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Guide to Collection

Foster, Edward

Edward Foster Photograph Collection, 1940s

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1 folder
60 b&w photographs

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Edward Foster, a mechanic on an Alaska Highway construction crew, took and collected photographs related to the project in the Haines, Alaska, area.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

This collection contains sixty black and white photographs. Several are commercial photos by photographer Ordway. The rest are photos taken and collected by Edward Foster. The photographs are of buildings in Haines, crew members, and construction of the Alaska Highway near Haines.

SUBJECTS

Haines, Alaska; Alaska Highway; 1940s

INVENTORY

- 1 Postoffice Haines, Alaska © 43' Ordway
- 2 Haines Alaska © 43' Ordway [Two women walk with a dog on the sidewalk, two men peer in the window of a building with a sign ["Express Army"?] and building with sign above open door reads "Commissary" .]
- 3 Haines, Alaska © 43' Ordway [View of buildings looking down street]
- 4 "Sunset" Cannery Road, Haines, Alaska © Ordway
- 5 Scene along Haines Highway © Ordway
- 6 Sheldon Hotel, Haines, Alaska © 43' Ordway
- 7 Chilkoot Barracks, © Ordway, Alaska
- 8 Unidentified male standing with large tractors
- 9 Pyramid Island, Alaska, © 43' Ordway
- 10 Public School Haines, Alaska, © 43' Ordway
- 11 Public Library, Haines, Alaska, © 43' Ordway
- 12 Haines, Alaska © 43' Ordway [View from higher up street seen in photo #2. Closest building has sign reading "Bar open for business use rear entrance"]

- 13 City Hall, Haines, Alaska © 43' Ordway [and building with sign reading "Civilian Travel Control Military Police"]
- 14 [Unidentified wood building with wooden structure nearby.]
- 15 Haines Mission© 43' Ordway
- 16 Church, Haines, Alaska © Ordway 43'
- 17 [Bear standing among discarded containers]
- 18 [5 unidentified men posing with tools at a work site]
- 19 [View of wheel treads with buildings in background]
- 20 [Bear on dirt road]
- 21 [Unidentified male holding up 2 fish]
- 22 [Unidentified male leaning against treads of large tractor]
- 23 [Four unidentified males in front of treads of large tractors]
- 24 [Two men sit on back of truck flatbed next to cleared area beside dirt road.]
- 25 42 Mile Haines Highway, © 43' Ordway
- 26 Scene along Haines Highway © Ordway
- 27 [Unidentified image of a city from across a bay]
- 28 [Unidentified image of a city from across a bay]
- 29 [Looking across water body]
- 30 [Looking across water body towards mountains] [2 copies]
- 31 [Trees in foreground, mountains and glacier in background] [2 copies]
- 32 [Scene along road] [2 copies]
- 33 [Mountain, Kyak (with person?) on beach] [2 copies]
- 34 [Lumber pile, two men walk towards oil drums on rack next to Ford car] [2 copies]
- 35 [View of water body and town]

- 36 [Unidentified scenery]
- 37 [Unidentified scenery]
- 38 [Haines Mission. (Similar to #15)]
- 39 [Unidentified scenery]
- 40 [Scene along road]
- 41 [Portrait of two men leaning against exterior of a building]
- 42 [3 men holding a large bird (Eagle?)]
- 43 [View of crane and buildings and mountain]
- 44 [Barracks C]
- 45 [2 Men pose on the side of a road through town]
- 46 [Man poses with large machinery, tractors]
- 47 [Houses along a road]
- 48 [Post-Exchange]
- 49 [Bear]
- 50 [Bear]
- 51 [Bear]
- 52 [Flagpole in front of buildings]
- 53 [Flagpole in front of buildings]
- 54 [Man standing on flatbed of truck]
- 55 [Buildings, wharf]