riding car].
- 968 L to R: Leo Jacobs, Mgr., Matanuska Project; Dr. Colvin, Legal Counsel, C.O.; Steward Campbell, Liaison between Project and C.O.; ? ; Col. Ohlson, Head of Alaska Railroad [standing together].
- 969 H. A. R. Carleton, Coordinator, A.R.R.C., in the official enrollee uniform takes a Sunday off and goes fishing in the head waters of Finger Lake, about 15 miles west of Palmer. May 26th [1935]. (no. 138)
- 970 From one Sourdough to another. For Mary Nan from Dave Williams, Matanuska Valley, Alaska, July 1935. Col. Hunt (U.S.M.C.); Colonel Bliss; Dave Williams.
- 971 [Portrait of Mary Nan Gamble.]

- 972 [left to right: Governor Jay Hammond, Keith Anne Gamble Duncan and U.S. Senator Ted Stevens seated behind table displaying official photograph album and portrait of Mary Nan Gamble.]
- 973 Palmer, Alaska. 1936. A part of the Community Center, Palmer, Alaska [view of grounds showing school, dormitory, Officials' Homes, hospital]. Hewitt's Photo Shop. (no. P-133)
- 974 Johnson Pass. 6 feet snow. Red filter f-8, 1 p.m. [view of snowy highway near Palmer through car windshield].
- 975 Snow slide - Johnson Pass. January 1965 [view of snow covered mountainside].
- 976 Life with the Wisconsin and Michigan delegations as modern pilgrims head for Alaskan farmlands [photograph of sketches from THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL, May 15, 1935, page 14].

*The following images are signed by the photographer, Steffa.*

- 977 Alaskans
- 978 At the Road Camp
- 979 At the Road Camp (dup.)
- 980 Don Irvin at the [?]
- 981 Spencer Glacier
- 982 [cows]
- 983 Daily News
- 984 [lumber]
- 985 The Hay Flats
- 986 [?]
- 987 [kitchen]
- 988 Rainy day in camp
- 989 Colonists
- 990 [can't read it]
- 991 A Road Camp, Matanuska Valley
- 992 A Temporary Shelter

- 993 At the Road Camp
- 994 At the Hay Fields
  
- 995 [field]
  
- 996 [?]-Ghost town
  
- 997 Alaskan bandits
  
- 998 Barbecue
  
- 999 A typical house- Matanuska
  
- 1000 Lunch time
  
- 1001 Even tots wear 'em
  
- 1002 [working with the hay]
  
- 1003 Home from the Commissary [?]
  
- 1004 Road to the [?]
  
- 1005 [Can't read]
  
- 1006 [House in grass?]
  
- 1007 Colony horses
  
- 1008 Inside Passage
  
- 1009 [working on tractor]
  
- 1010 [color photo of cabin in trees with water in background]
  
- 1011 [color photo of town?]
  
- 1012 [color photo of building a structure]
  
- 1013 [color photo of dock?]
  
- 1014 [man sitting]
  
- 1015 [color photo of camp]