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Guide to Collection

Goldstein Family, Collectors

Goldstein Family Photograph Collection, ca. 1890-1933

PCA 329

34 b&w photographs
(.5 cubic feet)

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ACQUISITION: Photographs numbered 1-15 were donated by Mr. Frank H. Marks in 1991. Marks is the grandson of Reuben and Anna Goldstein. Photographs numbered 16-34 were copied from an album collected and owned by Marie Goldstein and loaned to the library for copying (loaned by Joan and Mel Adler of Los Angeles, California, daughter and son-in-law of Marie). Additional information about the Goldstein family is available in the biography file and master file. (Acc. # 1991-022.)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

The Goldstein family was one of the pioneering families of Juneau. Reuben Goldstein and his wife Anna came to Juneau from Winnipeg in the early 1880's at which time Reuben anglicized his name to Robert. He settled on the waterfront in Juneau and in 1886 filed a mineral claim on the town site of Juneau. The public discovered this fact in 1888 when the Secretary of the Interior awarded a little over 29(?) acres of Juneau to Anna. The citizens became so enraged over the prospect of losing their homes and property they called a public hearing and decided to either hang Goldstein or throw him in the bay (newspaper clipping from San Francisco Call, Nov. 28, 1896(?)). The case was taken to the General Land Office (Goldstein vs. the Town Site of Juneau) where it was decided in favor of the town. From there it went to the Supreme Court and then referred to the Interior Dept. The claim was determined valid. The land was thought to be worth between \$900,000 and \$1,000,000.00 and apparently Goldstein settled for a sum of money instead of the land.

The Goldstein children, Charles, Molly, Flora, Minnie, Will, Belle, and Isadore (Issie) (and possibly another) were some of the early business-owners in Juneau. Charles started a fur-trading business and eventually opened the Goldstein Emporium (guttled by fire in 1939). He and his wife, Laura, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the Governor's mansion in 1939 (Governor Gruening). Isadore (Issie), the youngest Goldstein, served three terms as mayor of Juneau from 1923-1925 and 1933-1937. Belle owned the Nugget Shop with husband Robert Simpson.

INVENTORY

1. [Portrait of a young girl holding a rattle.]
2. Etta Goldstein Marks (left) Charles Goldstein (center) Laura Goldstein (right). [Portrait of three young family members.]
3. Marie Goldstein [head-shot of Marie Goldstein as a young woman].
4. Minnie Goldstein [head-shot portrait of Minnie as a young woman.] Anton Rohde (photographer) Chicago.
5. [Charles (Charlie) Goldstein] Anderson. San Francisco.
6. Aline Ann Goldstein. Age. 2 year. [Full portrait of a young girl standing next to a window, probably a Winter and Pond photo.]
7. Issie (Isadore) Goldstein. [Head-shot as a young man.] Winter and Pond. Juneau, Alaska.
8. Issie (Isadore) Goldstein in U.S. Army Uniform, World War I. S. Sweet. Dumont, N.J.
9. Will Goldstein. [Head-shot portrait of an adult.] Anton Rohde. Chicago.

10. Mollie Goldstein. [Head-shot of a young woman.] Winter and Pond. Juneau, Alaska.
11. Man is Frank Marks, son of Etta (Esther) Goldstein Marks. Others unknown. [Five people standing next to a car, ca. 1930's.]
12. The whole damn family. Dad, mother (on rail), Amelia (to the right), Flo (on the left), A friend in the center and our dog. Bergman, M.D. and family. [Group lounging on a porch.]
13. [Head-shot portrait of a middle aged woman. According to Robert Goldstein, son of Isadore Goldstein, this photo is Laura Goldstein (mother of Marie).]
14. "Etta (Esther) Goldstein Marks. 1st daughter (2d child) of Reuben (Anna). M. 1893 in Chicago to Henry Marks..."
15. "Henry Marks, married Etta G. (Goldstein) in 1893. Costumes of both the 1893 period."
16. [Panoramic view of Juneau, Alaska looking North from Mount Roberts.] (Mercer)
17. [Similar view as #16, looking toward hillside.] (Mercer)
18. Waterfront Juneau. [A.J. Mine in foreground, ca. 1930's.](Mercer)
19. "Our Boys" Juneau Alaska, May 10th 1918. [Parade scene on Front and Franklin Streets].
20. [Probably same parade as #19, men marching in a parade, downtown Juneau, ca. 1918.]
21. [Women marching in a parade; similar to #20.]
22. "Our Store" - Juneau. [Exterior of Goldstein Building where the Goldstein family maintained their business].
23. "Arcade." [Interior view of the Goldstein Building with display windows].
24. [Goldstein Emporium; grocery department. Shows display cases and canned goods stacked in background.]
25. [Goldstein Emporium. Dry Goods Department; display.]
26. [Goldstein Emporium: Millinery Department; display.]
27. [Goldstein Emporium: Men's Furnishings Department; display.]
28. [Goldstein Emporium: Shoe Department.]
29. "Peterson" and escort leaving Juneau, May 10th 1918 [fishing vessels on the Gastineau Channel]. (Winter & Pond)

30. [Mickey and Issie Goldstein eating lunch on ice at Auk(sic) Lake 1916.]
31. "Four of a kind" [Mickey Goldstein displaying freshly-caught fish.]
32. "Beer Gardens - Havana 1929." [Charles Goldstein with his family posed around a table.]
33. [Goldstein family members posed on a wall.]
34. [Alina Ann; Goldstein family member.]
35. [View of fatal airplane accident of Mickey Goldstein, ca. 1932-33.]