Ecker, Jack A.

Jack A. Ecker Photograph Collection, ca. 1928-1929

PCA 575

1 box
113 images, most b&w
Newspapers, publications

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Jack A. Ecker was the Superintendent for the Warrack Construction Co., in charge of construction of a flume in Seward, Alaska, 1928 and 1929.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE


INVENTORY

Folder 1: Photo Album

Pages disassembled with some loose photos. 99 photos total.

Subjects: Voyage between Seattle and Seward, British Columbia coastal communities, Flume construction in Seward.

1-14 Accordion style color postcard images with hand-written notes, Voyage between Seattle and Seward.

1  Spencer Glacier Near Seward.
2  Anchorage
3  Curry Hotel. Hand-written note: “Gov’t owned & stop at nite as trains have no sleepers.”
4  Hurricane Gulch Bridge
5  The Midnight Sun of Alaska
6  Fairbanks.
7  An Alaskan Indian Cache.
8  The Main Street of Cordova
9  Miles and Childs Glaciers. Hand-written note: “Supposed to be fastest moving in world.”
10 Columbia Glacier. Hand-written note: “Most wonderful & fascinating sight. About center & about 200 ft high. The black on the side is rock & dirt.”
11 Latouche. Hand-written note: “A Kennecott Copper Co Town. About 2 years more & the copper ore will be gone.”
13 Harding Glacier in Resurrection Bay.
14 Seward.

15-28 Loose photographs: Images of Alaskan Natives, pile driving, ships, women, men & automobiles.

15 [British Columbia Native Gravesite.]
16 North B.C. Indian Showing Original Ancient Costume.
17 C.P.R., S.S. Princess Charlotte.
18 [Flume construction.]
19 Six Little Arctic Natives.
21 [Woman standing in front of construction of made of antlers.]
22 [Two women standing in front of store.]
23 [Two men working flume construction.]
24 Drawing bent #4. Now on Bent 55. Some job to drive pile in these boulders.
25 All of these taken before flood. Stead of stream where flume starts and dike now one half completed.
26 [Man standing on rock in valley.]
27 Your son in front of driver. Taken at 7 a.m. Oct. 3, ’28.
28 Bridge washed out & propped up temporarily on Kenai Lake Hiway.
   Your son Johnny on left of car & Grunder Olsen his very able assistant etc.
   on right of same. Warrack was along & we had been out to Mile 10 to look
   around & also to see a man at Woodrow at Mile 7.

29-113 Photo Album Pages: Flume Construction, Seward, Alaska

Folder 2: Newspapers

Triangle Building Supplement to the Daily Alaska Empire, Dec. 2, 1929
   Triangle building was constructed by Warrack Construction Co.
Seward Gateway, July 10, 1928
   Article, announcing the start of work and advertising of local labor,
   mentions JA Ecker.
Onboard newspapers:
   SS Aleutian April 27, 1929
      Mentions Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ecker northbound for Ketchikan.
   SS Yukon July 13, 1928

Folder 3: Correspondence & Publications

Postcard:
   Front: S. S. Alaska, H. W. Steward 1927
   Verso: Addressed to Mr. P. D. Ruppert, Le Mars, Iowa
   Tuesday 11-29
      Dear Dad. Am sailing in this tub
      and the ocean is pretty rough. I don’t
      get sea sick but get terrible headaches
      and nose bleed. Jack flew to Juneau last
      Friday. We will get there about 2 a.m. It

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is about 3.25 miles from Ketchikan and
925 from Seattle. Pouring rain so isn’t?
pleasant on deck either. Write us at
Juneau, Alaska.
Ada & Shirley

Pamphlet:
Alaska the Wonderland: A Guide to Ketchikan, Presented by Pruell’s Gift
Shop, Ketchikan, Alaska