Guide to Collection

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SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

The individual and group portraits in this collection represent a span of years from 1912-1971 and include the 1912 founding fathers of the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood (ANB, ANS). The photographs portray the wide scope of interests and activities of the Alaska Natives. A history of the organizations is included in the collection. Two 1996 portrait panoramas of Native dancers was added to this collection in 2017.

INVENTORY

1. [Alaska Native Brotherhood founding fathers, 1912. From left: Paul Liberty, James Watson, Ralph Young, Eli Katanvok (Katinook), Peter Simpson, Frank Mercer, James C. Johnson, Chester Worthington, George Field (S), William Hobson (an early member) and Frank Price. Seward Kunz is not pictured.]

2. ANB's first basketball team, 1917. Played for Sitka. From left: George Dalton [also identified as Tom Phillips], Howard Gray, Tom Williams, Ray James, David Howard (seated) Louis Simpson. Charlie Daniels, and Peter Simpson.

3. [Head to waist group portrait of ANB-ANS officers for Juneau Camp; from left: Mabel Nelson, 1970 ANS President; Dorothy Wallace, 1971 ANS President; Carl Nelson, 1971 ANB President; and James Austin, 1970 ANB President.]

4. [William L. Paul, Sr. left and Richard Stitt seated at a table during the February 28, 1970 ANB Executive Committee Meeting.]

5. [Sec. of Interior Walter Hickel, far left, meeting with people involved in Alaska land claims dispute. From left to right: Tim Wallace, President-Fairbanks Native Association; Charles Edwardsen, Executive Director-Arctic Slope Native Association; Eben Hopson, Emil Notti; Attorney Barry Jackson (standing); State Senator William Hensley; and Alfred Ketzler. Farthest back on the right are State Senator Ray Christiansen and Frank Degnan. John Borbridge is seated in the foreground. Fall, 1970.]

6. [Don Wright, President, Alaska Federation of Natives, at a podium- hand outstretched.]

7. [Harry Carter, Executive Director of Alaska Federation of Natives, standing at podium.]

8. [A 1915 group portrait of six chiefs of Tanana Valley and their interpreter. Back row, from left: Chief William, Tanana; Paul Williams, interpreter; Tanana; Chief Charlie of Minto. Front row, from left: Alexander, Tolevna; Thomas, Nenana; Evan, Koschakat; and Alexander Williams, Tanana.]

9. [Four unidentified men seated at a table.]

10. [Joseph Upickson, left, president of the Arctic Slope Native Association listening to Eben Hopson, A.F.N. Executive Director.]
11. [Head to waist portrait of Emil Notti.]

12. [Head to waist left profile of Frank Degnan.]

13. [Head to waist portrait of Howard Rock, Tundra Times editor.]

14. [Head and shoulder left profile of John Borbridge.]

15. [Head to waist portrait of Frank Booth.]

16. [Head and shoulders portrait of Ralph Young.]


18. [Head and shoulders portrait of John Westall.]

19. [Head and shoulders portrait of Frank Peratrovich.]

20. [Robert J. Peratrovich, Jr. seated at a desk.]

21. [Head and shoulders portrait of Frank See.]

22. [Close-up portrait of Robert Loecher.]

23. [Head to waist portrait of Rev. and Mrs. George Betts.]

24. [Mark Jacobs, Jr. pointing to land claims on map; Walter Hickey left.]

25. [Full length group portrait of Peter Simpson, Sheldon Jackson and Edward Marsden.]

26. [Full length group portrait of Cyrus Peck and Andrew Gamble, Sr.]

27. [Full length portrait of Connie Nash and Gail Story, linguists who developed a Tlingit language alphabet.] ca. 1960's.

28. [Group portrait of Grand Camp officers, Alaska Native Brotherhood-S.E. From left: Albert Herbert; Robert J. Peratrovich; Andrew Hope, Sr.; John Hope; and Percy Hope. Actually Herb Hope, Alfred Willard, Andrew Hope, Sr., John Hope and Percy Hope (Andrew P. Hope, Sr. flanked by his four sons) per Andrew John Hope’s granddaughter, Kathy Hope Erickson.]

29. [Group portrait of Alaska Natives as they present a basketball jacket to Barrow ANB Camp. From left: Stella Martin; Frank Williams; John Hope; Joe Williams, Myron Iglantoc; Paul Patrick; Frank G. Johnson; Al Widmark; Richard Stitt; Mark Jacobs, Sr.; William Paul, Sr., Steve Hotch and Gertrude Wolf.]
30. [Group portrait of the following people: Back row, from left: Roy Peratrovich; Andrew Hope; Cyril Zuboff; Mrs. Joe Williams; Al Widmark; Mark Jacobs, Sr.; John Hope. Front row, from left: Frank Peratrovich; Joe Williams; Steve Hotch; Percy Hope and Cyrus Peck, Sr.]


32. [Full length group portrait of ANS officers. Front row: from left: Lottie Kannauch; Marlene Sprague; Mary Jones; Theresa Stitt; Gertrude Wolf. Back row, from left: Laura Hotch; and Mildred Sparks.]

33. [Group portrait of the Yakutat Dancers, 1959. ANB and ANS. Dancers are in costume.]

34. ANB and ANS leaders in Sitka Training School [group portrait of school children on lawn; school building behind.]

35. Presbytery held in Southeast Alaska [group portrait of delegates at Haines.] 1949?

36. [Group portrait of Presbyterian ministers, layworkers and ANB officers; at Haines, no date.]

37. Alfred Ketzler, Chairman of Tanana chiefs, 1962 [seated at table, left profile].

38. Alfred Ketzler, Chairman of Tanana chiefs, and Wilma Ketzler, secretary [seated behind a table.] 1962.


40. [Group of Eskimo and Indian "Electronic Trainees", while visiting Washington, D.C. in 1962. Please see enclosed Dept. of Interior News Release for more information.]

41. [Group of Eskimo and Indian youths visiting President Kennedy at the Whitehouse in Washington, D.C., Aug. 1962, as part of a training program through the Dept. of Interior.]

42. [The families that lived in the cottages at Totem Park, Sitka, ca. 1912. Bottom row (left): Dorothy James Truitt, Jennie Simpson Sing, Ray James, Jr. Middle Row: Tillie Howard Hope, Ellen's 'Mom', Mr. and Mrs. Sloan, parents of Mary Simpson Sing, Elizabeth Kadashan James, with baby Flora, Ray James, and far right, David Howard, Tillies brother.]

43. Alaska Native Sisterhood? (unidentified photo)

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