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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Gil Truitt was born and raised in Sitka. Orphaned at the age of 13, he raised himself to adulthood. He was a teacher, basketball coach, administrator at Mt. Edgecumbe High School in Sitka from 1956 till 1990. He has a BA from Harding University, 1956, an MA in Education Administration from Arizona State University, 1971, and an honorary Dr. of Law from the University of Alaska Anchorage. A street in Sitka is named in his honor and the auditorium at Mt Edgecumbe High School is named “Gil Truitt Activity Center.” He was named “Mr. Edgecumbe” by the students and alumni of the school.

Mr. Truitt lived in Sitka all of his life except for the periods when he was in college and military service. He worked as a commercial fisherman. His wife is Shirley Guilford, retired Home Economics teacher. The couple has three grown children, all of whom are college graduates.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

Group photographs of basketball and baseball teams from Alaskan communities, primarily Sitka and other Southeast towns and cities.

INVENTORY

Folder 1 - Anchorage

1  1965 Anchorage ANB. L-R: Paul White; Mel Brown; Ivan P. Gamble; unidentified; Allen Boskofsky; unidentified; and unidentified.

2  1969 Anchorage Westward. L-R: Dennis Davidson; Harvey Rosen; Stan Miller; Bob Douthit; Lee Maxwell; Jim Dobler; John Kennon; Governor Keith Miller; Manager/Coach Bill Mueller.

Folder 2 - Angoon

3  1963 Angoon ANB. L-R Standing: Cyril George, Coach; Billy John; Ed Gamble; David John; Gary Antisdel; Kay Faucette; Johnny Jack, Sr.. Manager; Joe Kakamura; Wally Frank; William Jim; Norman Nelson; Kelly Williams.
Folder 3 - Barrow

4 1969 Barrow ANB. L-R back: Al Hopson; Fred Hopson; Rex Okakok; Dan Truesdale; Joe Felder. L-R front: Kanayurak; Wyman Segevan; Mural Solomon and Irving Igtanloc.

Folder 4 - Haines

5 1927 Haines ANB. Legendary John "Big Boy" Willard is holding ball, in center

Folder 5 - Klukwan

6 1963 Klukwan ANB. L-R Standing: Johnny Willard, Manager; Paul Woods; Ron Martin; Charlie Moses; Evans Willard; Dick Hotch, Coach. L-R Front: Chuch Williams; Darry Howard; Billy Albecker; Marvin Willard.

7 1968 Klukwan ANB. L-R: Dick Hotch, coach; _____ Hotch; _____; Ray Skan; Cliff Hotch; Dewey Skan; Johnny Willard, Manager; Governor Keith Miller. Front L-R: Roy Hotch; _____; Darrel Sele

8 1974 Klukwan ANB. L-R: Manager Roy Hotch; Larry Hotch; Coach Dick Hotch; Cliff Hotch; Brad Sele; Les Katzeek; Norm Hotch; Jeff David; Terry Friske and Jeff Klanott

Folder 6 - Juneau

9 1943 Juneau High School Crimson Bears. L-R Standing: Tom Powers, coach; John Dapcevich; Ken Kearny; Minard Mill. L-R Middle Row: Jack Pasquan; John Bavard; Ken Thibodeau. L-R Front: _____; Joe Kendler; _____.

10 1947 Southeast High School championship won by Juneau over Petersburg.

11 1948 Juneau Columbia Lumber. L-R: _____; Harry Aase; Jack O’Conner; Bob Rowland; Les Hogins; Fred Prouty; Evan Scott.

12 1948 Mike’s Douglas Nite Owls. L-R: Bill Flint; George Stagier; Guy Russo; John Asp; Louie Bonnett; Mickey Pusich; Glenn Franklin.

13 1949 Juneau High School Crimson Bears. L-R: Dade Nichol, coach; Terry Magory; Harold Sunderland; Dave Graves; Richard B. "Itchy" Hansen; Bill Mickel; Milton Schultze; Gus Adams; Bill Graves; Bill Sperling; Rod Peques.
14 1949 Mike's Douglas Nite Owls. L-R: Jim McCormick; John Bavard; Herb Bonnett; Curtis Bach; Frank Cashen; Louie Bonnett; Doug Blanchard; Guy Russo; Jim Hickey; Mickey Pusich.


16 1952 Juneau Imperials. L-R Standing: Bob Pasquan, coach; Dave Graves; Jimmy Nielsen; Guy Russo; Howard Weed; L-R Front: Ken Kearny; Gim Taguchi; Doug Blanchard; Jack Pasquan.

16a 1955 Juneau Imperials basketball team, Gold Medal Tournament champions and one of Juneau's finest teams. L-R Standing: Richard B. "Itch" Hanson; Jimmy Nielsen; John Asp; Gus Adams; Joe Ninnis; Bob Pasquan, Coach. LR Kneeling: Del Michaelsen; Tom Kelly; Jack Pasquan; Bill Sperling; Gim Taguchi.

17 1962 Douglas Truckers. L-R Standing: Frank Cashen, coach; Joe Ninnis; Mike Grummett; Tony McCormick; L-R Front: ; Jim McCormick; Bruce Casperson; ; ; Isasc; Albert Carlson.

18 1962 Juneau McLean-Kristan L-R Standing: ; Bob Munson; Terry Brooks; ; ; McKinnon; John Borbridge; ; L-R Front: ; ; ; ; Phil Martin

19 1963 Juneau ANB. L-R Standing: Jerry Bennett; Harry McKee; Bob Craw; Ray Peterson; Don Wilson; Carl Marvin; Ray Wilson, coach; L-R Front: Bill Wilson; Johnny Wilson; Austin Brown, coach; Wilfred Johnson; Ken Kirkman, John Wilson, Sr., manager.

20 1963 Juneau Arctic Knights. L-R Standing: Harry Aase, coach; Bob Booher; Gary Rosentangle; Stu Whitehead; Bob Stauffer; Bill Tompkins; "Jeff" David. Matt Wanamaker, manager; L-R Front: Ray Moehring; Joe Ninnis; John Ebona; Chuck Van Slyke; Paul White. Not shown: Bob Gallagher.

21 1968 Juneau Arctic Knights. L-R Standing: Ray Miller, manager; Dick McCormick, coach; Bob Booher; Wayne Matheny; Andy Pekovich; Bryce Pearson; Bob Munson; Keith Miller. L-R Front: Claire Markey; John Ebona; Paul White; Bob Gallagher; Jim Triplette.

22 1974 Juneau Tides. L-R: Bryce Pearson; ; ; Bill Lockhart; ; ; ; ; ; ; ;
1977 Juneau ANS. L-R Back: Bill Tompkins, coach; Ken Rhea; Bill Tri; Mike Strader. L-R Front: _____ Taug; _____; Eric McDowell; Bill Lockhart

Folder 7 - Ketchikan

1947 Ketchikan Rockets. L-R: _____ Doucette, coach; Herman Ludwigsen; _____; Johnny Mills; Cliff Phillips; Joe Bolduc; Lars Farstad; Ron Farstad; _____.

1948 Ketchikan Rockets. L-R Standing: Johnny Mills; Lars Farstad; Herman Ludwigsen; Bill Christiansen; Joe Bolduc; Art Olson. L-R Front: Harry Ludwigsen, Larry Erickson; _____ Doucette, coach.

1950 Ketchikan Rockets basketball team and Gold Medal Tournament champions. The "First City" team defeated the equally powerful Sitka ANB team in an over-time thriller, 80-79.

1952 Ketchikan Rockets. L-R Standing: Carl Manzoni; Harry Johansen; J. J. Mackie; Bill Christiansen. L-R Front: Duane Vincent; Joe Brewer; Larry Erickson.

1963 Ketchikan Rockets. L-R Standing: Harry Kee; Blaze Keyes; Lloyd Whaley; Gene Frank; Herb Lawrence; L-R Front: Arnie Stewart; Lance O'Neil; Tom Seirup; Gary Cummings; Bob Vincent.

1961 Ketchikan Rockets. L-R Standing: Bob Gallagher; Fred Hulse; Blaze Keyes; Lloyd Whaley; L-R Front: Fred Wallace; John Christopher; John Olson; Bob Vincent.

Folder 8 - Metlakatla

1947 Metlakatla VFW. L-R Standing: Irving Leask; Everett Hudson; Robert "Jeff" David; Leslie Brendible; Irving "Globes" Buxton. L-R Front: Joe Hayward; Romey Atkinson; Tom Atkinson; Charles Buchert, coach.

1949 Metlakatla Athletic Club. L-R: Arnold Booth; Harry "Buddy" Lang; Leslie Brendible; Frank Bolten; Don Bolten; , coach.

1948 Metlakatla VFW L-R Standing: Irving Leask; Tom Atkinson; Frank Bolten; Robert "Jeff" David; Ed Atkinson; Frank Hayward. L-R Front: Charles Buchert, coach; Joe Hayward; Romey Atkinson.

1949 Metlakatla VFW. L-R Standing: Frank Hayward; Everett Hudson; Bert Leask; Robert "Jeff" David; Charlie Fawcett; Milne Hudson. L-R Front: Charles
Buchert, coach; Joe Hayward; Ray Booth; Tom Atkinson; Romey Atkinson; Alec Guthrie, manager.

31a 1951 Metlakatla VFW basketball team and Gold Medal Tournament champions.
L-R: Mel Booth; Tom Atkinson; Irving Leask; Solomon "Dundee" Atkinson; Don Bolten; Martin Booth; Romey Atkinson; Jack Booth. Charles Buchert, Coach, is accepting.

32 1952 Metlakatla VFW. L-R Standing: Ken Leask; Albert Wellington; Robert "Jeff" David; Leslie Brendible; Don Bolten; Tom Atkinson. L-R Front: Mel Booth; Irving Leask; Martin Booth; Romey Atkinson; Charles Buchert, coach

Folder 9 - Petersburg

33 1929 Petersburg High School Vikings - - -All Alaska Champions. L-R Standing: Frank Gordon; Joe Kahklen; R. O. Warfield, coach; Arnold "Swede" Wasvick; Lewis McDonald. L-R Front: Harold Runstad; Herb Mjarud; Aubrey Shaquanie.

34 1938 Petersburg High School Vikings. L-R Standing: Les Wingard, coach; Tommy Thompson; Palmer Pederson; Lloyd Pederson; Elder Lee; Tommy Wanberg; Harold Lee; Andy Wikan; George Nicholson, manager. L-R Front: Kenny Oyama; Ernie Enge; Dave Ohmer.

35 1939 Petersburg High School Vikings - - -Southeast Alaska Champions. L-R Top Row: Lloyd Pederson; Tommy Thompson; Palmer Pederson; Ranvold Stenslid; Tommy Wanberg; Les Wingard, coach. L-R Lower Row: Bob Elkins; Billy Johnson; Harold Lee; Kenny Oyama; Aril Mathieson; Al Johnson; Verner Israelson, manager.

36 1940 Petersburg High School Vikings --- Southeast Alaska Champions. L-R Standing: Richard Wychof, manager; George Nicholson; Tommy Thompson; Al Johnson; Tommy Wanberg; Palmer Pederson; Les Wingard, coach. L-R Front: Bruce McKechnie; Bill Johnson; Roy Lund; Nels Otness; Norman Holm; Erling Jensen.

37 1944 Petersburg High School Vikings - - -Southeast Alaska Champions. L-R Standing: Les Wingard, coach; Roy Otness; Jimmy Hammer; Chet Otness; Arnold Noreide; Bob Kinnear; Wally Swanson; Sammy Thomas. L-R Front: Andy Mathieson; Jennings Grebstad; Albert Heimdahl; Phil Clausen.

38 1947 Petersburg Wasvick & Torwick - - -First Juneau Lions' Club Gold Medal Tournament. L-R: Arnold "Swede" Wasvick, coach; Tommy Thompson; Nels
Otness; Ernie Enge; Erling Nicholson; Tommy Wanberg; Chet Otness; Ben Noreide; Art Rosvold.

39 1948 Petersburg Wasvick & Torwick. L-R Standing: Arnold "Swede" Wasvick, coach; Palmer Pederson; Tommy Wanberg; Ernie Enge; Lloyd Pederson; Wally Swanson; Nels Otness; . L-R Front: Billy Johnson; Art Rosvold.

40 1963 Petersburg Jones & Hestad (J & H) "Chokers". L-R Standing: Dave Ohmer, coach; Lloyd Jones; Arnie Jones; Jerry Hestad; Roy Torwick. L-R Front: Dave Randrup; Dewey Skan; Clyde Temple; Dick Kito.

41 1949 Petersburg Merchants. L-R Standing: _____ Drahos; Ernie Enge; _____; Nels Otness; Sammy Thomas; Tommy Thompson; Erling Nicholson. L-R Front: Elder Lee; Billy Johnson; Palmer Pederson; Ed Hagerman

Folder 10 – Mt. Edgecumbe [Sitka]

42 1948 Mt. Edgecumbe High School Braves and Sitka City League Champions. L-R Back Row: Jim Austin; Carl "Sweeney" Swenson; Archie "Ross" Cavanaugh; Gil Truitt; Richard "Doc" Stitt. L-R Front: Clyde Larabee, Coach; Claire "Corky" Casey; Bill Cummings; Solomon "Dundee" Atkinson; Franklin "Shkane" Williams; Freddie Williams; Tim Chernoff. All except Atkinson played on the Edgecumbe team in February 1947 when the school was but two weeks old shortly after the student body arrived from Eklutna and Wrangell Institute.

43 1948 Mt. Edgecumbe High School moments after defeating Sheldon Jackson School for the Sitka City League championship, 20-12. L-R Back Row: Jim Austin; Bill Cummings; Freddie Williams; Carl "Sweeney" Swenson; Claire "Corky" Casey. L-R Middle Row: Gil Truitt; Franklin "Shkane" Williams; Solomon "Dundee" Atkinson; Archie "Ross" Cavanaugh; Richard "Doc" Stitt. L-R Front: Clyde Larabee, Coach; Tim Chernoff, manager.

44 1948 Mt. Edgecumbe High School Girls' team. L-R Standing: Agnes "Aggie Baggie" Delphan; Alberta Thomas; Elsie Standifer; Ernestine Bean; Eva Ivanoff; Agnes Gamble; Selina Marks. L-R Front: Geraldine Martin; Alma Teeluk; Cecelia Cavanaugh; Cecelia Choquette; Connie Richards; Bessie Hanson; Mrs. Marguerite Lawrence, Coach.

45 1950 Mt. Edgecumbe High School Girls' team. L-R Standing: Bella Guthrie; Lucille Guthrie; Mildred Otten; Harriet Jackson; Beverly Notti; Christina Kennedy; Marion Jackson; Selina Marks, Manager. L-R Front: Lila Gallahorn; _____; Betty Martin; Rosemary Johnson; Marie "Gabby" Nakatla.

46 1952 Mt. Edgecumbe High School Girls’ team. L-R Standing: Lena Henry; Mrs. Marguerite Lawrence, Coach; Kathy Chagin; Beatrice Scott; Barbara Marsden; Joann Horton, Manager; Evelyn Reeve; Mary Jane Evans; Marlene Keene; Loretta Stitt. L-R Front: Ada Jakes; Bernnice Albert; Thelma Fleury; Vesta Williams.

47 1950 Mt. Edgecumbe High School “Braves”. Back James Harrigan, Coach. LR Second Row: Lee "Skunner" Charles, Assistant Manager; Kenny Albert; ______ Olson; Bill Edenshaw; Art Young; Paul Woods; Albert "Sleepy" Berg; Emil Notti, Manager. L-R Front: Don Harper; Gilbert Williams; Leonard Roberts; Art Hutte; Irving Dundas, Nick Malachoff.

48 1954 Mt. Edgecumbe High School Girls’ team. L-R Standing: Mae Tuzroyluk, manager; Bernice Albert; Mae Ella Morrison; Carol Berg; Pauline Rudolph; Corrine Sundberg; Betty Williams; Loretta Stitt; Annie Mellick; Dorothy Brown, Manager. L-R Front: Hester Ryan; Marlene Keene; Kathy Chagin; Thelma Fluery; Anna Aga; Elizabeth Atkinson.

49 1950 Mt. Edgecumbe Veterans (non-school) L-R: Alba "Dubsy" Peratrovich; Eddie O’Conner; Andy Durandy; Ray Booth; Tom Guthrie; Carl Leask; Arnout Castell; Nick Williams.

50 1956 Mt. Edgecumbe High School "Braves". L-R Standing: Victor Karmun; Gerry Ivey; Ed Bent; Alfred Woods; George Guthrie. L-R Front: Irving Igtanloc; Jeff Trenton; Charlie Moses; Constantine Gromoff; Bill Osbekoff

51 1957 Mt. Edgecumbe High School "Braves". L-R Standing: Ed Bent; Charles Frank; Paul White; Andy Jack; Patrick Walker; Clifton Carroll; Charlie Moses; Constantine Gromoff; Merlin Oyoumick; Nick Lestenkof; Turak Newman; Alfred Hopson. Kneeling: Abner Gologergen, Manager.

52 1959 Mt. Edgecumbe High School "Braves" Southeast Champions and Runner-up in State Play-offs.

53 1962 Mt. Edgecumbe High School "Braves". L-R Standing: Pete Boskofsky; Charlie Tega; Don Marvin; Reynolds Skan; Gene Englishoe; Rex Okakok. L-R kneeling: Ron Solomon, manager; Cliff Hotch; Ralph Johnson; Fred Kanayurak; Sidney Ashby; Clyde Mack, assistant manager; Joe Parent; Mickey Allen.

54 1966 Mt. Edgecumbe High School "Braves". L-R Standing: Jeff Klanott; Allen Boakofsky; Larry Jack; Frankie Jones; Frank Matumek; John Stine; Robert Lane. L-R Middle Row: Albert Kookesh; Harry Kaleak; Mike Leavitt; Elmer Frankson;
Calvin Stine. L-R Front: Willie "Snake" Anderson; Jimmy John; Manager; Gerald Gregory, Assistant Manager; Anthony "Bone" Lekanof. Insert: Gil Truitt, Coach.

1978 Mt. Edgecumbe High School Girls' team. L-R Standing: Anna Pletnikoff; Bertha Evan; Beverly Kashevarof; Chris Jacko; Cathy Williams; Bonnie Aloysius. Dwayne Davies, Assistant Coach and Rod Nutting, Head Coach are in back. L-R Front: Martha Peter Anna George; Barbara Swetzoff; Bernice Evan; Linda Takumjenak; Christine Hunt

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Folder 12 - Sheldon Jackson School [Sitka]

1913 Sheldon Jackson School baseball team. L-R Row 5: John Cameron; Louie Simpson; Dave Howard. Row 4: "Heavy Duty" Jacobs; L-R Row 3: Walter Gray; David Davis. L-R Row 2: ; Thomas Williams. Front: Andrew Hope. The team was organized and financed by Peter Simpson, an alumnus. Mr. Simpson also organized the first Sheldon Jackson basketball team along with furnishing all the necessary uniforms and equipment.

1920 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Row 4: Charlie Benson; _____; _____; _____; L-R Row 3: _____; Frank O. Williams; L-R Row 2: _____; _____; L-R Front: Joe Paddock; _____; _____.

1925 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Standing: Tom Saunders; Peter Hooks; _____; David Friday; Dick Marshall; Front: Robert Grant.

1925 Sheldon Jackson School team in Hoonah on a tour of Southeast. L-R: Walter Soboleff; David Friday; Frank Paul; Dick Marshall; Peter Hooks; Alfred Perkins; Livingston Desmond; Tom Saunders.

1928 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Standing: Walter Soboleff; Dick Marshall; Gerald Clark, Coach; Tom Saunders; Andrew Gamble. L-R Front: _____; Carteeti; Oscar Osborne; Walter John.

1928 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R: Gerald Clark, Coach; Andrew Gamble; Walter Soboleff; Tom Saunders; Dick Marshall; _____; Carteeti; Walter John; Oscar Osborne.

1934 Sheldon Jackson School team on a tour of Southeast aboard the school training vessel, "Princeton". L-R Back: Gilbert Hamilton; Francis Dundas; Harry "Ham Bone" Hamilton. L-R Front: Paul Edwards; Harold Donnelly; Johnny James; Clarence Peele; Bert Leask; Embert Demmert.

1935 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Standing: Gilbert Hamilton; Harold Donnelly; Embert Demmert; Bert Leask; Harry "Ham Bone" Hamilton; Russell Bope, Coach; L-R Front: Francis Dundas; Johnny James; Paul Edwards.

1937 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Row 3: Henry Sing; Eugene King; L-R Row 2: Cecil Torgramsen; Reginald Ludy, Coach; Ernest "Shanty" Johnson. L-R Front: Robert "Booby" Ridley; Larry Demmert; Tom Atkinson; Wally Leask; Romey Atkinson. On a tour of Southeast, this team lost only one game (to
Wrangell Institute, by one point in over-time) and had a string of victories that included a win over the Juneau Crimson Bears, 1937 Southeast high school champions. Sheldon Jackson and Wrangell Institute were not members of the Southeast high school conference.

81 1945 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Back Row: Ernie Young; Harris Atkinson; Jack Booth; Ed Benson; Kenneth Hanson. L-R Front: Ray Booth; Frank O. Williams; L-R Row 2: David Leask; Herb Didrickson; Roger Lang; Alvin Faber. This team defeated the Coast Guard, 57-35 for the Sitka championship. The Coast Guard came close to winning the Armed Forces Alaskan Department tournament at Ft. Richardson and had to settle for Third Place. The 1945 SJS club toured Southeast and lost only to the Metlakatla Town Team, by one point.

82 1946 Sheldon Jackson School team and Sitka Champions. L-R Row 4: Dick Nelson, skipper of the school training vessel "SJS II"; Bob "Oozie" Sanderson; "John Bull" Williams, team chaperon; L-R Row 3: Ed Benson; Kenneth Hanson; Jack Booth. L-R Row 2: Mel Booth; Herb Didrickson; Alvin Faber; Roger Lang. John Borbridge is in front, holding ball. This team toured Southeast and made a "clean sweep" by winning all games played, including wins over Wrangell High School and Wrangell Institute in consecutive games the same night.

83 1947 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Back Row: Raymond C. Perkins; Charlie Daniels; Ray Booth; L-R Front: Jack Booth; Roger Lang; Alfred Perkins; Kenneth Hanson; Solomon "Dundee" Atkinson.

84 1947 Sheldon Jackson Junior College team and Sitka Champions. L-R Back Row: Howard "Sarge" Bremner; Mark Davis; Mel Booth; Herb Didrickson. L-R Front: George "Scoop" Haldane; John Borbridge; Henry Benson; "Sing Lee" Jimmy. This club defeated the Sheldon Jackson School team for the Sitka title in a game of epic proportions.

85 1947 Sheldon Jackson Junior College team in the First Juneau Lions Club Gold Medal Tournament. L-R: Mel Booth; George "Scoop" Haldane; Henry Benson; Herb Didrickson; John Borbridge; Mark Davis; Howard "Sarge" Bremner; "Sing Lee" Jimmy

86 1948 Sheldon Jackson School team. L-R Back: Patrick Verney; Martin Gall; Eddie Mercardo; Richie Benson. L-R Front: Ken Leask; George "Tiger" Inman; Jack Booth.

87 1952 Sheldon Jackson School girls' team: L-R Row 3: ____; Douglas; Mary Alice Lord; Maggie Mercardo. L-R Row 2: Lila Gray; Barbara Hamilton; Jessie
Hamilton; Caroline Morrison; Marie "Honey" Carlson. L-R Front: Colleen O'Brien; Eleanor O'Brien; Mavis Haldane; Gertrude Paul; Pauline Johnson.

1941 Pictured here is the famous Leask brothers of Metlakatla who all starred at Sheldon Jackson School. Three went on and played college basketball. L-R Back: Wally (Captain University of Washington: 1941; 1942 and 1943); Ronald (Williamette University); Bert (University of Dubuque). L-R Front: David; Irving; Ken (Washington State University).

Pictured here is the famous Demmert brothers of Craig who all starred at Sheldon Jackson School. L-R: Bill; Art; Embert; Larry and Davel. All were skippers of their own seine boats and were considered "high-liners". Art, Embert and Larry all became teachers of great repute.

1948 Herb Didrickson a member of the Sheldon Jackson Junior College Sitka championship team. He is generally considered to have been one of the finest players in Alaska and was named to many all-tourney and all-star teams. As a member of the Sitka ANB team, he pushed that club to new levels of greatness.

1941 Robert "Jeff' David is pictured here as a sophomore and star at Sheldon Jackson School. David is considered to have been one of the greatest.

1924 Dr. Walter Soboleff pictured here on the fine Sheldon Jackson School team. Dr. Soboleff met his calling by going into the ministry.

Folder 13 – Sitka Organizations

1911 United States Marine Corps baseball team pictured in front of the Marine Barracks on Lincoln and Katlian Streets, Sitka. While stationed in Sitka, the Marine Corps was an integral part of the Sitka community. None of the players are identified.

1938 Boy Scout Troop 643 basketball team of the BIA school on Katlian Street in Sitka. The Troop and Team were organized by Raymond Wolfe, principal of the school. L-R: Bill "Rudy Jackson" Brady; Jack Lokke; Walter Gray; Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson; Charlie Didrickson; Jimmy Walton. Lokke, Johnson, Didrickson and Walton all reached stardom with great Sitka ANB teams after starring at Wrangell Institute or Sheldon Jackson School.

1939 United States Navy baseball team and Sitka Champions. Melvin Payne, standing and second from Right; Harold "Pretty Boy" Morris and D. D. "Dick" Harper, kneeling and third from left, were stars of immense proportions. This
was one of Sitka's finest teams but had to battle to hold off the Merchants and City Team.

1941 Sitka Moose baseball team pictured in Firemens' Park in Juneau. This club defeated the Juneau Moose two games out of three and had its hands full in the Sitka city league against the Servicemen; U. S. Navy; Siems Drake; Merchants; United States Marines and the USN Patrol Squadron. L-R Standing: Walt Wilson; Nate Doolittle; Norm Besseman; Hal Mellor; George "Pappy" Simpson; Dick Thielkie; Thaine "Tex" Gatlin. L-R Front: "Buck" Loidhammer; Ray "Doggie" Everding; Howard Hunter, Manager; Art Besseman; Bob Moore; Lou Davis; Fred Easley.

1944 U. S. Navy baseball team and Sitka Champions. This was a very talented club and is considered to have been one of the finest in the then territory. However, stern opposition came from Artillery teams Battery B; Battery C and Battery D; U. S. Marines; Army Camp Riley; USN Patrol Squadron; Army Infantry A and Infantry C. There were no civilian teams entered in the tough 1944 league, generally considered one of Sitka's finest. Many of the same personnel also played on the 1944 U. S. Navy Sitka Championship team particularly those pictured in the back row of the picture shown here.

1944 U. S. Navy basketball team and Sitka Champions. To reach the pinnacle, this club had to take care of 16 other clubs entered in the Sitka City League. Other top teams were Army Artillery Battery B; Army Artillery Battery D; Army Battery Headquarters; Army Post Headquarters; U. S. Marines; U. S. Coast Guard and Army Camp Riley. Holt's Mens' Store; Sitka ANB; Sheldon Jackson School and Sitka High School were the only civilian teams in the league. Bob "Berger" Eggeberger (10) and Francis X "Frank" Duffy were two of the finest to perform in Sitka. Six regulars of the 1944 team were absent when this photo was taken.

1947 Sitka Elks baseball team and Sitka Champions. L-R Standing: Harold Donnelly; Fermen "Rocky" Gutierrez; Herb Didrickson; Jimmy Calvin; Bob McCracken. L-R Front: Wally McDonald, Manager; Hugh Pace; Hillard "Buck" Everson; Father L. Nevue, SJ

1950 Sitka Columbia Lumber basketball team. L-R Standing: Noel Keller; Stan "Big Train" Westover; Gene Samuelson; Bob Rowland; Carl "Rummy" Kerr. L-R Kneeling: Harold Donnelly; Jim Weber; Howard "Sarge" Bremner; Harry Aase.

1952 Sitka Columbia Lumber basketball team. L-R Standing: Merle Williams; Oliver "Zeke" Sigler; Bob Rowland; Bill Lawrence; Frank Crosby. L-R Kneeling: Nathan "Nate" Humphrey; Harold Donnelly; Gil Truitt. Not pictured: Gene
Samuelson; Herb Hope; Stan "Big Train" Westover; Jerry Buller; Julian "Sonny" Porter.


103 1975 Sitka Arrowhead Truckers. L-R Standing: Dean Glick; Dennis Fredrick; Keith Redeagle; Sneakah Harnum; "Crash" Ferch; L-R Front: Wes Kesler; Allen Bruce Tiedeman; Lee Demmert.

Folder 14 – Sitka ANB

104 1917 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: Thomas Phillips; Howard Gray; Thomas Williams; Raymond James, Manager; Louie Simpson; Charles Daniels; Peter Simpson, Coach. David Howard is in front, holding ball.

105 1920 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R: Andrew Hope, Manager; Howard Gray; Lawrence Widmark; Charles Daniels; Thomas Williams; Louie Simpson; David Howard; Peter Sing, Coach.

106 1920 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Row 3: David Howard; Thomas Williams; Charles Daniels. L-R Middle Row: Andrew Hope, Manager; Louis Simpson; Peter Sing, Coach. L-R Front: Howard Gray; Lawrence Widmark.

107 1925 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R: George Howard; Thomas Williams; Frank Price; Louie Simpson; Simon "Sam" Didrickson; George Jones; Cyrus Peck; Richard Peters; Richard Katlian.


109 Opening Tip-Off of 1949 Gold Medal Tournament Sitka ANB vs Petersburg Merchants. Players L-R Herb Didrickson (10); Nels Otness; Nick Kasakan (9); Roger Lang (11); Charlie Didrickson and Elder Lee (5).

110 1949 Sitka ANB often called "The Pride of Sitka". Sitka City League and Gold Medal Tournament champions. L-R Standing: William "Bill" Walton; Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson; Charlie Didrickson; Roger Lang; Herb Didrickson;
Alfred Perkings; John Hope, Manager. L-R Kneeling: Lawrence "Buddy" Widmark; Jimmy Walton; Joe Truitt; Nick Kasakan; Ray Nielsen, Henry Benson.

111 1952 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: William "Bill" Walton; Donald "Duck" Didrickson; Harry "Buddy" Lang; Carl "Rummy" Kerr; Roger Lang; Alfred Perkins; John Hope, Manager. L-R Kneeling: Joe Truitt; Arnold Didrickson; Charlie Didrickson; Herb Didrickson; Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson.

112 1953 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: William "Bill" Walton, Coach; Herb Didrickson; Roger Lang; Clifford Anderson; Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson; John Hope, Manager. L-R Kneeling: Joe Truitt; Donald Natkong; John Borbridge; Donald "Duck" Didrickson.

113 1956 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: Lawrence "Buddy" Widmark; Donald Natkong; Homer Mills; Willie Osbakken; Herb Didrickson; Robert "Jeff" David; Roger Lang; Merle Williams. L-R Kneeling: Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson; Tommy Lang; Sammy Martin; Jerry "Osh" Lang.

114 1957 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: Albert Davis; Joe Truitt; Eldon Ridley; Merle Williams; William Paul; Harry "Buddy" Lang; Roger Lang; Frank White; Lawrence "Buddy" Widmark. L-R Kneeling: Everett Williams; Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson; Arnold Didrickson; Merlin Oyoumick.

115 1957 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: Eldon Ridley; Herb Didrickson; Merle Williams; Harry "Buddy" Lang; Roger Lang; Frank White; Lawrence "Buddy" Widmark, Coach. L-R Kneeling: Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson; Joe Truitt; Merlin Oyoumick; Arnold Didrickson.

116 1958 Sitka ANB basketball team. L -R: James D. Williams, Manager; Moses "Mighty Moe" Johnson; Sammy Martin; Willie Joseph; Patrick Walker; Freddie Hulse; Harry "Buddy" Lang; Roger Lang; Herb Didrickson; Jeff Trenton; Jerry Gray.

117 1962 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: Dick Netz; Julian "Sonny" Porter; Willie Osbakken; Pat Ness; Arnie Jones. L-R Kneeling: Jerry Gray; Sammy Martin; Herb Didrickson; Chuck Stedman. Not pictured: Gene Frank; Ron Johnson; John Hope, Manager; Gil Truitt, Coach.

118 The 1963 Sitka ANB team in a huddle. Clock-wise: Gil Truitt, Coach; Chuck Marsh (24); Willie Joseph (25); Pat Ness (30); Julian "Sonny" Porter (23) and Chuck Stedman.

120 1962 Sitka ANB team. L-R: John Hope, Manager; Gil Truitt, Coach; Gene Frank; Chuck Stedman; Willie Osbakken; Sammy Martin; Pat Ness; Herb Didrickson; Julian "Sonny" Porter; Jerry Gray; Ron Johnson; Arnie Jones.

121 1964 Sitka ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: Charlie Moses; Herb Didrickson; Roger Lang; Pat Ness; Paul White; Sammy Martin, Coach; Frank O. Williams, Jr.; Julian "Sonny" Porter; Willie Joseph; Ed Mercer; Hugh Wade. L-R Kneeling: Jerry Helland; Chuck Marsh; Bernard "Buddy" Ivey; Jerry Gray.

122 1931 brothers but on different baseball teams. James D. Williams of the Sitka ANB team, left; and Peter C. Nielsen of the Sitka Moose team.

Folder 15 – Sitka High School

123 1936 Sitka High School basketball team "Wolves: L-R: Bob Colette; Neil Bredvik; Russell Mills; Frank Tilson; Bill Stuart; Ralph Davis, Coach; Leo Williams; Martin Bredvik; Louis Burkhart

124 1937 Sitka High School basketball team "Wolves". L-R Standing: Glenwood Platt; Lennie Peterson; Frank Tilson; Leo Williams; Walter Skaris; Louis Burkhart. L-R Front: Bill Dale; Wallace Greig.

124b 1936 Sitka High School girls' basketball team. L-R: Dorothy McNulty; Margaret Smith; Irene Williams; Esther Winberg; Harriett DeArmond; Eleanor Harris; Ruth Manca, Coach; Peggy Schrey.

125 1938 Sitka High School girls' basketball team. L-R Row 3: Mary Dennard; Pauline Hallock; Ruth Wittmeyer; L-R Middle Row: Helen McNulty; Alice Curtis; Doris Hallock; Edna Drake. L-R Front: Anna Soley; Miss Olson, Coach; Margaret Smith.

126 1938 Sitka High School basketball team. L-R Row 3: Richard Webster; Howard Skaris; Martin Bredvik; Tony Herman. L-R Middle Row: George Baggen; Wade Patterson; Lee Burkhart; Clyde Peterson. Glenwood Platt, Coach, is in front.

127 1952 Sitka High School basketball team. L-R: Duane Ongstad, Coach; Willie Joseph; Art Peterson; Johnny Abell; Norman "Butch" Burke; Phil Martin; Julian "Sonny" Porter; Harold "Bunny" Donnelly; Willie Osbakken; Archie Nielsen. Lyle Kuehn, manager, is in front.

128 1953 Sitka High School basketball team. L-R Standing: Harold "Bunny" Donnelly; Bill Boettcher; Willie Osbakken; Norman Wood; [Bob Salt (courtesy of Anna Chapman, SHS class of 1955)]; Manager. L-R Front: Sammy Martin; Johnny Abell; Archie Nielsen; Norman "Butch" Burke; Phil Martin; Duane Ongstad, Coach.

129 1955 Sitka High School basketball team: L-R Standing: Duane Ongstad, Coach; Jon Calhoun; Terry Nelson; Norman Wood; Tom Kinberg; Sammy Martin; Terry Perkins, Manager; L-R Front: Gerry Smith; Gary Paxton; Albert Kahklen; Dick Boettcher; Eric Widmark.

130 1957 Sitka High School basketball team. L-R Standing: Bill Marsh, Coach; Allen Moore, Assistant Manager; Albert Kahklen; Lyle Meyer; Dick Sirstad; Terry Nelson; Bob "Bo" Chernoff; John Jensen, Manager. L-R Front: Barry Bergdoll; Gerry Smith; Bill Fredrickson; Gary Paxton; Ray Sirstad.

131 1944 Sitka High School basketball team. L-R Standing: Keith Wittmeyer; Bob Wagner; Stan "Big Train" Westover; "Choppy" Davis; Harold "Doc" Hodgins. L-R Front: Larry Miller; Gordon Buckman; Lee Rhodes; Carl Berg; Wayne "Pee Wee" Westover.

132 1945 Sitka High School basketball team. L-R: Wally Wagner; Stan "Big Train" Westover; Elmer "Snuffy" Johnson; Jimmy Calvin; Jay Coon; Tony Herman, Coach; Wayne "Pee Wee" Westover; Richard Fredrickson; Lee Rhodes; Harold "Doc" Hodgins; Larry Miller; Frankie Martin.

Folder 16 – Wrangell Institute

133 1935 Wrangell Institute basketball team "Golden Eagles" aboard the fishing vessel "Sunwing" in the Wrangell harbor, ready to "cast-off" for a tour of Southeast, top photo. L-R: Clarence Anniskett; Fred Johnson; Lincoln Peratrovich; Eddie Fawcett; Stanley Peratrovich; Morris Grant; Fred Unger, team spokesman; Vincent Baronovich. Not pictured: Richard Scharnbroich, Coach; John Didrickson; Harvey Williams; Dewey Skan.

134 1935 Wrangell Institute basketball team "Golden Eagles". L-R Row 3: Morris Grant; Fred Unger; Robert Cogo; Vincent Baronovich; Dewey Skan; Richard Scharnbroich, Coach; L-R Middle Row: Only Harvey Williams is identified, pictured just below Richard Scharnbroich. L-R First Row: John Didrickson; John Adams; Henry Littlefield; Louis Austin; Harry See; ____.

135 1937 Wrangell Institute basketball team "Golden Eagles". L-R Standing: Milne Hudson; Evans Gunyah; Ralph Mise, Coach; Bill "Bish" Reece; Everett Hudson. L-R Kneeling: Louis Austin; Lincoln Peratrovich; Morris Grant. Not Pictured:
Stanley Peratrovich; Bucey Wallace; John Ross; Charlie Johnnie; Walter Williams. This was one of the Institute's finest teams.

136 1940 Wrangell Institute basketball team "Golden Eagles". L-R Standing: Victor "Butch" Peele; Willis Jackson; Owen Grant; _____; William "Willie" Wells; _____; Harold Rose; Alfred Levine, Manager. L-R Kneeling: John Ross; Daniel Paul; Bill "Bish" Reece; Charlie Didrickson; Evans Gunyah. Morris Rafn, Coach, is pictured in back.

137 1945 Wrangell Institute basketball team "Golden Eagles". L-R Standing: Peter Casey, Coach; Raymond Roberts; Matthew Lee; George Williams; Franklin "Shkane" Williams; Daniel Klanott; George Valle. L-R Kneeling: Richard "Doc" Stitt; Thomas B. Williams; Matthew Garcia. Not Pictured: Archie Cavanaugh; Gil Truitt.

138 1946 Wrangell Institute girls' basketball team "Amazons". L-R Standing: Hilda Rowan, Manager; Tillie Martin; Wilma Churchill; Margaret DeWitt; Geraldine "Gerry" Martin; Ernestine Bean; Frances "Fannie" Burton; Annie Gunner. L-R Kneeling: June Jorgenson; Marjorie Castell; Rosie Cooday; Verna Evans; Mary Brown; Irene "Beans" Anderson.

Folder 17 – Wrangell Organizations

139 1947 Wrangell American Legion basketball team competing in the first Gold Medal Tournament. L-R: _____; _____; Al Vacurra; Art Clark; _____; Gene Samuelson; Lloyd Rinehart.

140 1949 Wrangell Thunderbirds basketball team. L-R Standing: Sidney McCullough; Allen "Buzzy" Bradley; Arvis Dailey; Lloyd Rinehart; Larry "Pooch" Taylor; Lee Byrd. L-R Kneeling: Richard Rinehart; Bob Stokes; Howard Churchill, Coach; "Brigadier" Ford; Harry Thomas.

141 1950 Wrangell Thunderbirds basketball team. L-R Standing: Peter Casey, Coach; Art Clark; Charlie Byrd; Lloyd Rinehart; Freddie Angerman; Richard Rinehart; Ned Zenger. L-R Kneeling: Larry "Pooch" Taylor; Raymond Willard; Bob Stokes.

142 1952 Wrangell Thunderbirds basketball team. L-R Standing: Felix Villaroma; Lee Byrd; Harvey Gross; Chuck Jenkins; Arnold Bakke; Sidney McCullough; Larry "Pooch" Taylor. L-R Front: Richard Rinehart; "Brigadier" Ford; Allen "Buzzy" Bradley; Gordon "Captain Crunch" Mason.

143 1975 Wrangell Lumber Company basketball team. L-R Standing: Rick Wilson; Cliff Chamberlain; Ron Dyste; Bill Larson; Al Rinehart. L-R Front: Ray Taylor,
Coach; Tom Gillen; Bob Daley; Fred Wigg; Willard Pavao. Not pictured: Levi Dow; Ernie Nakamura; John Cabot; Paul Schwienberg.

144 1963 Wrangell Thunderbirds basketball team. L-R standing: _____; Freddie Angerman; "Jumping Joe" King; Frank Young; L-R Front: Jake Truitt; Dick McCormick;

Folder 18 - Skagway

145 1963 Skagway Thunderbirds basketball team. L-R Standing: Donald Berry; Leo Albecker; Lee Hartsten; Bill Reid; Jan Nelson; L-R Front: Larry Jaquot; Gary Crantson; Larry Roth; Tommy Mason; Allen Hoyt.

Folder 19 - Hoonah

146 1958 Hoonah ANB basketball team. L-R Standing: _____ manager; Ken Schoonover; Paul Rudolph; Mike Thompson; John Hinchman; Jake White; Andrew Johnny, Coach; L-R Kneeling: Joe Judson; Frank Carteeti; LeRoy McKinley; Ron Williams; James Knudson.

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147 1955 Juneau Imperials basketball team, Gold Medal Tournament champions and one of Juneau's finest teams. L-R Standing: Richard B. "Itch" Hanson; Jimmy Nielsen; John Asp; Gus Adams; Joe Ninnis; Bob Pasquan, Coach. LR Kneeling: Del Michaelsen; Tom Kelly; Jack Pasquan; Bill Sperling; Gim Taguchi. (Photograph located in Folder 6 - Juneau - #16a)

148 1950 Ketchikan Rockets basketball team and Gold Medal Tournament champions. The "First City" team defeated the equally powerful Sitka ANB team in an over-time thriller, 80-79. (Photograph located in Folder 7 - Ketchikan - #24a)

149 1951 Metlakatla VFW baseball team and Gold Medal Tournament champions. L-R: Mel Booth; Tom Atkinson; Irving Leask; Solomon "Dundee" Atkinson; Don Bolten; Martin Booth; Romey Atkinson; Jack Booth. Charles Buchert, Coach, is accepting. (Photograph located in Folder 8 - Metlakatla - #31a)