The Journal of the Alaska Collectors Club • American Philatelic Society Affiliate No. 218



Volume 44, No. 4 • Whole No. 228 4th Quarter, 2008 • Pages 60–84

Inside this issue...

| AK 50th Anniversary Cancels | page 61 |
|--|--------------|
| Want Ads | page 62 |
| President's Message | page 63 |
| Secretary/Treasurer's Report | page 63 |
| Sustaining Member Cover | page 64 |
| Unreported Cancels | pages 65, 68 |
| King Salmon AFB | page 66 |
| Member Request | page 67 |
| 50th Anniversary Stamp Artwork Revealed | page 68 |
| Klondike EKU or Something More Mysterious? | page 69 |
| Gold Nuggets | pages 69, 71 |
| Gold Rush Station Info | page 70 |
| Ft. Greeley, AK Post-World War II | page 71 |
| Bob McKain's ALCAN Library | page 74 |
| ACC Auction | |
| Rid Sheet | nage 8/1 |

The Alaskan Philatelist

The Journal of the Alaska Collectors Club ISSN #1096-5963

OFFICERS

| President | Jim Zuelow, Arizona |
|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| Vice-President | Angela Watson, California |
| Secretary/Treasurer | Eric Knapp, Alaska |
| Past President | Caye Carufel, Alaska |
| Director | Michael Senta, Alaska |
| Director | Dirk van Geldren, Netherlands |
| Director | Richard Wood, Alaska |

All Alaska Collectors Club business, including editorial matters for this journal, should be directed to the Secretary/Treasurer and Editor:

Eric Knapp
4201 Folker St., Unit C102
Anchorage, AK 99508
E-Mail Addresses:
eknapp@gci.com or eknapp@gci.net

Membership information and sample issues of this journal are available from the Secretary/Treasurer. Price of a sample issue is \$2.00 (stamps OK). Membership levels are as follows:

| Regular Membership | \$15.00 |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Contributing Membership | \$20.00 |
| Sustaining Membership | \$30.00 (or more) |
| Overseas Membership | \$5.00 additional |

The Alaskan Philatelist is published four times a year by the Alaska Collectors Club, a society dedicated to developing a wider interest in the study and preservation of Alaska's Postal History. Submissions for publication are always welcome.

Permission for reproduction in whole or in part is granted to other philatelic organizations for internal non-profit use provided that credit is given to The Alaskan Philatelist and the authors of the reproduced material. A copy of the publication in which material is reprinted is requested.

Opinions expressed here are solely those of the authors, and do not necessarily represent those of the ACC, its' officers or members.

© 2008 The Alaska Collector's Club

SUSTAINING MEMBERS—2008

| Anchorage Philatelic Society | Norman Anderson |
|------------------------------|------------------|
| Dr. Steven J. Berlin | Caye Carufel |
| Ronald Chaikin | Alice Fitzgerald |
| Steven Fogland | Harold Ford |
| Gastineau Philatelic Society | |
| P. Nelson Gnirke | Jack Guyer |
| Duane Heverling | Thomas Kinzer |
| Eric Knapp | |
| David McCord | Gary Phillips |
| John D. Roberts | |
| David Schwantes | Wayne Selmer |
| Michael Senta, M.D | Terry Shaw |
| Robert Spaugy | Fred Smith |
| Peter Tompkins | Thomas Tonozzi |
| Dirk van Gelderen | |
| Jim Zuelow | |
| | |

AWARDS

Colopex 2000—Silver-Bronze
Colopex 2002—Silver-Bronze
STaMpsHOW 03—Silver-Bronze
Canada's 7th National Philatelic Literature
Exhibition 2005—Silver Medal
NAPEX 2007—Silver Medal
APS Stampshow 2008—Silver Medal

Proposed Cancels for 50th Anniversary of Statehood Stamp







HELP WANTED: Enjoy working with computers and websites? The ACC NEEDS YOU to help keep our website current and appealing! Check our site at www.alaskaphilatelic.org/ and contact VP Angela Watson for more information.

FOR SALE: "Grandfather's Collection" Beautiful Alaskan covers, mostly older, 7 hand colored/ drawn cachet with each order. Nice Alaskan covers. 35 covers \$110.00 Guaranteed. Victor Schwez, 10519 Casanes Ave., Downey CA 90241

INFO: ACC member Bob Beeman would like to hear from any member who could inform him about past ACC member Paul E. Smith, ACC Member 165, who previously lived at 305 Waldman Drive,

Park Forest, Illinois 60466. Smith had, in 1966, been active in promoting the issuance of a stamp commemorating the 100th Anniversary of the Purchase of Alaska with then Senator Paul H. Douglas of Illinois.

HELP WANTED: I am looking for information about the Anchorage Contract Station 11. I never found anything about it and I do have the numbers 10 and 12 and the existence of Number 11 is then logical. Dirk van Gelderen, Voorkade 74, 2771 ZB Boskoop, Netherlands. Email: *info@esveld.nl*

WANTED: Any old postal cards or covers from the Chitna, McCarthy, Kennecott area, 1890 - 1950. Please send list to: Thomas Kinzer, P.O. Box 107, Chitna, AK 99566-0107

HELP WANTED: I am looking for mint and used postcards depicting ALASKA LIGHTHOUSES. Russell Bartlett, 5 Saint Clare Street, Braintree, MA 02184-8239

WANTED: Any era postal cards (government preprinted stamps, not picture) used in Alaska. No philatelic, please. Don Glickstein, 1300 University St. #9G, Seattle WA 98101. Email: glickwolf@earthlink.net

WANTED: Censored civilian mail from Alaska and Western Canada from World War II. Eric Knapp, 4201 Folker Street, Unit C102, Anchorage, AK 99508. Email: *eknapp@gci.net*

WANTED: Mail from the gold rush era Alaska forts. Eric Knapp, 4201 Folker Street, Unit C102, Anchorage, AK 99508. Email: *eknapp@gci.net*

LOOKING FOR JFK FDCs: I notice that my interest in the 5-cent JFK commemorative stamp issued nationally appears on your web-site. So I ask: Do you have or do you know anybody who might have any 5-cent JFK FDCs from Alaska (i.e. covers postmarked May 29, 1964 with the 5-cent Kennedy stamp? By the way, two more cities can be added to this list: Moose Pass and Seward. Contact Henry B. Scheuer at 800-444-1155.

| TAP DEADLINES | | |
|---------------|------------|--|
| <u>ISSUE</u> | DEADLINE | |
| 1st Quarter | February 1 | |
| 2nd Quarter | May 1 | |
| 3rd Quarter | August 1 | |
| 4th Quarter | November 1 | |

Alaska Philatelic Cover Catalog Volume 1 & 2

Volume 2 of the Alaska Philatelic Cover Catalog, covering the Alaska Collectors Club, the Gastineau Philatelic Society and the Northern Lights Stamp Club is now available.

The catalog features illustrations of all major and minor covers issued by the three clubs.

The catalog is 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 11 loose-leaf format punched for a three ring binder.

Prices:

Volume 2:

\$25.00

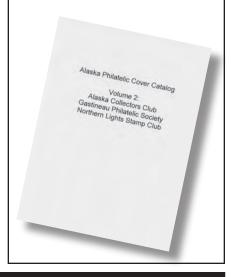
Volume 1, Revised Edition: \$25.00

Original Volume 1 Update: \$3.00

(All prices are postpaid)

For orders or more information, contact:

Eric Knapp 4201 Folker St., Unit C102 Anchorage, AK 99508



President's Message

by Jim Zuelow (jimzuelow@aol.com)

Thanks to Angela Watson, Eric Knapp, & David Schwantes for their great work designing and producing the 20th ACC Sustaining Member Cover! I don't know if there is an active GOP Postal History group, but I do know there are many collectors of various kinds of political covers. Besides being an item for Alaska collectors, our cover honoring Alaska Governor Sarah Palin's selection as the 2008 GOP Vice Presidential Candidate will certainly be one of the more attractive and difficult to obtain political covers of 2008.

Just as the Palin cover may become popular, there has been a good to strong market for various other kinds of Alaskana. For example, earlier this year an otherwise not especially unique 1986 Fur Rondy cover sold on an e-Bay auction for \$55.00! The cover was NOT found under Alaska Stamps, but was instead listed under Alaska Collectibles (I've learned to periodically check for Alaska postal history items under other Alaska e-Bay headings). Fur Rondy and Iditarod Race pins and souvenirs are other items that seem to be in demand in auctions, on e-Bay, other websites, etc. Perhaps ACC Director Richard Wood, Juneau, an Alaskana dealer, would be willing to share some of his expertise with us about the relative popularity and value of some of the other kinds of Alaskana collectibles. Of course, the demand for collectibles of any kind is related to national and world economic conditions.

Finding a 1986 Fur Rondy cover for sale under Alaska Collectibles that was not listed under Alaska Stamps, reminds me of the many times I've found Alaska postcards for sale on various websites without information being included by the seller as to where and when they may have been postally used. I've found more than one relatively scarce cancel just by asking about the item since postal history and/or stamp collecting was not an interest of the seller. More than one antique or 2nd hand store clerk has questioned me when I'm observed flipping through the message sides of postcards instead of the fronts! It's fun letting some people know there is actually a market for certain used Alaska postcards!

In case you didn't already know it, if you are reading this publication and column, you are a very special kind of person who very likely has a specialized knowledge about these topics—the kind of person I especially like! One of the benefits of the Alaska Collectors' Club is getting to know people like you!

Happy Holidays!

Jim Zuelow

Secretary Treasurer's Report

Eric Knapp (eknapp@gci.net)

As I am writing this a storm that has dumped about a foot of snow on Anchorage is just ending. There was no wind in the storm but a good layer of snow. Makes the city look all wintery and ready for the Christmas season. Of course the downside is that you have to clean up after it all. I spent part of this afternoon at my parent's house with shovel and snow blower, so I am a bit sore now.

Business for the Alaska Collectors Club has been quiet this last quarter of the year. We have no new members to report, but I have received some inquiries and some Alaska philatelic related questions. I have answered these and I think I even answered them right. Always a good thing

I have been working to finish up the comprehensive index of TAP. I have been working on this project, on and off, for several years and I finally have it to a point where I think it is ready. I have some ideas on how to distribute this to the membership and should have an approved plan by the time the next issue comes out. It will be a good resource for an Alaska collector.

2009 will mark the 50th year both of Alaska Statehood and of the Alaska Collectors Club. The club has had its ups and downs, including a few years of inactivity. Overall the club has done good work on "getting the word out" about Alaskan philately, but we still have much work to do. Our member's participation is still needed. I look forward to everyone's help as we start our next 50 years.

Until next month, happy collecting.

Letter to The Club

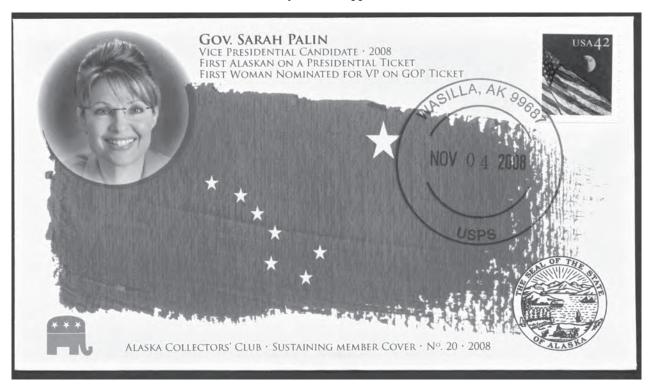
Hello,

I am a postcard collector. I will exchange postcards with Alaska people. I collect stamped (posted) postcards with assorted stamps on back: Art, ethnic, views, nature, landscape, etc. I will reply to all persons that write me. Thanks and best regards,

Oliva Anselmo Espanoleto, 5 - 7C ida. 28932 MOSTOLES (Madrid) • Spain

New Sustaining Member's Cover

by Eric Knapp



This year marks the 20th year of the Alaska Collectors Club's Sustaining Member Covers. The committee was working on the idea of honoring Tom Stewart, who was instrumental in the Alaska Constitutional convention when events caught up with us. The selection of Alaska Governor Sarah Palin as Senator John McCain's running mate created a truly newsworthy event. There was some discussion as to whether it would be seen as an endorsement, so we decided to cancel the cover on elec-

tion day, after most of the country had already voted.

As an Alaskan I must admit I found the whole thing strange and surreal. Having an Alaskan at that high a level in American politics was very exciting, whether I agreed with her or not. And before anyone asks, no, her accent is not a typical Alaskan accent.

As for Mr. Stewart, I have a picture and have kept his biography as we have many Sustaining Member covers to come.

Events to Celebrate 50th Anniversary of Alaska

GOVERNOR SARAH PALIN FIRST ALASKAN ON A MAJOR PRESIDENTIAL TICKET

On January 3, 1959, Alaska became the 49th state. Now some 50 years later, for the first time, one of our residents is a candidate on a major party presidential ticket. On August 29, 2008, Republican presidential candidate John McCain selected Alaskan governor, Sarah Palin, as his vice-presidential running-mate. Palin also became the first woman on a GOP ticket. It was a complete surprise to the entire country, as she was not well known outside of Alaska.

Palin started out as a as a self-professed "hockey mom," and was involved in the local PTA. She became increasingly involved in her community of Wasilla. She was later elected to two terms on the city council, and then served two terms as Wasilla mayor. In 2006, she was elected as the first woman governor of Alaska, and has just completed two years in that office. Palin is married to Todd Palm, and the couple have five children.

This is the 20th cover in the ACC Sustaining Member series. The cachet is from an original artwork by Angela Watson. The cover and insert were printed by Eric Knapp. David Schwantes wrote the insert, and stamped and cancelled the covers. The covers are cancelled in Palin's home town of Wasilla, Alaska, on Election Day. We have no idea how the election will turn out, and we make no endorsement by issuing this cover.

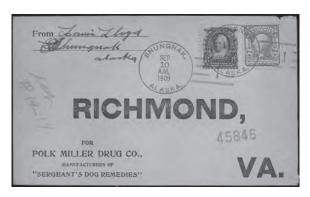
Unreported Territorial Postmarks

by Dirk van Gelderen





Seattle, Washington Naval Air Station, Sitka Alaska Branch. Two new types on two philatelic covers both cancelled Jan 1, 1952, the first day of the office. One for registered mail, the other for parcel post.



Shungnak. Doane two strikes on gorgeous cover to Richmond, VA, Sep 10, 1909. Seen on ebay where it sold for a lot of money.



Cooper Landing. Double Circle. Backside of a registered cover to Anchorage. Seen also with dates ranging from August 23, 1956 to September 23, 1958, all on similar registered covers.



Palmer. Double Circle May 5, 1955 on philatelic card.



Sunrise. Double Circle MOB on back of philatelic request letter.



Anchorage. Double Circle General Delivery on card with type 9 dated Oct. 18, 1938.



Fairbanks. Double Circle TAKE OUT on a window envelope.



Juneau. Box cancel with inverted N on a registered envelope with backstamps type 17 from 1912.



Skagway. Oval cancel on a Louisiana Purchase stamp, seen on Ebay.



Anchorage. Box cancel, on back 3 Registered cancels from Ketchikan dated 9 March, 1932.



Savoonga. Double Circle, was already known in Statehood. Seen on Ebay.



Haines. Similar to type 6, but with a point after ALAS-KA. From the period between type 6 (latest 11 Sep 1915) and 7 (earliest 7 Jul 1923). Found on eBay.

Post-War King Salmon Air Force Base

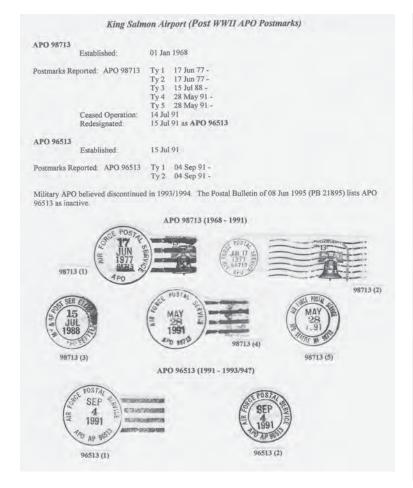
from the archives of the National Postal Museum

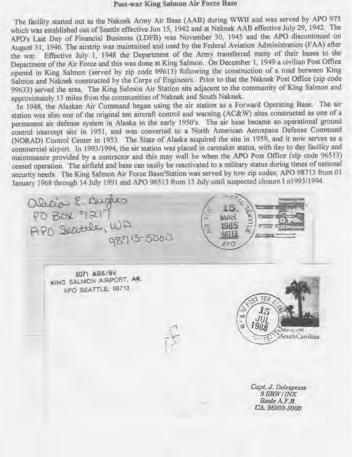
The facility started out as the Naknek Army Air Base (AAB) during WWII and was served by APO 975 which was established out of Seattle effective Jun 15, 1942 and at Naknek AAB effective July 29, 1942. The APO's Last Day of Financial Business (LDFB) was November 30, 1945 and the APO discontinued on August 31, 1946. The airstrip was maintained and used by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) after the war. Effective July 1, 1948 the Department of the Army transferred many of their bases to the Department of the Air Force and this was done at King Salmon.

On December 1, 1949 a civilian Post Office opened in King Salmon (served by zip code 99613) following the construction of a road between King Salmon and Naknek constructed by the Corps of Engineers. Prior to that the Naknek Post Office (zip code 99633) served the area. The King Salmon Air Station sits adjacent to the community of King Salmon and approximately 13 miles from the communities of Naknek and South Naknek.

In 1948, the Alaskan Air Command began using the air station as a Forward Operating Base. The air station was also one of the original ten aircraft control and warning (AC&W) sites constructed as one of a permanent air defense system in Alaska in the early 1950's. The air base became an operational ground control intercept site in 1951, and was converted to a North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) Control Center in 1953. The State of Alaska acquired the site in 1959, and it now serves as a commercial airport. In 1993/1994, the air station was placed in caretaker status, with day to day facility and maintenance provided by a contractor and this may well be when the APO Post Office (zip code 96513) ceased operation. The airfield and base can easily be reactivated to a military status during times of national security needs. The King Salmon Air Force Base/Station was served by two zip codes; APO 98713 from 01 January 1968 through 14 July 1991 and APO 96513 from 15 July until suspected closure in 1993/1994.

Post-war King Salmon Air Force Base





Member Requests

Editor's Note: I have received a request from a Ralph Manton about a cover and piece of artwork he purchased several years ago. I have included the letter and pictures below. Is there anyone who can help him out? Thanks.

Mr. Knapp, some years ago during a visit to Alaska we acquired a folder entitled "Salute to Alaska Historical Stamp Collection."

In addition to a copy of a letter from Governor Cowper dated March 1989 and a limited edition signed print by Clair Fejes, there is an envelope with three 45 cent cancelled Marshall Islands "Links to Alaska" official first day of issue stamps.

All are in pristine condition. Is there a market for this folder? Can you suggest how we might proceed?

I cannot be certain as this was back in 2003 and my records could be more precise.

There is a folder about 12" x 15". Inside is the envelope with three different cancelled stamps and reference to being First Day. Then there is the copy of the Governor's personal letter to Claire (Fejes). And a signed and numbered limited edition print of one of her works ("Kotzebue Woman").

I found this http://www.thealaskahouse.com/fejes/swarts_article.pdf copy of magazine article about Claire

and it has a copy of the envelope I speak about therein.

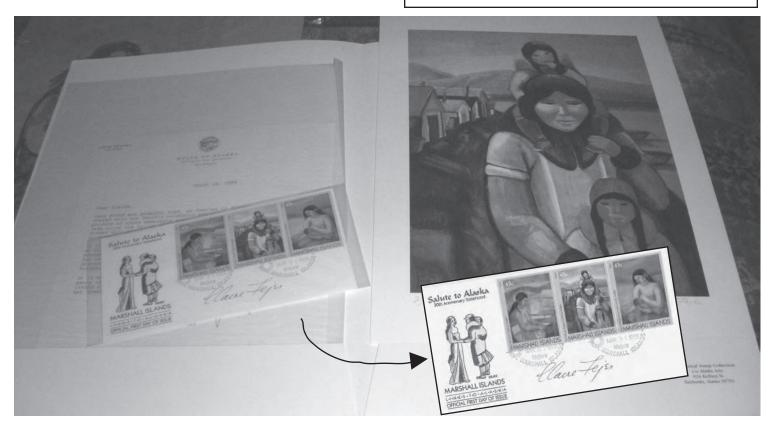
At the same time we bought two drawings of Claire's. From my sketchy notes I "think" that was \$400. BUT I am not sure and would only ask fair value. I am trying to contact the gallery in Fairbanks where we bought the items and see if they can add something to this situation.

We have run into a bit of a snag in life and need to sell off some of the things we have acquired along the way.

Oh, would you know any galleries up in your area that might handle Claire Fejes original drawings? We have two we acquired at the same time as the folder.

Ralph A Manton • RManton@gforcecable.com

WANTED: Someone with web technical expertise who would be willing to occasionally update the ACC website. Would require general web maintenance knowledge (nothing too complicated!) and perhaps a couple of hours 3-4 times a year. Please contact Jim Zuelow.



50th Anniversary of Alaska Statehood Stamp

by Eric Knapp

The Postal Service has announced that they will be issuing a commemorative stamp to honor the 50th anniversary of the state of Alaska. The stamp will be issued in Anchorage on January 3rd 2009.

The stamp design is form a photograph taken in Rainy Pass during the Iditarod. The musher pictured is Dee Dee Jonrowe.

The First Day of Issue ceremony will take place in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Captain Cook in Anchorage and will be part of a weekend full of statehood celebration activities. Hope to see you all there.



Back Issues of TAP

1959 - 1973: Computer scanned & edited copies

1976 - 1984: Quality photocopies

1984 - 2001: Originals & quality photocopies

\$10.00 for six issues or calendar year.

\$2.00 for single issues

Shipping charges: \$2.00 for first 6 issues, \$1.00 for each additional six issues or portion thereafter, \$5.00 maximum on any order. Limited quantities available. Refunds for those not available. Donations of back issues appreciated.



Unreported Territorial Postmarks

by Dirk van Gelderen



Scammon Bay Double Circle, was already known in Statehood. On philatelic cover.



St. Michael. From before there was a post office. This type differs from other reported typed as it reads ALASKA instead of ALASKA TY.



Seward. Double Circle. Similar to type 16, but larger and wider spaced letters. On Receipt for Registered Article. Also dated June 8 1953 on Return Receipt for Registered or Insured Article.



Sunrise. Straight Line. Used in 1899, date illegible. Seen on a very faulty cover sent to Rochester, New York.

Klondike Gold Rush EKU?

or Something Else?

by Eric Knapp

This first day cover for the Klondike Gold Rush stamp from 1998 has an interesting feature. The stamp was issued on August 21, but if you look at the Fairbanks cancel you see a July 21 cancellation. Is this a case of the stamps being released early in Fairbanks? Sadly no, this is actually a goof on the part of the person using the Fairbanks cancel. It does make for a very interesting cover.



Gold Nuggets

In January 1906, John Clum was named the postmaster at Fairbanks, Alaska. His daughter, Caro, worked at the office as a postal clerk. Clum's postal service to the Alaskan gold towns had not gone unnoticed by residents. The citizens of one small mining town showed their gratitude by naming their town after Clum's daughter. The post office at Caro, Alaska, on the Chandalar River, 45 miles north of Circle, opened in 1907.

John Clum left Alaska in 1909. He had run for public office the year before and lost to the very popular Judge James Wickersham. Clum spent the next several years touring the country and lecturing on Western America for the Southern Pacific Railroad. He retired for a second time in 1920 and moved near Los Angeles with his third wife, Florence. Clum lived quietly there, spending most of his time writing historical articles for various publications.

John Clum died on May 2, 1932, three years after serving as a pall bearer for his life-long friend, Wyatt Earp. As Clum's friends mourned his death, one noted that it was "a sign of the passing of the Old West."

More Info on the Gold Rush Station, Fairbanks

Robert Beeman and others: Another good TAP as usual. Some comments on Bob's request for information regarding the GOLD RUSH STATION of Fairbanks. In 1983, starting with Issue 100 of TAP (I believe) I ran a series of 'space filler' articles on the Branches and stations of Alaska PO's. In the April Issue (#101) I detailed the following:

This Station was established on May 27, 1967 at the Centennial Exposition Fairgrounds according to the Postal Bulletin of May 18, 1967 and was TO BE discontinued on August 14, 1968 per the Postal Bulletin of August 8, 1968. However, according to the Fairbanks postmaster, the Station ACTUALLY closed on August 14, 1967, due to flooding of the area and did not reopen. The postmaster also stated that August 14, 1967 was the last day of postal cancellation. It's zip code was 99701.

At the time of the article I had not seen a cancel from the station. I have since picked up a 4-bar cancel of August 10, 1967, although I'll be darned if I can put my hands on it at this time. If I come across it I will be glad to scan a copy. Bob reports there are reported examples between May 27 & Aug 2, 1967. To me this is not a common cancel and examples are prized. I would appreciate scans of copies of this cancel if anyone has one. Hope this clears up the mystery about this short lived Station. If I can be of more help, please advise.

Best to all,

Bob McKain, 57-vette@comcast.net

*

From: Bistro Filatelico [mailto:bistrofil@comcast.net]

Sent: Monday, October 13, 2008 8:17 AM

Subject: Re: Fairbanks - Gold Rush

To: Bob McKain

Thanks so much for your informative response to post office announcement in TAP. I've attached a scan below of the two reported postmarks. The May 27 postmark is a 6-bar machine cancel with slogan on a Centennial Expo cachet (first day). The August 2 cancel is a 4-bar handstamp, most likely identical to the Aug 10 postmark you report from your collection. The postmarks were reported to Dirk back in August and the online Statehood catalogue has been updated to include the postal station and the two known postmark types. Click here to view the catalogue listing page.

Since the initial discovery of the postmarks reported in TAP, a third postmark type has been uncovered and I gather this would be a good opportunity to share it with the community. It is a double circle postmark dated 3 Jun 1967 and is on a picture postcard along with the other two previously reported postmarks. There are now at least two known examples for each of the other reported postmark types (S1 & S2), in addition to those on the ppc shown below. The newly uncovered double circle has not been previously reported and to find it on a postcard with the other two types is probably unique.

I have a few more newly discovered Statehood postmarks which I have set aside and will report in a separate email.

Also (perhaps this question should be posed directly to Angela), I am wondering if the software used for the ACC web site is setup or could be setup to accommodate discussion groups? I think it would be great to have a tab linking to a few moderated discussion groups where members can discuss Alaska philately in a public forum. Topics could include Military postmarks, Gold Rush Era, Maritime & Railroad RPOs, Statehood Era, etc. With discussion groups, members can pose questions to other members in a public forum and those with expertise will be able to reply in a way that benefits the whole community. It could even include an announcement board where members can report new discoveries and post scans. If it is a feasible thing to do, it may even have the potential to direct more internet traffic to the website and spawn additional interest in the club. Just a little something for the suggestion box.

I hope the attached scans are helpful. If anyone needs a close-up or more detailed scans, please feel free to contact me.

Best wishes...Bob Beeman





Post WWII Alaska Genesis, part I

by Bob McKain

Fort Greely

In this initial installment we will take a look at the postmarks of the post WWII era in Alaska. During WWII the military installations were an important part of the defense systems of the United States and during the Cold War were an important part of the missile defense system, i.e. White Alice, DEWS, MEWS, etc. We will go into these in more detail as the series moves on.

Most postal markings of Alaska WWII APO's (Army Post Office) are well documented in my good friend Bill Helbock's volume on Military Postmarks of Territorial Alaska published in 1977, but to the authors' knowledge, other than the detailed research on unit locations and operating dates as done by the Military Postal History Society, no listing has been compiled of the postmark devices used at these post-war installations.

Due to the smaller cadre of soldiers and civilians deployed at these outposts, some are which very barren, postmarks in some cases, are rather scarce. Most used either 4-bar or double circle hand stamp devices, although some of the larger facilities were actually fitted out with a machine cancel device. The help of the readership is highly solicited with either new types of devices or date extensions of those shown. Most of these shown are from the authors' collection and date until the early 1990's. Scans or Xeroxes of new reports can either be sent to me at 2337 Giant Oaks Drive or by email at 57-vette@Comcast.net. If enough new information is received,, we may be able to organize this into a small monograph or handbook if the club so desires. If any Alaskan member has the availability to visit any of these active sites and obtain photographs of the postal facility, they can be added as an update. So, at this point, we will begin with Fort Greely and will continue in this format. Suggestions and comments are also appreciated and the author handles criticism well!

Post-war Fort Greely

Fort Greely was established as the Army Air Corps Station 17, Alaskan Wing of the Air Transportation Command in 1942. It was originally located on Kodiak Island and designated as APO 937. It served as a refueling point for aircraft sent to the Soviet Union under the Lend-Lease program. After WWII, it was placed in an inactive status. However, it was maintained by the Civil Aeronautics Authority for civilian use.

In 1949, the air station was reactivated as the United States Troops, Big Delta, Alaska and was the home of the Arctic Training Center. The installation was originally known as Arctic Test Branch at Big Delta Air Force Base, Alaska. It was designated as Fort Greely in 1955 in honor of Major General Aldolphus Washington Greely, after the inactivation of the original Fort Greely on Kodiak Island. In the 1980's, when the cold war ended with the collapse of the Soviet Union, Fort Greely was gradually realigned through a gradual draw-down in the number of soldiers stationed there. Fort Greely continues today as a U.S. Army launch site for anti-ballistic missiles and is approximately 100 miles southeast of Fairbanks, Alaska. It remains the home of the Cold Regions Test Center (CRTC), as the Fort is one of the coldest areas in Alaska, and can accommodate cold, extreme cold, or temperature weather tests depending on the season.

Fort Greely is located approximately 5 miles south of Delta Junction and is believed to be a Contract Post Office of the Delta Junction (zip code 99737) and the Fort is served through zip code 99731. The base post office is located at 601 1st Street in a building that also houses a commissary. The office provides a full range of mailing services and sports a 24-hour lobby. Incoming mail is received daily as is outgoing mail.

Gold Nuggets

On March 3, 1898, the U.S. Post Office Department appointed John Philip Clum as the Postal Inspector for the Alaskan Territory. Clum arrived in Skagway on March 26th. He immediately set

to work improving the area's mail service. During his months in Alaska, Clum traveled over 8,000 miles and established more than a dozen post offices in the territory. He carried everything he needed to create a post office with him–postage stamps, mailbags, postal locks, keys and postmarking devices. —National Postal Museum

Fort Greeley, AK (Post WWII Postmarks)

by Bob McKain

APO 731-B

Established: 04 Dec 45

Ceased Operations: Late 1949 (Assumed converted to APO 733)

Postmarks Reported: APO 731 Ty 1 22 Jan 46 (Narrow spaced A.P.O.) (Wide spaced A.P.O.)

Ty 2 APO 731 10 Jan 46

APO 731 Ty 3 15 Mar 48 – 19 Nov 48

APO 733

Established: 20 Jan 49

APO 733 Postmarks Reported: 11 Oct 49 – 24 Jan 50 Ty1

> Ty 2 01Aug 49 – 12 Dec 49 APO 733 **APO 733** Ty 3 26 Apr 50 – 01 Mar 54

APO 733 Ty 4 06 ??? 53 -03 May 54 -APO 733 Ty 5 09 Feb 56 -**APO 733** Tv 6

APO 733 Ty 7 13 Feb 57 – 25 Oct 58

Redesignated: 01 Jan 65 as APO 98733

APO 98733

Established: 01 Jan 65 Ceased Operations: 14 Jul 91

Postmarks Reported: APO 98733 Ty 1 14 Aug 67 – 22 Mar 71

> APO 98733 Ty 2 27 Oct 76 –

APO 98733 Ty 3 16 Apr 79 – 14 Jul 88

Ty 4 28 May 91 – (Clerk 2 Postal Service) APO 98733

APO 98733 Ty 5 28 May 91 -

Redesignated: 15 Jul 91 as APO 96508

APO 96508

Established: 15 Jul 91 Active at least through January 1999

Postmarks Reported: APO 98508 Ty 1 Slogan - Fort Greely Station - Second Day of Issue

Ty 2 03 Sep 91 -APO 98508

APO 98508 Ty 3 21 Oct 91 – (Unit 2)

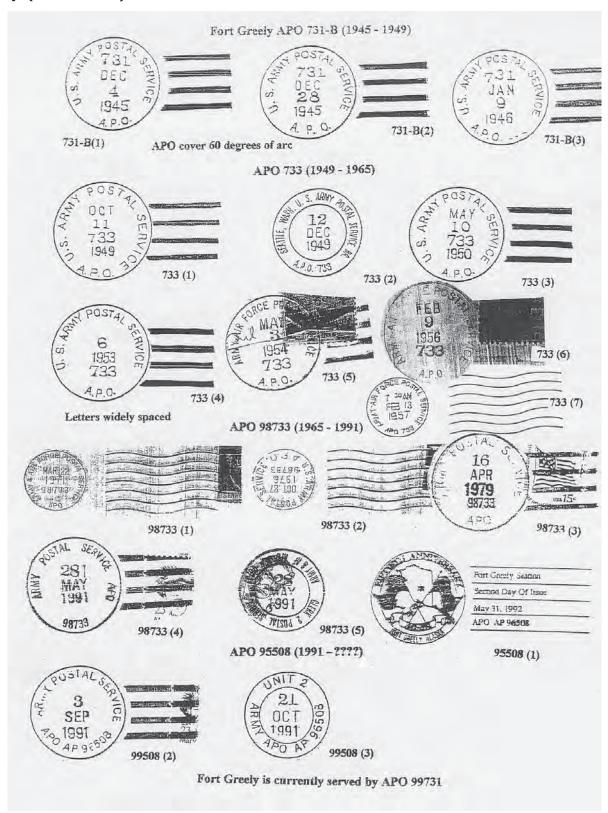
Currently serves Fort Greely Zip Code 99731

References

- 1. Military Postmarks of Territorial Alaska by Richard W. Helbock, Ph. D. published by the author, Las Cruces, New Mexico, 1977.
- 2. State of Alaska postal marking list compiled by Dirk Gelderen and available on the Alaska Collectors Club website (www.alaskaphilatelic.org) - continually updated.
- 3. U.S. Numbered Military Post Offices Assignments and Locations, 1941-1994 edited by George Cosentini and Norman Gruenzner, published by the Military Postal History Society, 1994
- 4. Numbered Army & Air Force Post Office Locations Volume 1 BPO's, PRSs & Regular APOs 1941-1964 by Russ Carter, Published by the Military Postal History Society, 2001.
- 5. Various military sites available on the world wide web (internet)

(Wide spaced A. P. O.)

(Narrow spaced A.P.O.)



Thank you to all who provided material to make this issue possible. They include: Jim Zuelow, Eric Knapp, Angela Watson, Bob McKain, David Schwantes, Dirk van Geldren and Bob Beeman.

ALCAN Library of Member Bob McKain

ALCAN Trail Blazers – Story of "A" Company, 648th Engineer Topographic Battalion in their own words. 1992. 648th Memorial Fund, Pittsburgh, PA. 66 pages.

American Automobile Association. *Alaska and the Alaska Highway.* 1953. Published by the AAA. 27 pages.

Baskine, Gertrude. Hitch-Hiking the Alaska Highway. 1946 reprint (1944). The Macmillan Company of Canada Limited. 317 pages.

Brebner, Phyllis Lee. The Alaska Highway – A Personal & Historical Account of the Building of the Alaska Highway. 1985. The Boston Mills Press. 80 pages.

Christy, Jim. Rough Road to the North – Travels along the Alaska Highway. 1980. Doubleday & Co. 197 pages.

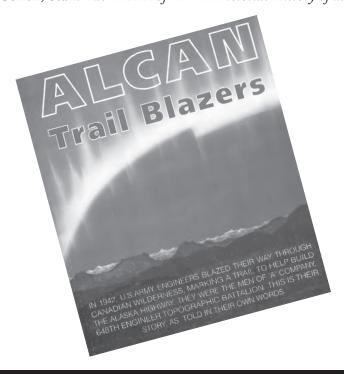
Coates, Ken. North to Alaska – Fifty Years on the World's Most Remarkable Highway. 1992. University of Alaska Press. 304 pages.

Coates, K S & Morrison, W R. The Alaska Highway in World War II – The US Army of Occupation in Canada's Northwest. 1992. University of Oklahoma Press, Norman, OK. 309 pages.

Coe, Douglas. *Road to Alaska*. 1943. Julian Messner, Inc. 175 pages.

Cohen, Stan. ALCAN & CANOL – A Pictorial History of Two Great World War II Construction Projects. First Printing: May 1992. Pictorial Histories Publishing Co, Inc., 262 pages.

Cohen, Stan. The TRAIL of '42 - A Pictorial History of the





Alaska Highway. 1979. First Revised Printing: May 1988. Pictorial Histories Publishing Co, Inc., 112 pages.

William M Hoge. *Engineer Memoirs*. From the internet. 26 pages.

Facts About the Alaska Highway (map). circa 1950 fold out as published by the Alberta Motor Association for AAA/CAA.

Godsell, Philip H. *The Romance of the Alaska Highway.* Second Edition, February 1945, The Ryerson Press, Toronto. 235 pages.

Greenwood, John T. Building the Road to Alaska. From the internet. 18 pages.

Griffith, Cyril. Trucking the Tote Road to Alaska: 1942-43 – Memories of the early days of the Alaska Highway. Copyright by Cyril Griffith, Box 66, Naicam, Sasketchewan S0K 1Z0. 22 pages.

Griggs, William E. The World War II Black Regiment that Built the Alaska Military Highway. University Press of Mississippi – 2002. 112 pages.

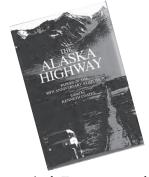
Haigh, Jane. The Alaska Highway – A Historic Photographic Journey. 2001. Wolf Creek Books. 128 pages.

Helbock, Richard, Ph.D. Military Postmarks of Territorial Alaska. 1977. Raven Press. 197 pages.

Huntley, Theodore A and Royall R E. Construction of the Alaska Highway, First Year 1942 – Condensation of Report and Second Year, 1943. 176 pages. Washington, September 1945.

Lanks, Herbert C. *Highway to Alaska*. 1944. D Appleton-Century Co. 200 pages.

ALCAN Library of Member Bob McKain



Lower Post or Freeze 340th Engineers on the Alaska Military Highway 1942 – 1943. The Herald Press, Charlotte, NC.

Lundberg, Murray. The Alaska Highway – The road to North America's Last Frontier. Second Printing: April 2001. D R Webster Publishing. 78 pages.

McAllister, Bruce & Corley-Smith, Peter. Wings Over the Alaska Highway. 2001. Roundup Press. 208 pages.

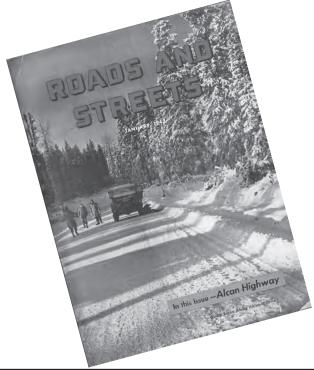
Menzies, Don (edited by). *The Alaska Highway – A Saga of the North.* The Douglas Printing Co, Ltd, Edmonton, 1943-44?

Military Engineer, Vol XXXIX, No 258. April 1947 – Map of the Alaska Highway printed September 1946.

Morritt, Hope. Land of the Fireweed – A Young Woman's Story of Alaska Highway Construction Days. Alaska Northwest Publishing Company, 1985. 191 pages.

Remley, David A. Crooked Road – The Story of the Alaska Highway. 1976. McGraw-Hill Book Co. 251 pages.

Russell, Chester L. Tales of a Catskinner – A Personal Account of Building the Alcan Highway, The Winter Trail, and



Canol Pipeline Road in 1942 – 43. 1999. Wegferd's Printing & Publications, North Bend, OR. 129 pages.

Rust, Tech 5 Fred. Diary of the 18th Engineers Yukon Experience – 1944. Field Diary April 1942. January 1943.

Schmidt, John. This was no ***** Picnic – 2.4 Years of Wild and Woolly Mayhem in Dawson Creek. 1991. The Hanna Herald. 355 pages.

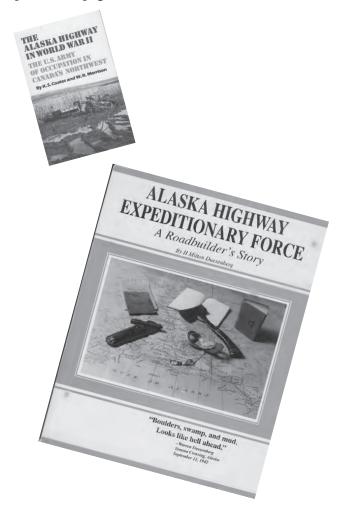
Stewart, George R. N.A. 1 Looking North – from the Canadian Border to Circle, Alaska. 1957. The Riverside Press, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 176 pages.

The Long Trail 341st Engineers on the Alaska Military Highway 1942 – 1943. The Herald Press, Charlotte, NC.

Tomikel, John. *Alaska Highway Journal.* 1982 – Allegheny Press, California, Pennsylvania, 160 pages.

Twitchell, Heath. NORTHWEST EPIC – The Building of the Alaska Highway. First Edition: July 1992. St Martin's Press, 366 pages.

Woolcock, Iris. The Road North – One Woman's Adventure Driving the Alaska Highway 1947-1948. 1990 Greatland Graphics. 160 pages.



AUCTION



Abbreviations used:

BS = Back Stamp

DCC = Double Circle Cancel EAMC = Emergency Airmail Cover

FD = First Day
FF = First Flight
LD = Last Day
NP = Nonphilatelic
PO = Post Office

T = Territorial postmark type from Helbock; 3rd. Ed.

VF = Very Fine

CLOSING DATE: FEBRUARY 28TH, 2009

CC = Corner Card return address

DPO = No Longer Active "Dead" Post Office

4BC = Four Bar Cancel

F = Fine

II = Informative insertMC = Machine Cancel

PC = Postcard

PMS = Postmaster signed

VG = Very Good

R = Reserve Bid, only 50¢ unless otherwise noted

Send bids to Terry Shaw, P.O. Box 1435, Prineville, Oregon, 97754; (Phone (541) 416-6600 days; (541) 447-5836 evenings). E-mail *cgsarchxx@aol.com*. Abbreviations used: BS = Back Stamp; CC = Corner Card return address; DCC = Double Circle Cancel; DPO = No Longer Active "Dead" Post Office; EAMC = Emergency Airmail Cover; 4BC = Four Bar Cancel; FD = First Day; F = Fine; FF = First Flight; II = Informative insert; LD = Last Day; MC = Machine Cancel; PC = Postcard; PO = Post Office; PMS = Postmaster signed; T = Territorial postmark type from Helbock; 3rd. Ed. VG = Very Good; VF = Very Fine; XF = Extra Fine. R = Reserve Bid; only \$1.00 unless otherwise noted (look carefully as many items start at only 50-cents). Please read carefully and ask for photo copies as desired (5 cents each + SASE), or ask for electronic images sent as JPEG files. Have fun, bid early and often, and with your friends. Let's get more members bidding!

I am in desperate need of new material for the next auction!

- 1. **Alakanuk** (11/9/59) DCC. Trading Company CC. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 2. Akulurak (8/31/51) T2, LD of DPO. Gov. PC. F. R = \$2.00.
- 3. Aleknagik (8/31/61) 4BC. F+. R = only 50-cents!
- 4. Anchorage (3/9/42) T7, later than listed. Great franking on this registered, censored, airmail cover sent to Seattle; Terminal Annex Reg. BS. VF. R = \$15.00.
- 5. Anchorage (12/15/64) First day cancel for the 5-cent Amateur Radio Stamp, Scott # 1260. Official APS & Radio Club embossed cachet. XF. R = \$1.50.
- 6. **Anchorage** (3/2/85) Special Iditarod cancel and winner Libby Riddles cachet and signature! XF. R = \$100.00
- 7. **Anchorage** (11/22/85) MC. Great USCG Cutter Ironwood cachet and Commanding Officer corner card. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 8. **Anchorage** (9/21/93) Special cancel & signed cachet for Deaf Awareness Week. VF.

- 9. Andreafski (9/1/51) T1, FD of DPO. Gov. PC. F. R = \$2.25.
- 10. Anvik (6/1/16) T2 on cover. VG. R = \$26.00.
- 11. Auke Bay (1/3/59) 4BC. First Day Statehood Cancel! VF.
- 12. **Barrow** (11/1/60) 4BC. Great polar bear/sailor cachet, USCG Cutter Northwind. VF.
- 13. **Barrow** (7/15/72) MC. Real photo PC, Whaling Camp at Barrow. F+. R = \$2.00.



Lot 15

- 14. **Bethel** (10/22/44) T4. Censored cover (paper tape) to Mass. F. R = \$1.50.
- 15. **Big Delta** (10/31/59) 4BC. Last Day of PO cachet. E.
- 16. Candle Rur. Br. (4/7/66) DCC & Candle (4/7/66) 4BC on same cover. F.
- 17. Cape Yakataga (2/1/47) T1. Airmail cover. F.
- 18. **Central** (11/6/39) T2, DPO. Unmarked EAMC to Circle (11/8/39) T6 BS. F. R = \$2.50.
- 19. **Circle Springs** (10/18/36) T1, DPO. Unmarked EAMC to Beaver (12/20/36) T1 on cover face. F. R = \$2.50.
- 20. Circle Springs (10/13/39) T1, DPO. Unmarked EAMC to Circle (11/4/39) T6 BS. F. R = \$1.75.
- 21. Circle Springs (7/20/53) T3, DPO. Real Photo bull moose postcard. F. R \$1.50.
- 22. Clam Gulch (9/27/58) T2. Airmail Gov. PC. VF.
- 23. Chugiak (10/15/88) 4BC. Special carousal cachet and stamp (Scott # 2391) honoring stamp collecting day. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 24. Cold Bay (11/17/60) 4BC. Non-philatelic, airmail cover. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 25. College (11/4/41) T3, DPO. Airmail cover. F.
- 26. Cooper Landing (11/3/57) T2 and unlisted DCC cancel on Registered cover to Seward (6/4/57) T17 BS. F+. R = \$7.50.
- 27. **Cordova** (7/30/37) T6. Unmarked EAMC to Chichagof (8/6/7) T2, DPO BS. F. R = \$2.50.
- 28. **Crooked Creek** (10/10/66) 4BC on Cover. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 29. **Deering** (11/2/48) T5. Registered airmail cover via Nome (11/3/48) T24 BS to Tampa, Florida (11/10/48) BS. F+. R = \$10.00.



Lot 29

- 30. **Dempsey** (5/2/10) T1, DPO! As noted in Helbock for the known example, this also is "a favor postmark on a picture postcard with no address or stamp". Rare. VF. R= \$75.00.
- 31. **Diamond** (10/28/37) T1, DPO. EAMC to Fairbanks (11/28/37) T15 BS. VF. R = \$3.25.

- 32. **Douglas** (5/25/1898) T5, earlier than listed on cover to Philomath, OR (5/31/1899) BS {note year difference in postmarks}. F (rough open, right). R = \$75.00.
- 33. **Dutch Harbor** (6/10/41) T1, DPO. Gov. PC. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 34. Eagle (7/6/34) T5. EAMC to Chicken; headless Chicken PM mark on cover face.VG. R = \$1.75.
- 35. Eagle (3/5/88) Special Dedication Station cancel on cover. VF. R = only 50-cents!.
- 36. Edna Bay (6/7/51) T2, DPO. Gov. PC. F.
- 37. Eek (2/4/52) T4. Gov. PC. F.
- 38. Fairbanks (8/31/32) T15. Real photo PC, Caribou swimming across the Yukon River. F+. R = \$3.00.
- 39. Fairbanks (9/18/36) T18. Unmarked EAMC to Beaver ((9/28/36) T1 on cover face. F. R = \$2.25.
- 40. Fairbanks (9/18/36) T18. Unmarked EAMC to Franklin (10/16/36) T3, DPO on cover face. F. R= \$4.50.
- 41. **Fairbanks** (9/18/36) T18. Unmarked EAMC to Chicken (10/15/36) T3 on cover face. F. R =\$2.25.
- 42. Fairbanks (9/18/36) T18. Unmarked EAMC to Tanacross (10/13/36) T1, DPO on cover face. F. R = \$3.00.
- 43. Fairbanks (8/20/74) MC Special photo cachet and CC, Senator George Silides Election Campaign. VF. R = \$3.50.
- 44. Fairbanks (8/26/78) First Day cancel, block of 4 owl stamps (Scott #'s 1760-63) franking on Northern Lights Stamp Club Owl/map cachet. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 45. Fairbanks (8/26/78) FD cancel block of 4 owl stamps (Scott #'s 1760-63) franking on ceremonial Program for stamp's release; signed by Dick Bishop, Alaska Conservation Society. VF. R = \$3.00.
- 46. Fairbanks, Downtown Sta. (3/13/88) DCC. Arctic Winter Games cachet. VF.
- 47. Fairbanks (10/10/91) FD use of Alaska map machine cancel. Cover has signed photo cachet of Ann Osentoski, designer of cancel; II. VF. R = \$2.00.



Lot 50



Lot 52

- 48. Fairbanks (5/10/92) FD cancel Alaska Highway 50th Anniversary stamp, Scott # 2635. Gold Foil replica of stamp cachet; II. XF. R = \$3.50.
- 49. Fairbanks (4/17/2001) First Day Cancel, 80-cent Mt. McKinley airmail stamp. Anchorage Philatelic Society Cachet and II. XF.
- 50. **Flat** (2/23/59) Duplex. Tobin "Flat Top" hand painted cachet. VG F. R = \$2.50.
- 51. **Fort Richardson**; 1950's black & white real photo aerial view postcard. VF. R = \$2.50.
- 52. Fritz Cover Contract Br. {Homer} (7/19/85) 4BC & DCC. VF.
- 53. Golovin (11/8/37) T5, DPO. EAMC to Kaltag (12/16/37) T3 BS & Saint Michael (12/8/37) T13 BS. F+. R = \$3.25.
- 54. **Goodnews Bay** (8/29/42) T2. Censored plain PC. F. R = \$1.50.



Lot 55

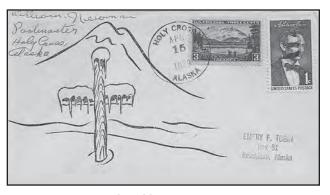
- 55. **Gronwoldt** (11/1/50) Unlisted DCC, First Day of DPO. PMS. F+. R = \$13.50.
- 56. **Gronwoldt** (11/30/51) T1, Last Day of DPO. Gov. PC. F+. R = \$3.50.
- 57. Haines (7/29/50) T13. Airmail, C-10 sized cover; postage due paid with another airmail stamp. Unusual. F. R = \$4.00.
- 58. **Haycock** (11/1/37) T1, DPO. EAMC to Council (11/30/37) T6, DPO, BS. F. R =\$4.50.
- 59. **Haycock** (5/31/57) T3, DPO. PMS on Gov PC. F+. R = \$1.25.
- 60. Holikachuk (2/28/64) 4BC, DPO. "Last Frontier" bear photo cachet on cover. F+. R = \$1.75.
- 61. **Holy Cross** (4/15/59) 4BC. PMS, Tobin Handpained Cross cachet. F. R = \$2.50.
- 62. **Homer** (2/13/59) MC. Winter carnival cachet. VF. R = \$1.25.

- 63. **Hot Springs** (8/7/08) T1, DPO. Cover, rough open right. VG. R = \$40.00.
- 64. Hot Springs (11/30/57) T4, DPO & Manley Hot Springs (12/1/57) T1. LD & FD cancels on C-10 sized Roadhouse Dog sled cover; PMS. VF. \$2.25.



Lot 60

- 65. Huslia (7/1/52) T1, First Day of PO. F.
- 66. Hyder (5/21/21) T2, later than listed, DPO. Real photo PC of Hyder. VG F. R = \$33.50.
- 67. **Iditarod** (4/5/12) T2, DPO on cover. F (a bit rough open, right, does not affect cancel). R = 90.00.
- 68. **Ikatan** (6/1/50) T1, DPO. PMS, FD of PO Cancel. F. R = \$2.25.



Lot 61

- 69. **Juneau**, vintage (1900 1910) unused color PC of A.J. Mine. F+. R = \$3.25.
- 70. **Juneau** (9/24/25) T22. Real photo PC, Auke Lake & Glacier. F. R = \$2.00.
- 71. **Juneau** (3/5/30) T23. Note to Governor Parks requesting signature. F.
- 72. Juneau (11/12/37) T28. FD Alaska stamp, Scott # 800. Airmail cover, Mt. McKinley cachet. F. R =\$2.25.
- 73. **Juneau** (11/12/37) T28. FD Alaska stamp, Scott # = 800. Possession series cachet. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 74. **Juneau** (11/12/37) T28. FD Alaska stamp, Scott # 800. Muir Glacier cachet. F+. R = \$2.25.
- 75. **Juneau** (11/12/37) T28. FD Alaska stamp, Scott # 800. Scarce Gold Panner cachet F+. R = \$3.75.

- 76. Juneau (11/12/37) T28. FD Alaska stamp, Scott # 800. "Six little arctic natives" cachet. F+. R =\$2.00.
- 77. **Juneau** (11/12/37) T28. FD Alaska stamp, Scott # 800. Grimsland cachet Mendenhal Glacier cachet. F+. R = \$2.50.
- 78. **Juneau**, vintage (1940's), unused real photo PC Capitol Building. Robinson PC # 850. VF. R = \$3.00.
- 79. **Juneau** (8/16/52) Special Notice, First Day City [mail] Delivery. XF.
- 80. **Juneau** (1/19/71) DCC on Postage Due notice, 42-cents Postage Due franking. VF.



Lot 79

- 81. **Juneau** (3/30/92) Special Patsy Ann Station paw/heart cancel. VF.
- 82. **Kake**, vintage (1910 –1920) unused color PC of village. F+. R = \$3.00.
- 83. Kake, vintage (marked December, 1923 on reverse) unused real photo PC "steam blowing". ?? F+. R = \$3.25.
- 84. **Kaktovik** (2/19/59) 4BC. Tobin hand-painted "Professor" cachet. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 85. **Ketchikan**, vintage (1920's), unused color PC of "Nob Hill". F+. R = \$3.00.
- 86. Killisnoo (6/7/1898) T2, DPO. Cover with three letters enclosed! VG-F, "Kil" weak, rest strong. R = \$125.00.
- 87. King Salmon (10/14/75) 4BC. Great map/crab/fish cachet on airmail FF to Kodiak (10/15/75) 4BC BS. F+.
- 88. **Klukwan** (1/2/40) T1, DPO. Gov. PC. F. R= \$2.25.
- 89. **Kodiak** (8/16/15) T4. C-10 sized cover from Dr. F+. R = \$8.50.
- 90. **Kodiak** (3/13/42) T11, earlier than listed. Registered, censored cover to Seattle (3/24/42) Reg. BS. F+. R = \$12.50.
- 91. **Kodiak**, vintage (1940's) real photo PC Port of Kodiak. Sent from Seward (4/10/47) T11. F+. R = \$2.75.



Lot 93

- 92. Kodiak, Vintage (1940's) unused Real Photo PC, Baptist Mission. Heisel photo F+. R = \$3.00.
- 93. **Kokrines** (4/25/34) T3 DPO. EAMC airplane cachet to Ruby (4/26/34) T2, BS; PMS. F+. R = \$3.50.
- 94. **Kotzebue** (8/25/37) T5. EAMC to Candle (8/26/37) T4, DPO, BS. F. R = \$3.00.
- 95. **Koyukuk** (4/10/42) T2. PMS. F. R = \$1.50.
- 96. **Kwigilingok** (3/31/44) T1. Cover (old censor tape removed) to Bethel (4/18/44) T4 BS. F. R = \$1.50.
- 97. **Kwiguk** (2/29/56) T4, earlier than listed, leap-year date, DPO. VF. R = \$1.50.
- 98. **Larsen Bay** (11/1/50) T1. FD of new PO. PMS on Gov. PC. VF. R = \$1.75.
- 99. Latouche (2/22/10) T2, DPO. Dogsled color PC. F. R = \$50.50.



Lot 99

- 100. **Livengood** (9/3/35) T3, DPO. C-10 sized PO penalty envelope. VG-F. R = \$1.50.
- 101. **Lost River** (3/14/53) T1, DPO. C-10 sized airmail cover. F. R = \$2.75.
- 102. **Luckyshot** (9/23/37) T1, DPO. EAMC to Wasilla (10/15/37) T2, BS. F+. R = \$3.00.



Lot 102

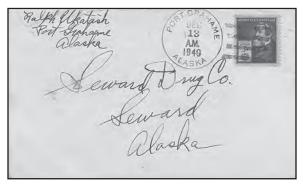
- 103. Manokotak (4/1/60) 4BC. FD of new PO; PMS, plain PC. VF.
- 104. **Metlakatla** (7/19/54) T6 on airmail routing slip via Mt. Edgecumbe. Unusual item. VF. R = \$1.50.
- 105. Miller House Rural Sta., Circle Springs (8/21/64) 4BC. F+.
- 106. **Moses Point** (8/2/54) T1, DPO. Nonphilatelic cover with letter. F. R = \$2.50.



Lot 109

- 107. **Mountain Village** (3/15/58) T2. Nonphilatelic airmail cover. F+.
- 108. Myers Chuck (9/30/65) 4BC, DPO. LD of PO, airmail cover. VF.
- 109. Napakiak (5/1/61) 4BC. First Day of PF, Moose cachet. VF.
- 110. **Nenana** (1/5/85) Special cancel & cachet, transfer of Alaska Railroad from Feds to State. XF.
- 111. **New Knock Hock** (9/1/50) T1, DPO. First Day of PO. VF. R = \$3.50.
- 112. Nikishka (4/13/71) 4BC. Plain airmail PC, postage due crossed out. F. R = only 50-cents!
- 113. **Nikolai** (4/30/51) T1, LD of first opening. Gov. PC. F. R = \$2.50.
- 114. Ninilchik (12/30/52) T5. Registered airmail cover to Anchorage (12/31/52) T16 –BS. Great franking. F+. R = \$10.00.
- 115. **Nolan** (3/31/18) T1, DPO. Registered cover to Chicago (5/23/18) BS; great franking. VG-F. R = \$100.00.
- 116. **Nome** (3/29/10) T10. B&W photo PC, Thunder Clouds at Nome. F+. R = \$4.00.
- 117. **Nome**, vintage (1910 1920) color PC, Bird's Eye view of Nome. Sent from Kent WA in 1918. F. R = \$3.00.
- 118. **Nome** (10/18/30) T19. PMS & Pilot signed Airmail cover to Deering (10/18/31) T4 BS. F+. R = \$7.50.
- 119. **Nome** (9/12/33) T19. EAMC to Barrow (no BS). F. R = \$3.00.
- 120. Ophir (8/28/54) T7, DPO. Gov. PC. F.
- 121. **Palmer** (2/14/36) T2, slightly "swollen" on cover. F+. R = \$1.50.
- 122. **Palmer, Colony Village Station** (8/24/90) Special State Fair Cancel. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 123. Palmer, Colony Village Station (8/26/94) Special clown cancel and cachet for State Fair. Circus Clown stamp franking, Scott # 2750. VF.
- 124. Palmer, Colony Village Station (8/23/96) Special State Fair cancel. VF. R = only 50-cents!

- 125. **Pedro Bay** (12/10/58) T2, DPO. Plain PC. F. R = \$1.50.
- 126. Perryville (5/1/52) T3. FD or re-opened PO; PMS on Gov PC. F. R = \$1.50.
- 127. **Petersburg** (9/18/84) MC. Great USCG Cutter Hatteras cachet and Commanding Officer corner card. VF.
- 128. **Point Hope** (10/23/50) T1. EAMC to Wainwright (11/10/50) T2 BS. F. R \$1.75.
- 129. **Poorman** (7/31/52) T3, DPO. Last Day of PO, PMS. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 130. **Port Ashton** (10/14/52) T1, DPO. First Day of PO. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 131. **Port Grahame** (9/19/41) T1, DPO. VG F. R = \$1.75.
- 132. Port Graham (12/13/40) T1, DPO. F. R = \$3.50.



Lot 132

- 133. Quinhagak (2/27/59) 4BC. Hand painted Fox cachet by Tobin. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 134. **Red Devil** (10/28/57) T1. Red Devil cachet, PMS. VF.



Lot 134

- 135. **Russian Mission** (12/7/73) DCC. PMS on plain PC. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 136. St. Marys (11/17/81) 4BC. C-10 sized nonphilatelic cover. F+. R = only 50-cents!
- 137. **St. Michaels**, vintage (1910 1920) color PC of School House. F+. R = \$3.00.
- 138. **Saint Paul Island** (4/19/49) T1. Airmail to Alaska Sportsman. F.



Lot 142

- 139. **Savoonga** (10/5/35) T1 on Cover F+.
- 140. **Savoonga** (1/23/57 T3. Malmute poem & Small blue Muridge cachet of a gun-toting musher hanging onto the back of dogsled full of US mailbags. Gambell (1/25/57) T2, BS. PMS (both). F. R = \$4.00.
- 141. Seattle, Wash Naval Air Station Kodiak (8/1/41) T1, DPO. First Day of PO. VF. R = \$3.50.
- 142. **Selawik** (3/7/44) T1. Censored Gov. PC to Nome (3/21/44) T21 on card face. F. R = \$3.50.
- 143. **Seldovia** (11/29/28) T5. Registered cover to Seward (10/31/28) apparently unlisted BS. F. R = 24.50.
- 144. **Seward** (7/12/12) T5. VG-F. Bank of Seward envelope. R = \$2.25.
- 145. **Shakan** (9/5/16) T4, DPO. B&W photo PC of Wrangell Narrows. F+. R = \$35.00.
- 146. **Sheldon Point** (7/21/52) T1, DPO. First Day of PO. F. R = \$2.00.
- 147. **Shishmaref** (1/1/38) T2. Marked by Dog sled, but "no snow"; so, flown to Nome (1/3/38) T21 BS. VF. R = \$3.50.
- 148. **Sitka** (10/2/04) T15. Real photo PC, inside of "Greek" Church. F. R = \$6.00.
- 149. Sitka, vintage (1900 1910) B&W photo PC Mt. Verstovaya, Church & old Russian Ware House. Mailed in WA in 1907. F. R = \$4.00.
- 150. **Sitka** (7/7/14) T18. B&W photo PC -- Totems at Indian River Park, Sitka. F. R = \$4.50.
- 151. **Sitka** (8/1/34) T21. Vintage real photo PC of Wrangell. F. R = \$3.50.
- 152. **Sitka** (6/10/42) T23. Censored (paper tape) airmail cover. F. R = \$3.00.
- 153. **Sitka** (7/23/92) Special "Treaty Station" cancel on Cover. VF. R = only 50-cents!
- 156. **Soldotna** (7/19/93) Special Progress Days Station cancel. F+. R = only 50-cents!
- 157. **Stoney River** (6/20/90) 4BC, no bars. Plain PC. F+. R = only 50-cents!
- 158. **Sulzer** (9/23/12) T1, later than listed, DPO. Ketchikan real photo PC. F+. R = \$75.00.



Lot 160

- 159. **Tanana** (12/25/11) T3 (later than listed). Metlakatla color PC. F. R = \$25.00.
- 160. **Tigara** (11/16/33) T1, DPO. EAMC to Ruby (11/27/33) T2 on cover face & PMS. F+. R =\$6.00.
- 161. **Tok** (5/15/73) 4BC. C-10 sized Special Delivery cover; great franking. F.
- 162. **Unalakleet** (11/3/37) T3. EAMC to Nome (11/9/37) T19 BS. F. R = \$3.00.
- 163. **Unalaska** (7/24/12) T3. U.S. Marshal's Free Frank C-10 sized cover. F. R = \$12.00.
- 164. Unalaska (4/28/37) T11. Ship U.S.S. MacDounough Embossed seal cachet. F+. R = \$3.50.
- 165. **Unalaska** (3/24/42) T13. Censored (paper tape), registered cover to Seattle (4/6 & 8/42) Reg. BS. F. R = \$15.00.
- 166. 1940's **Valdez** real photo aerial view postcard. VF. R = \$2.75.
- 167. **Venetie** (3/16/52) T2. FD of re-opened PO. Gov. PC. F. R = \$1.25.
- 168. **Wasilla** (3/8/89) 4BC. Plain PC. VF. R = only 50 cents!
- 169. **Westport, WA** (7/21/2007) FD cancel for 41-cent Five Finger Lighthouse stamp. Great light house cachet. XF. R = \$1.50.
- 170. Willow (4/3/52) T2. Registered to C-10 sized cover to Anchorage (4/4/52) T16 BS. Great Prexie franking. F. R = \$5.00.
- 171. **Wiseman** (4/19/44) T2, DPO. Censored EAMC to Fairbanks (4/20/44) T15 BS. F. R = \$4.25.



Lot 171

- 172. Wrangell (8/16/70) MC. 50th Anniversary cachet, US Army Black Wolf Squadron flight. VF.
- 173. Yakutat (12/11/73) 4BC. PMS on plain PC. F. R = only 50-cents!
- 174. **Yentna** (9/12/37) T2 DPO. EAMC to Talkeetna (9/16/37) T2 BS. F. R = \$3.50.
- 175. US Army Postal Service, APO 726 {Camp Earle, Attu} (12/18/43) 4BC. Censored, airmail cover to NJ (12/30/43) MC, BS. F. R = \$4.00
- 176. US Army Postal Service, APO 728 MC on Ham Radio QSL card for KL7WAF from Kenai, Alaska. VF. R = \$3.75.
- 177. US Army Postal Service, APO 729 {Shemya Island} (11/3/43) 4BC. Censored, airmail cover. F. R = \$4.00.
- 178. US Army Postal Service, APO 941 {Fort Raymond, Seward} (5/26/42) 4BC. Censored airmail cover. F+. R = \$4.25.



Lot 178

- 179. US Army Postal Service, APO 942 {Fort Richardson} (7/10/42) 4BC. Censored airmail, C-10 sized cover from Red Cross Field Director. F+. R = \$5.50.
- 180. US Army Postal Service, APO 944 {Fort Randall, Cold Bay} (10/7/44) 4BC. Censored airmail cover. F+. R = \$4.25.
- 181. US Army Postal Service, APO 980 {Adak} (3/20/45) MC. Censored airmail cover with "Last Frontier" moose cachet. F. R = \$4.25.
- 182. US Navy 13608 (1/23/57) 4BC {Adak} on cover. E.
- 183. Full sheet of twenty, 500-share dividend certificates for the **Alaska Mexican Gold Mining Co.** All certificates are canceled by perforation. F+. R = \$7.50.

- POSTCARDS. In the above items, there are several postcards noted. Several more postcards are listed below. In all of these listings, "real photo PC" means a black and white photo with a glossy finish printed as a postcard on photographic type paper stock. In contrast, "B&W photo PC" means a more matte like finish printed on more typical postcard type paper stock. Dates listed for these vintage postcards are my best estimate of their age.
- 184. Vintage (1920's era) unused real photo PC, **Admiral** Liner at Taku Glacier. F+. R = \$4.00.
- 185. Vintage (1910 –1920) color PC "Eskimos and their Igloo", which is actually a skin-covered round hut. Not mailed, but anti-native writing on the back. F. R + \$3.25.
- 186. Vintage (1910 –1920), unused color PC, "Alaskan Belles and Reindeer". F. R = \$3.25.
- 187. Vintage (1940's) real photo PC; aerial view University of Alaska. F+. R = \$4.50.
- 188. Vintage (1910 1920) color PC "First authentic picture of Mount McKinley". F. R = #3.50.
- 189. Vintage (1940's) real photo PC; aerial view of Matanuska Valley. Robertson PC # R-819. F+. R = \$4.50.
- 190. Vintage (1940's) real photo PC, Miles Canyon, Yukon River. Postally used in Canada in 1948. F. R =\$3.75.
- 191. Vintage (1920's) unused (1928 date written on face) real photo PC, **Yukon River below Five Finger Rapid.** F (album mounting tape on corners). R = \$3.50.
- 192. Vintage (1940's) real photo PC, famous Alaskan railroad loop. Mailed from Anchorage (12/4/49) T13. F, old tape stains. R = \$2.50.
- 193. Vintage (1910 1920) unused real photo PC, ice breaking up on river at Nulato. F. R = \$4.50.
- 194. Vintage (1930's) unused real photo PC, "Braling salmon from trap". F+. R = \$6.50.
- 195. Vintage (1910 1920) unused B&W photo PC, Glacier Lake and Miles Glacier, Copper River. Hegg PC # 333. F, one slight corner bend. R = \$4.00.
- 196. Vintage (1910 1920) unused B&W photo PC, "Bear Hole, Abercrombie Canyon, Copper River". Hegg PC # 277. F+. R = \$4.50.
- 197. Vintage (1910 1920) unused B&W photo PC, **Dog Team in Alaska.** R.E. Kern PC. F. R = \$4.00.
- 198. Vintage (1910 1920) unused B&W photo PC, "Klondyke Vegetables, Dawson, YT". Landahl's Emporium, Dawson. F. R = \$5.50.

- 199. Vintage (1910 1920) unused B&W photo PC, "Yukon Ptarmigan", Dawson, YT. Landahl's Emporium, Dawson. F. R = \$4.50.
- 200. Vintage (1910 1920) unused real photo PC, "Sea Gulls, Alaska Coast". Thwaites # 1434. F, corner bend, lower right. R = \$3.25.
- 201. Vintage (1900 1910) unused B&W photo PC, native woman nursing two children. F+. R = \$6.50.
- 202. Vintage (1910 –1920) real photo PC, midnight sun on Yukon River. F (album mounting tape on corners). R = \$2.50.

MULTIPLE COVER LOTS, TERRITORIAL ERA.

- 203. 1958 Afognak T5 DPO; 1957 Akiak T4; 1955 Angoon T5; 1958 Aniak T7; 1947 Bethel T4. Average F. R = \$2.50.
- 204. 1958 Curry T6; 1955 Fort Yukon T4; 1958 Gakona T4; 1958 Gambell T2; 1958 Girdwood T3. Average F. R = \$2.25.
- 205. 1958 Egegik T3; 1956 Flat T8; 1958 Fort Yukon T4; 1958 Kwigillingok T2; 1958 McGrath T8. Average F. R = \$2.25.
- 206. 1958 Miller House T3 DPO, PMS; 1958 Mount Edgecumbe T2 DPO, PMS; 1958 Naknek T6; 1958 Nikolski T1; 1958 Ninilchik T6. Average F. R = \$2.75.
- 207. 1939 Nome T21; 1953 Rampart T8 DPO; 1950 Ruby T5 map cachet; 1955 Saint Paul Island T1; 1951 Seldovia T8. Average F. R = \$2.25.
- 208. 1955 South Naknek T3; 1958 Takotna T9; 1954 Tanana T8; 1953 Tanacross T1 DPO; 1958 Tok Junction T1 DPO, PMS. Average F. R = \$2.50.
- 209. 1958 Chitna T7; 1958 Glenallen T1 DPO; 1957 Gakona T4; 1955 North Pole Rural Station, Fairbanks 4BC; 1947 Hot Springs T2 DPO. Average F. R = \$2.25.
- 210. 1955 College T4 DPO; 1958 Circle T7 Dog Sled cachet; 1958 Dillingham T7; 1957 Aniak T7; 1958 Crooked Creek T3. All C-10 sized covers; average F. R = \$2.00.
- 211. 1958 Eek T6; 1958 Iliamna T4; 1958 McKinley Park T6 DPO; 1958 Moose Pass T5; 1958 Nikolski T1. All C-10 sized covers, Average F. R = \$2.00.
- 212. 1955 Tok Junction T1 DPO; 1958 Noatak T3; 1958 Platinum T4; 1958 Summit T4 DPO; 1955 Unalaska T14. All C-10 sized covers, average F. R = \$2.00.

- 213. 1958 Pilot Point T3; 1955 Saint Paul Island T1; 1955 Tenakee Springs T2; 1958 Tok Junction T1 DPO; 1958 Unalakleet T5 large. All C-10 sized covers; average F. R = \$2.25.
- 214. 1937 Moose Pass T2; 1953 Mountain View T2 DPO; 1955 Napamute T3 DPO; 1958 Ninilchik T6; 1953 Quinhagak T3. Average F. R = \$2.25.
- 215. 1947 King Cove T3; 1954 Holy Cross T4; 1954 Spenard T2 DPO; 1958 Sand Point T5; 1952 Whittier T2 DPO. Average F. R = \$2.25.
- 216. 1937 Sanak T1 DPO; 1938 Seldovia T5; 1958 Cordova T11 slogan; 1951 Homer T7; 1940 Hope T6. Average F. R = \$2.75.

MULTIPLE COVER LOTS, STATEHOOD ERA.

- 217. 1978 Alakanuk 4BC; 1961 Alakanuk DCC; 1975 Anaktuvuk Pass 4BC; 1974 Annette 4BC; 1960 Barrow DCC; 1959 Bethel duplex; 1970 Candle 4BC; 1965 Cape Yakataga 4BC; 1965 Chatanika; 1964 Chatham 4BC & DCC. Average F+. R = \$3.00.
- 218. 1962 Chefornak 4BC; 1959 Chevak 4BC; 1984 Chignik Lagoon 4BC; 1966 Cohoe 4BC; 1959 Cold Bay 4BC; 1959 Crooked Creek 4BC; 1959 Delta Junction 4BC; 1959 Dot Lake Rural Sta., Delta Junction 4BC; 1959 Ekwak 4BC; 1962 Emmonak 4BC. Average F+. R = \$3.00.
- 219. 1988 English Bay CPO, 4BC; 1977 Fortuna Ledge 4BC; 1974 Gambell 4BC; 1959 Girdwood 4BC; 1961 Goodnews Bay 4BC; 1959 Gustavus 4BC; 1961 Hamilton 4BC; 1965 Hawk Inlet DCC; 1984 Halibut Cove CPO, 4BC & DCC; 1968 Healy Fork 4BC. Average F+. R = \$3.00.
- 220. 1964 Hogatza 4BC; 1964 Holikachuk 4BC, Totem cachet; 1962 Lower Kalskag 4BC; 1966 McKinley Park 4BC, DPO; 1959 Naknek 4BC; 1968 Nikolski 4BC; 1966 Nulato 4BC; 1959 Pauloff Harbor 4BC; 1967 Pilot Station 4BC; 1982 Pt. Lay 4BC. Average F+. R = \$3.00.
- 221. 1966 Port Ashton 4BC; 1882 Port Heiden Rural Br., 4BC & DCC; 1964 Portage Junction DCC, DPO; 1982 Prudoe Bay 4BC; 1959 Ruby 4BC; 1967 Saint Paul Island 4BC; 1969 Scammon Bay 4BC; 1994 Sterling 4BC; 1965 Takotna 4BC; 1964 Tatitlek 4BC. Average F+. R = \$3.00.
- 222. 1959 Teller 4BC, North Star Mercantile CC; 1966 Tetlin 4BC; 1964 Tooksook Bay 4BC; 1962 Tuluksak 4BC; 1963 Tuntutuliak 4BC; 1961 Tununak DCC; 1969 Ugashik 4BC; 1959 Unalaska 4BC; 1968 Usibelli 4BC & Rural Br. DCC; 1949 Whittier 4BC. Average F+. R = \$3.00.

ANTIQUE STEREO VIEW CARDS. These are all old-time, dual image Alaska scenes popular around 1900–1910. They were viewed with a stereo-viewer to give a "3-D" image.

- 223. 1898 Copyright, "On the Dyea Trail". Real photo, black and white. F. R = \$8.50.
- 224. 1898 Copyright, "Klondikers Climbing the Golden Stairs", Chilkoot Pass. Real photo, black & white. F. R = \$8.50.
- 225. 1900 era, "Main Street, Bennett, the Klondike". Colorized. VG. R = \$5.00.
- 226. 1905 Copyright, "Gold Bottom, the Klondike" Colorized. VG-F. R = \$6.00.
- 227. 1900 era "Sitka Bay, Indians in Canoe". Colorized. F. R = \$5.00.
- 228. 1900 era, "Last Discovery", Dominion Creek, the Klon-dike. Colorized. F. R = \$5.00.
- 229. 1900 era, "Kaasa-an Village", Indians, Canoe and Totems. Colorized. F. R = \$6.00.
- 230. 1898 Copyright, "Our Alaskan Sisters up in the Klon-dike Country". Colorized. F. R = \$5.00.

-End of Auction-

Other Good Lots: Take A Look!



Lot 65

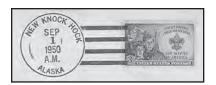


Lot 97



Lot 80

Lot III



ACC Board of Directors Business Report and Question to Members

by Jim Zuelow, President

The ACC Board of Directors conducted an email meeting and voted 6 in favor & one not voting to extend the current two year terms of office to four years each, with three officers/directors being elected every two years after 2008. Presently, all Directors and officers serve two year terms, except the Secretary-Treasurer who serves a four year term, and the Immediate Past President who continues to serve as a member of the Board until a different President is elected. Changes were considered but not made concerning the Nominating Committee.

The current ACC Bylaws, last revised in 1994, state that: Article XI, Amendments, Section 1: "The bylaws of the organization may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors. Any amendment adopted by the Board of Directors may be repealed or changed by the membership by a majority vote." Section 2: "The bylaws of the organization may be amended by a majority vote of the membership in a regular or special election."

Section 3: "The Board of Directors may refer any proposed amendment to the bylaws to the membership for adoption is a regular or special election."

Unless I receive several timely responses otherwise from the membership, I will assume a special election is not necessary concerning changing the terms of office from two to four years. The change WILL BE included on the ballot of our next regular election with a recommendation from the oard of Directors to vote YES on the change. The Alaska Collectors' Club Bylaws can be found on the ACC website at www.Alaskaphilatelic.org.

BID LIST

| LOT NO. | BID AMOUNT | AUCTION MANAGER USE ONLY |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | | |
| | PRINT CLEARLY MAILING LABEL FOR | |
| Name: | | |
| i | | |
| 1 1 | | |
| City/State/ZIP: | | |

Send this completed bid form to: Terry Shaw, ACC Auction Manager P.O. Box 1435 Prineville, Oregon, 97754