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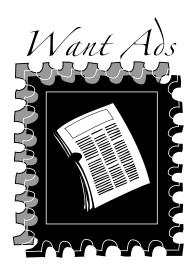
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AWARDS

Colopex 2000—Silver-Bronze Colopex 2002—Silver-Bronze STaMpsHOW 03—Silver-Bronze





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

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

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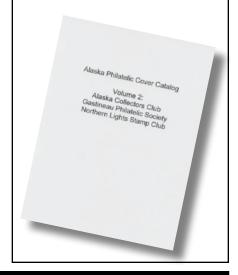
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# President's Message

by Jim Zuelow (jimzuelow@aol.com)

I have not received any responses to my question in the 3rd Quarter of 2004 TAP issue asking about the geographical location of Mitchell, Alaska, a pre-Klondike Gold Rush era post office. Donald J. Orth's "Dictionary of Alaska Place Names" does not include any information about the site. Richard Helbock reports the post office (1889-1895) was located inside Canada at a trading post operated by LeRoy N. McQuesten at Forty Mile on the Yukon River. However, Robert Woodall in "The Postal History of Yukon Territory, Canada" reports Mitchell may have been located up the Forty Mile River in U.S. territory. A visitor to Forty Mile in 1893, Warburton Pike, in "Through the Sub-Arctic Forest" also seems to imply that McQuesten was not the postmaster! At least we know that an 1895 postal card mailed to England from Mitchell was one of the top-selling individual items in the Seely Hall collection that was sold in the H. R. Harmer Auction last February!

Investigating mysteries like the location of the Mitchell post office are one reason I enjoy Alaskan postal history. Keeping an eye out for postal items sent to or from noted Alaskans is another. I recall finding an old, ragged envelope sent by Rev. William T. Lopp that had been cancelled in Nome on August 18, 1904 in a box of \$1.00 covers in Phoenix a few years ago. Lopp was a missionary friend of Sheldon Jackson who, among other things, headed a reindeer station on the Seward Peninsula beginning in 1899. Finding a Fairbanks & Seward RPO cancel on a letter sent to Anchorage from Pittman, Alaska, piqued my interest in looking for other Alaska Railroad station addresses. Looking for and finding variations of covers included in Eric Knapp's catalogs, and searching for an Anchorage Contract Station 11 cancel for Dirk van Gelderen are still other current interests.

How about letting our TAP readers know about some of your Alaskan postal history interests? You just might get some help --- and develop some new friendships (as I have) in the process!

Just Ruber

# Secretary-Treasurer's Report

by Eric Knapp

Before I go any further, please remember to vote in the club election included with this issue of the journal.

The Alaska Collectors Club closes out 2005 in pretty good shape. The treasury has grown some, Membership is down but not by much and we have some direction for the future. The financial reports for the year will appear in the next issue and a membership list will be generated and distributed to members in 2006.

#### **Editors Note:**

I know it seems like a broken record (how long will this phrase still be useful?) but the file of original articles for The Alaskan Philatelist is, once again, empty. I have some material we can reprint form other sources, but reprints do not a successful journal make. We need members to write about their studies, or the interesting items in their collections. Thank you.

#### Some Thoughts

Well, 2005 is about over and must say I have had better years. Between the deaths of several club members and the tragic accident at the Boy Scout Jamboree, I have lost too many friends this year. Hopefully there will be less of this next year. We will see.

One thing that I noticed in a couple of these cases is that the people who are now gone had plans for things they had to do "when they had time" or had to do lists because the "had lots of time."

It has gotten me thinking about all the things I plan to do "someday" or "when I get time." I have decided I need to start "making time" for the things on my list.

On a better note, winter in Anchorage has been good so far. Until next time.

# Club members want to hear YOUR story (don't be shy!)

Take the form on page 9 and fill it out. Send it along with a photo and a color copy of your favorite philatelic piece to Angela Watson, 5519 E. Mezzanine Way, Long Beach, CA 90808.

# 50th Anniversary of Alaska Constitution

by Eric Knapp

The winter of 2005 –06 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Alaska Constitutional convention. The convention had been called by the territorial legislature in an effort to prove that the Territory of Alaska had the political maturity to become a state.

The convention began on November 8<sup>th</sup> at the University of Alaska at College, outside of Fairbanks. William Egan of Valdez was elected as the chairman of the convention. The 55 delegates worked until February to complete the document. The work was finished on February 5<sup>th</sup>.

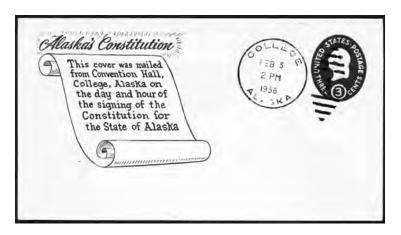
The National Municipal League calls the Alaska Constitution "one of the best, if not the best, state constitutions ever written." It is brief, only 14,000

words as submitted to the voters. It is a broad outline for a government rather than detailed instructions and it has served Alaska well.

The Alaska Constitution and the Convention Minutes can be read at www.state.ak.us/courts/aklegal. htm#const.

The cover shown here was cancelled on the day and the hour of the signing of the document.

Also, The Gastineau Philatelic Society and the Anchorage Philatelic Society are honoring the Alaska Constitution with a joint project. The Gastineau Philatelic Society's stamp show, PANEX, honored the start of the convention and the Anchorage Philatelic Society's stamp show, APEX, will honor the end of the convention.



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# **ACC Elections 2005**

#### Rules & Procedures of the Election

The official election ballot is included in this issue of TAP. Please complete the ballot and return it to the address on the ballot by January 31st. Please mark "ACC Election" on the outside of the envelope. This will keep the ballot from being opened early. If you wish, you may send your annual dues in the same envelope.

The votes will be tabulated by an election board made up of ACC members who are not running for office. The results will be reported to the current Board of Directors, the candidates, and will be published in the first quarter issue of The Alaskan Philatelist. A news release will also be sent to the philatelic media. The newly elected officers will assume office immediately and hold office until December 31, 2007.

## **Election Biographies**

CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

#### Jim Zuelow

I've been a collector of Alaskan postal history since 1965 when I moved to rural Alaska from Minnesota to work as a teacher. After serving 13 years a superintendent of schools in Alaska, I retired to Arizona in 1990 where I have been active in real estate since 1992.

My two adult children live in Alaska and my wife, Virginia, owns and operates her own tax preparation business and is a Certified Financial Planner. I've been a member of the American Philatelic Society since 1967, and of the Alaska Collectors Club since 1993. I have served as a Director since 2000, and have written a few articles for publication in The Alaskan Philatelist. I hope any Club members who visit Tucson. Arizona, will contact me so we can meet and get together to compare collecting interests.

#### CANDIDATE FOR VICE PRESIDENT

#### Angela Watson

I have been a stamp collector for over 20 years and am an APS Life Member. I have always been attracted to Alaska's history and probably because I live 2000 miles away, it's history seems so exotic and remote, filled with folklore and tales.

I feel that I could make valuable contributions to ACC as its Vice President. On a personal note, I am a graphic artist by trade and have been assisting the editor for about 3 years in the design of the newsletter for ACC.

#### CANDIDATES FOR DIRECTOR

#### **Nelson Gnirke**

I was born in Newton, Massachusetts, in 1938. My stamp collecting interest began at the age of six when my Postal clerk father brought home blocks of stamps from work. Though a closet collector until 1987 when I joined the Anchorage Philatelic Society I continued accumulating throughout all those years concentrating on stamps of the USA and Canada. Alaskan philately and postal history was added to my interest level after a short time of exploring through items in the annual bourse at

APEX. I served the Anchorage stamp club as an officer from 1991 until 2002 when I moved from Anchorage to Hermitage, Missouri. I served as President for three of those years and was editor of the Anchorage Philatelist for the last seven years before my move. During this time I also joined the Alaska Collector's Club. I would be honored to serve the club as a director.

#### Dirk van Gelderen

I was born in 1957 in Boskoop, Holland and have always lived there. I started collecting when I was 5 and from the beginning I collected USA stamps which I still do. In the early 1970's my father and I started collecting Bosnia and Herzegovina (nobody then knew where that was) and together we built one of the largest collections now in existence. In 1984 I visited Alaska and as a memento I mailed from all towns visited a card home. Directly afterwards, but still not really seriously I wrote to all other postmasters asking for a postmark. One was sent in error to the late Ray Fay of Mansfield, OH and he got me really hooked on Alaska Postal History. Currently I am trying to complete my catalogue of Alaska Statehood Postmarks which will be available on CD ROM together with Richard Helbock's work on the Territorials. It is also available on-line at www.esveld.nl/alaska/alaska.htm for free.

#### **Bob Spaugy**

My name is Bob Spaugy. I am an accidental latecomer to stamp collecting. We had arrived in Anchorage just before Christmas in 1969. All of our son's toys and presents were lost somewhere in transit. We knew Venus and Jack Lamb from coin collecting and Venus suggested we get my son John a stamp album and some stamps. On Christmas Day, John thanked us but was totally uninterested in stamps. Out of curiosity, I placed the stamps in the album and was hooked

We were closet collectors until 1979 when we joined the Anchorage Philatelic Society. I served a number of years as Treasurer and have been keeping the books since 1982. Lately I have been the corresponding Secretary and a few years back began working with Dave Schwantes on producing the club covers. The cost of commercial printing went out of sight but we found we could do a credible job with home computer, scanner and ink jet printer.

From the very beginning I was interested in stamps and had little interest in covers or postal history. More to support the club and its members I would purchase each cover and dump them into a box. I insisted I was a stamp collector and not a cover collector. When looking around I find volume after volume of covers including a complete APEX set and hundreds of other so I must admit to being a cover collector. I joined ACC during the drive to revitalize it and have been a sustaining member ever since.

#### The Last Word

Please take the time to vote in this election. We have a good bunch of candidates and they need all of the support you can give them. Thank you.

## What Is It?

Response to a previous "What is it?" Hal Vogel, 1 Oct 2005

Dear Eric,

Sorry we could not have had a discussion closer than over the phone the last time I was in Anchorage, but it nonetheless still was nice that we at least could have that brief conversation that we did have. Maybe next time it can be longer.

Relative to the "What Is It?" subject on the last page of TAP 215 (3rd Qtr 2005), I too have been trying to investigate this matter and suggest that although you might very well he absolutely correct that those mercy flight triangles may not relate to any proposed serum flight (or worse, be a fraudulent attempt to benefit from the event), there still might be a smidgen of research yet to be done before closing this subject.

The reason I believe this is a realization that a flight still was being anticipated, even as the first serum run was occurring. A subsequent serum shipment was needed, that was being sent by ship and train to Fairbanks. It was anticipated or hoped (in print) that the second batch would be flown to Nome. Newspaper accounts have individuals suggesting that Army aviator Lt. Eric Nelson or civilian aviator Roy Darling be used for that purpose. Darling even is said was preparing to reassemble his plane for a flight from Anchorage to Fairbanks in anticipation of this mission.

The above information appears in Universal Service (later UP, I believe) dispatches from Alaska as printed in Baltimore American 2 February 1925. One article even references his mechanic on the proposed Anchorage-Fairbanks-Nome flight in a De Havilland (Sergeant Farnsworth). A reporter named Mackie is mentioned elsewhere as preparing to accompany one of the flights (presumably



the Army one). I seem to recall that a Ralph Mackie also might have been involved in a 1926 press flight with news from Alaska relating to the Norge landing at Teller.

What this all suggests (though does not prove) is that there was "aviation in the air' (i.e., being thought and planned for) relative to the second serum shipment that was en route for Seward aboard Alameda.

My suggestion is that a review be done of the Anchorage newspaper from about 1 February 1925 to see if Darling's takeoff for Fairbanks had occurred. Even if it had not, there probably still would be a reference to its cancellation for whatever reason. There also may be subsequent mention of the fate of the proposed Army flight by Nelson. Finally, it probably would be useful to trace reports about how the second serum shipment went from Seward to Nome.

I also would have wanted to scour the press for any mention of supportive flight vignettes, but you seem already to have done this without having found any. Of course, this does not meant that it was not occurring or being planned, though neither does it provide support for their legitimate connection to the proposed flight. I-lope this has been useful.

Best,

Hal Vogel, 19 Neptune Lane, Willingboro, NJ 08046

# Gold Nugget

One Mail Contractor's View

Mary Hitchcock and Edith Van Dorn, two wealthy and adventurous women who were "doing the Klondike" as tourists in the summer of 1898, were surprised by the tediously slow gold rush mail service. In her book, "Two Women in the Klondike," Mary Hitchcock wrote about their introduction to Klondike mail service.

[Thursday, July 28th]

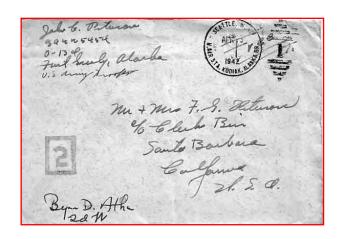
"The first visit that Edith and I paid this morning was to the post-office, to inquire for the large batch of mail we supposed had been sent in to us over the Pass. To our great astonishment there was but one letter. We sent for the postmaster, who listened most courteously as we told him of the books, magazines, and papers which we had ordered to be forwarded long before our departure. He politely explained that a very small mail had been sent in over the Pass, but that the greater quantity would come by the Alliance according to contract made by our Government. First disappointment."

## What Is It?

John Spicer has sent the following 2 items. He is looking for any information he can get on them. "As a comparative newcomer to Alaskan collecting, I would appreciate assistance with the following.



Item 1 Will Rogers/Wiley Post commemorative postmark dated 15 AUG 1938 has time of 9.00AM.



Item 2 Cover has a figure "2" in square box above signature of censor officer. Is this a censor mark?

Any assistance would be appreciated. Write him at: John Spicer, 18 Leycroft Way, Harpenden, Herts, AL5 1JW, United Kingdom.

#### State Postal History Registry

The National Postal Museum's State Postal History Registry is up and running. The Alaska Collectors Club is listed as primary contact for the Alaska part of the site. The registry is located at:

http://www.postalmuseum.si.edu/statepostalhistory/index.html

# Gold Nugget

#### **Americans Abroad**

At the height of the gold rush boom, most of Dawson's population was American-born. For those now living so far from home, getting to the gold fields may have seemed easy compared to getting their mail. Both the Canadian and the U.S. government were caught off guard by the speed and volume of the stampede. During the summer, mail could be carried by boat along the Yukon from St. Michael's, Alaska, but winter mail was brought up from Skagway, across the pass and into Dawson by dog sled. First class mail had the best chance of getting through, especially during winter months. Everything else was left for summer steamships.

Citizens occasionally hired individual carriers to carry the mail during the winter, but they were not always reliable. In April 1898, word reached Dawson that one carrier had used the letters he was hired to transport to "kindle his camp fires."

For those who remained in the Klondike, gold fever dimmed, but it never disappeared. In 1899, rumors of a massive strike on the western Alaskan coast near Cape Nome flooded Dawson. Thousands picked up and traveled west. Those who missed their chance in Nome had other opportunities as strikes were made over the next few years across the Alaskan territory.

## **Member Questionnaire for Newsletter Article**

We're going to try a different tack with this feature. Here is the questionnaire, so now everyone can fill it out and send it in for publication in the newsletter. Please take a few minutes and send this in. We'd love to feature all our members in the newsletter. This is an especially important feature in a club with no regularly scheduled meetings. We will need three things from you:

- 1) this sheet with you filled in answers (add other sheets as necessary),
- 2) a recent photo of you (prefer clear, well- focused and good contrast photos), and
- 3) a color photocopy of your favorite piece of Alaskan Postal History.

Please drop all those things in the mail back to me at: Angela Watson • 5519 E. Mezzanine Way • Long Beach, CA 90808. Thanks!

1. Please list your name place of residence and age:
2. What is your occupation?
3. How did you become a stamp collector?
4. What about Alaska Philately interests you the most?
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5. What specialties within Alaska Philately do you collect?
6. What other countries or areas do you collect?
7. What other philatelic study groups or organizations are you a member of?
8. Tell us about your favorite piece of Alaskan Postal History (include the color copy so we can scan and add to your article).
9. Anything else you want to tell us about yourself (other hobbies, interests, favorite curse word, etc?)

# Interesting & Miscellaneous

#### Philatelists Psalm

by Erma V. Berkley (with apologies to David)
Stamp collecting is my hobby, I shall not be bored,
It maketh me to do research on far places.
It causeth me to correspond with odd people,
It keepeth me alert.

It leadeth me into areas of understanding for curiosity's sake.

Yea, though I live through a winter of inclement weather, I will fear no boredom, for my stamps are with me. Their beauty and their history, they intrigue me, They provideth me a means of escaping from the tensions of my responsibilities.

They filleth my house with books. My cash runneth lower. Surely interest and knowledge shall follow me all the days of my life, And I shall be listed in the ranks of the Philatelists

forever.

## A Request of our Members

I'm corresponding with you in hopes that you can send me a donation supply of U.S. or foreign stamps. Mint or used, on or off paper, mission mixtures, Truncial States, etc.

Your help will be used for missions related work here in the U.S. and overseas. Also to help young people in this area start stamp collecting.

Thanks, Bob Edwards 21553 Augusta Ave. Port Charlotte, FL 33952

#### **Covers for Sale**

My Mom is interested in selling her Alaska Apex covers. They start with #1 in 1953 and go to #22 in 1974. Do you know who I could contact to get an estimate on the value of the collection, and who you would know that might be interested in them?

She also has some Apollo stamp moon landing first day issue covers that were mailed from Anchorage on both the days they left earth and the day they landed on the moon. One cover in particular has "man's first landing on the moon" with 7 different stamps- 5 space, 1 kennedy, 1 Goddard, cancelled on July 20 1969 and sept 9, 1969. All are in great condition.

Also a National Parks Centennial Stamp on a "McKinley Assault for Cancer" cover that was hand carried to the top of Mt McKinley by Ray Genet postmarked in Talkeetna, AK.

She has covers for philatelic exhibitions, the Alaska Highway, 1<sup>st</sup> day issue of Cpt Cook's 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with Cook stamps, 1<sup>st</sup> day issue of National Park series, 1974 Arctic Winter Games, 1974 Iditarod Dog Sled Race, Alaska Pioneer Aviators (Reeves, Wein, and Gillam), several 1<sup>st</sup> day isssues of the Alaska Purchase centennial and several others too numerous to mention. Plus, Duck stamps from 1957 to 1973.

Thanks for any help you may be able to give me.

Paula Pettijohn 376.2014 (H) 355.3331 (C)

Email is: pjohn@mtaonline.com

## **Email a Living Legend**

Dear Club Members,

If you really want to know about Alaska's postal history then you should contact Alaska's first lady of Postal history, Postmaster Alice Brusich (retired) Postmaster of Ketchikan and Ward Cove, Former President, Vice President, Secratary Treasurer for Alaska's Chapter of Napus and Currently of the Retired Postmasters of Alaska. Alice at 82 still lives in Ketchikan where she has converted part of her home into a living museum of Alaskan postal history.

Alice has an email address but you must show paitence as she is new to the internet and finds it a strange place coming from her background of paper mail.

To contact Alice, email her at aliceb@kpunet.net.

Regards, Kurt Morin Grandson

# **AUCTION**

# Closing Date: March 31, 2006

Send bids to:

Terry Shaw, P.O. Box 1435, Prineville, Oregon, 97754 (NOTE NEW ADDRESS!) Phone 541-416-6600 (days); 541-447-5836 (evenings). E-mail: cgsarchxx@aol.com Please bid in increments of 25 cents.

## Use Bid Sheet on Page 65!

#### 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

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 \$1.00 unless otherwise noted

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 please ask others to bid.

#### I AM IN DESPERATE NEED OF AUCTION MATERIAL!

- 1. Akiak (7/11/49) T4. Gov. PC. F+.
- 2. Akulurak (8/31/51) T2, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F. R = \$2.50.
- 3. Anaktuvuk Pass (5/1/51) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 4. Anaktuvuk Pass (1/6/76) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 9 sticker as cachet. VF.
- 5. Anchorage (9/23/36) T9. EAMC to Ophir (11/2/36) T3, DPO, on cover face. Signed by bush pilot Knox. F. R = \$11.50.



Lot 5

- 6. Anchorage (9/26/36) T9. EAMC to Takotna (10/18/36) T2 on cover face. F. R = \$4.50.
- 7. Andreafski (9/1/51) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$4.00.
- 8. Andreafski (12/31/54) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F+. R = \$4.00.
- 9. Angoon (6/20/49) T4. Gov PC. F+.
- 10. Anvik (6/1/16) T2 on cover. VG-F. R = \$37.50.

- 11. Atka (10/31/57) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F+. R = \$3.00.
- 12. Barge (2/1/50) T1, DPO and Hood Bay (1/31/50) T1, DPO. Both cancels on same Gov. PC, one is a LD of PO; the other is FD of PO with new name, PMS. VF. R = \$7.50.
- 13. Barrow (8/15/34) T11. Super cachet, annual cruise for Schooner C.S. Holmes. F. R = \$5.00.



**Lot 13** 

- 14. Barrow (7/31/38) T10. Signed cachet "Christus Rex", Domiak ship cruise. Cancels from Wainwright, Kotzebue, and Tiagra on cover face; Scott # 800. F. R = \$8.50.
- 15. Barrow (3/12/99) First Day of Issue for the Arctic Animals stamps (Scott #'s 3288-3292). Five covers, each with one of the arctic animal stamps and each with a color photo, "Animals of the Arctic", cachet. Each cover has a native saying about the animal on the back of the cover. Great set. VF. R = \$20.00.



**Lot 14** 

- 16. Barrow (3/12/99) First Day of Issue for the Arctic Animals stamps (Scott #'s 3288-3292). Five covers, each with one of the arctic animal stamps and each with a "Colorando Silk" cachet of that animal. Nice set. VF. R = \$20.00.
- 17. Barrow (3/12/99) First Day of Issue for the Arctic Animals stamps (Scott #'s 3288-3292). Five covers, each with one of the arctic animal stamps and a photo cachet of that animal with Native art as part of the cachet as well. Super set. VF. R = \$20.00.
- 18. Barrow (3/12/99) First Day of Issue for the Arctic Animals stamps (Scott #'s 3288-3292). Five covers, each with one of the arctic animal stamps and each with a "House of Farnham" cachet of that animal. Nice set. VF. R = \$20.00.
- 19. Barrow (3/12/99) First Day of Issue for the Arctic Animals stamps (Scott #'s 3288-3292). Five covers, each with one of the arctic animal stamps and each with a "Juvelar" painted cachet of that animal. Nice set. VF. R = \$17.00.
- 20. Beaver (8/22/31) T1 on cover. F. R = \$3.25.
- 21. Beaver (7/11/56) T2 (purple ink) on cover. F.
- 22. Bell Island (2/24/40) T1, DPO. Great Health Springs, Rejuvenation, corner card/cachet. VF. R = \$7.00.



Lot 22

- 23. Bettles (10/31/56) T3, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F+. R = \$2.25.
- 24. Boundry (2/16/43) T1, DPO. Dogsled mail (large, green Muridge cachet of a gun-toting musher hanging onto a fast-running dog sled) to Fairbanks (3/3/43) T21, BS. F+. R = \$19.50.
- 25. Cantwell (8/1/50) T3. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of reopened PO. F.
- 26. Cape Pole (10/15/53) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F+. R = \$3.75.
- 27. Chatanika (1/20, 3/14, 4/10/74) 4BC. Three covers with different rocket launch cachets from the Poker Flats Rocket site. VF. R = \$2.75.
- 28. Chenaga (9/1/50) T2, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of reopened PO. VF. R = \$3.50.

- 29. Chevak (6/1/51) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 30. Chitina (7/2/49) T2. Gov. PC, PMS. F. R = \$1.50.
- 31. Clam Gulch (9/1/50) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 32. Coal Creek (5/19/54) T3, DPO. Plain PC. F. R \$2.25.
- 33. Cohoe (9/1/50) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 34. Cold Bay (10/15/57) T1. Gov. PC. VF.
- 35. Cooper Landing (5/10/51) T2. Plain PC. F.
- 36. Cooper Landing (11/11/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 8 sticker as cachet. VF.
- 37. Crooked Creek (8/28/31) T1 on cover. F. R = \$3.75.



**Lot 37** 

- 38. Diamond (12/10/42) T1, DPO. Censored dogsled mail, unusual printed cachet, to Nenanna (12/17/42) T5, BS. F+. R = \$8.50.
- 39. Dillingham (5/27/13) T1. Treadwell Mine view postcard. F+. R = \$20.00.
- 40. Douglas (12/12/05) T7. Floral PC. VG-F. R = \$5.00.
- 41. Douglas (9/12/09) T6, Later than listed! Dogsled PC. F+. R = \$40.00.
- 42. Dutch Harbor (11/29/41) T1, DPO. Late usage on a nonphilatelic cover with an airplane & dogsled cachet. F. R = \$4.00.
- 43. Eagle (6/9/09) T3. Real photo dogsled postcard! F. R = \$45.00.
- 44. Eagle (10/2/42) T7. Dogsled mail (large, orange Muridge cachet of a gun-toting musher hanging onto a fast-running dog sled) to Dawson, Yukon Territory (10/8/42) BS. Rare cross boundary dogsled cover signed by musher Percy Dewolfe! FV. R = \$29.50.



**Lot 44** 

- 45. Ester (8/27/88) special PO dedication cancel, cachet & II. VF
- 46. Fairbanks (10/6/48) T15. Great gold panner cachet on Bank of Fairbanks legal-sized cover. F. R = \$3.50.

- 47. Fairbanks (3/1/60) MC. FF cachet for first jet airmail to Seattle (3/1/60) BS.
- 48. Fairbanks (4/5/61) MC. Great double cachet for ARLIS Lab & Ice Island. F.
- 49. Fairbanks (8/26/78) FD cancel for the 4 owl stamps (Scott #'s 1760-63) on cover franked with a block of the 4 different stamps. Northern Lights Stamp Club owl/map cachet; signed by stamp designer, Frank Waslick. VF. R = \$4.00.
- 50. Fairbanks (8/26/78) FD cancel for the 4 owl stamps (Scott #'s 1760-63) on the ceremonial program for the stamp's release franked with a block of the 4 different stamps. Signed by stamp designer, Frank Waslick and John Applegate, Assistant Postmaster General. VF. R = \$9.00.
- 51. Fairbanks (1/3/84) FD cancel for 25 years of statehood stamp (Scott # 2066). Hand drawn native face/totem cachet, #14 of 50 by BR cachets. VF. R = \$3.50.
- 52. Fairbanks (1/3/84) FD cancel for 25 years of statehood stamp (Scott # 2066). Northern Lights Stamp Club caribou cachet & II. Signed by Bill Bond, stamp designer, William Bogler, Postmaster General, then Governor Bill Sheffeild, former governor William Eagan, and Senator Ted Stevens. VF. R = \$15.00.



Lot 52

- 53. Fairbanks (1/3/84) FD cancel for 25 years of statehood stamp (Scott # 2066) on the ceremonial program for the stamp's release signed by William Bogler, Postmaster General VF. R = \$6.00.
- 54. Fairbanks (5/30/92) FD cancel for Alaska Highway stamp (Scott # 2635) on the ceremonial program for the stamp's release signed by many of the dignitaries in attendance. VF. R = \$6.00.
- 55. Fairbanks, North Pole Rural Station (3/16/54). Gov. PC. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 56. False Pass (5/3/50) T9. Gov. PC. F.
- 57. Flat (9/14/31) T4 on cover. F. R = \$3.50.
- 58. Fort Yukon (10/15/36) T4. EAMC plane cachet to Circle Springs (10/18/36) T1, DPO, BS. Signed by bush pilot Jim Dodson. F. R = \$10.00.
- 59. Gakona (12/1/51) T4. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of reopened PO. VF. R = \$2.50.
- 60. Ganes Creek (8/15/51) T1, DPO. Gov. PC. FD of PO. F. R = \$3.50.
- 61. Gambell (1/16/58) T2 Airmail cover. F.
- 62. Girdwood (8/4/54) T3. Gov. PC, PMS. VF.

- 63. Golovin (11/10/36) T5, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS with note. F. R = \$3.50.
- 64. Haines (5/31/10) T3 on cover. VG-F. R = \$7.00.
- 65. Haycock (10/6/31) T1, DPO, on Cover. F. R = \$5.00.
- 66. Haycock (5/31/57) T3, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F+. R = \$2.25.
- 67. Hogatza (4/20/57) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.25.
- 68. Holikachuk (11/26/44) T1, DPO. EAMC plane cachet to Ophir (1/16/45) T3, (later than listed) DPO, BS.VF. R = \$4.50.
- 69. Holy Cross (10/9/33) T3. EAMC to St. Michael, no BS. F. R = \$5.00.
- 70. Hope (6/3/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 1 sticker as cachet. F.
- 71. Huslia (3/19/58) T1 on cover. F.
- 72. Iliama (10/25/31) T1 on cover. F. R = \$6.50.
- 73. Jack Wade (7/13/31) T2, later than listed, on cover. F. R = \$6.50.



**Lot 73** 

- 74. Juneau (3/31/06) T13 on cover with letter! VG-F. R = \$8.50.
- 75. There is no lot 75; just like the next auction if I do not get some more items!
- 76. Juneau (8/24/52) T33 on a cover with a great "Alaska Territory" Map cachet F. R = \$4.00.
- 77. Juneau (6/27/56) T32. Airmail, Special Delivery. F+. R = \$1.50.
- 78. Juneau (12/1/75) First Day of Issue Cancel on the Ceremonial Program franked with the 13-cent American Eagle & Shield Stamp, Scott # 1596. XF. R =\$3.00.
- 79. Juneau (1/2/58) T32. Great "Last Day of Territory" annotated map cachet by the Arctic Military Philatelic Society. VF. R = \$3.00



**Lot 79** 

- 80. Juneau (11/14/59) MC. PANEX I cachet. VF. R = \$5.00.
- 81. Kaktovik (8/1/55) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$1.50.
- 82. Kaltag (10/6/50) T4. Gov. PC. F.
- 83. Kanatak (2/22/35) T2, DPO. EAMC, PMS. F. R \$3.50.
- 84. Kanatak (4/30/54) T4, DPO. Gov. PC, LD of PO. F. R \$2.00.
- 85. Karluk (9/19/50) T4. Gov. PC. F.
- 86. Karluk (10/17/85) 4BC & DCC, PMS on Cover.
- 87. Kenai (8/18/50) T9. Nonphilatelic cover. F.
- 88. Ketchikan (4/25/30) T3. Great FF cachet, Alaska Washington Airways. F+. R = \$15.00.



**Lot 88** 

- 89. Kiana (2/21/32) T1 (purple ink), later than listed. Cover. VG-F. R = \$7.50.
- 90. Killisnoo (7/8/15) T3, DPO. Real photo PC, S.S. Spokane. F. R = \$60.00.
- 91. King Cove (5/24/35) T2. Nonphilatelic cover. VG-F. R = \$2.00.
- 92. Kobuck (10/16/42) T1. Censored cover, patriotic cachet. VF. R = \$4.50.



**Lot 92** 

- 93. Kodiak (12/17/09) T3. Alaska-Yukon Expo PC. F. R = \$45.00.
- 94. Kodiak, U.S. Naval Air Sta. Registered (6/24/41) unlisted cancel type! Registered cover sent to Bremerton, WA (6/30/41) BS. F+. R = \$35.00.
- 95. Kodiak, Naval Air Sta "free frank". Great QSL PC. F+. R = \$6.00.
- 96. Kokorines (11/17/34) T3, DPO. EAMC (plane cachet) to Fairbanks (11/26/34) T18 BS. PMS. VF. R = \$6.50.



Lot 94



Lot 95

- 97. Kotzebue (4/3/44) T8. Censored cover. F. R = \$2.00.
- 98. Kuskokwim (5/15/50) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 99. Kwigillingok (2/1/50) T1. Gov. PC. F+.
- 100. Larsen Bay (11/1/50) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 101. Lassen (9/10/41) T1, DPO. PO registry card. F. R = \$7.00.
- 102. Latouche (2/22/10) T2, DPO. Malamute team in Valdez. PC. F+. R = \$50.00.
- 103. Latouche (3/31/55) T7, DPO. Gov. PC. LD of PO. F. R = \$2.50.
- 104. Medfra (9/20/31) T1 on cover. F. R = \$5.00.
- 105. Medfra (10/3/50) T3. Gov. PC. F.
- 106. Mekoryuk (9/19/50) T1. Gov. PC. F.
- 107. Mile Seven (7/1/31) T2, DPO and unlisted M.O.B. cancel on back of cover. F+. R = \$35.00.



Lot 107

- 108. Minto (1/31/55) T1. Nonphilatelic airmail cover. F.
- 109. Moose Pass (10/15/57) T5. Gov. PC. F+.
- 110. Moses Point (1/16/50) T1, DPO. Airmail Gov. PC. F+.
- 111. Mountain View (8/31/54) T6, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F+. R = \$2.50.
- 112. Myers Chuck (9/12/31) T1, DPO on cover. VG-F. R = \$8.00.
- 113. Naknek (5/25/17) T1. Super sailing ship real photo postcard, "Bark Star of Zealand". VF. R = \$55.00.
- 114. Naknek (12/3/75) 5BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 7 sticker as cachet. F.
- 115. Napakiak (12/31/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 11 sticker as cachet. F.
- 116. Napakiak (12/31/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 12 sticker as cachet. F.
- 117. Napamute (9/10/31) T1, DPO on cover. F. R = \$5.00.
- 118. Napamute (3/14/54) T3, DPO on registered airmail cover to Tacoma WA (3/25/54) BS. F. R = \$8.50.

- 119. Nenana (2/15/44) T5. Censored cover; likely dog team to Diamond (2/22/44) T1 (DPO), BS. F. R = \$3.50.
- 120. Nenana (6/2/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 10 sticker as cachet. F.
- 121. New Knock Hock (9/1/50) T1, DPO. FD cancel, Gov PC. VF. R = \$4.00.
- 122. New Knock Hock (4/1/52) T1, DPO. LD cancel, Gov PC. VF. R = \$4.00.
- 123. Nightmute (9/1/52) T1, DPO. FD of PO, PMS; Gov. PC. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 124. Nightmute (4/30/54) T1, DPO. LD of PO, PMS; Gov. PC. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 125. Nikolski (4/7/58) T1 on nonphilatelic, airmail cover. F
- 126. Noorvik (7/5/51) T1. Gov. PV. F.
- 127. North Pole (10/18/79) Santa Christmas stamp (Scott # 1800), franked and canceled ceremonial program. VF. R = \$4.50.
- 128. North Pole (5/28/86) Polar Explorers. First Day of issue cancel on official invitation to attend the ceremony for the stamp's release. VF. R = \$3.00.
- 129. North Pole (5/28/86) Polar Explores FD. Franked and canceled block of 4 stamps (Scott #'s 2220 2223) on the ceremonial program for the stamp's release. VF. R = \$6.00.
- 130. Nulato (7/4/51) T7. Gov PC, PMS. VF. R = \$1.50.
- 131. Nunapitchuk (11/10/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 2 sticker as cachet. F.
- 132. Nyac (7/6/51) T2, DPO. Gov. PC. F. R = \$1.75.
- 133. Pelican (10/17/57) T2, later than listed. Gov. PC. F.
- 134. Perryville (5/1/52) T3. FD of re-opened PO, PMS; Gov. PC. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 135. Petersburg (7/17/89) 4BC & DCC, PMS on cover. VF.
- 136. Pilot Station (5/1/50) T2. FD of re-opened PO, Gov. PC. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 137. Porcupine (10/29/09) T1, DPO. Gov. PC. Note comment in Helbock: "examples of this postmark dated 29 Oct. 1909 were made for philatelic purposes at some later date." VF. R = \$50.00.
- 138. Port Alsworth (11/1/50) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 139. Port Ashton (10/14/52) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 140. Port Moller, (8/1/52) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$3.00.



Lot 137

- 141. Princess Norah (1/2/40) round cancel on cover to Vancouver, BC (1/5/40) BS. F. R = \$10.00.
- 142. Quinhagak (9/17/31) T2, later than listed, on cover. F., spotty ink. R=\$5.50.
- 143. Quinhagak (7/21/51) T3. Gov. PC. VF.
- 144. Rampart (7/19/15) T6, DPO. Great "First heard of sheep in Dawson" PC. F. R = \$17.50.

- 145. Ruby (9/7/17) T1, blue ink. Cover with a CC from local attorney, E Coke Hill. Seattle receiving cancel. VG-F. R = \$45.00.
- 146. Ruby (3/10/59) 4BC. PMS, great hand-painted ruby ring on iceberg cachet by Tobin. F+. R = \$5.00.
- 147. Russian Mission (9/14/31) T1, later than listed, DPO on Cover. VG-F, spotty ink. R = \$8.00.
- 148. Russian Mission (11/10/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 3 sticker as cachet. F.
- 149. Russian Mission (11/10/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 4 sticker as cachet. F.
- 150. Russian Mission (11/10/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 5 sticker as cachet. F.
- 151. Saint Michael (6/5/07) Rec'd. as a BS on a cover from Manistee, MI (5/6/07) flag cancel. VG. R = \$3.50.
- 152. Saint Michael (3/11/44) T14. Censored cover. F+. R = \$2.75.
- 153. Saint Paul Island (8/13/49) T1. Plain PC. F.
- 154. Sanak (10/31/53) T2, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. LD of PO. F. R = \$3.00.
- 155. Sand Point (4/22/52) T5 on nonphilatelic cover. VG-F. R = \$1.50.
- 156. Savoonga (3/14/44) T1. Censored cover. F+. R = \$2.50
- 157. Scammon Bay (6/1/51) T1. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. VG. R = \$1.50.
- 158. Seattle (Terminal Sta.), Wash., Alaska Sec. (1/25/18) Unlisted type on cover. F. R = \$60.00.
- 159. Seattle (Naval Air Station, Sitka (1/1/42)) T1. First Day cancel on cover with patriotic cachet. VF. F. R = \$6.50.
- 160. Seattle (Naval Air Station, Sitka (1/1/42)) Unlisted Parcel Post cancel. FD cancel on blank cover VF. R = \$16.50.
- 161. Seattle (Dutch Harbor Br. (7/6/42)) T1. Censored cover with a great patriotic cachet. VF. R = \$10.00.
- 162. Seattle & Seward (2/15/36/North) RPO. Great S.S. Victoria ship cachet. VF. R = \$15.00.
- 163. Seattle & Seward (7/26/39/North) RPO. S.S. Mount McKinley. Plain PC. VF. R = \$5.00.
- 164. Seldovia (8/24/42) T7 on registered, censored, airmail cover to Rainier, OR (9/3/42) BS. Also a Homer (8/26/42) T5 BS. Great franking. F. R = \$17.50.
- 165. Seward (4/22/11) T2. Real photo postcard of moose. F+. R = \$15.00.
- 166. Shakan (9/5/16) T4, DPO. PC of Wrangell Narrows. F+. R = \$37.50.
- 167. Shaktoolik (8/18/51) T2. Gov. PC. F.
- 168. Sheldon Point (7/21/52) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. VG. R = \$1.75.



Lot 169

- 169. Shishmaref (11/20/36) T3 Emergency Flight with surgical unit from Kotzebue (11/20/36) T 5. BS. Great historic item. F+. R = \$11.00.
- 170. Sitka (3/1/38) T23. First day cancel and cachet for the dedication of the new Federal Building Post Office in Sitka. F+. R = \$10.00.
- 171. Sleetmute (9/2/31) T2 on cover. F. R = \$4.00.
- 172. Sleetmute 5/17/43) T1. EAMC (patriotic cachet) to Goodnews Bay (6/17/43) T1 cancel on cover face. Fairbanks (6/26/43) T21 BS. F. R = \$4.25.
- 173. South Naknek (6/26/58) T3 on cover. VF.
- 174. Stebbins (2/1/50) T1. Airmail Gov. PC. VF.
- 175. Sterling (6/24/58) T2 on cover. VF.
- 176. Sumdum (7/13/30) T2 DPO. Nonphilatelic cover. F+. R = \$19.00.
- 177. Taku Harbor (8/27/31) T1, DPO on cover. VF. R = \$8.00.
- 178. Tanana (12/25/11) T3 (later than listed). Metlakatla PC. F. R = \$32.50.
- 179. Tanana (6/8/13) T4. Fort Gibbon Weare & Tanana postcard. F. R = \$8.50.
- 180. Telegraph Creek, BC (8/8/61) Registered cover to Wrangell (8/16/61) BS. Great Hudson's Bay Co. Flag cachet on C-10 env. F+. R = \$8.00.



Lot 180

- 181. Tenakee Springs (8/22/61) 4BC on Snyder Mercantile cover. VF. R = \$1.75.
- 182. Tok Junction (10/17/57) T1, DPO. Gov. PC. VF.
- 183. Tonsina (3/23/10) T2, DPO. Great Pinegrove CA Doane receiving cancel on PC. F. R = \$100.00.
- 184. Treadwell (8/14/08) T1, DPO. Floral postcard. F. R = \$9.00.
- 185. Tuluksak (2/16/50) T1, DPO. Gov. PC, PMS. FD of PO. F+. R = \$4.00.
- 186. Tununak (6/10/50) T2. Gov PC. F.
- 187. Tyonek (10/21/57) T1 on nonphilatelic cover. F.
- 188. Ugashik (7/3/46) T2, DPO on cover. F+. R = \$2.00.
- 189. Ugashik (10/23/57) T4, DPO. Swollen cancel, Gov. PC. F+. R = \$2.00.

- 190. Unalaska (9/9/35) T11. Totem PC. F. R = \$3.00.
- 191. Unalaska (8/11/45) T12, later than listed usage! Censored, airmail cover. F. R = \$5.00.
- 192. Uyak (3/8/11) T2, DPO on cover F. (corner pull, lower right). R = \$42.50.
- 193. Venetie (3/5/44) T1 on cover. VF. R = \$2.00.
- 194. Venetie (11/14/75) 4BC. Alyeska Pump St. # 6 sticker as cachet. F.
- 195. White Mountain (7/15/56) T1 on cover F. R = \$1.25.
- 196. Windham (7/25/42) T3, DPO. Registered, censored, airmail cover to Jamaica (8/3/42) BS. F+. R = \$22.00.



Lot 196

- 197. Windham (3/10/49) T3, DPO. Plain PC. F. R = \$2.75.
- 198. Wiseman (2/17/42) T2, DPO. Registered cover, Anchorage (2/24/42) T10, BS. Great franking with an 18-cent Prexie. F+. R = \$15.00.
- 199. APO 729 (12/5/44) 4BC {Shemya Island}. Airmail cover. F+. R = \$3.50.
- 200. APO 729 (8/21/45) 4BC {Shemya Island}. Free frank, great patriotic cachet. F. R = \$3.50.
- 201. APO 980 (12/5/44) 4BC {Adak}. Free frank, great aviation, national defense cachet. F. R = \$3.50.
- 202. APO 980 (12/28/45) MC {Adak}. Censored free frank cover, nice "guns and swords" patriotic cachet. VF. R = \$4.00.
- 203. APO 986 (1/27/45) MC {Kiska}. Censored free frank cover, nice "from idle words big bombs grow" patriotic cachet. F+. R = \$5.00.
- 204. Super, unused aluminum postcard. 1900-1915 era, showing Ano-Tlosh, Head Chief of the Taku Tribe. VF. R = \$37.50.
- 205. Postmarked Alaska. A great hardbound copy of Joseph Cavagnol's 1957 book on Alaskan postal history. A great collectors item. VF. R = \$27.50.

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