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The Alaska Highway is Born

Since the early 20th century various schemes were considered for the construction of roads, trails or railways to link the Yukon, northern British Columbia and Alaska to the "outside." These schemes were motivated by economic interests, including mining, lumber and tourism concerns. During the 1920s and 1930s a small but vocal group of "builders" began to campaign for a highway, either a coastal or inland route, to improve the northwest's economic base.

With the impending threat of war in the late 1930s, there was an increasing awareness by the American and Canadian governments of the vulnerability of the Pacific Coast to both air and sea attacks by "unfriendly" nations. In 1939, the Northwest Staging Route (NWSR) was surveyed by the Canadian Department of Transportation with the view towards improving the existing airfields for year round use between Edmonton and Fairbanks, and meeting increasing military needs.

The unexpected bombing of Pearl Harbour in December 1941 stimulated interest in the construction of the Alaska Highway by the American government. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers selected a route based on the location of the NWSR airfields and the military needs for an alternative land route to Alaska for defence purposes. The military was not interested in developing or planning a highway for the civilian needs of the future.

The chosen route ran from Edmonton to Whitehorse, then on to Fairbanks. The U.S. Army and U.S. Public Roads Administration (PRA) roughed out a "pioneer" road in eight months in 1942; the PRA then hired civilian contractors who improved the highway in 1943 and 1944.

During this time the Americans grew increasingly concerned over the lack of petroleum available in the north and the submarine threat to oil tankers transporting fuel on the Pacific Ocean. Thus the Canol project was developed to ensure a continuing supply of petroleum to meet military needs. The end result of the Canol project was a pipeline and road network transporting oil from Norman Wells on the Mackenzie River, Northwest Territories, to Whitehorse, Watson Lake and Fairbanks.

The military need for the Alaska Highway and Canol pipeline declined at the end of World War II. In 1946, Canada officially accepted responsibility for maintaining and developing the Yukon portion of the Alaska Highway.

The Alaska Highway affected both First Nations and non-First Nations peoples immediately. The impacts included an increased awareness of the world outside of the Yukon, imported ideas and technology, improved health care, highway transportation, telecommunications, and the development of more mining and tourist-related industries.
About this Bibliography

Yukon Archives has collected a wealth of original documentation on the planning, construction and socio-economic impacts of the Alaska Highway. This bibliography presents an overview of this collection.

This bibliography has been arranged into seven general themes: historical background, military and civilian governance, personal narratives, photographs and pictorial works, socio-economic impacts, special events and the Canol project. Within these subject areas full bibliographical descriptions are divided by type of material. Subject and author/fonds/collection indexes provide further aid in finding specific material.

Various types of material are included in the bibliography:

• Books — published material;
• Corporate Records — records of various businesses, organizations and associations;
• Government Records — records of the governments of Yukon, Canada and the United States;
• Manuscripts — private papers of individuals and families, including diaries, correspondence and scrapbooks;
• Maps and Plans — original diagrams, maps and sketches;
• Pamphlets — excerpts from journals and magazines, published promotional literature, poetry, and special events souvenirs (menus, invitations and opening ceremony programs);
• Photographs — photographs taken by private individuals and professionals;
• Posters — promotional materials, bills, broadsides and placards;
• Sound Recordings — oral history recordings, radio broadcasts and conference proceedings; and
• Videos — home movies, professional documentary films and videotapes.
1. Historical background

An accident on the Alaska Highway, 1943.
Yukon Archives, W.J. Hamilton fonds, 93/03, PHO 437, #5.
1. Historical background

1.1 Description and travel

Although the Alaska Highway's utility for military defence was questionable, the road was well travelled. In 1943 alone, approximately 17,000 government, civilian and commercial vehicles used the highway. This number could not begin to equal the vast amount of civilian traffic that began even before the war ended. Personal accounts of the "adventure road" were published as early as 1944. Descriptive accounts of travelling the highway are listed below.

BOOKS

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    [Whitehorse, Yukon: PR Services Ltd.,] 1990–
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17. Stewart, George R. *Looking North, Looking South: N.A.1, the North-South Continental Highway.*
    Location: 971.21 St

    Denver: F.W. Taber, 1958 (c).
    Location: 917.98 Tab

19. Tourism North, Northern British Columbia Tourism Association, Alaska Travel Industry Association and Yukon Department of Tourism. *North To Alaska.* Victoria, B.C: Tourism North, 1990–
    Location: 917.980 4 North
    Note: Yukon Archives Library has 1990– (ongoing subscription).

    Location: 917.191 043 Nor

    Location: 917.191 043 Nor 1957

    Location: 917.19 Whi 1959 (Coutts Library)
    Note: Also found at Coutts Library 917.19 Whi 1958, Hammond & Co., London.

    Location: 917.19 Wil

MANUSCRIPTS

    Note: This is a paper titled “Don’t Expect Champagne or Truffles: an Introduction to Early Travel on the Alaska Highway” that was delivered by Helene Dobrowolsky and Rob Ingram as part of the Yukon Historical and Museums Association/MacBride Museum Lecture Series.

    Note: Newspaper clippings, correspondence, invitations, menu and personal notes pertaining to the construction of the Alaska Highway.

    Note: Consists of clippings files of articles, reports and photographs.

    Note: Consists of “Yukon Travel Tapes” and history of Yukon roads.
MAPS


   Note: Official road map produced by the American Automobile Association.

   Note: Published by B.C. Travel Bureau.

PAMPHLETS

   Location PAM 1967-0009

    Location PAM 1945-0061

34. Some Facts Concerning the Region of the Alaska Highway. [S.l: S.n.], 1944.
    Location PAM 1944-0046

35. Travel Along the Scenic Route: To and From the Mackenzie, Hart and Alaska Highways and the Peace.[S.l. S.n., 1961].
    Location PAM 1961-0038

    Location PAM ND-0386

    Location PAM 1991-0071

    Location PAM 1944-0028C

    Location PAM 1956-0039

    Location PAM 1945-0003

    Location PAM 1964-0064

    Location PAM 1989-0302

    Location PAM 1952-0001

    Location PAM 1988-0046
   Note: Accompanied by a sound recording entitled "From Trail to Highway" (SR 117) which provides a sound picture to the places and people along the Whitehorse, Yukon to Haines, Alaska corridor.

    Location PAM 1949-0008

    Location PAM 1989-0236

    Location PAM 1993-0197 oversize

    Location PAM 1975-0272
   Location PAM 1962-0085
   Note: Also found at: PAM 1973-182C and 1975-272C.

   Location PAM 1955-0026

   Location PAM 1946-0008C

   Location PAM 1952-0049

   Location PAM 2001-0056

   Location PAM 1991-0183

   Location PAM 1950-0006

   Location PAM 1992-0214

   Location PAM 1969-0009C

   Location PAM 1966-0045

   Location Periodical

   Location PAM 1950-0001

   Location PAM 1949-0039

   Location PAM ND-0426
   Note: Later edition found at PAM ND-427.

   Location PAM 1982-0214

   Location PAM 1951-0006
   Note: Later edition available at PAM 1953-013C.

   Location PAM 1963-0009

   Location Newspapers
   Note: Editorial supplement to the Yukon News, June 18, 1982.

   Location PAM 1991-0070
PAMPHLETS continued

   Location PAM 1992-0043

   Location PAM 1988-0082

VIDEO

70. Adventure to... The Alaskan Highway, Video V-273, 1991.
   Note: Film by Dan and Alice Findley of a family vacation from Dawson Creek, B.C., to Fairbanks, Alaska. Denali National Park and Dawson City are also shown. Detailed listing sheets are available.

   Note: Commercial video featuring wildlife that can be seen along the Alaska Highway. A brief history of the highway is also given with emphasis on its effect on wildlife. Detailed listing sheets are available.

72. Alaska or Bust, Video V-007 (84/90), 1984.
   Note: A video recording of a travelogue along the Alaska Highway from Whitehorse, Yukon to Fairbanks, Alaska, produced by Ted and Judith Hayes. Detailed listing sheets are available.

73. Discover Canada’s Yukon, Video V-082 (84/96), 1979.
   Note: This film shows scenes of Dawson City, Whitehorse, Carcross, Fox Lake, Five Finger Rapids and the Alaska Highway. Detailed listing sheets are available.

   Note: Highlights attractions in the Yukon, including the Alaska Highway, dog mushing, the Chilkoot Trail, the White Pass and Yukon Route, the S.S. Klondike, Miles Canyon and placer mining.

75. Black, George fonds. Lake Louise to Lac Beaupre and Scenes from the Yukon, Video V-004-5 and Film 16-84 (81/15) Film 8, ca. 1940s and 1950s.
   Note: Home movies showing scenes outside of Yukon and within the Yukon. Yukon content includes scenes along the Alaska Highway, the Peace River Bridge and other bridges, mileposts, U.S. Army trucks, a Northern Scenic Express bus, and the Alaska Highway Express building, interspersed with views of scenery, vegetation, wildlife, and George Black fishing. Detailed listing sheets are available.

76. Black, George fonds. North American Journey, Video V-004-4 and Film 16-83 (81/15) Film 7, ca. 1940s and 1950s.
   Note: Home movies showing scenes outside of Yukon and within the Yukon. Yukon content includes a panorama of Whitehorse including the old U.S. Army barracks, camping trips, wildlife and scenery. Detailed listing sheets are available.

77. Black, George fonds. Yukon and Ontario Snapshots, Video V-005-1 and Film 16-85 (81/15) Film 9, ca. 1940s and 1950s.
   Note: Home movies showing scenes outside of Yukon and within the Yukon. Scenes include views of Alaska Highway bridges, Muncho Lake, Johnson’s Crossing bridge, Upper Liard bridge and scenery. Detailed listing sheets are available.

   Note: V-638 depicts a driving trip by four people in a Packard along the Alaska Highway (1942). V-639 possibly documents flights along the Yukon Southern Air Transport route and was taken from the air while flying in a Barkley-Grow. Detailed listing sheets are available.

79. Thompson, Bill fonds. Video V-080-3 and Film 8-13-8 (79/125) Film 8, ca. 1949.
   Note: Car trip along Haines Road including scenes from Haines Junction. Detailed listing sheets are available.

80. Thompson, Bill fonds. Video V-080-4 and Film 8-13-10 (79/125) Film 10, ca. 1949.
   Note: Car trip along Klucke Lake. Detailed listing sheets are available.

81. Thompson, Bill fonds. Video V-080-2 and Film 8-13-7 (79/125) Film 7, ca. 1949.
   Note: Car trip along Alaska Highway including scenes from Watson Lake, Yukon and Dawson Creek, B.C. Detailed listing sheets are available.

82. Thompson, Bill fonds. Video V-080-14 and Film 8-13-22 (79/125) Film 22, ca. 1949.
   Note: Car trip along Haines Road. Detailed listing sheets are available.
There are always materials that defy classification by subject or type. They are grouped here into an “ephemera” section. As the Alaska Highway became part of the Yukon Territory its presence was celebrated in humorous cartoons, menus, poetry, posters, etc., citations for which are found below.


   Note: Clippings on the Alaska Highway.

85. United States. Army. Corps of Engineers. 18th Regiment, COR 001 (82/250), 1976.
   Note: Includes newspaper clipping and two bumper stickers Advertising the fourth reunion of the 18th Engineers to be held August 5–12, 1976 in Alaska and August 13–15th, 1976 in Seattle. Also includes a photocopy of a photograph identifying some of the 18th Engineers at Donjek River in August of 1942.

86. Amos, Donald fonds, In-process material 3/8/3 (92/46), 1941–1948.
   Note: Reverend Donald Amos, known as “Parka Padre” of the Alcan, served as minister to the construction workers and soldiers building the Alaska Highway in 1943. This collection includes 96 hand painted slides and a scrapbook with photographs, letters, newspaper clippings, booklets, etc.

87. Duffy, Donald fonds, MSS 080 (82/474), 1942–1943.
   Note: A scrapbook compiled by Donald Duffy including newspaper clippings, pamphlets, photographs, menus, stickers, tags, maps, greeting cards, matchbook covers, receipts, poetry and pressed flowers.

   Note: Correspondence regarding MacBride Museum Alaska Highway displays.

89. Fraser, Donald fonds, MSS 249 (98/31), ca. 1940s.
   Note: Autographed Alaska Highway booklet.

90. Freeman, Margaret fonds, MSS 271 (98/48), 1942–1945.
   Note: Includes a copy of *Bulldozer Bulletin* and a report titled “Alcan: America’s Glory Road.”

91. Hamel, Charles collection, MSS 227 (91/14), ca. 1942.
   Note: Father Charles Hamel was a Roman Catholic priest. The collection consists of copies of letters, menus, an invitation, autographs, a dedication ribbon, and a U.S. Congressional Record from the dedication ceremony of the Alaska Highway in 1942.

   Note: Frank Hamilton was a Royal Canadian Air Force pilot based in Whitehorse in the late 1940s.

93. Harvey, B.G. fonds, MSS 001 (82/33), 1940–1946.
   Note: Agenda of the ceremony transferring the Alaska Highway to the Canadian Government.

   Note: Includes Alaska Highway registration cards and a letter of employment.

   Note: Troy Hise wrote these poems about the Alaska Highway in 1943 while he was working on the Alaska Highway and when he returned north in 1992 for Rendezvous ‘92.

96. MacBride Museum collection, MSS 122 (82/29), 1942.
   Note: Letter describing the opening of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Magazine and newspaper articles about the construction of the Alaska Highway.

98. Minter, Roy S. fonds, MSS 004 (82/83), 1956.
   Note: A radio play called “The Highway” which was aired in the Yukon.

   Note: Contains a poem, liquor and driving permits and employment cards.

   Note: Includes applications, licenses, permits, a menu, an issue of “Northern Newscast,” and an “Order of Alaska Cheechacos” certificate.

   Note: Scrapbook containing newspaper and periodical articles dealing with the construction of the Alaska Highway.
Note: Includes a poem about the 18th Engineers Regiment, a menu for the turnover ceremony, stationery, envelopes and photocopies of greeting cards.

103. Suprise, Delphus fonds, MSS 122 (82/458), 1942–1944.
Note: A poem and an Alaska Highway Travel Control Permit.

Note: Stationery featuring a small map of the Alaska Highway.

Note: Includes newspaper clippings regarding the Alaska Highway.

Note: This file is a draft of Chapter 3 "The Establishment of Alaska Highway Schools" by Betty Kennedy for a book entitled Schooling on a Distant Frontier: Yukon's Educational Heritage.

PAMPHLETS

Location PAM 1992-0093

Location PAM ND-1411 oversize

Location PAM 1992-0025

Location PAM 1943-0029
Note: A map of the highway route.

111. Canol Project Refinery Dedication, Whitehorse Motor Trip, 10:00 a.m., 30 April, 1944. [Whitehorse, Yukon: S.n.], 1944.
Location PAM 1944-0021

Location PAM ND-0200
PAMPHLETS continued

122. Canadian Postal Archives. Yukon Territory, the Highway Near Kluane Lake. [Ottawa: Canadian Postal Archives], 1982.  
   Location PAM 1982-036  
   Note: Includes background detail on the A.Y. Jackson stamp based on his original artwork "The Highway Near Kluane Lake," dated 1943.

   Location PAM 1992-0278

   Location 811.54 Hise

   Location PAM 1994-0296

   Location PAM 1996-0341

   Location PAM 1943-0024C  
   Note: Poetry about the Alaska Highway.

   Location PAM 1992-0116

   Location PAM ND-0579

   Location PAM ND-0959

   Location PAM ND–1901

   Location PAM 1944-0027  
   Note: Poetry on the Alaska Highway.

   Location PAM 1974-189C

   Location PAM 1943-0035  
   Note: A greeting card.

135. McLeod, Murdoch. Verses on the Alaska Highway. [Richmond, B.C.]: M. McLeod, [n. d.].  
   Location PAM ND-0537

   Location PAM 1967-0103C  
   Note: A decal and souvenir booklet for the 25th anniversary (1967) of the building of the Alaska Highway.

   Location PAM 1976-0106C

   Location PAM 1992-0277

   Location PAM 1993-0342

   Location PAM ND-0001

   Location PAM 1992-0541  
   Note: Photographs are of members of the U.S. 95th Engineer Regiment and were taken by Capt. Solomon Gosman, 1942.
   - Location: PAM 1942-0026
   - Note: Christmas card.

   - Location: PAM 1976-119C
   - Note: Cartoons on traveling the Alaska Highway.

   - Location: PAM 1992-0331

   - Location: PAM 1992-0022

   - Location: PAM 1992-0243

   - Location: PAM 1992-0026

   - Location: PAM 1992-0293

   - Note: A poem about the Alaska Highway written on cloth.

150. The Kee-Bird, Poster P-521, [1944].
   - Note: A poster containing a poem entitled the "Kee-Bird," including an illustration of the bird.

151. Seagram's V.O. Salutes the Alaska Highway 50 Years, Poster P-462, [1992].
   - Note: A commemorative calendar created by the Seagram's company in honour of the anniversary of the Alaska Highway. It was a free promotional item at Yukon liquor stores.

152. Trolley Line on the Alcan Highway, Poster P-522, [1944].
   - Note: A poster depicting a man walking to an outhouse in a snowstorm holding a line. Most likely it was drawn during the construction of the Alaska Highway.

   - Note: A cartoon poster depicting Whitehorse and the Yukon drawn during the construction of the Alaska Highway.

   - Note: A placemat with a small diagram of the highways in the Yukon and pictures of sites along the Alaska and Klondike highways, including a brief description of the Klondike and Alaska highways. Compliments of the Yukon's Chevron dealers and produced by White Pass and Yukon Route.
1.3 General

The building of the Alaska Highway in 1942–1943 was a huge project with wide-ranging effects on the north. The scope was so large that only a few sources discuss all aspects of it. The following provide an overview of the entire project.

Books

Location PAM 1943-0048

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Location 388.12 DIAND 1967

Location PAM 1976-0294

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186. Hewes, Agnes Danforth. *A Hundred Bridges to Go*. Dodd, Mead, 1950. Location Fiction He


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   Location 910.25 CNTel 1963–1967
   Note: “This directory is published for and made available by Canadian National Telecommunications owners and operators of Telegraph and Telephone Service along the Alaska Highway including Dawson, Mayo, Keno, Elsa, Calumet and Carmacks.”

   Location 910.25 CNTele 1968–1978
   Note: “This directory is published for and made available by Canadian National Telecommunications owners and operators of Telegraph and Telephone Service along the Alaska Highway and throughout the Yukon.”

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   Location 917.19 Rich 1998
   Note: Text in German.

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   Location 557 M50
   Note: Also found at Courts Library 552.097 191 Sab (1973 edition)

BOOKS continued

   Location Fiction F Skidd

   Location 940.544 379 9 Smith

   Location 917.191 043 Stone

   Location Ref 388.1 Storm 1987

   Location 910.25 White 1960–1971
   Note: “Including subdivisions of Riverdale, Hillcrest, Valleyview, Takini, Crestview and Porter Creek, industrial areas north of the city; the Alaska Highway from Mile 903 to Mile 925.”

   Location 917.980 4 Ala (Coutts Library)

   Location 526 Tho vol. 3

   Location 741.597 1 Thors

   Location 341.42 Tyn

   Location 979.8 USA 1965 (Coutts Library)
BOOKS continued


GOVERNMENT RECORDS

238. Canada. Northern Affairs Program. Northwest Territories and Yukon Branch records. Microfilm MF 94, ca. 1940s and 1950s. Note: This microfilm contains RG 85, Series C.1.A which includes records from the Central Registry of the NWT and Yukon Branch. Information includes circulars, permits re: travel on the Alaska Highway, documents pertaining to construction/maintenance camps along the highway, accident reports, progress reports and correspondence.


MANUSCRIPTS


245. Lotz, Jim fonds, MSS 017 (82/189), ca. 1962–1966. Note: Research notes made during Jim Lotz's research for the book Northern Realities, the Future of Northern Development in Canada.
MANUSCRIPTS continued

   Note: A pamphlet titled "The Alaska Highway: A Saga of the North." Written on the pages
   of this pamphlet are autographs and notes to Sybil Milligan by her colleagues.

   Note: Clare Stark was a geography student at Yukon College 1979–1980 and wrote this
   term paper (The Canol Pipeline: Origins and Construction) for her Geography 309 class.

MAPS continued

248. Two Maps Showing Land Lot 337 and 338, Group 804 Located on the Alaska Highway - Mayo Turnoff,
   Note: Maps are annotated.

   Note: Map entitled as follows: Side 1- Klondike Trail: Alaska Highway, full length;
   Side 2 - Klondike Trail: Alaska Highway, Whitehorse section.

250. Alaska, Map H-0715, ca. 1943.
   Note: Map of Alaska and British Columbia showing the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Road map of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Map documents lots along the Alaska Highway from mile 909 to 913.

253. MacRae, Yukon Territory, East Half, Map R-406, 1949.
   Note: Topographical map of the MacRae area.

254. Map of the Alaska Highway, Mundy's Pocket Map of Northwest Canada and Part of Alaska, Map H-0519,
   1943.

255. Map of Whitehorse on Lewes River: Major Features Include Alaska Highway, Airport, Upper Tank Farm,
   Refinery, 2 Mile Road and WP&YR Railroad, Annotated Features: Whitehorse Rapids, old Rodeo Road,
   Police Road Admin., Bulben Quinnet (sic) and Nissan NS., Map F-134, 1950.

   Note: Folder with 12 panels.

PAMPHLETS

   Note: Included in the booklet are the following maps: Map A - Index; Map B: The Great
   Land of Alaska; Map C: Access Routes to Alaska Highway; Map D: Along the Alaska
   Highway.

   Note: Contains Map A - 1967; Map B - 1968, two copies; Map C - 1975.
Location PAM 1943-0021

Location PAM 1990-0254

Location PAM 1992-0313

Location PAM 1941-0020

Location PAM 1953-0056

Location PAM 1942-0035

Location PAM 1944-0036

Location PAM 1943-0056

Location PAM 1944-0010

Location PAM 1955-0028

Location PAM 1977-0209

Location PAM 1999-0255

Location PAM 1991-0148

Location PAM 1986-0186

Location PAM 1992-0362

Location PAM 1949-0038

Location PAM 1945-0039

Location PAM 1945-0035C

Location PAM 1944-0029

Location PAM 1992-0107

Location PAM ND-0402

Location PAM 1945-0040


SOUND RECORDINGS

304. CBC Yukon fonds, 1942–1995. Note: The CBC Yukon fonds contains sound recordings documenting Yukon and northern-related issues over a 50-year period. The CBC database at Yukon Archives has a full listing and location details of the sound recordings related to the Alaska Highway.


306. Yukon Archives fonds, SR 017 (1) side A (88/64R), 1975. Yukon Potpourri. Note: A sound recording made by the Yukon Archives as part of the Yukon Potpourri series. Al Wright gives a chronological account of the construction, etc. of Yukon roads from 1899 to 1975, highlighting the Alaska Highway, Mayo Road, Haines Road, Robert Campbell Highway, Skagway Road and Dempster Highway.
SOUND RECORDINGS continued

   Alaska Highway Symposium.

VIDEO

   Note: This video uses historical films, photographs and contemporary interviews to trace the birth, growth and development of the Alaska Highway into an all weather link between remote northern communities. Includes interviews with Jimmy Quong and Charlie Taylor. Charlie Taylor talks about the Black soldiers who built the highway between Jake’s Corner and Carcross. Jimmy Quong speaks about modern-day permafrost problems.

   Note: Includes footage used in the production of documentary films on the Alaska Highway and a 1995 Alaska Highway promo tape. Consult inventory list at Yukon Archives for locations specific to the Alaska Highway.

310. WHTV. We Asked Why, Video V-014, ca. 1970s.
   Note: Pantomime by Carcross players, Beth Mulloy and Sheila Langston, about the history of the Yukon native people and the impact of the arrival of the white man with the gold rush, World War II and the Alaska Highway. Also includes footage of the Northern Comfort Fiddle Band.

1.4 Information Services

Tourism played an important role in the Yukon Territory's economy as the Alaska Highway became known throughout North America. Those seeking the "last frontier" could now drive their own vehicles. When civilian and government groups began offering tourist services along the route, promotion of the highway and tourist services began in earnest. Today, tourism makes up a significant portion of the Yukon Territory's economy.

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PAMPHLETS

   Location PAM 1945-0048

   Location PAM 1954-0032
   Note: Also found at PAM 1954-0037 (slightly different version).

   Location PAM 1954-0036

   Location PAM 1950-0001
1.5 Law

This section includes legal documents and legislation concerning the building and development of the highway.

GOVERNMENT RECORDS

   Note: Microfilm of records from National Defence RG 24 related to the Northwest Command Headquarters, Yukon, RCAF Stations and Staging Units, 1942–1964.

   Note: These accessions contain microfilm reels selected from the Privy Council records at the Library and Archives Canada in Ottawa. Records containing some of the decisions made at the national level about the Alaska Highway are included.


PAMPHLETS

   Location PAM 1976-0153

   Location PAM 1943-0037

   Location PAM 1942-0029

   Location PAM 1976-0120C

   Location PAM 1934-0014

   Location PAM 1929-0012
Army bell tents set up in a cleared area near Edish Creek, 1942.
Yukon Archives. R.A. Carter fonds, #1532.
2. Military and Civilian Governance

2.1 Design and Construction

Between March and November 1942, a pioneer road was completed from Dawson Creek, British Columbia to Delta, Alaska by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the U.S. Public Roads Administration (PRA). Construction continued until the end of 1944 as the PRA and many civilian construction companies developed the pioneer road into a 26-foot-wide “all-weather gravel surfaced road.” Those working on the construction had to endure insects, extremes of cold and heat and other inconveniences as well as deal with the engineering problems caused by ice and permafrost, muskeg bogs and unpredictable streams and rivers. The following list of references reflects some of the concerns, hardships and successes of the construction period.

BOOKS

Location 940.537 19 Thre
Note: Papers presented at the Alaska Highway 50th Anniversary Commemorative Symposium, Edmonton 1996.

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BOOKS continued


GOVERNMENT RECORDS


MAPS continued

350. Yukon, Department of Community and Transportation Services. Map Cabinet 10 (Drawer 3) (95/97), ca. 1950s. Note: Plans documenting the reconstruction of the Alaska Highway in the 1950s. Some of the records were originally created by Canada, Public Works, but were transferred to the Yukon Government when responsibility for the maintenance of the Alaska Highway was turned over to it.

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351. Horback, Helen fonds, MSS 125 (81/6), 1933. Note: Correspondence regarding U.S. soldiers working on the Alaska Highway.


354. Twichell, Heath, Sr. collection, MSS 122 (82/546), 1941–1943. Note: Photocopies of letters written by Heath Twichell to his wife and family while he worked on the construction of the Alaska Highway with the U.S. Corps of Engineers.

355. Williams, G.M. collection, MSS 366 (2005/28), ca. 1943–1945. Note: G.M. Williams worked as the Senior Bridge Engineer in the U.S. Public Roads Administration, Bridge Department. This collection contains some reports, a diary, and various maps, plans, blueprints and personnel organizational charts relating to the Alaska Highway.


357. Wright, Allen fonds, MSS 131 (83/21) f. 2, 1983. Note: Contains research and reference files compiled by Allen Wright. The finding aid at Yukon Archives has specific file numbers.
PAMPHLETS

   Location: PAM 1943-0034
   Note: Special issue on the Alaska Highway.

   Location: PAM 1943-0030C

   Location: PAM 1943-0025C

   Location: PAM 1952-0028

   Location: PAM 1943-0034

   Location: PAM 1944-0017C

   Location: PAM 1974-0024

   Location: PAM 1975-0300

   Location: PAM 1944-0014

   Location: PAM 1942-0010

   Location: PAM 1945-0008

   Location: PAM 1943-0031

   Location: PAM 1944-0018

   Location: PAM 1943-0034

   Location: PAM 1943-0012C

   Location: PAM 1942-0002

   Location: PAM 1943-0014

   Location: PAM 1944-0003

   Location: PAM 1956-0010

   Location: PAM 1945-0012

   Location: PAM 1945-0047

   Location: PAM 1943-0011
SOUND RECORDINGS

Note: An audio-cassette made by Phillip Neal to accompany a slide show he created documenting his time in the Yukon during the construction of the Alaska Highway. Slides located at PHO 437 (93/9R).

VIDEO

Note: Comprehensive look at the building of the Alaska Highway. Detailed listing sheets are available.

Note: Traces the history of the Alaska Highway using contemporary footage, the original U.S. Army Signal Corps movie, rare original footage, interviews and still photographs.

Note: Reverend Amos was known as the “Parka Padre” of the Alcan and served as minister to the construction workers and soldiers building the Alaska Highway in 1943. The Amos fonds includes a video cassette of 96 glass slides taken by Rev. Amos and hand painted by the United Church Home Office with accompanying soundtrack narration. Also included are three videocassette copies of five films taken or collected by Rev. Amos of the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1943. Three of the films were made by R.M. Smith. Detailed listing sheets are available.

384. Birnbaum, Fred collection. Video V-116-5 (87/91) Film 5, ca. 1940s.
Note: Home movie of army life in and around Watson Lake, Yukon and possibly the Northwest Territories. Scenes include recreational outings to Watson Lake, army buildings and camp scenes, as well as road construction equipment and scenic shots. Detailed listing sheets are available.

385. Birnbaum, Fred collection. Video V-116-1 (87/91) Film 1, ca. 1940s.
Note: Home movie of army life in and around Watson Lake, Yukon. Scenes include: The military base and equipment, soldiers relaxing and shots of Watson Lake. Detailed listing sheets are available.

386. Birnbaum, Fred collection. Video V-116-4 (87/91) Film 4, ca. 1940s.
Note: Home movie of army life in and around Whitehorse, Watson Lake and Milepost 308 in the Northwest Territories. Scenes include: downtown Whitehorse, Watson Lake aerodrome and signpost, an army ambulance and a variety of outdoor recreation scenes. Detailed listing sheets are available.

387. Birnbaum, Fred collection. Video V-116-2 (87/91) Film 2, ca. 1940s.
Note: Home movie of army life during construction of the Alaska Highway. Detailed listing sheets are available.

388. Birnbaum, Fred collection. Video V-116-3 (87/91) Film 3, ca. 1940s.
Note: Home movie of army life in and around Watson Lake and near Whitehorse. In addition there are scenes of Alaska and New York City (taken while on furlough). Detailed listing sheets are available.

Note: Some footage of U.S. Army Engineers constructing bridges and clearing land. Detailed listing sheets are available.

Note: Dr. Devries was an American stationed in Whitehorse during the construction of the Alaska Highway. Scenes of construction, military personnel and vehicles, a house fire in Whitehorse, dog teams and aerial shots. Detailed listing sheets are available.

Note: Chronicles the building of the Alaska Highway by U.S. Army troops and by Canadian and American contractors.

Note: Depicts life working on the construction of the Alaska Highway. Russell Gentleman worked in the Yukon for the Northwest Service Command for three years.

Note: Harry Hathhorn was a civilian employee and later an army inductee during the building of the Alaska Highway.

Note: Documents Phillip Neal’s activities during the construction of the Alaska Highway from Fort Nelson, B.C. to Whitehorse, Yukon. Scenes includes bridge construction, skiing at Whitehorse, a lead-lease airplane, the Canol Road and drilling at Norman Wells.

Note: Scenes include Alaska Highway camps and roadwork. Detailed listing sheets are available.
The problems of the Alaska Highway did not end with the completion of construction. Severe maintenance difficulties continued to plague the highway and still do today. Dust in summer, icing in winter, flooding in spring; these are some of the challenges that have been met by the maintenance crews.

In 1946 maintenance responsibilities were passed to the Canadian Army. In 1964 they were transferred to the federal Department of Public Works. In 1972 maintenance responsibilities were transferred to the Yukon Government, where they remain today.

The following sources detail the challenges of maintaining the Alaska Highway.

**BOOKS**


422. Yukon, Transportation Planning and Programming. *Yukon Traffic Count Summary.* Whitehorse, Yukon: Transportation Planning and Programming, 1999–. Location: 388.097 1 YTCS


**CORPORATE RECORDS**


Note: File list is available. Relevant files include Alaska Highway: Maintenance and repair, Pavements: Alaska Highway and Road: Yukon Territory.

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Note: Consult the finding aid for this accession in the Yukon Archives Reference Room or on the Yukon Archives website at www.yukonarchives.ca.


Note: Information package entitled “Whitehorse Highway Maintenance Establishment, Fire Orders” detailing how to prevent fires in army establishments.


428. Yukon Government. Alaska Highway (YRG 1, Series 1, Central Registry Files, Volume 70), GOV 1680 f. 21 pr. 3, 4, 1944–1946.

429. Yukon Government. Alaska Highway, General Correspondence (YRG 1, Series 1, Central Registry Files, Volume 8), GOV 1614 f. 466 pr. 3A, 3B, 3C, 1945–1949.


Note: Survey signage on Alaska Highway from mile 872 to mile 1221 in 1958.


Note: Files includes information on “Loads: Excess” and “Highways: Yukon Territory.”


Note: Correspondence and reports relating to the turnover of the Alaska Highway from federal to territorial responsibility. Includes information on the transfer of staff, housing, office space, equipment, road machinery, etc.

**MAPS**

434. Alaska Highway Maintenance Activities, Map F-002, 1944.


Note: Blue line prints of the highway from milepost 897 to 946.9.


437. N.T.S. map 115 B + C with Annotations Concerning the Alaska Highway and Its Impact on the Kluane Region, Map H-1315.


Note: The Archival Description Database, available online and at Yukon Archives, has a detailed list of these maps.


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Note: Map shows some “Proposed revisions to the Alaska Highway.”


PAMPHLETS

Location PAM 1967-0062

Location PAM 1952-0016

Location PAM 1953-0037

Location PAM 1944-0045

Location PAM 1948-0041

Location PAM 1962-0019

Location PAM 1986-0282

Location PAM 1963-0063 oversize

Location PAM 1945-0006

Location PAM 1954-0016

Location PAM 1977-0157

PAMPHLETS continued

Location PAM 1954-0013

Location PAM 1979-0412

Location PAM 1963-0016
2.3 Planning

Planning the highway that would link Alaska to the “lower 48” states began in the 1920s and 1930s. Three routes were considered, none of which were the choice eventually favoured by the U.S. Army. The project was initially considered by the Permanent Joint Board on Defense, which unanimously agreed that its military value was "negligible." The bombing of Pearl Harbour in December 1941 brought the United States into the war, however, and the need for a land link to Alaska gained in importance.

In mid-March 1942, Canada and the United States signed a formal agreement for the building of the Alaska Highway. By this time the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers had surveyed routes and soldiers had already arrived to begin construction.

Some of the items which are relevant to the planning and surveying period are listed below:

**BOOKS**

   Location 388.1 Ala
   Note: Also found at 388.1 Alaska 1982 no. 1.

   Location 625.7 BCY AHC 1940

   Location 971.903 Inuk

   Location 388.1 Alaska 1982 no. 14

   Location 388.1 Ala
   Note: Also found at 388.1 Alaska 1982 no. 16.

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   Location 388.1 Ala
   Note: Also found at 388.1 Alaska 1982 no. 18.

   Location 971.2 Ala (3 vols)

   Location 388.11 USA

   Location 385.097 191 USCE
   Note: Yukon Archives’ copy lacks Appendices “D” to “G,” plans and profiles for British Columbia, Yukon Territory and Alaska.

   Location 388.109 711 UBC

   Location 629.136 Mast 1979
MAPS


   Note: Shows military highways and roads previously built, Fairbanks to Dawson Creek.


478. Plan of Right of Way to Alaska Highway from Monument no. 1928 to Monument no. 1977, Sheet no. 56,  
   Map R-370, 1950.

479. Plan of Survey of Lot 6, Group 803, Lat. 60°49' [N], Long. 137°41' [E]; Approx., Yukon Territory,  
   Map H-1469, 1951.  
   Note: Approximate area of mile 1022 Alaska Highway, 1951.

480. Plan Right of Way of Alaska Highway from Monument no. 1005 to Monument no. 1046 Yukon Territory,  
   Sheet no. 31, Map R-118, 1947.  
   Note: Map is fragile.

481. Projected Location of Whitehorse Airport, Map H-0021, 1942.

482. Proposed Highway to Alaska, Map H-0714, 1941.


   Note: Includes British Yukon Railway Co.'s "Junction Grounds," lot 287, group 804,  
   British Yukon Railway right of way, and Ryan, McArthur and Cox applications.

486. Sketch Showing Survey of Lot 6, Group 803 Yukon, Mile 1022 Alaska Highway; Mrs. D. Mackintosh  
   Homestead, Map H-1468, 1950.

   Note: Shows abandoned camps along the Alaska Highway listing each building and its  
   relative condition (good, fair, poor).

PAMPHLETS

   Location: PAM 1942-0009

489. Battelle Memorial Institute and Alaska International Rail and Highway Commission.  
   Columbus, Ohio: Battelle Memorial Institute, 1961.  
   Location: PAM 1961-0026

   Location: PAM 1978-0264

   Location: PAM 1942-0019

   Location: PAM 1942-0016

   Location: PAM 1942-0017

   Location: PAM 1942-0008C

   Location: PAM 1966-0016

496. Johnson, Luther A. and Alaska International Highway Commission. Report to Accompany H. R. 8177,  
   Location: PAM 1938-0017C

   Location: PAM 1950-0023
2.4 Regimental Histories

Few histories of the Canadian and American regiments involved with the Alaska Highway have been written, but these accounts provide accurate and often colourful insights into highway construction life from a military perspective.

BOOKS

Location 358.22 Boyd

Location 940.541 273 Alca 2005

Location 358.22 CAF 1964

Location 358.22 CAF

Location 358.22 Coly

Location 940.541 273 Alca

Location 358.22 Rus

Location 940.540 3 USACE

Location 940.531 USN
GOVERNMENT RECORDS

Note: Official histories for U.S. Army Air Force Units, 1460th BU, 1461st BU and 1466th BU.

PAMPHLETS

Location PAM 1964-0050

Location PAM 1945-0058

Location PAM 1964-0050

Location PAM 1964-0049

Location PAM 1966-0009

Location PAM 1964-0048

3. Personal Narratives

Robert Seaton was a member of C Company, 18th Combat Engineers, and was involved with construction of the Alaska Highway in the Kluane Lake Region, from May, 1942 to January, 1943. During this period he wrote a diary documenting conditions in the construction camps and the lives of the work crews.

3. Personal Narratives

Many of the thousands of people who worked, lived or travelled the Alaska Highway have written accounts of their adventures or daily lives. Some are humorous, some sad; all are rife with fascinating detail and information.

BOOKS

   Location 971.21 Ba
   Note: Includes a conversation with Johnnie Johns, a First Nation guide.

   Location 971.231 Bow (Courts Library)

   Location 388.1 Bee

   Location 971.903 Dav

   Location 358.22 Davis

   Location 940.531 Dri

   Location 388.11 Dues

   Location 921 Gin

   Location 917.191 Gow (Courts Library)
BOOKS continued

   Location 921 Gra

   Location 621.384 097 1 Radio

   Location 921 Mor

   Location 921 Pat

Note: Also found at Coutts Library 917.12 042 Pat.

   Location 625.709 798 Russ

   Location 921 Wool

MANUSCRIPTS continued

539. Grafe, Willis fonds, MSS 122 (82/547), 1975.
   Note: Willis Grafe worked for the U.S. Public Roads Administration on the Alaska Highway between April 1942 and November 1943.

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   Note: A four-page letter from George Graham describing the survey work and working conditions his company endured during construction of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Tom Hale was Chief of Transportation for the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army during the construction of the Alaska Highway. Textual records include correspondence between George A. Lehund, a friend of Hale’s, and the Governor of Alaska, Ernest Gruening; and four letters of reference for Hale from the U.S. Engineer office and the U.S. Army Air Forces. Also included are an Engineering News-Record report entitled “Alcan, America’s Glory Road” and a booklet entitled “The Alaska Highway.”

   Note: Harry Hathhorn was a civilian employee and later an army inductee during the building of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: An eight-page letter from Robert Hays to Yukon Archives describing his work with the 18th Corps of Engineers during the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1942.

545. Letcher, Mary collection, MSS 104 (80/48), 1980.
   Note: Two handwritten letters from Mary Letcher describing some of her husband Dan’s activities and experiences during the construction of the Alaska Highway. Also a newspaper article with photographs of her husband.

   Note: Jack MacKenzie was part of the Geodetic Survey party doing triangulation from Whitehorse to the Rancheria area from 1945 to 1948. Includes copies of letters Jack wrote to his family of his experiences and observations of the Yukon.

   Note: See also Bob Ormbrek’s photo collection at PHO 406 (90/52).
   Note: A diary written by Robert Seaton which describes working and living conditions at a
   construction camp as well as news from the battlefronts of the Second World War.

   Note: Historical narrative about the Alaska Highway.

PAMPHLETS

    Location PAM 1992-0451

    Location PAM 1961-0042

    Location PAM 1947-0002C

    Location PAM 1989-0206

    Location PAM 1992-0450

    Location PAM 1943-0033
    Note: Special issue on the Alaska Military Highway.

    Location PAM 1966-0003

    Location PAM 1970-0035

SOUND RECORDINGS

    Location PAM 1947-0006

    Location PAM 1942-0003

    Location PAM 1945-0014

    Note: Sound recording of a CBC Vancouver production, "Forgotten Highway," which
    contains reminiscences of soldiers who built the Alaska Highway and a tract from the
    official opening ceremony at Soldier’s Summit.

    Note: Sound recording of Bob Charlie interviewing David Hammond and Johnnie
    Johns in 1968. Side A includes discussion about the construction of the Alaska Highway.
    Restriction: permission to use must be obtained from Jim Robb.

    Note: Sound recording containing Willis Grafe’s reminiscences about the construction of
    the Alaska Highway. Willis Grafe worked for the U.S. Public Roads Administration on the
    Alaska Highway between April 1942 and November 1943.

    Note: Sound recording of Clemir Humphreys describing the contents of his photograph
    collection located at PHO 439 (92/45) and discussing his time in the Yukon working
    between Whitehorse and the Alaskan border.

    Note: Sound recordings of Charlie Taylor and Bert Law describing their memories of
    Ross River, the Canol Road and U.S. soldiers. Tape summaries created by Jan Koepke are
    located at MSS 287 (2005/128).
566. Wheelock, Angela fonds, SR 159 (95/64), SR 160 (95/63), 1995.
   Note: Sound recordings of interviews conducted by Angela Wheelock with individuals
   involved with or affected by the construction of the Alaska Highway. Interview subjects
   include Mida Donnessey, Alfred Jakestu, John Dickson, William Pathman, Bessie
   Johns, Inez Shulist and Gudrun Sparling. Restriction: Permission to copy or use tapes in
   publications must be obtained from the interview subjects or their families.

   Note: Sound recordings produced for the Alaska Highway Historical Milepost Project,
   which was to research various themes related to the construction of the Alaska Highway
   and erect road signs for the 1992 tourist season to commemorate the Alaska Highway 50th
   Anniversary. Transcripts are available.

VIDEO

   Note: Scenes of the Canadian Army, Air Force and RCMP on parade, Whitehorse and
   road trips near Carcross. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3)
   (95/94). Detailed listing sheets are available.

   Note: Scenes include a road trip up the Canol Road, Ross River, Taylor and Drury Post
   and Sheldon Lake. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3) (95/94).
   Detailed listing sheets are available.

570. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-589-2 and Film 8-64 (95/94) Film 7, ca. 1940s.
   Note: Scenes include road trips to Teslin, on the Canol Road, Ross River, Taylor and Drury
   Post and Sheldon Lake. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3)
   (95/94). Detailed listing sheets are available.

571. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-589-4 and Film 8-66 (95/94) Film 9, ca. 1940s.
   Note: Scenes include the ceremony of the U.S. Army turnover of the maintenance of
   the highway to the Royal Canadian Army in April 1946, the Canol Road and the Haines
   Road. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3) (95/94).
   Detailed listing sheets are available.

   Note: Scenes of road trips to Haines Junction and Carcross. Bill Drury's narration of these
   films is located at SR 210 (1-3) (95/94). Detailed listing sheets are available.
4. Photographs and Pictorial Works

Teresa Chantray and her friends on the banks of the Yukon River, ca. 1942.
Yukon Archives. Teresa Chantray fonds, 99668, PHO 601, #58.
4. Photographs and Pictorial Works

Photographs are one of the most striking sources of history and photographs of the Alaska Highway are no exception. Thousands of photographs of the construction and maintenance of the Alaska Highway have been acquired by Yukon Archives. The Yukon Archives photograph collections pertaining to the Alaska Highway and related projects are available in several ways:

1. Catalogued photographs may be viewed in the Photograph Visual Finding Aid available at the Yukon Archives and through interlibrary loan via the Whitehorse Public Library.
2. Uncatalogued photographs are accessible through the Index to Uncatalogued Photograph Collections, which can be obtained from the Yukon Archives.
3. Several collections, including the R.A. Carter fonds and Robert Hays fonds, are digitized and can be viewed on line at www.yukonarchives.ca.

PHOTOGRAPHS

   Note: Reverend Amos, known as "Parka Padre" of the Alcan, served as minister to the construction workers and soldiers building the Alaska Highway in 1943. This collection includes 96 hand painted slides, photographs and a scrapbook with photographs, letters, newspaper clippings, booklets, etc. The glass slides are available for viewing on video.

   Note: Albert Barnes was a civil servant living in Dawson who traveled the Alaska Highway. A finding aid is available on the Yukon Archives website at www.yukonarchives.ca.

582. Bennett, Peter fonds, PHO 308 (86/9), 1948.
   Note: Photographs collected on Dr. Bennett’s 1948 trip to Yukon on official business with the British High Commission. Caption list is available.

   Note: Mr. Bethune may have worked for A.E. Jupp as some photographs depict trucks and grading equipment from "A.E. Jupp."

   Note: Slides of the turnover of Alaska Highway maintenance from the Canadian government to the Yukon government in 1964.

   Note: Caption list is available.

586. Bloomstrand family fonds, PHO 221 (98/73), 1943–1944.
   Note: Albert and David Bloomstrand worked on the Alaska Highway and Haines Highway. These photographs document their work on both. Caption list is available.
PHOTOGRAPHS continued

   Note: Contains coloured slides and photographs. Edward Bussey worked with the U.S.
   Army Corps of Engineers building the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Consists of one album and 84 photographs that document Whitehorse and Dawson
   City, including military personnel, social gatherings, fishing, street scenes, boxing matches,
   rivers, trains and airplanes during 1942–1943.

   Note: Consists of photographs from the book Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps,
   14th Company, Unit History, 1946–1964. Subject matter includes buildings, equipment
   and military and civilian personnel in Whitehorse, Yukon and in Dawson Creek and
   Fort Nelson, B.C.

   Note: Photographs of military activities and scenes taken by military personnel. Caption
   list is available. Restriction: Photo reproduction must not be related to the endorsement of
   any products or services. Each published photo must be credited “Canadian Forces photo.”

   Note: Postcards and photographs of the Alaska Highway, Dawson City and Whitehorse
   areas.

592. Carpenter, Ralph fonds, PHO O/S 016 (87/82), PHO 339 (87/82), 1942–1944.
   Note: Ralph Carpenter was a driver for the U.S. Army’s 477 Quartermaster Unit during
   the construction of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Some of the photographs were taken by Harry Carpentier and some by U.S. Army
   photographers. Many of the photographs are scratched.

   Note: Photographs taken by official U.S. Army photographers between Dawson Creek and
   Fort St. John, B.C.

   Note: R.A. Carter was assigned to the U.S. Army, 18th Corps of Engineers and besides his
   regular duties was the “unofficial company photographer.” Inventory list for specific subject
   headings is available. Images can be viewed on the Yukon Archives website at
   www.yukonarchives.ca.

   Note: Teresa Chanarry worked as a file clerk for the Northwest Service Command
   Headquarters in Whitehorse.

   Note: Photographs mostly taken by Jack Coleman including scenes of construction,
   machinery, soldiers posing and camp cooking. Caption list is available.

   Note: Orval Couch was a mechanic during construction of the Alaska Highway. He took
   many photographs of motor vehicles. Caption list is available.

   Note: There are photographs of the Alaska Highway construction camp 232 miles north
   of Whitehorse and of the Northwest Service Command headquarters. Captions are
   handwritten on each photograph.

600. deWynter, Mickey fonds, PHO 437 (93/5), 1945–1946.
   Note: Photographs of the turnover of the Alaska Highway to Canada on April 3, 1946.

601. Duffy, Donald fonds, PHO 167 (82/474), 1942–1943.
   Note: Donald Duffy worked with the U.S. Public Roads Administration in Whitehorse
   from 1942 to 1943. Included are photographs showing construction of the Alaska
   Highway and street scenes in Dawson City, Yukon during 1942–1943.

   Note: Photographs taken between Watson Lake and Whitehorse during construction of the
   Alaska Highway. Caption list is available.

   Note: There are postcards in this collection including one of the Canadian premiere of the
   Irving Berlin movie, “This is the Army,” in Whitehorse.

   Note: Caption list is available.

605. Finnie family fonds, PHO 140-143 (81/21), 1942–1944.
   Note: Richard Finnie was the liaison officer and documentary filmmaker for the Bechtel-
   Price-Callahan partnership in 1942–1943. Caption lists are available.
PHOTOGRAPHS continued

606. Fox, Edward Campbell, Jr. fonds, PHO 481 (93/140), 1942–1944.
   Note: Edward Fox was a member of the U.S. Army, 18th Engineers. Photographs document the construction of the Alaska Highway from Whitehorse to the Alaska border.

607. Fraser, Berta collection, PHO 481 (93/114R), 1945.
   Note: Photographs were taken by a member of a survey party along the Alaska Highway in 1945. Caption list is available.

608. Freeman, Margaret fonds, PHO 497 (92/48), 1942–1945.
   Note: Margaret Freeman worked for the Canadian Army in the Public Roads Administration offices during the construction of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Ron Gabriel was an independent truck driver who hauled explosives during the construction of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Russell Gentleman worked for the Northwest Service Command for three years. He took photographs of the construction of the Alaska Highway. Caption list is available.

611. Grafe, Willis fonds, PHO 235 (83/87), 1942.
   Note: Willis Grafe worked for the U.S. Public Roads Administration on the Alaska Highway between April 1942 and November 1943. Caption list for some of the material is available.

   Note: Negatives of images used in two exhibits, “Trail of ’42” and “Project ’92,” which hang in the Municipal building in Haines Junction.

   Note: Tom Hale was Chief of Transportation for the Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army, and handled convoys, commodities and personnel for the army and contractors on the Alaska Highway and those using White Pass and Yukon Route trains.

   Note: Father Charles Hamel was a Roman Catholic priest. Photographs are of Whitehorse, Carcross, Burwash Landing and Soldier’s Summit. Many of the photographs are of churches and church services with Father Hamel and his parishioners.

PHOTOGRAPHS continued

615. Hamilton, Frank fonds, PHO 264 (81/151), 1946.
   Note: Frank Hamilton was a Royal Canadian Air Force pilot based in Whitehorse in the late 1940s. His photographs include images of ceremonies of the U.S. Army turning the maintenance of the Alaska Highway over to the Canadian Government after WWII. Caption lists are available.

   Note: Frank Hamilton was a Royal Canadian Air Force pilot based in Whitehorse in the late 1940s. Includes aerial shots taken near Aishihik and Snag. Caption list is available.

   Note: Photographs taken during the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1943 by W.J. Hamilton, who accompanied her father, a food caterer, from Dawson Creek, B.C. to Whitehorse, Yukon. Caption list is available.

618. Hannington, Colonel C. fonds, PHO 046 (82/363), 1942–1944.
   Note: Colonel C. Hannington was Chief of Staff for Major General W.W. Foster, Special Commissioner for Defence Projects in Northwest Canada for the Canadian Government. Caption list is available.

   Note: Photographs were taken by Richard Harrington on his trips to the Yukon from 1949 to 1974. Includes images of the abandoned military camps of the Canol Project and North Canol military junk (1971). Caption lists are available.

   Note: Photographs taken by Richard Harrington on his trips to the Yukon from 1949 to 1974. Includes images of the Alaska Highway. Caption list is available.

621. Harris, Bill fonds, PHO 221 (98/79), 1942–1944.
   Note: Bill Harris was a welder machinist working for Bechtel-Price-Callahan on the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Harry Hathhorn was a civilian employee and later an army inductee during the building of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Caption list is available.
624. Hays, Robert fonds, #5609-5716 (82/305), 1942.
   Note: Robert Hays worked for the 18th Corps of Engineers in 1942. Inventory list is available. Images can be viewed on the Yukon Archives website at www.yukonarchives.ca.

   Note: Caption list is available.

626. Hepburn, Jack fonds, PHO 400 (90/25), 1942.
   Note: Jack Hepburn was a salesperson for Marshall-Wells Co. The Alaska Highway was included in his sales territory in 1942. Caption list is available.

   Note: Kenneth Holz was with "A" Company, 18th Engineers, U.S. Army from April 1942 to January 1943. Includes photographs of construction and the dedication of the Stockton Bridge.

   Note: Colour photograph by Larry Peder of a painting of the Stockton Bridge, built during the construction of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Father Huijbers traveled the Alaska Highway to various communities during the 1950s to 1970s. Caption list is available.

   Note: Clemit Humphreys was a soldier with the 18th Engineers, U.S. Army. Sound recordings (SR 143 (92/45)) describe the content of the photographs and details of his time in the Yukon working between Whitehorse and the Alaska border. Caption list is available.

631. Johnston, George fonds, PHO 059 (82/428), ca. 1943.
   Note: 82/428 #37 entitled "Inoculation day, Teslin, Yukon, ca. 1943" features U.S. Army doctors and nurses and many identified people from Teslin. Caption list is available.

   Note: Sheldon Jones was posted to Watson Lake with the Royal Canadian Air Force in May of 1944. Caption list is available.

   Note: Caption list is available.

   Note: Caption list is available.

635. Keenan, Pearl fonds, PHO 180 (92/37), PHO 400 (90/29), ca. 1940s.
   Note: Restriction: Not to be used for commercial or internet use without donor's permission. Caption lists are available.

636. Kenady, Judy fonds, In-process material 2/12/1 (99/41), 1942–1944.
   Note: Captions are written on front and backs of some photographs.

   Note: Photographs taken between Dawson Creek, B.C. and Whitehorse, Yukon. Caption lists are available.

   Note: Photographs of Whitehorse area and the Alaska Highway.

639. Lindley, Carl fonds, PHO 490 (93/16), 1942–1943.
   Note: Caption list available.

640. Lorence, Charles M. fonds, PHO 286 (84/73), 1942.
   Note: Charles Lorence worked as a mechanic for the Dowell Construction Company in the Champagne area during 1942–1943. The fonds includes 86 photographs of the construction of the Alaska Highway near the Champagne area. Included are images of crew members and their activities, equipment, camps and a truck convoy. Also includes views of the Canol Project. Caption list is available.

641. Lorence, Charles M. fonds, PHO 121 (87/71), 1942–1944.
   Note: Charles Lorence worked as a mechanic for the Dowell Construction Company area during 1942–1943. In 1944 he accepted work with E. W. Elliott Co. as a heavy duty mechanic and truck driver on the Canol Project. The fonds includes 12 photographs taken while working on the Alaska Highway and Canol. Caption list is available.

   Note: There are many photographs described as "unidentified stretch of road" which may be scenes along the Alaska Highway, especially near Kluane, Burwash Landing, Tok and Fairbanks. Caption list is available.
PHOTOGRAPHS continued

    Note: Includes Alaska Highway images; consult inventory for specific subject headings.

    Note: Caption list is available.

    Note: Jack MacKenzie was part of the Geodetic Survey party doing triangulation from Whitehorse to the Rancheria area from 1945 to 1948. Some of his camps were situated along the Alaska Highway. Caption list is available.

646. Manceau, Fernando fonds, PHO 028 (82/324), 1942–1944.
    Note: Consists of photographs taken by Fernando Manceau of the construction of the Alaska Highway. Includes images of machinery and equipment, camps, bridges, airplanes, scenery and wildlife.

    Note: 88/127 #111 and 88/127 #138 are of bulldozers being loaded on barges in Dawson City, Yukon for Alaska Highway construction.

    Note: Travel photographs from along the Alaska Highway and the Richardson Highway. Caption lists are available.

    Note: Photographs include Whitehorse, Carcross, Northwest Service Command Headquarters, Alaska Highway road construction and the transfer of Alaska Highway from the American government to the Canadian government. Many views of female personnel and interior shots of their offices, mess hall and barracks.

    Note: A collection of 12 photographs and nine postcards acquired by the Yukon Archives from unidentified sources. Included are scenic views, Yukon First Nations women with furs, and a B.Y.N. Bus Lines bus parked by the Dew Drop Inn.

651. Mohr, Mary H. fonds, PHO 069 (77/44), 1943–1945.
    Note: Scenes of Norman Wells, NWT and the Canol Pipeline.

652. Money, Anton fonds, PHO 264 (84/76), 1943.
    Note: Survey by dogteam on the Blanchett route of the Canol Pipeline in 1943. MSS 160 (84/76) consists of the report from the survey trip.

PHOTOGRAPHS continued

    Note: Jim Muncy worked for "A" Company, 18th Engineers, U.S. Army, building the Alaska Highway.

    Note: In addition to construction images, the collection contains images of meal times, sleeping arrangements, Black soldiers, payroll and materials distribution. Restriction: Local (Yukon) orders only; requests from outside the Yukon must be referred to Library and Archives Canada.

655. National Archives of Canada collection, PHO 403 (90/38), ca. 1940s.
    Note: Includes 82 images of the construction of the Alaska Highway and the Canadian premiere of Irving Berlin's movie "This Is The Army," 1943–1944. Restriction: Local (Yukon) orders only; requests from outside the Yukon must be referred to Library and Archives Canada. Caption list is available.

    Note: See letters from Bob Ormbrek describing his experiences at MSS 227 (91/24). Caption lists are available.

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    Note: Slides of Eileen Paris's trip from Dawson Creek, B.C. to Haines Junction, Yukon.

    Note: Caption list is available.

    Note: A written commentary that explains and dates the photographs is included.

    Note: Consists of 323 Kodachrome slides.

    Note: James Phillips was a Regimental Photographer with the 340th Engineer General Service Regiment, U.S. Army. Caption list is available.
PHOTOGRAPHS continued

   Note: Collection includes postcards of the Alaska Highway, Whitehorse and Dawson City taken between 1960 and 1978.

   Note: William J. Preston worked with the 770th Railway Operating Battalion of the U.S. Army on the White Pass and Yukon Route during 1942–1943.

   Note: Photographs depicting views of the construction of the Alaska Highway including images of crews, equipment, supply bases and bridges.

   Note: The photographs depict the Peace River area of the Alaska Highway, especially the collapse of the Peace River Bridge in 1957.

   Note: Don Rawlins worked on the Canol Project for the Standard Oil Company as head operator. Caption list is available.

   Note: Photographer is unknown. Caption list is available.

   Note: Consists of photographs, taken June 28, 1992, of the Alaska Highway Native Sculpture Project at Burwash Landing, Yukon.

   Note: John Scales worked as a cook during the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1942.

671. Schroeder, Cliff fonds, PHO 471 (93/31), 1943.
   Note: Cliff Schroeder worked as a carpenter during the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1943. Caption list is available.

672. Seaton, Robert fonds, PHO 423 (92/21), PHO 434 (92/31), ca. 1940s.
   Note: Robert Seaton was a member of “C” Company, 18th Engineers, U.S. Army. Caption list is available.

PHOTOGRAPHS continued

   Note: Bronice (Brownie) Shulist worked on the construction of the Alaska Highway as a truck driver, heavy equipment operator and dragline expert. The photographs include views of equipment and machinery and the 1946 turnover ceremony of the maintenance of the Alaska Highway to the Canadian Army.

674. Simmons, Edward James fonds, PHO 287 (84/91), ca. 1947.
   Note: Edward James Simmons worked as a civilian with the Corps of Engineers doing post-war construction. Images are of the building of the Peace River Bridge, equipment and men.

675. Simpson, Doris collection, PHO 423 (92/18), ca. 1940s.
   Note: Three photographs of Rancheria, the Simpson children and a B.Y.N. bus, and Rancheria Lodge.

676. Sparling, Gudrun fonds, PHO 180 (92/34), PHO 483-484 (91/15), PHO 588 (98/112), ca. 1940s–1950s.
   Note: Gudrun Sparling was born in the Yukon and lived there during the construction of the Alaska Highway. Included are images of army personnel, the 1946 turnover ceremony of the maintenance of the Alaska Highway to the Canadian Army, the 1943 Memorial Day Parade and U.S. Army Sunday afternoon band concerts. Caption lists are available.

677. Stauffer, Charles fonds, PHO 482 (93/92), 1942.
   Note: Charles Stauffer was a member of “A” Company, 18th Engineers and worked on the construction of the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Charles Stubbings was stationed in Teslin with the Royal Canadian Air Force from 1943 to 1946.

   Note: Delphus Arthur Suprise was an American who worked on the construction of the Alaska Highway. He took many photographs and kept a scrapbook of the construction.

   Note: Photographs collected for inclusion in the publication Their Own Yukon. The images depict First Nations lifestyles, customs and activities in the Yukon. Caption list is available.

681. Thom, Matthew, PHO 423 (92/20), [1942].
   Note: This photograph depicts an Alaska Highway survey party. Included in the photograph are David Johnson and John Thom (local First Nations guides) and Major Shelby.
        Note: Photographs of Dawson Creek, B.C. to Johnson's Crossing, Yukon, during construction of the Alaska Highway and shortly afterwards. Captions are written on the back of some photographs.

683. Tomlin, Al collection, PHO 434 (92/30), 1945.
        Note: Contains a photograph of the first Greyhound bus to travel the Alaska Highway.

        Note: Includes slides of the Alaska Highway (#26–#59), the Slims River (#106–#155) and Haines Junction (#99–#105). Caption list is available.

        Note: Photographs taken by the U.S. Corps of Engineers in 1942 documenting the construction of the Alaska Highway and scenery along the route.
        Restriction: Photo credit line must read "U.S. Army Photo."

        Note: Photographs of the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1942–1943. Views include bridges, scenery and construction crews in the Yukon and British Columbia. Caption list is available.

        Note: Includes shots of construction equipment, the construction of bridges at Nisutlin Bay and Teslin, Milepost Zero, Soldier's Summit, Black soldiers, and Whitehorse. Users must credit U.S. National Archives and Records Administration. Caption lists are available.

688. Vergon, Paul collection, PHO 139 (82/18), ca. 1943.
        Note: Original photographs of Whitehorse and the surrounding area and the Canol Pipeline Project, circa 1943.

        Note: Father Veyrat was a missionary in Ross River. His fonds includes images of army vehicles on the South Canol Road in 1950 and of vehicles returning from Macmillan Pass or beyond after being left there for six years. Caption list is available.

690. Waddington, Margaret and Earle fonds, PHO 032 (82/331), PHO 152 (82/1), 1940 and 1959.
        Note: Includes images of the Alaska Highway, Canol Road and Whitehorse during World War II. Images in 82/1 are mainly of the Canol Road area including Quiet Lake, Pelly River and Ross River. Caption lists are available.

        Note: Consult photograph inventory for a slide caption list and subject index.

692. Whitehorse Inn Cafe Menu collection, PHO 139 (81/123), ca. 1950s.
        Note: Four photographs of a Whitehorse Inn Cafe menu. On the front is a picture of Miles Canyon and on another page is a map of the Alaska Highway.

        Note: Photographs of the "canning" of Alaska Highway dust, Watson Lake Sign area and views of points and scenes along the Alaska Highway.

        Note: Caption list is available.

        Note: Photographs of the construction of Alaska Highway, specifically the Peace River Bridge in British Columbia. Caption list is available.

        Note: Allen Wright served six years with the Royal Canadian Engineers during World War II, primarily on highway construction projects. Includes aerial photographic surveys of the Alaska Highway (Milepost 130-206) and the Carmacks-Snag area.

697. Yukon. Department of Community and Transportation Services, In-process material 24/14/3 to 24/14/7 (94/28), 1943–1980.
        Note: Approximately 6000 photographs and negatives taken by Jim Quong depicting Yukon highway construction projects, including the Alaska Highway. An index to the photographs and negatives by numerical order and a master index by location is available.

        Note: Album #1 and #5 contain scenes of the Canol Road including the old Lapie Canyon Bridge in 1963 and the various stages of construction of the new bridge built in 1967.

        Note: Three views of the construction of the Alaska Highway.

        Note: Photographs taken of the Alaska Highway washout that happened during the second week of July 1988. Approximately 25 km of highway was washed out between Silver City and Halfbreed Creek. Caption list is available.
PHOTOGRAPHS continued

   Note: Includes images of Watson Lake signposts and of a Quonset hut that was originally
   used in the construction camps and is now a church in Beaver Creek. Caption list is
   available.

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   Location PAM 1943-0032

   Calgary: Alberta Book and Novelty Company, 1944.
   Location PAM ND-0352

   Location 940.531 Coh (4 vols)

   Location 971.91 Coh 1992

   Location 940.540 3 Grigg

   vol. 42, no. 6, 1951: 238–359.
   Location PAM 1951-0004

   2nd ed. Toronto: Intaglio Gravure Ltd., 1943.
   Location PAM 1943-0041

   Location 917.98 Puhr Ovs (Coutts Library)

   Location 917.04 Sil
   Note: Kenai Peninsula edition found at PAM 1961-21C.

MICROFILM

   [Whitehorse, Yukon]: Northwest Service Command Headquarters, 1944.
   Location Ref 358.22 Ala
   Note: Also found at Coutts Library 358.22 Ala and PAM 1944-0026; Special Souvenir Edition on the Alaska Highway.

PAMPHLETS

   Note: Copy of 250-page scrapbook covering Yukon history 1900–1955. Included are
   newspaper clippings, photographs, correspondence and published articles.

   Location PAM ND–1976

   Location PAM 1943-0028C
   Note: Also found at PAM 1943-17 (revised edition).

   Location PAM 1944-0011
5. Socio-economic Impacts

Private Melvin Swain, a worker on the Alaska Highway, his head draped with mosquito netting, August 1942. Yukon Archives. National Archives of Canada collection, 88/138, PHO 369, #49
5. Socio-economic Impacts

The Alaska Highway had immediate and long-term impacts on the social, economic and environmental concerns of the people living in the Yukon, British Columbia and Alaska. In 1942, communities experienced a massive influx of people, with all the benefits and problems that go along with a “boom” period. The creation of a major transportation corridor changed the ability to move people and goods in and out of the Yukon. New communities dedicated to the maintenance of the highway were located along its route. Whitehorse became more prominent because of its proximity to the highway. Inevitably, Dawson City’s role as the centre of Yukon activity and administration was diminished.

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   Location: 388.1 Alaska 1982 no. 4.


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   Location: PAM 1976-0136

   Location: 388.1 Alaska 1982 no. 06

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Note: Also found at 388.1 Alaska 1982 no. 15.


744. Vaartnou and Sons Enterprises Ltd. *Pipeline Revegetation Research: Grasses, Legumes and Shrubs Adjacent to the Alaska Highway of Yukon Territory.* [Calgary, Alta]: Foothills Pipe Lines (Yukon) Ltd., 1978. Location 581.9 Vaa


Note: Also found at Courts Library 333.715 Nor.

GOVERNMENT RECORDS

747. Yukon Government. Alaska Highway Schools (YRG 1, Series 4, Volume 33), GOV 1938 f. 695, 1945. Note: File containing correspondence to and from the Yukon government regarding starting and maintaining schools along the Alaska Highway.


MANUSCRIPTS continued


750. Easterson, Mary fonds, MSS 204 (89/88), 1984. Note: Unpublished research paper written by Mary Easterson for a University of British Columbia course. Section two is entitled “The Postwar Years in the Yukon Territory: The Alaska Highway and Colonialism and Their Influence on the Yukon Indian People.”


752. Koroscil, Paul M. fonds, MSS 125 (80/130), ca. 1980. Note: Copy of manuscript written by Paul Koroscil about the history of Whitehorse, 1896–1971, which includes information about the construction of the Alaska Highway.


PAMPHLETS


SOUND RECORDINGS


6. Special Events

18th Engineers’ 30-Year Reunion bumper sticker, 1976.
Yukon Archives. U.S. Corps of Engineers, 82250, COR 001.
6. Special Events

With the completion of each successive stage of the Alaska Highway came celebration and of course formal ceremony. Documentation of these events, including significant anniversaries, is included in a number of sources.

BOOKS

759. Ceremony Marking the Handover of the Northwest Highway System from the Canadian Army to the Department of Public Works, April 1, 1964, Whitehorse, Yukon Territory. Whitehorse, Yukon: [S.n.], 1964.
   Location PAM 1964-0060

   Location 350.864 DPW

   Location PAM 1977-0135

   Location PAM 1989-0110

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   Location PAM 1990-0081

   Location PAM 1991-0003
BOOKS continued

   Location 394.4 YAC

MANUSCRIPTS

   Note: Photocopies of newspaper articles relating to the turnover of the maintenance of the Alaska Highway to Canada.

   Note: Correspondence regarding Alaska Highway construction routes. Also included is a description of opening ceremonies at Soldier’s Summit, 1942.

   Note: Contains administrative and project files created by the society, a non-profit organization which coordinated efforts for the Alaska Highway 50th anniversary in 1992.

   Note: The majority of records in this fonds are concerned with the planning and implementation of the 50th anniversary celebration of the construction of the Alaska Highway. Included are photographs, sound recordings, moving images and ephemera.

PAMPHLETS

   Location PAM 1942-0022
   Note: Includes the original menu and piece of the dedication ribbon.

   Location PAM 1992-033a

   Location PAM 1992-0501

   Location PAM 1982-0011

PAMPHLETS continued

   Location PAM 1989-0149

   Location PAM 1991-0213
   Note: Includes calendar of events in Alaska, British Columbia and Yukon for 1992.

   Location PAM 1992-0002

PHOTOGRAPHS

   Note: Caption list is available.


782. Simmons, Aubrey J. fonds, PHO 152 (82/192), 1942.
   Note: Original photographs of the 1942 opening ceremonies of the Alaska Highway at Soldier’s Summit.

   Note: Photo #1 and #2 show the 1946 turnover of the maintenance of the Alaska Highway from the U.S. Army to the Canadian Army.


POSTERS

   Note: This is a round yellow button with black lettering “The Alaska Highway 40th” and “and I was there!” around the circumference.
786. 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway, Poster P-483 (93/20), [1992].
Note: Poster features the painting "Hung Up" by William Barnie in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.


Note: Poster features paintings by Diane Paton Peel in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

789. Alaska Highway Celebration, Poster P-482 (93/20), [1992].
Note: Poster features a painting by Anne Doyle in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

790. Alaska Highway Celebration, Poster P-482 (93/20), [1992].
Note: Poster features a painting by Anne Doyle in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

Note: Poster features the watercolour painting, "Glory Road," by Chris Caldwell in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

792. Alaska Highway Celebration, Poster P-482 (93/20), [1992].
Note: Poster features a painting by Anne Doyle in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

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795. Alaska Highway Celebration, Poster P-482 (93/20), [1992].
Note: Poster features a painting by Anne Doyle in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

796. Invasion Day, April 3rd, Poster P-458 (92/40), [1992].
Note: Poster advertising events to commemorate the arrival of American army troops to begin construction of the Alaska Highway. Events include a ceremony and plaque unveiling, a re-enactment march and reception and a Big Band dance.


VIDEO

Note: A CBC production for the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

799. Black, George fonds. Yukon Territory, Video V-096-2 and Film 16-78 (81/15) Film 2, ca. 1940s and 1950s.
Note: Includes footage of the military ceremony of the turnover of the Alaska Highway. Detailed listing sheets are available.

Note: Home movie showing activities, people and communities along the Alaska Highway and the official opening of the Alaska Highway.

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Note: Home movie showing the official ceremony turning the maintenance of the Alaska Highway over to the Royal Canadian Army in April 1946.
Restriction: No copying without permission of the donor.

803. Taylor, Charlie and Betty fonds. Video V-211 (89/43) Film 6, ca. 1946.
Note: Home movie showing the first buses over the Alaska Highway and the official ceremony turning the maintenance of the Alaska Highway over to the Royal Canadian Army.

Note: Home movie showing the official ceremony to turnover the maintenance of the Alaska Highway to the Canadian Army.

Note: Video designed to promote the 50th anniversary of the Alaska Highway.
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7. Canol Project

Dedication ceremonies for the Whitehorse Refinery, 1944.
Yukon Archives, William Pathman fonds, 93/63, PHO 485, #60.
7. Canol Project

At the height of the frenzied wartime construction during 1942, another project was begun in northwestern Canada. Canol, short for Canadian Oil, was a pipeline system intended to provide fuel for the Alaska Highway and the Northwest Staging Route. The oil field at Norman Wells in the Northwest Territories' Mackenzie Valley would produce crude oil, this was to be transported through a pipeline from Norman Wells to Whitehorse, where an oil refinery was built. The original Canol project grew to include six separate projects (although Canol 5 was never approved or completed):

- Canol 1 – Norman Wells to Whitehorse road, pipeline and telephone lines
- Canol 2 – Skagway to Whitehorse pipeline
- Canol 3 – Whitehorse to Fairbanks pipeline
- Canol 4 – Whitehorse to Watson Lake pipeline
- Canol 5 – Fairbanks to Nenana pipeline
- Canol 6 – Peace River to Norman Wells winter trail to transport supplies and equipment necessary for Canol 1

The Canol project took longer than expected to construct and its cost, originally estimated at $25,000,000, escalated to more than five times that figure. Oil flowed for only a year, ending in March 1945. Afterwards, the pipeline and refinery were dismantled and sold. Today, all that remains is the Canol Road, built to construct and service the pipeline.

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Location 625.76 SAE

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828. Harbottle, Bud and Jeanne (Connolly), MSS 012 (82/171), ca. 1960s.
Note: An unpublished manuscript entitled “Heels and Heroes” which describes the experience of Jeanne and her first husband, Tom Connolly, while guiding three Americans to Norman Wells, NWT, along the Canol Road. Restriction: No copying permitted. Manuscript to be used for research and examination only.

829. Lorence, Charles M. fonds, MSS 169 (84/73), 1943–1944.
Note: Charles Lorence worked as a mechanic for the Dowell Construction Company in the Champagne area during 1943 and as a heavy-duty mechanic with E.W. Elliott Co. in 1944. Consists of a collection of poems written by Alaska Highway workers and a photocopy of a booklet on the Alaska Highway.

830. Money, Anton fonds, MSS 169 (84/76), 1943.
Note: Report from a survey trip in 1943 by dog team on the Blanchett Route of the Canol Pipeline. PHO 264 (84/76) are accompanying photographs.
MANUSCRIPTS continued

   Note: Paul Nieman's memoirs including his time in the Yukon and surveying the Canol Road.

   Note: This paper, "The Canol Project in Canadian-American Relations," by Richard Diubaldo, forms part of a compilation edited by Richard Stuart in 1982 entitled "Essays on the Political Economy of the Yukon Territory."

   Note: Man and Resources Report Form Section 11 entitled "Cleanup of Canol Road, Yukon Highway No. 8" written by Lorna Walmsley, Pelly Historical Society.

MAPS continued

834. Canol no. 1 - Norman Wells to Whitehorse, Map F-127 (A-E), 1944.
   Note: Blueprint map of Canol no. 1 in 5 sheets.

   Note: Contains 1 sheet.

   Note: Appendix A contains pipeline plan and profile.

837. Canol no. 3 - Carcross to Watson Lake - Pipeline Plan and Profile, Map R-200, 1944.
   Note: Contains 42 sheets.

838. Canol no. 4 - Whitehorse to Fairbanks Condensed - Plan and Profile of Pipeline, Map R–199, 1945.
   Note: Contains 86 sheets.

839. Canol Pipeline #4 - Details, Map R-211, 1942–1944.
   Note: Contains seven sheets. Includes details of buildings on line camps, water well logs for wells at stations, typical diesel facilities for booster pumping stations, etc.

840. Canol Pipeline no. 3 - Details, Map R-218, 1942–1944.
   Note: Contains four sheets. Includes diagrams of pump houses, estimated construction costs, chart of projected costs, plan of diesel facilities in Watson Lake, relay station, etc.

MAPS continued

841. Canol Pipeline Plan and Profile, Map H-0081, 1943.
   Note: Contains 91 sheets showing the Canol pipeline plan and profile from Whitehorse to Fairbanks. Plans show exact locations and distances. Camping sites and pumping stations are marked as well as the Alaska Highway.

   Note: Contains five sheets. Includes plan and facilities for pumping station C showing fencing, telephone lines, power transmission lines, etc.

   Note: Contains 12 sheets giving diagrams for pipe trusses for river crossings, pipeline bridge spans, steel tower for double cable at river crossings, etc.

   Note: Shows storage tanks (elevation), lines to pump house truck loading facilities.

   Note: Inventory of the Canol Road clean up including items listed mile by mile from Johnson's Crossing to Macmillan Pass, NWT.


   Note: Over 150 plans concerning the construction of the Canol pipeline. A numbered list is available. Examples of plans include buildings, pumping stations, pipelines, power transmission lines and roads.

PAMPHLETS

   Location PAM 1973-0118

   Location PAM 1977-0146

   Location PAM 1976-0166


PHOTOGRAPHS

875. Cleary, Michael fonds, PHO 228 (85/57), 1953. Note: Michael Cleary took part in the initial lead zinc exploration in the Anvil Range during the summer of 1953. There are views of the Canol Road, Ross River, pack horses, a raft, camps and the first diamond drill set up at the site.

876. Drury, William L. fonds, PHO 034 (82/333), ca. 1940s. Note: Photographs taken of various individuals and communities in the Yukon including Champagne, Haines Junction, Teslin, Carmacks, Whitehorse and the Canol Road. Captions are available for some of the photographs.

877. Houghtaling, Ross fonds, PHO 453 (92/7), 1943–1945. Note: Scenes of army life, the Mackenzie River, Norman Wells, the Canol Road and the Imperial Oil plant. Caption list is available.

SOUND RECORDINGS


879. Ward, Robert fonds, SR 072 (1-3) (82/528), 1941–1958. Note: Soundtrack of Reverend Robert Ward’s reminiscences as he watched his films, 16–96 to 16–101. Narration has been transferred onto video to accompany the silent films.

880. Yukon Historical and Museums Association collection, SR 068 (3, side 2) (4, side 1) (84/59R), 1980. Note: Sound recordings from the third Yukon Heritage Conference on Transportation in the Yukon, held in Whitehorse, October 2–5, 1980. Speaker is Richard Diubaldo and the title of his talk is “The Forgotten Truth about the Canol Project.”

VIDEO

881. Finnie family fonds. Canol, Video V-049-1 (87/12R), 1942–1944. Note: Chronicles the development of the Canol project which was designed to help fuel the building and operation of the Alaska Highway and its airports.
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