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Guide to Collection

Gates, Cyrus Kingsley, 1905-1995

Cyrus Kingsley Gates Postcard Collection, ca. 1898-1920

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94 postcards

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Biographical Note

Cyrus Kingsley Gates was born (July 7, 1905) and raised in Bellingham, Washington, then educated at Oregon State University and Harvard Business School. He was stationed in England with the U.S. Army during World War II. As an adult, he resided in Seattle, Washington and Puerto Vallarta, Mexico. Gates never married. He had two sisters, Frances Gates McCord and Betty Gates Clark. He died December 23, 1995.

Scope and Contents Note

Cyrus Kingsley Gates collected these postcards at age 15 on a trip to Alaska with his uncle, P. G. Gates, of Pasadena, California, during the summer of 1920. Dates of the photographs on the postcards range from 1898-1920. Photographers represented include J.E. Thwaites, Winter & Pond, Sydney Laurence, Logemann, Maude Dempsey, E.A. Hegg and Lowman & Hanford Co. publishers. Scenic landscapes, villages, towns, glaciers, totem poles, steamboats, roadhouses in Alaska and British Columbia.

Inventory

Postcards:

- 1 [S.S.] Princess Alice Ketchikan, Alaska
- 2 S.S. Princess Alice in Alaska. Maude Dempsey (no. 115-D.)
- 3a Alert Bay, B.C.
- 3b Alert Bay, B.C. McRae
- 4 Totem Poles Alert Bay B.C.
- 5 Alert Bay B.C. (no. 113)
- 6 Alert Bay, B.C.
- 8 Totem Pole Alert Bay B.C.
- 9 Totems on Indian grave[s] Alert Bay B.C. E.F.
- 10 B.C. Totem Poles
- 11 Totem on Indian Grave Alert Bay B.C. E.F.
- 12 Totem Pole Alert Bay B.C. McRae
- 13 Wrangell, Alaska. Thwaites (no. 1749)
- 14 Petersburg and Wrangell Narrows. W.P. Co. (Winter & Pond) (no. 5606)
- 15 Princess Alice arriving Prince Rupert. McRae
- 16 Cold Storage Plant, Prince Rupert, B.C.
- 17 City of Prince Rupert, B.C.

- 18 S.S. Princess Alice in Alaska. Thwaites (no. 5042)
- 19 Ketchikan Alaska
- 20 Ketchikan Alaska. Thwaites (no. 5090)
- 21 Face of Taku Glacier. W.P. Co. (Winter & Pond) (no. 15)
- 22 Sub-chaser 309 at Taku Glacier. W.P. Co. (Winter & Pond)
- 23 Taku Glacier Alaska
- 24 Taku Glacier Alaska. E.F.
- 25 One of the gold mines at Juneau Alaska. Thwaites (no. 4484)
- 26 A.G.M. Co. mill - Thane Alaska. W.P. Co. (Winter & Pond)
- 27 Juneau, Alaska. W.P. Co. (Winter & Pond)
- 28 Juneau Alaska
- 29 Juneau Alaska. Thwaites (no. 1793)
- 30 [White Pass Railroad en route]
- 31 Under two flags, "White Pass," Summit, Alaska
- 32 Carcross, Yukon [Caribou Hotel]
- 33 Silver foxes Carcross Yukon
- 34 [Yukon River steamboats Tutshi and Gleaner]
- 35 Royal Hotel, Atlin, B.C.
- 36 Street scene, 1915, Atlin, B.C. [Royal Hotel]
- 37 [Hydraulic mining]
- 38 Hydrolics [hydraulics], Atlin, B.C.
- 39 [Steamboat Alaska]
- 40 The Steamboat Alaska at Dawson August 22nd 1913. (no. E486)
- 41 Steamer White Horse in Five Finger Rapids, Alaska. F.H. Nowell. Lowman & Hanford Co. (no. 5117)
- 42 Str [steamer] White Horse in Five Finger Rapids. Case & Draper (no. 1103)
- 43 Home of Robert W. Service
- 45 Winter Scene - Tanana, Alaska [Pinkiert's storefront]
- 46 Front Street looking up the river, Tanana, Alaska [The Yukon, Kentucky Restaurant]
- 47 Tanana, Alaska [Tanana Commercial Co., Hotel Grande, Tower House]
- 48 McCarty Ferry
- 49 Rapids Roadhouse
- 50 Yost's Roadhouse, The Rapids, Fairbanks trail

- 52 Meier's
- 53 Sourdough Roadhouse
- 54 Tonsina Roadhouse; Chitina - Fairbanks Trail
- 55 Copper Center, Alaska [Hotel Holman]
- 56 Copper Center: July 4, 1919
- 57a Chitina, Alaska
- 57b Chitina, Alaska May 9, 1915
- 58 [Chitina]
- 59 Eskimo drying salmon, Alaska
- 60 Chitina Bridge - Copper R[iver] Alaska
- 62 [Strelna]
- 63 Child's Glacier, Copper River, Alaska. Width of River 1/5 mile. Height of glac. 300 ft. Thwaites (no. 1854)
- 64 Miles Glacier, Copper River, Alaska. E.A. Hegg (no. 296)
- 65 [Miles Glacier]
- 66 Child's Glacier. Copper River, Alaska. E.A. Hegg
- 67 Childs Glacier. Alaska.
- 68 Bear Hole. Abercrombie Canyon. Copper River, Alaska. E.A. Hegg, (no. 277)
- 69 Falls Cordova Alaska. Hegg
- 70 Cordova Alaska [Blum & Co. (Carstien?)'s Packing Co.]
- 71 Main Street, Cordova, A[l]a[sk]a. Thwaites (no. 4311 or 4911?) [Cordova Hand Laundry, Alaska Steamship Co., Wells Restaurant]
- 72 S.S. Adm'l [Admiral] Watson in Alaska. Thwaites. (no. 4061)
- 73 [S.S. Admiral Watson]
- 74 S.S. Admiral Watson. Maude Dempsey (no. 43-D)
- 75 S.S. Admiral Watson
- 76 Business Section - Valdez, Alaska [Seattle Hotel, Blum & Co., Southern Rooms]
- 77 Valdez Alaska. A. Wischmeyer (no. 277-D) ["Vote for James Wickersham" banner across street]
- 78 Seward Alaska
- 79 Seward Alaska. Curtis & Miller. Lowman & Hanford Co. (no. 5029)
- 80 Fourth Avenue- Anchorage, Alaska. Logemann
- 81 Mt. McKinley 20,360 Feet High. Alaska. Sidney Laurence
- 93 Petersburg, Alaska. Thwaites (no. 4152)

- 94 Petersburg
- 95 Petersburg, Alaska
- 97 [Sled and dog team resting]
- 98 At prayer [chained bear cub]
- 99 Karlux [sled dog puppy on lead held by] S. Sexton
- 100 Eskimo Medicine Man. Alaska, exorcising evil spirits from a sick boy. "Working to Beat the Devil" J.E.T. (Thwaites) (no. 493)
- 101 Hand-written on verso: Gov't cruiser at Ketchikan [sic] This sunk the U 39 in Mediterranean [sic]
- 102 Sunset near Kodiak, Alaska. J.E.T. (Thwaites) (no. 381)
- 103 The Scales, Chilkoot Summit 1898. (no. 1102)
- 104 S.S. Alameda in Alaska. A. Wischmeyer. (no. 254-D)
- 105 [U.S. Railroad]
- 106 Midsummer sun at night. 21st June Midnight sun, photo's [sic] at intervals of 15 minutes. Taken 14 miles north of Arctic Circle.
- 107 Dec. 21st. Mid-day sun Dec. 21st. Photo's [photos] at intervals of 15 minutes.
- 108 21st June. Mid-night sun, photo at 12 o'clock.