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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

The Feaster family came to Alaska in 1903 and included John (Henry) Feaster, Gertrude Corlew (Henry's cousin), Effie Feaster and William Joseph Feaster. T.D. and Gertrude Corlew owned the Pacific Coast Trading Co. in Katalla, Alaska and William Joseph Feaster was deputy U.S. Marshal in Chitina while the Kennicott Copper Mine was operating.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The photos include views of Chitina, Seward and the Alaska Central Railway, bridges, tunnels, a few businesses (Seward and Anchorage), and images of people, some identified. Many of the photographs are attributed to the photographers Evans and Anderson. Bob Evans was a Douglas photographer.

INVENTORY

1. [Alaska Central Railway Freight and Ticket Office. Six men and a dog on porch of Warehouse C.]
2. Warehouses, A.C. Ry. Co., Seward, Alaska. May 13, '06. (Evans)
3. A.C. Ry. Station at Seward, Dec. 23, '05. (Evans)
4. Part of Boom, A.C. Ry. logging camp, Jan. 1907. (Evans)
5. A.C. Ry. Co's Saw Mill Crew, Seward, Alaska. (Evans)
6. Logging on the Alaska Central R.R., Camp Johnston, Sept. 17, '05. (Evans and Anderson)
7. Watson and Snow's horses being shipped from 48 to Seward. [Men standing with fourteen horses with the Alaska Central Railway cards in the background; snow scene.] (Evans)
8. Frieghtin [freighting] supplies to construction camps on A.C. Ry., March 1906. (Case & Draper)
9. Dr. Cook and party taking moving pictures on the Alaska Central RR, Oct. 15th 06. (Evans)
10. [Group of men working on railroad trestle.] (Evans 1906)

11. View from Mile 11 A.C.R.R. Ser 1906. [View of the railroad tracks.] (Evans)
12. Trestle No. 19. A.C.R.R. Seward, Als [Alaska] (Photo by Evans and Anderson)
13. Scenery along the A.C.R.R. near mouth of Johnson's Creek, Aug. 22, 1905. (Evans and Anderson Photo, Seward)
14. South of Snow River Summit, A.C.R.R. (Photo by Evans and Anderson, Seward).
15. Finished grade, A.C.R.R. near mouth Johnson's Creek. (Photo by Evans and Anderson)
16. Stock Grazing [grazing] on the A.C.R.R. near Seward, Alaska, Aug. 1905. (Photo by Evans and Anderson)
17. Train arriving at Trail Lake Siding, June 1906. (Evans)
18. Excursion train near Trail Creek Summit. [Open train cars filled with men and women.] (Evans)
19. Construction train at Mile 48 A.C.R.R., Aug 6th '06. [Alaska Central Railway cars loaded with supplies.] (Evans photo)
20. Looking north from morain [moraine], Mile 48 A.C.R.R. 1906. [Scenic view of a valley with railroad tracks in the foreground.] (Evans)
21. Group in Front of South Portal Tunnel no. 1 A.C.R.R. Sep. 29, 06. [Group of men, women and children posed near the railway tracks.] (Evans)
22. Tunnel No. 1 Mile 49, A.C.R.R., Aug. 1906. (Evans)
23. Detail of big trestle on Mile 49, Alaska Central R.R. Looking West from Camp 49. (Evans)
24. Trestle on Mile 49, Alaska Central Railroad from North Portal Tunnel No. 1, Nov. 16, 1906. (Evans)
25. View of Big Trestle on Mile 49 From Wagon Road Near Top of Hill South of Camp 49, A.C.R.R. (Photo by Evans, 1906)
26. Glacier Mile 49, A.C.R.R., Aug. 1906. (Evans photo)
27. Culinary Department, Camp 49 [group of seven men and a boy wearing aprons].

28. Street Scene, Camp 49, A.C.R.R., Aug. 6th 1906. (Evans Photo)
29. Pack Train Leaving Camp 49, A.C.R.R., Aug. '06. (Evans Photo)
30. Camp 49, A.C.R.R., Aug 5th 1906 [view of buildings from above]. (Photo by Evans)
31. Leaving Mile 49 for Seward; Excursion Given by Mr. Ramsay, 1906 Sept. 29th. (see photo 349-18) (Evans Photo)
32. Sheep Mountain, From Trestle No. 20. (Evans and Anderson)
33. Big Feed Coming Off Soon, Camp 52, A.C.R.R. [group of men lined up in front of tents]. (Evans Photo)
34. Camp 52, A.C.R.R. Aug 1906, North. (Evans Photo)
35. Camp 52 Looking North, A.C.R.R., Aug. 1906. (Evans Photo)
36. Lower end Placer River Glacier, A.C.R.R. Aug. 1906. (Photo by Evans)
37. A.C. Ry Co's saw mill at Seward, Alaska. (Photo by Evans)
38. [Camp 52? Large group of men standing and sitting on pile of logs.]
39. Scene on Mirror Slough from Camp 7. (Photo by Evans)
40. Excursion Train Enroute to Placer River Valley, Sept. 29, '06. (Evans) (see related photos numbered 349-18 and 349-31.)
41. [Towers, Seward] [Two dogs pulling man on small sled along snow-covered railroad tracks.]
42. ["Fat" Hewitt] [Man standing on flatbed car on railroad tracks.]
43. [Double exposure; tracks and trestle against mountains.]
44. A.C.Ry, M49. [Railroad trestle from a distance.]
45. A.C.Ry. [House under construction behind long white fence.]
46. A.C. Ry. Co's Logging Camp, Resurrection Bay, Jan. 1907. (Evans)
47. Cottonwoods Mile 97 [around bend of track]. (Ives)

48. Alaska Central Ry., Glacier From Camp 49.
49. Tunnel Mile 103 [tinted photograph]. (Ives)
50. Alaska Central Ry. M30. Trail Lake, North.
51. Alaska Central Ry. M51. The Loop.
52. [Dog running along track, river and timber behind.]
53. A.C Ry. M4. Wild Red Top [man in hat standing on tracks holding bundle of Fireweed plants].
54. Alaska Central Ry. Gen. Offices, Seward, Alaska [general offices at Seward - for officials].
55. Alaska Central Ry. M54 [glacier and river].
56. A.C. Ry, M44. [Scene of railway ties washed out by a mud slide?]
57. A.C. Ry, M41. [Scene of washed out railway tracks.]
58. Glacier M44 A.C. Ry.
59. Alaska Central Ry, M51. Trusses in Loop.
60. Alaska Central Ry, M41. (F34)
61. Frieghting supplys [freighting supplies] to construction camps on A.C. Ry. [similar to 349-8].
62. Alaska Central Ry. Resurrection River Valley.
63. A.C. Ry. M4. McPherson's Ranch [log cabin with man pushing a hand plow in a vegetable garden].
64. A.C Ry. M11 [trestle].
65. Alaska Central Ry. Second Truss in Loop.
66. A.C. Ry M45 [track behind pond with lily pads].
67. Alaska Central Ry M36 [engine steaming up the tracks].

68. [View of railroad tracks with mountain behind.]
69. A.C. Ry. M44.
70. A.C. Ry. M15, Snow River [trestle crossing river].
71. Alaska Central Ry Exit Tunnel No. 2.
72. A.C. Ry. 49 [trestle].
73. Alaska Central Ry. Glacier from Camp 49. (F41)
74. A.C.Ry. M43. [Hand car on tracks in the wilderness.]
75. Mile 100. [Tracks running through tunnel in hillside.]
76. Miles 35-40 A.C. Ry. Moose Region.
77. [Winter view of tracks and buildings with mountains in background.]
78. Alaska Central Ry. M51. (F44)
79. Alaska Central Ry. M33. (F23)
80. Alaska Central Ry. Nat. Meadows [meadows], M2. (F9)
81. Alaska Central Ry. Seward Wharf. (F3)
82. Mile 116 (Ives). [Colored photograph of tracks leading to mountain.]
83. Cordova (New) from cable office. [View of railroad tracks and buildings in the distance.] (Lp.)
84. Taken by W.A. McPherson in 1907 Seward, Alaska. [Sept. 20, 07. Officials of the A.C. Ry. entertaining officers of the W.I. Cruiser Buffalo at McPherson's Ranch Mile 6.]
85. A.C.Ry. Co's Logging Camp. Resurrection Bay. Jan. 1907. [Men, women and horses standing in front of a house and stable; same as PCA 349-46.] (Evans)
- 86.x Scenery along the A.C.R.R. near mouth of Johnson's Creek. Aug 22, 1905 (Evans and Anderson Photo, Seward). OVERSIZE

87.x Railroad men leaving end of track for Seward, November 16, 1906. (photo by Evans). [Line of men on platform, more men with horses beside them on flat ground; railroad cars behind them on tracks.] OVERSIZE

Postcards:

88. Seward, Alaska [view of two ships at dock; postcard written to Miss Ethel Druxinman, Seattle].
89. Cruiser Maryland, Seward, Alaska F.L.P.
90. Seward, Alaska [three ships in harbor; postcard written to Mrs. T.D. Corlew].
91. [Same view as #90; postcard written to Mrs. T.D. Corlew Sept. 15.]
92. Salmon in the falls, Ketchikan, Alaska. (Thwaites 5314)
93. Twelve feet of snow in May, Nellie Juan. (Thwaites 4402) [View of cannery on dock.]
94. [Snow covered houses.]
95. [Cranes building trestle, in snow.]
96. A.C.R.R. Mile 44. (Evans) [Train plowing through snow on the tracks.]
97. [Wm. Joseph Feaster (my uncle) Deputy U.S. Marshal, Chitina, Alaska and his son Joseph R. Feaster in wagon. Date - ca. 1904.] (per John H. Feaster)
98. The Katsenjammer Kids of Seward [two young women in fur hats].
99. Old timers dance, Seward, Alaska, Aug. 28, 1910 [large group of people in hall].
100. Second Annual Hunt Kenai Peninsula, Seward, Alaska, Nov. 1, 1911 (L.H.P.) [large group of men with animal trophies].
101. Seward Alaska ["Jim C. High Hardware Store"; four sled dog teams in front of Seward Bakery and Hardware Stoves and Ranges store].
102. Parade U.S.S. Maryland, Seward, Alaska, July 13, 1913 [marching bands in front of the Commerce Building].
103. [View of waterfall.]

104. Through deep snow to Tunnel No. 1, A.C.Ry [man standing on tracks beside berm three times his height].

End of postcards.

105. Head of Lowel Canyon. [Scenic view of a snow-covered valley.]
106. Child's Glacier Alaska [photo is tinted blue].
107. Seward, Alaska [view of city and inlet from hillside behind town].
108. [Boat nearing shore with pilings in the foreground.]
109. [Seward? boats in wharf area; Kenai Lumber and Fuel Co. in foreground; vessel YUCATAN at the dock.] (F66)
110. Seward, Alaska [view up Fourth Avenue along pier].
111. Seward, Alaska [view of homes under construction].
112. Seward, Alaska. Fourth Ave [view down the street toward the harbor].
113. Seward, Alaska [aerial view].
114. Fourth Ave. Seward, Alaska. Apr. 3, 1907. [Group of people gathered on at the head of the dock.]
115. Seward, A. [panorama of Seward from Fourth Avenue pier].
116. Loading, Jan. 27-07. ["St. Clair at Seward"; men loading freshly-cut logs in the woods].
117. Seward, Alaska Sept. 1905 (photo by Evans & Anderson) [log houses under construction].
118. Potato Race, July 4, 1905, Seward. [Girl's foot race through town.]
119. [Fire truck spraying water on a downtown building next to the Commerce Building.]
120. ["Swell head row"; row of houses along boardwalk; see also #150].
121. [Street scene, downtown Seward, with snow.]

122. ["Katherine Colwell home in Seward"; man and woman in large garden outside clapboard home, mountains in background].
123. Colwell home in Seward Alaska [winter view of home overlooking harbor].
124. Cable Office, Seward, Alaska.
125. Field of Barley, A.T. Co., Seward, Alaska [dog and two men in field].
126. Cutting Wild Grass, A.T. Co., Seward, Alaska [two horses pulling man and plow]. (F59)
127. Hay making, Wild Grass, A.T. Co., Seward, Alaska [two horses with man and plow]. (F60)
128. Wild Grass Hay, A.T. Co., Seward, Alaska [featuring shed with hay bales beneath]. (F62)
129. M.E. Sunday School, 1908, Seward, Alaska [group of children and adults, one large cat].
- 130.x Madam Grace Harris Leaving Seward For Her Ranch in Her Dogomobile. Seward, Alaska, December 2, 1906. (photo by Evans) OVERSIZE [see also #160]
131. [Line of men standing in front of Seattle Bar, Seward.] (Evans and Anderson Photo)
132. Scottie (T.D. and Gertie Corlew), Seward [standing on hand car on railroad tracks].
133. ["Gertrude Corlew was my dad's cousin. She and T.D. Corlew owned the Pacific Coast Trading Co. in Seward and also in Cordova and Katalla, Alaska." Gertrude Corlew (1906) is standing on far left in second floor window; T.D. Corlew (husband of Gertrude) is wearing light-colored coat and leaning against a wagon; Henry Feaster is third man from right in photo (standing behind gunny sack).] (per John H. Feaster)
134. Hotel McNeiley, Hawkins & Whittemore, Props, Seward, Alaska. (photo by Evans)
135. [Group of men standing in front of two-story building, with a sign reading, "Olympia Beer The Commerce" The left side is a bar and the right is a restaurant.]
136. Westside Fourth Ave. Seward, Alaska. Apr. 19th 1906 [two men standing on boardwalk in front of D.C. Brownell Hardware] (Case & Evans).
137. Social dance at Moore's Hall. Aug. 26, 1905. (Photo by Evans and Anderson)

138. Alaska Day. Frye-Bruhn Market. Seward, Alaska. Oct. 18, 06. (Evans)
139. Dr. Burns' Excursion Party on Resurrection Bay, Alaska, Sept. 1906. (Evans)
140. Fourth Ave. Seward, Alaska. July 28, 1906 [view from pier toward town]. (Evans)
141. Fourth Ave. Seward, Alaska. Looking Toward Wharf. (by Evans)
142. Fourth Ave. Seward, Alaska. Jan. 22, 06 [view along pier] (photo by Evans).
143. Looking up Fourth Ave. from Wharf, Seward, Alaska. May 22, 1906. (Evans)
144. A May Day in Seward Alaska, 1906 [view from Fourth Ave. pier, men and women walking up the street]. (Evans)
145. Seward, Alaska. Apr. 13th 1906 [view of town and people from dock at end of Fourth Ave. pier]. (Case & Evans)
146. [Waterfront view of Seward, with pier, ca. 1906.]
147. North Third Ave. Seward, Alaska. July 30, 06 (photo by Evans) [view of homes].
148. [Exterior of Ballaine residence, Seward.]
149. Residence of Frank L. Ballaine. Seward, Alaska [woman on porch, chickens in yard].
150. Seward, Alaska (Evans and Anderson) [view of three homes along boardwalk; see also #120].
151. "White House on the Levee," Seward, Alaska (Case & Evans) [Seward Commercial Co building with a group of people on the porch].
152. "White House on the Levee, " Seward, Alaska [Seward Commercial Company.] (Case and Evans) [similar to #151].
153. Seward Club. D.W. Sorder & M.O. Dickey, Proprietors. (Case & Evans)
154. Fourth Ave. Seward, Alaska, Dec. 1906 (Evans) [downtown street scene].
155. Sailing of the Santa-Clara, Seward, Alaska. Apr 13th 1906. [SANTA CLARA at dockside with a crowd on the docks.] (Case and Evans)

156. Arrival S.S. Oregon. Seward, Alaska. Apr. 19th 1906. (Case & Evans)
157. [S.S. OREGON at crowded dockside.]
158. Arrival of Str. "Portland" May 22, 1906, Seward, Alaska [view from downtown along Fourth Ave.].
159. [Duke Harris tent in Northern Saloon, Seward; man, woman and dog outside a small makeshift tent inside a building. Sign on the tent reads "Matanuska Chief".]
160. [Man standing next to a dogsled and team with a woman and child in the sled next to "A.B. Drug" Seward. Similar to PCA 349-130 OVERSIZE.]
161. Sample of gold from Nugget Gulch Susitna Country. Tributary to Seward, Alaska. Mined by Herndon, Jacobs & Morris, 1906. Value over \$3,600.00. (photo by Evans, Seward, Alaska)
162. Largest pans taken from Nugget Gulch by Morris, Jacobs & Herndon, 1906. Susitna Country, tributary to Seward, Alaska, via Alaska Central R.R. (photo by Evans, Seward)
163. [Large group of men with two women in suits standing outside and on steps of a courthouse (?) building.]
164. [Double exposure print of ship and town.]

Unidentified locations:

165. [Four children posed beside a fence, squinting into the sun.]
166. [Scenic view of unidentified snow-covered mountains.]
167. [View of a high volume waterfall.]
168. [Two men at the corner of a building with sign reading "LOOM No. 1425 Meets Friday 8 PM". "LOOM" may stand for Local Order of Moose]
169. [Five men on street in front of white building.]
170. [Ship in port.]
171. [People paddling canoes and other small boats toward the shore line.]
172. [Ships in harbor.]

173. [Large ship at dock; photo tinted blue.]
174. [View showing ice running in river.]
175. [Scenic of trees, lake, mountains; photo tinted blue.]
176. [Freighting supplies on sleds over a frozen lake.]
177. [People, sled dogs, loaded sled in front of three cabins.] (Evans 1907)
178. [Dog team pulling sled and man.]
179. [Man driving a dogsled loaded with supplies.]
180. [Deep snow in town, Seward (?)]
181. [Bank of Vancouver, Scott's Central Hotel, Telephone office.]
182. [River with waterfall behind it.]

Views from areas outside of Seward:

183. ["Joseph R. Feaster (my cousin) and bear cubs. Chitina, Alaska, approx. 1910-1914.] (per John H. Feaster." Two boys posed with two adults and bear cubs.]
184. Ladies furnishings and dry goods. ["Only dry goods in Anchorage, Corlew's" window display].
185. Interior first store of Catalla, Alaska [Katalla], 1903 [Pacific Coast Trading Co; Gertrude Corlew behind scale, T.D. Corlew at far right.] (per John H. Feaster)
186. Gov't herd, Kodiak [1907? Prof. Georgeson took 22 Black Galloways to Kodiak Island on the SS Portland. Cattle were purchased in Campaign Co., Ill. Report from Seward Daily Gateway, Apr. 23, 1907]. (Photo by J.E. Thwaites)
187. Muir Glacier--Area 354 square miles of ice.
188. Unalaska, Alaska [view of city from the water]. (#782)
189. Elephant Rock, Unga, Alaska. (Photo by J.E. Thwaites)
190. Entrance Dutch Harbor, Alaska. (#8)

191. White Pass & Yukon Route [large group of people standing in the snow in front of two rail cars with a depot behind them].
192. Arch Rock, Boswell Bay, Alaska. (H.A. Ives Photo) (#60)
193. Cin. Co. Str. Tyonic, Hope, Alaska, May 4th 1906. (Case & Draper)
194. [Formal restaurant dining room; non-Alaska view?]