Mitchell, Buzz (William)

William “Buzz” Mitchell Photograph Collection, ca. 1912-1918

PCA 373

1 box
.5 cubic feet
~145 b&w photographs

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ACQUISITION: Mr. Ron Hansen, of Seattle, Washington, donated the collection on behalf of the late William "Buzz" Mitchell, also of Seattle. It is not known how Mr. Mitchell received the photographs. The majority of photographs are by Basil Clemons, Alaskan photographer. Acc. No. 1996-034.

ACCESS: The photos may be viewed. However they may not be photocopied.

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PROCESSING: The images are sleeved in Mylar, numbered, and arranged by location and subject. They have been placed in acid free folders and into an archival box.
BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Little is known about Buzz Mitchell. He was a friend of Burt Hansen (father to Ron Hansen, donor) who received the photographs from the Mitchell estate. For additional information about Basil Clemons, photographer, see: PCA 68.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

Basil Clemons photographs of Anchorage, Fort Liscum, Fairbanks, Iditarod and Ruby Mining Districts, Ophir, and the Copper River and Northwestern Railway.

INVENTORY

Folder 1: Anchorage, Alaska


7b. Celebrating the Fourth of July 1918 Anchorage, Alaska. Basil Clemons Photo

7c. [Decorated automobiles leading the 4th of July parade, Anchorage, Alaska 1918.]

7d. [4th of July parade, Anchorage, Alaska 1918.]

7e. [Spectators in outdoor, tiered seating. Anchorage, Alaska 1918.]

7f. [Men with rifles lead 4th of July parade. Anchorage, Alaska 1918.]


13.  [Group portrait. Five men standing behind five women seated. None identified.]
14.  [Group photo of women and children- none identified].

Folder 2  Fairbanks, Alaska (Includes Fairbanks Mining District)
17.  C. M. Keyes. 16 B. Cleary Cr. Fairbanks Gold Mining District. Alaska. 1913. Clemons Photo.
26a.  [Fairbanks waterfront].
26b.  [Fraternal Order of Eagles hall, but Loyal Order of Moose sign also behind large group of men].
27.  Interior Of Tom Rockwell’s Igloo Inn. Cleary City, Fairbanks Gold Mining District Alaska. 1913. [Clemons Photo box on floor]
29.  Crous & Olson, 3 B. Ester Creek, Alaska. [Clemons Photos box in photo]

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Folder 3  

Ft. Liscum, Alaska


32. Ready To Help Get The Kaiser. Private Basil Clemons U.S.G.N.A. Post Photo [Troops in formation]. Same as photo #34.


35. The Second Contingent From Cordova At Ft. Liscum, Alaska, Ready To Help Get The Kaiser. Pvt. Basil Clemons Post Photo 1918. (2 copies)


Folder 4  

Iditarod, Alaska, and Flat, Alaska, mining districts


42. [Same as #41, no caption, better copy] J. Frederick Johnson, Fairbanks, May 2, 1914(on verso)

43. Iditarod Lodge No. 1429. Flat Creek. [Loyal Order of Moose].


46. The Court At Iditarod, Alaska. 1914. Clemons & Koon Photo. [In the Arctic Brotherhood hall].


49. Al Chapin’s State To Red Cross Ball. Iditarod, Alaska. Basil Clemons Photo. 1918.

56. Alex Grubus’ Forks Road House. Flat Creek, Alaska, 1919. [Sign shows Alec Grubass, Prop.]
58. M And F Pool Hall. Flat City, Alaska. 1912. Clemons Photo.

Folder 5  Ophir, Alaska

Folder 6  People-unidentified
61-72. People—unidentified

Folder 7  Railroads (Copper River & Northwestern Railway)
73a,b. Ladies Nail Driving Contest.

Folder 8  Ruby, Alaska (People)
79a-c. [Baseball game].


98. [Woman with a horse standing next to water]. Basil Clemons Photographer. Ruby, Alaska.

99a. [Same as # 82]


100a. Egg Race [Pictures of July 4, 1917 at Long, Alaska]

100b. B Jump

100c. Children’s Race

100d. Mens Race

100e. [Mens Race]


100g. Rough Neck baseball team. Long, Alaska. 7-4-1917.


101a. Spruce Cr. Alaska 1917. [Four men, one woman and a dog standing in front of a log cabin].

101b. Miss Helen Klog Queen Of The Ruby Kennel Club 1917 And Her Court Going To The Dogs. Basil Clemons Ruby, Alaska.


103a. [Four men standing beside a dog mushing team with a woman kneeling in the sled.]

103b. [Men on a sleigh being pulled by two horses.]

**Folder 9** Ruby, Alaska (Town scenes)


106. The Court At Ruby, Alaska. 1913. Clemons Photo. [Shows Anderson’s Drug Store, A. Haarvet Outfitter & Grocer, Our House Saloon, Photographer Basil Clemons Agt Eastman Kodak Co.]


110. The Rodman Home. Tanana, Alaska. [Black’s Rooms in background].


**Folder 10** Ruby, Alaska (Long, Poorman, Mining District)


115. Neihoff & Inderguard. Spruce Cr. Ruby Gold Mining Dist., Alaska. 1916. [Clemons Photos sign on dog sled]


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121. [Same as 120]
124. [Same as 115]

**Folder 11** Ruby, Alaska (Long, Poorman Mining District-saloons)

136. [Men & women playing pool].

**Folder 12** Unidentified photographs

137-144. Unidentified photographs

**Folder 13** Yukon River

145. Str. Louise And Barges On Yukon River, Alaska By Basil Clemons. Ruby, Alaska. (2 copies)