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Guide to Collection

Silva, Joseph Z.

Joseph Z. Silva Photograph Album, ca. 1913

PCA 404

1 album, 4 loose photos  
220 photographs (1.2 linear ft.)

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**ACQUISITION:** The collection was donated in September 1999 by Jacquelyn Palmer, great niece of Joseph Silva's wife, Jewell Smith Silva. Mrs. Palmer had the album delivered by a purser's office employee of the *Dawn Princess* during an Alaskan cruise (Acc. No. 1999-043.)

**ACCESS:** The photos may be viewed, however they may not be photocopied.

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**PROCESSING:** The album was unbound for conservation purposes; however, photos in the album were kept in order. Photographs were numbered and photo corners added where necessary. Album pages and loose photos were housed in Mylar. Empty album pages near end of album were discarded. A finding aid is available.

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Joseph Silva was born in June 1887 in the first theater in Monterey, Calif. He worked for the Alaska Codfish Co. in San Francisco. In about 1913 he took an extended trip to Alaska. He married Jewell Smith. Joseph Silva died in the early 1960's.

## SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

The photographs in the album were taken and postcards were collected during Joseph Silva's Alaska trip taken around 1913. The collection also includes a few loose photographs. His trip on the steamer *Port Townsend* included various stops on the Inside Passage as well as Anchorage, Kodiak and other points north. Images include views of glaciers and volcanoes along the way, including the eruption of the Katmai volcano, and resultant volcanic ash in Kodiak. Also included are views of the Alaska Codfish Company's schooners, wharf buildings, and docks on Unga Island and the company harbor on Sanak Island.

There are postcard views of the arrival of the floating court in Unga in August of 1915 and of the Apollo and Sitka Mines on Unga. Postcard photographers include: Thwaites, Hegg, Dempsey, Hunt, Hohner (?), Hunter, Lomen Brothers, Pedersen, Emswiler, Sexton, Grosvold, and Gordons.

## INVENTORY

### *Photo Album:*

1-3	[Postcards with text and photos]
4-6	[Photos taken on deck of the <i>Port Townsend</i> ]
7	[Mr. Silva]
8	[Mr. Silva with another passenger]
9	Salmon Boats, off Prince Rupert, B.C. (Thwaites, no. 1859)
10	Evening on the Inside Passage Ketchikan, Alaska IV 66
11	Ketchikan Alaska IV 719
12	Ketchikan Alaska IV 951
13	Ketchikan Alaska 78
14	Ketchikan, Alaska IV 1141
15	New Town Ketchikan Alaska IV 672

- 16 Ketchikan Alaska Dept. of Education
- 17 Winter at Ketchikan Alaska IV 1028
- 18 [Two children on a pier]
- 19 Alaska-The Land of The Midnight Sun (L.N.G)
- 20 [Carved] Grave Totem Ketchikan, Alaska
- 21 Wrangell, Alaska. No 4
- 22 Wrangell, Alaska, from Mount-Dewey
- 23 Native Merchants-/Wrangell, Alaska.No 7
- 24 Government Buildings, formerly used by the Russians, Wrangell, Alaska.
- 25 "Summertime" in Alaska (Thwaites 4110)
- 26 Juneau, Alaska (Thwaites 3007)
- 27 Juneau, Alaska (Thwaites1793)
- 28 Governor's Mansion, Juneau, Alaska
- 29 Public School, Juneau, Alaska
- 30 A Wild Sea, Alaska Coast (Thwaites.4065A)
- 31 S.S.Alaska Leaving Ketchikan Alaska IV 1150
- 32 [The ocean]
- 33 [A ship]
- 34 Cordova Bay, Alaska (Publ. by E.A.Hegg Cordova, Alaska
- 35 Copper River, Alaska (Publ.by E.A.Hegg Cordova, Alaska. No.289
- 36 [Childs?] Glacier. Copper River, Alaska (Publ. by E.A.Hegg, Cordova, Alaska.)
- 37 Childs Glacier Near Cordova Alaska 66D (Maude Dempsky-2313N.39 St. Seattle U.S.A.

- 38 Gull Rock and Arch Rock Cordova Bay, Alaska (Publ.by E.A.Hegg  
Cordova, Alaska. No.299)
- 39 Where Rails and Water Meet, Cordova Alaska (Maude Dempsey  
2313 N. 39 St. Seattle U.S.A. 80-D)
- 40 Cordova, Alaska (Thwaites. 4107)
- 41 Cordova, Alaska (Thwaites 4103)
- 42 Cows at Cordova Alaska (Maude Dempsey 2313 N. 39 St. Seattle  
U.S.A. 76-D)
- 43 Cordova, Alaska (Publ. by E.A. Hegg, Cordova, Alaska.)
- 44-53 [Scenic Waterway Views, Cordova area?]
- 54 Valdez, Alaska (Maude Dempsey 2313 N. 39 St. Seattle U.S. A.  
229-D)
- 55 Testing the New Water System, Valdez, Alaska. Sept. 11-13  
(P.S.Hunt J1450.)
- 56 Fire Hall and Council Chamber. Valdez, Alaska. (P.S. Hunt P88)
- 57-58 [Coastal scenes]
- 59 [Kayak]
- 60-61 [Coastal scenes]
- 62 Seward, Alaska
- 63 Alaska[?]
- 64-65 [Seward?]
- 66 Seward, Alaska
- 67 Seward ,Alaska (Thwaites, 997)
- 68 [Wharf, Seward?]
- 69 [Fire]
- 70 [Putting out a fire.]

- 71 Resurrection Bay, Alaska (Coprto L.H.Pedersen 1913, [no.] 684.
- 72 [Mr. Silva in front of mountain range]
- 73 Pedersen Glacier, Ailik Bay, Alaska
- 74 Pedersen Glacier, Ailik Bay, Alaska (634)
- 75 The Trail, Seward, Alaska (L.H)
- 76 A View of Seldovia, Alaska. (Gordons 377)
- 77 Anchorage, Alaska. (Thwaites. 4168)
- 78 At Crater Katmai Volcano in Eruption. Alaska ("Copr" 1913 by M. Hohner
- 79 Volcanic Ash Directly Overhead. As it Approached Kodiak Island. Photo at 75 miles from Katmai Volcano. June 6, 1912 (Copyright 1912, by Thwaites, 1108)
- 80 Mt. Katmai in Eruption. ("Copr" 1913 by M. Hohner
- 81 Katmai Volcano Ash, Alaska.
- 82 Across the Bay from Kodiak after the Eruption
- 83 Volcanic ash at Kodiak, June, 1912
- 84 Kodiak Home wrecked by Volcanic Ash 1912
- 85 Kodiak, Day after Eruption Katmai Volcano, 1912
- 86-88 [Men at Sails] (S.R. Hunter)
- 89 Looking into Kodiak Harbor
- 90 Entrance to Kodiak Harbor Looking Seaward.
- 91 [Tram?]
- 92 Dirigo, Port Townsend [Ship tied to dock]
- 93 Water front and Russian Church, Kodiak. (S.W.)
- 94 Birdseye View of Kodiak

- 95 Kodiak, Alaska.
- 96 [Kodiak, Alaska?]
- 97 Wood Island and Kodiak from the Hills
- 98-99 [Farm scenes]
- 100-105 [Coastal scenes]
- 106 Castle Cape, Near Chignik, Alaska. 1200 Ft. (Thwaites. 1427)
- 107 Paulot Volcano, Alaska (J.E.T.,P. 40. Copyright 1912 by J.E. Thwaites)
- 108-109 [People on deck]
- 110-111 [Coastal scenes]  
[#110 is Sand Point, Alaska] From Carol Smith  
[#111 is Unga Island, near Unga village] From Carol Smith
- 112 Alaska Codfish Co's Schr "Nonpareil" at Co's Wharf Unga, Alaska, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 1911.
- 113 Alaska Codfish Co's Wharf, Unga, Alaska. 6/25/10.
- 114-115 Wharf Building, Unga Alaska, Alaska Codfish Co. 6/5/15
- 116 Alaska Codfish Co's Wharf, Unga Alaska
- 117 Alaska Codfish Co's Station, Unga Alaska. Unloading from Sclr "Allen A". July 1915.
- 118-122 [Alaska Codfish Company's station, Unga, Alaska?]
- 123-125 [Seagulls]
- 126 Arrival of U.S. District "Floating" Court, at Unga Alaska. 8/16/15
- 127 Trial trip of Alaska Codfish Co's Power Dory "Satan," Unga, Alaska. 6 h.p. Loew(?) Victor Engine. 9 miles per hour. 6/7/15
- 128 Unloading from Schr "Allen A". The "Satan" Towing[?]  
July, 1915 Unga Alaska
- 129 [Men moving boat ashore]

- [Caton's Cove at the entrance to Unga, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 130 Unga, Alaska. 5/30/14 Schooners "Hanold Blekum" and "Hunter" in distance. #1
- 131 Unga, Alaska. 7/4/1910
- 132 [Apollo Mine, Sitka Mine, on Unga Island, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 133 Apollo Mine, Sitka Mine in distance Unga Island, Alaska.
- 134 Date on photo 5/15/15 [Miss LaCrone, school teacher, and, on far right, Fred C. Driffield, U. S. Commissioner, in Unga, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 135 [People seated on porch] Apollo, Alaska. 7/12/14  
[Apollo Mine in Unga; the women in the top row, left to right are: 2- Katherine Watanabe, 3- Grace Larsen, 5- Zenia Larsen; women a step below: Miss LaCrone and Alice Larsen] From Carol Smith
- 136 "I will carry all the water you want, if I may."  
[Fred C. Driffield, U. S. Commissioner, in Unga, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 137 [Man dressed as a woman]
- 138 [Miss LaCrone, school teacher, sitting in a chair]
- 139-140 [Komodal codfish station, Kellys Rock, Unga Island, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 141 Pacific Coast Codfish Co. Schrs "John A" and "Maid of Orleans" transferring cargo, Squaw Harbor, Unga Island, Alaska 6/8/16
- 142-148 [Codfish station, across from salmon cannery -- Balalof Bay, Squaw Harbor, Unga Island, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 149-150 [Boats in Company Harbor, Sanak Island, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 151-156 [Company Harbor, Sanak Island, Alaska] From Carol Smith
- 157 Company Harbor, Sanak Island, Alaska 10/10/13 (No.1)
- 158 Company Harbor, Sanak Island, Alaska. Looking West 10/8/13

- 159-160 [Wharf]
- 161 Shisaldon Volcano, Alaska. (9387 ft.) JET (p.35 Copyright, 1910 by J.E. Thwaites)
- 162-164 [Coastal scenes]
- 165 Dutch Harbor, Alaska. (J.E.T. 1296)
- 166 Unalaska (Thwaites 1295, 1299)
- 167 "Dennis." The Wolf Dog. Seward, Alaska (L.N.G.)
- 168 Murphy (J.H.P.)
- 169 "Who Said Mush" Lomen Bros.
- 170 U.S. Mail, Seward-Susitna, Alaska (Copyrighted 1913, L.H. Pedersen)
- 171 Cultivating with Dog, Seward Alaska.
- 172 Fourth Avenue, Seward, Alaska, Dec.25, 1916
- 173 Racing Teams, Seward, Alaska.
- 174 [Dog Team] Hotel Seward
- 175-177 [Dog Sled]
- 178-180 [Chained bears]
- 181 [Bear cubs] (Petersen)
- 182-183 [Chained bear with man and woman]
- 184 "Bessie"[bear] taking her daily exercise, U.S.S. Patterson, 10/11/14
- 185 "Bessie" begging for favors, U.S.S. Patterson 10/11/14
- 186 [Bear] At Prayer
- 187 Chasing a Polar Bear in Arctic by Crew of S. S. Corwin. Summer of 1915
- 188 Moose. Kenai Peninusla, Alaska. (A. Simons)

- 189 Guide, Seward, Alaska (C. Emswiler)
- 190-191 [Goats]
- 192 Kenai Moose (Copyr'd 1913 C. Emswiler, Seward Alaska)
- 193 [Moose]
- 194 Moose on Kenai River (B.E.S.)
- 195 Moose Calf Near Seward (C.E. Emswiler)
- 196 [Dall ram's head]
- 197 Alaska Wild Lamb
- 198 Reindeer Herd, Lake Iliamna, Alaska
- 199 Porcupine, Seward, Alaska.
- 200 [Fur seal?]
- 201 [Walrus tusks]
- 202 Alaska Bald Eagle (S.Sexton)
- 203-206 [Boats]
- 207 S.S. Dora, The "Bull Terrier" of Alaska. (Thwaites)
- 208 Revenue Cutter Service in Bering Sea, Photo from Deck of Mail Steamer, Dora. (Copyright, 1911, by Thwaites, J.E., 590)
- 209 [U.S.S. Patterson]
- 210 U.S.S. Paterson [Patterson], at Unga, Alaska. 10/11/14
- 211 S.S. Mariposa in Alaska (Thwaites, 1815)
- 212 Mariposa Jamed [jammed] into the Dock. Valdez, Alaska, Aug.23-12. (P.S. Hunt, J1146)
- 213 S.S. Mariposa Thwaites, 3106)
- 214 S.S. Mariposa. Oct. 8, 1915 (Thwaites. 3108.)

- 215            Wreck of S.S. Yukon, Sannak Alaska (A. Grosvold, Sand Point, Alaska.)
- 216            Wreck of S.S. Yukon, as it now appears. 10/10/13. Wrecked on Sannak Island, Alaska, 6/11/13.
- 217            [Ice covered boat]
- 218            Schr. Glendale, 142 ft. Alaska Codfish Co., San Francisco, Cal.
- 219            [Harbor]
- 220            Moonlight on Resurrection Bay, Seward Alaska, 2-'28-07 (Copyright 1907 by Lillie N. Gordon, [no.] 18)