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[Page title for following images: “Drive to Circle from Fairbanks, July 9-10, 1948”]

2004-014-02  Chatanika River Bridge & gold panners: Tom, FMR, FPR, Patty, Ansel.

2004-014-03  Gold panning at Chatanika River, 7-9-49.

2004-014-04  The Ditch, in a pipe temporarily, to cross a hill or two – Tom Roberts standing on it.

2004-014-05  Lunch beside the Ditch that brings water over 50 miles to the gold fields near Chatanika and Fairbanks. L. to R.: FMR, Georgia Semmler, Patty, FPR, Ansel Miller.
Road to Circle, overlooking gold mining on Mammoth Creek, near Eagle Summit. Mac, Georgia, and tom-with-a-kerchief-looking-like-a-girl! 7-9-49

Snowdrift by a little creek – Georgia is standing on Tom’s foot, because she is barefoot! 7-9-49

Breakfast and after, gravel pit near Central, Alaska. FMR, Mac, Georgia, FPR, Ansel.

Breakfast and after, gravel pit near Central, Alaska. FPR, FMR, Georgia, Ansel, Tom, Mac. 7-9-49.

Circle, Alaska – N.C. store on the right. Russell MacGregor, FMR, FPR, Tom Roberts. 7-9-49.

Salmon drying and huskies, Circle, Alaska. 7-10-49.

The Yukon River at Circle. FMR, Mac, FPR, Ansel, Georgia. 7-10-49.

Gold panning, Chatanika R. Ansel, Georgia, Mac, FPR, FMR. 7-9-49.

Panning in the Chatanika R. – we didn’t get any! L. to R. – Ansel Miller, Georgia Semmler, Mac, FPR, FMR.

Breakfast at the gravel pit, 7-10-49. L. to R. – Georgia, FPR, Ansel, Patty, FMR.

The Yukon again – I almost fell into it taking this picture for Patty! (that is, on her camera). FMR, Mac, Patty, Ansel, Georgia, Tom. 7-10-49.

Dabbling our feet in the Yukon River. Front to back: FPR, FMR, Russell MacGregor, Patty MacGregor, Ansel Miller (Ralph’s wife), Georgia Semmler

Matanuska Valley Farm.

Healy River Coal Mines served by Alaska R.R.

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[Glenn Highway]


2004-014-25 [Military personnel in uniform]


2004-014-28 View from Tom’s Quonset, Fairbanks, Alaska.


2004-014-34 Dogs and sled with Winter Carnival Queen candidate passenger, Fairbanks Country Club 3/5/50. Little boy in background is son of the head of the geophysicists here.

2004-014-36  Back row of Quonsets; x marks Tom & Harlan’s Quonset. The dog is a collie named Treve, who belongs to Jerry. Jerry shares Tom and Harlan’s Quonset, and is an ensign in the Navy. He does stuff for the Commander.


[Page title for following images: “Dog races on the Chena River, Fairbanks”]


2004-014-43  [Dogs racing on Chena River away from Cushman St. bridge]

2004-014-44  [People lining race course]

2004-014-45  [Two white dogs in harness]

2004-014-46  [Two dogs lying down in harness]


2004-014-47  Queen and court, Winter Carnival, Fairbanks, Alaska, 3/12/50.

2004-014-48  Carnival parade, Queen and court, 3/12/50. Crossing the Chena on old Cushman St. bridge.


2004-014-50  Marguerite Johnson (Helen’s friend), FMR, Tom, Helen. 3/12/50, Fairbanks.

2004-014-51  Blanket Tossing, Fairbanks, 3/12/50.

2004-014-53  Carnival crowd around finish line for dog racers. 3/12/50, Fairbanks.


[Page title for following images: “Fairbanks, Alaska”]

2004-014-55  Muddy driveway, April 1950, Quonsets, Fbks, Alaska.

2004-014-56  Muddy driveway, Fairbanks, Alaska, Apr. 1950 [office on left; living quarters on right].


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2004-014-60  Trees on the way to town, along the R.R. tracks. Fairbanks, 3/11/50.


2004-014-62  Dear Folks – Bill took the picture of Judy. She has on Great-great Aunt Katie’s dress, is sitting in Great-great Grandma’s chair, and is holding Lillian who is somewhere around 100 years old or more. Judy was almost five when picture was taken. Love to all, Emma.


2004-014-64  Judy Hall in piano recital dress, May 1950.

2004-014-65  Judy Hall in piano recital dress, May 1950.

2004-014-66  Debbie Chisholm.

Florence and her parents just before she and Florence Robinson left Milwaukee, Wisconsin for Alaska – the Fourth of July, 1950.

Charliehorse tied down at his parking place at Weeks Field, Fbks, summer 1950.

Charliehorse with FMR & Mrs. Roberts taking off at Weeks Field, Fbks, summer 1950.

Mrs. Roberts, Ted Roberts – up for the summer, FMR, FPR, Tom Roberts in front of Tom’s Quonset, July 9, 1950, after we flew into Fairbanks from Whitehorse.

Mae Galvin, Ruth Dickey, 1950 plus or minus.

Aunt Mae Galvin, Aunt Ruth Dickey.

Aunt Ruth Dickey and FPR.

Ruth Dickey and our Cessna 140.


Some Eskimos at Kotzebue, walking along the “Boulevard” (we called it!), the main and only street parallel the waterfront. August, 1950.
2004-014-81 Eskimos at Kotzebue.


2004-014-84 Eskimo slums at Nome – only occupied in summer.

2004-014-85 Umiaks, on the beach at Nome – skin boats with wooden thong-bound frames, belonging to the King Islanders, who spend the summer at Nome. Aug. 1950.


[Page title for the following images: “Summer near Fairbanks”]

2004-014-88 Locomotive No. 1 – Alaska R.R. – Fairbanks Station.


2004-014-91 Gene Heinze & Leonard Dickey with bison skull from “muck” overlying gold gravels.


2004-014-93 Panning gold on Alice Stewart’s claim near Fox, Alaska – June 1951. FPR, Gene Hainze, Alice Stewart, Helen Butcher.

2004-014-94 Picnic on Alice Stewart’s gold claim, near Fox, Alaska – Helen Butcher, Alice Stewart, FPR, FMR, Gene Hainze.

2004-014-95 Panning gold on Alice Stewart’s claim, near Fox, Alaska. FPR, Gene Hainze, Alice Stewart, Helen Butcher, June, 1951.
2004-014-96 [Ice coated remains of building, horizontal exterior shot]
2004-014-97 [Ice coated remains of building, vertical exterior shot]
2004-014-98 [Ice coated remains of building, open double doors]

2004-014-102 Fish wheel near Copper Center, Alaska, June 9, 1951. PPR, Ralph Miller.
2004-014-103 Picnic, near Willow Lake, Alaska, June 9, 1951. FPR, Tom Roberts, Ralph Miller, FMR.
2004-014-104 Summit Lake & Gulkana Glacier, Alaska Range, June 10, 1951.

2004-014-106 Mt. McKinley from Wonder Lake.
2004-014-108 Mt. McKinley from Wonder Lake.
2004-014-109 Mt. McKinley, Alaska.
2004-014-110 Horseshoe Lake, McKinley Park.
2004-014-113 [Weather station and caribou antlers, Mt. McKinley in background]

2004-014-114A Mt. McKinley, from Wonder Lake – McKinley Park, July 8, 1951. FPR, Tom Roberts, FMR.

2004-014-114B Nenana, Alaska, July 9, 1951.

2004-014-115 Polychrome Pass, McKinley Park, Alaska, July 8, 1951. Ralph Miller, FMR.

2004-014-116 Picnic, Sunday noon, near Trestle, McKinley Park – FMR, FPR, Ralph Miller, Tom Roberts, 1/8/51.


2004-014-118 Ranger’s cabin at Wonder Lake, McKinley Nat’l Park, Alaska, July 8, 1951.

[Page title for following images: “Fairbanks, Summer 1951”]

2004-014-119 [Florence Rucker in plaid shirt]

2004-014-120 [Florence Rucker in print top]

2004-014-121 Tom and his garden – Fairbanks, Alaska, Aug. 12, 1951.

2004-014-122 In front of Tom’s Quonset. FPR, FMR, Harlan Bergquist, Tom Roberts. Fairbanks, Alaska, Aug. 12, 1951.

2004-014-123 In front of Tom’s Quonset – Fairbanks, Alaska, Aug. 12, 1951.


2004-014-125 In front of Tom’s Quonset – Fairbanks, Alaska, Aug. 12, 1951.


2004-014-127 In front of Tom’s Quonset – Fairbanks, Alaska, Aug. 12, 1951.
2004-014-128 For rent! Tanana R., 18 mi. upstream from Fairbanks, Alaska. 8-17-51.

2004-014-129 Big Gerstle R. Bridge. 8-21-51.

2004-014-130 Big Gerstle Bridge, Alaska. 8-21-51.


2004-014-132 [Landscape with lake and mountains]

2004-014-133 Lunch, near Dry Ck. Yukon Territory. 8-18-51.

2004-014-134 Champagne Indian Cemetery – Yukon Terr. 8-19-51.


2004-014-136 Miles Canyon, Whitehorse – only bridge over the Yukon R.! Yukon Terr. 8-19-51.

2004-014-137 Port Chilkoot, Alaska (near Haines) 8-20-51.

2004-014-138 Haines, Alaska. 8-20-51.

2004-014-139 Lake near Dry Ck., Yukon Terr. 8-18-51.

[Page title for following images “Fairbanks, Christmas, 1951”]

2004-014-140 Gene Heinze.

2004-014-141 Tom Roberts, Jack Beaver, Claire Marie Beaver, FMR, at Beaver’s, Xmas ’51.

2004-014-142 Tom Roberts’ Quonset.

2004-014-143 Our Quonset. [Christmas tree in corner]

2004-014-144 Florence Robinson, F. Rucker.

2004-014-145 Tom Roberts.


2004-014-148  Fairbanks, Alaska, 1952 plus or minus [dog team on road].

2004-014-149  Ruth A.M. Schmidt, Florence Robinson. Fairbanks, Alaska 1952 plus or minus [with dog team].

2004-014-150  Tailing piles, Ester, Alaska, 1952 plus or minus.

2004-014-151  [Mountain scene. Image on postcard stock]

2004-014-152  Judy Hall – daughter of Emma Macgill Hall and William R (usell?) Hall, granddaughter of Nell Rucker Macgill [image on Christmas card].


2004-014-154  Taken by Sadia when she and Dick were here in Sept. ’52. Note porch rail in close view of house. House shingled in Aug. 1958.


2004-014-156  Xmas, 1952.


2004-014-160  [Log house]
2004-014-162  [Snow covered spruce]
2004-014-163  [Two sled dogs]

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2004-014-164  Harlan Bergquist.
2004-014-165  Harlan’s pansies.
2004-014-166  [Harlan with paper hat]
2004-014-167  Hank Bender
2004-014-168  “Queen of the Lab” – Florence Robinson.
2004-014-169  Ethel Polichek – secy.

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2004-014-170  From us all. Our 4 grandchildren, Henry Cowles 6 years, Ben Jr. 24 months, Michael Price 4 years, Martha Anne 1 mos.

[Page title for following images “Sourdough Dance Club, February [sic], 1953]}

2004-014-173  Anna Jean & Clifford Mohr (Mr. and Mrs. G.V. Got-nugglets), Sourdough Dance Club Costume Party, Mar. 1953, Fairbanks.

[Page title for following images “Winter Carnival, March 1953, on Chena R.”]


2004-014-177  Winter Carnival parade, March '53. Fairbanks [military personnel marching in formation].

2004-014-178  [Snow covered spruce]

2004-014-179  [Winter Carnival Queens' crown]

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2004-014-182  Henry Bender, 1953.

[Page title for the following images “Christmas at office, 1953. Audrey Loftus, ____ Isto, Mary Jean Pewe, Ethel Chapman, Lannie & Art Bowsher.

2004-014-183  [Office Christmas tree]

2004-014-184  [People at party]

2004-014-185  [Lab with Christmas tree]

2004-014-186  [Children at party]

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2004-014-187  Harlan Bergquist

2004-014-188  Wenonah Bergquist

2004-014-189  Practice for party! [Florence Rucker in fur]

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2004-014-190  Sourdough Dance Club – Feb. ’54. Ro and I went as cave women!


2004-014-192  Harlan and Wenonah Bergquist.


2004-014-194  [Group portrait, Sourdough Dance]

2004-014-195  [Group portrait, Sourdough Dance]

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2004-014-197  Dick Collins & how he came down the mountain (see pants!!). Minchumina, May 10, ’54.

2004-014-198  [Unknown child, Jeanne Collins, Dick Collins, Celia Hunter, Ginny Wood]


2004-014-201  John, Patty, Ted, Diane Hawk, children of Edeth Bernese Olsaver Hawk & William Hawk, grandchildren of Edith Lila Dickey Olsaver & Clayton Olsaver [image on Christmas card].

2004-014-202  Don, Virginia. Terry and Bobby Thompson.

2004-014-203  Don, Virginia, Terry, Bobby & Sandy Thompson. Don Thompson helped us with the float plane.


*did fieldwork in Naval Petroleum Reserve #4, Alaska.

2004-014-205  
Standing: ________, Anne Rucker Addington, ________,  
Winfield Scott Macgill, ________, H. Cowles Rucker, Jr.,  
______, ________, Anna Macgill, Ben Rucker, Martha______,  
______, ________, Judy Hall, ________, Emma Macgill Hall,  
William Russell Hall, Nell Rucker Macgill. Sitting: Florence  
Rucker, _______, ________.

2004-014-206  
Standing: Richard H. Akers, Anne Rucker Addington,  
______, Sadie Rucker Akers, Henry Cowles, Jr., Florence  
Parks Rucker, ________, Anna Macgill, ________, ________,  
Henry Cowles Rucker, Lillian Rucker, Ben Rucker, Martha  
Rucker, ________, ________, ________, Judy Hall, Elizabeth  
Rucker Stoehr, ________, Ruth E. Rucker, Benjamin Parks  
Rucker, Nell Rucker Macgill, ________. Sitting: Winfield S.  
Macgill, Clara Rucker, Wm. R. Hall, Emma M. Hall.

2004-014-207  
[Five women]

2004-014-208  
[Two men]

2004-014-209  
[Two couples]

2004-014-210  
50th Wedding anniversary, Dr. Henry Cowles [Rucker] and  

2004-014-211  
[Two couples]

2004-014-212  
50th Wedding anniversary, Dr. Henry Cowles Rucker and  
Lillian Rucker Rucker. April, 1956, Amelia, Virginia. Left to  
right: Benjamin Parks Rucker (Feb. 20, 1876 – June 30,  
1959); Mrs. Nell Rucker Macgill; Mrs. Florence Dickey  
Rucker, wife of B.P. Rucker, Aug. 11, 1880 – Nov. 27, plus  
or minus, 1967; Miss Ruth Rucker (1874? – 1960); Miss  
Clara Maude Rucker, Lillian & H. Cowles Rucker; Mrs. Sadie  
Rucker Akers; Richard H. Akers (husband of Sadie Akers);  
Mrs. Elizabeth Rucker Stoehr.

2004-014-213  
Dr. Henry Cowles Rucker & Lillian Rucker Rucker. 50th  
wedding anniversary – April, 1956, Amelia County, Virginia.
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<td>[Florence Rucker in center, between older man and woman]</td>
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