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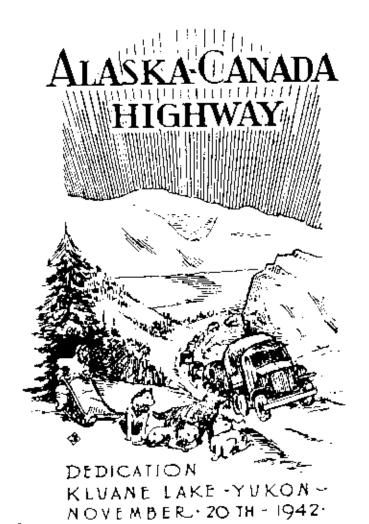


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ALASKA HIGHWAY

HISTORY

Since the turn of the century various schemes have been 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 more by economic interests—mining, lumbering and tourism—than by a concern for the social, cultural or economic structure of the native & non-native populations of the three areas.

During the twenties and thirties a small but vocal group of "builders" began to campaign for a highway, either a coastal or inland route, to improve the economic base of all three areas. With the impending threat of war in the late thirties, 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 North-West Staging Route (NWSR) was surveyed by the Canadian Civil Aviation Branch with a view towards improving the existing eircraft facilities for year round use. This NWSR route was expanded to give greater access to Edmonton and Fairbanks by air. In 1940, the Permanent Joint Board on Defence (PJBD) also recommended more upgrading of the NWSR facilities to meet increasing military needs but still refused to consider the construction of a highway since it was not justified from a military standpoint and there was no agreement on a route.

The unexpected bombing of Pearl Harbour in December 1941 stimulated interest in the construction of the Highway by the American government. The U.S. 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 "peacetime" civilian needs of the future.

The chosen route ran from Edmonton to Whitehorse then on to Fairbanks. The Corps of Engineers roughed out a pioneer" road in eight months and then handed over the completion of the highway to civilian contractors who finished it in 1943.

During this time the Americans grew increasingly concerned over the lack of petroleum available in the north. 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 "Camp Canol" and 4 pipelines -- No. 1, main Canol pipeline, No. 2: Skagway to Whitehorse, No. 3: Carcross to Watson Lake, No. 4: Whitehorse to Fairbanks.

By late 1943, both projects were completed by the U.S. Corps of Engineers and Canada officially accepted responsibility for maintaining and developing the Yukon portion of the Alaska Highway. The impact of the Highway was realized by the local populations—both native and non-native—in a very short time. The impact ranged from social problems to severe culture shock as well as an increased awareness of the world outside of the Yukon among the local population. The mixed blessings included improved health care, transportation, communication and development of tourist related industries.

INTRODUCTION

Over the last fifty years the Yukon Archives and MacBride Museum have collected a wealth of original documentation on the construction, planning and socio-economic impacts of the Highway on the Territory. This bibliography presents an overview of both collections.

All material held by the Yukon Archives and MacBride Museum has been arranged in general subject areas. The has Archives collection divisions--historical 6 background, personal narratives, photographs & pictorial works, military & civilian governance, socio-economic impacts, and special events. The MacBride collection of3 divisions--books, newspapers photographs. Both collections have been broken down further by type of material within each subject and each item has been given a full bibliographical description.

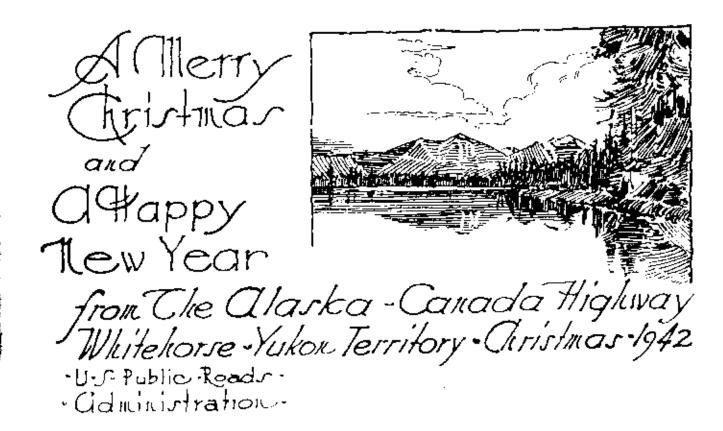
The illustrations on the cover page of each division were chosen from material in the Yukon Archives collection to further highlight the atmosphere of the Alaska Highway construction period.

The MacBride Museum section consists of 2 types of material -- publications and photographs.

The Yukon Archives section consists of 9 distinct categories:

- Corporate Records (COR): Records of various businesses, organizations and associations which provide details of their activities in the construction period or during the last forty years.
- Government Records (GOV): Yukon Territorial & Federal (U. S. & Canadian) records outlining the planning, construction, and political aspects of the Highway from the early twenties to the present day.

- Manuscripts (MSS): Private papers of individuals or families ranging from diaries, correspondence, and scrapbooks reflecting personal viewpoints and memories of the construction, maintenance and impact of the Highway.
- 4. Maps and plans: Original diagrams, maps and sketches showing the development of the territory as the Highway was incorporated into the local lifestyle.
- Books: Published material ranging from planning documents, personal narratives to socio-economic studies on the planning, construction and development of the Highway.
- 6. Pamphlets (PAM): Excerpts from journals & magazines, published promotional literature, poetry, and special events souvenirs (menus, invitations & opening ceremony programs).
- 7. Photographs and pictorial works (PHO): Photographs taken by private individuals and professionals showing highway construction & maintenance activities by the U.S. and Canadian Armies.
- Sound recordings (SR): Oral history recordings describing the construction, social and cultural impacts of the Highway on the territory.
- 9. Films & videos: Home movies, professional documentary films and videotapes of the construction, opening ceremonies and everyday usage of the Highway.



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So building of the Alaska Highway, or Alcan, in 1942- **1963 was** a huge project with wide-ranging effects on the **earth.** The scope was so large that only a few sources **Cleruss** all aspects of "The Road". The following provide **overview** of the entire project:

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DESCRIPTION AND TRAVEL

Although the highway's utility for military defense was highly questionable, it was well travelled. In 1943 alone, approximately 17,000 government, civilian and commercial vehicles travelled the highway. This number appears large but cannot begin to equal the vast amount of civilian traffic which would begin even before the war ended. In the early years, travel permits were necessary from the Army and the Canadian Government. Personal accounts of the "adventure road" were published as early as 1944. A few of the carlier descriptive accounts of travelling the highway are listed below:

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Video V-7 Alaska or Bust. Kits Camera collection, #84/90, 1984.

Note: Travelogue along the Highway showing scenes of Soldier's Summit and footage of highway construction

EPHEMERA

There are always materials which defy classification by subject or type; these are often grouped into "ephemera" sections such as this one. As the highway became part of the Territory its presence was celebrated in humorous cartoons, menus, poetry, posters, etc. which are outlined below:

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Book Coutts 611.54 Ros Roston, Norman. <u>The Big Road: a Narrative Poem.</u> [New York]: Reinbart and Co., 1946.

CORPORATE RECORDS

COR CO1, file #1, 2 MacBride Museum collection, #82/251, 1930-1963.

Note: Clippings on the Alaska Highway

MANUSCRIPTS

MSS 143, f. 31 Faulkner, Victoria Anna Belle collection, #83/50-1, 1896-1979.

MSS | 601 Harvey, B. G. Papers collection, #82/33-2, 1940-1946.

Note: Agenda of the ceremony transferring the Alaska Highway to the Canadian Government

MSS 169 Lorence, Charles M. collection, #84/73-1, 1943-1944.

Note: Collection of poems written by Alaska Highway workers

MSS 122 MacBride Museum collection, #82/29-2, 1942.

Note: Letter describing the opening of the Highway

MSS 8

Seaton, Robert collection, #82/146, 1942-1965.

 $\underline{\text{Note}}$: Newspaper and periodical articles dealing with the construction of the Alaska Highway

MSS 122

Sparling, Gudrum collection, #82/48-2, 1923-1948.

<u>Note</u>: Poem on the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers building the Highway

MSS 146

Sparling, Gudrun collection, #83/88-2, 1947.

Note: Historical narrative on the highway

MSS 122

Surprise, Delphus Arthur collection, #82/458-4, 1942-1944.

Note: A poem and an Alaska Highway Travel Control Permit

MSS 199

Tanguay, Father J. P. collection, #86/96, 1942-1943.

Note: Stationery featuring a small map of the highway

MSS 191, f. 29

Whyard, Florence collection, #85/68-1, 1967-1984.

MSS 128

Wilson, J. Donald collection, #82/526, 1981.

PAMPHLETS

Pam 1942-22

Alaska-Canada Highway, Dedication Kluane Lake, Yukon, November 20th, 1942. 1942.

Note: Original menu and piece of the dedication ribbon

Pam 1982-11

Alaska Highway 40th Anniversary: 1942-1982, [Whitehorse: Chamber of Commerce], 1981,

Pam 1976-1060 <u>Alaska Highway estimated mileuge chart</u>, : Red's Pilot Car, 1976.

Pam 1974-189C <u>Alas</u>ka Highway mileage chart, [Dawson Creek: Loiselle Transport Limited, 1974].

Pam 1943-35 Alaska Highway send "notes" of joy at Easter, 1943.

Note: A greeting card

Pam 1943-29 Alaskan High<u>way</u>, 1943 ca.

Note: A map of the highway route

Pam ND-78 Bell, Clark G. "<u>Mac's</u> Tri<u>p on t</u>he Alask<u>a Highway"</u>.

Note: A postcard

Pam 1964-60 Ceremony warking the handover of the Northwest Highway System from the Canadian Army to the Department of Public Works. Whitehorse, 1964.

Pam 1943-240 Hobo Ben. <u>Down North: Souvenir of the Alaska Highway Workers</u>. 2nd enl. ed. Calgary: J. W. Dick, 1943 (c).

Note: Poetry about the Alaska Highway

Pam 1963-42 International Conference on Paving the Alaska Highway: September 11-17, 1963. Whitchorse: N.p., 1963 ca.

Note: A conference program

Pam 1944-27 Lee, Frank C. <u>Alaska Highway Poems</u>. Mason City; Klipto Print Co., 1944.

Note: Poetry on the Alaska Highway

Pam ND-620

Mail Poste, Canada Post Corporation. Alaska-Canada Highway - 50 Years, 1942-1992.

Note: An invitational postcard to the Alaska Highway celebrations

Pam ND-537

McLeod, Murdoch. <u>Verse on the Alaska Highway</u>. [Richmond, British Columbia: M. McLeod, n. d.].

Pam 1977-135

Parks Canada, Alaska Highway Commemoration [program]. Contact Creek: Parks Canada, 1977.

Pam 1967-103C

Raedeke, Walter E. Passport to Adventure [Alaska Highway Directory]. 1967.

Note: A decal and souvenir booklet for 25th (1967) anniversary

Pam 1942-26

U. S. Public Roads. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Alaska-Canada Highway. 1942.

Note: Christmas card

Pam ND-1

Uncle Albert. <u>Poems Commemorating Construction of the Alaska Highway</u>. 1942 ca.

Pam 1976-119C

Urquhart, D. R. A Humfolrous Guide to Travel on the Alaska Highway. Whitehorse: TORC Publishers, 1976.

Note: Cartoons on travelling the Alaska Highway

POSTERS

Poster M-50 Alaska Hi-way, n. d.

Note: A poem written on cloth

Poster P-359

Alaska Highway Rendezvous 192 - Alaska Highway 50th Anniversary of Construction, 1942-1992. Yukon Anniversaries Commission collection, #91/10, 1990.

Poster P-358

Rendezvous 192 - Alaska Highway 50th Anniversary, Yukon Anniversaries Commission collection, #91/ 10, 1990.

VIDEOS

Video V-225-2

Film #10. Harbottle, Bud collection, #91/20, 1940.

Note: Home movie of the official ceremony handing the maintenance of the Alaska Highway over to the Canadian Government

Video V-211

Film #6. Taylor, Charlie collection, #89/43, 1946 ca.

Note: Home movie showing first buses over the Alaska Highway and the official ceremony handing it over to the Canadian Army

Video V-209

Film #5. Taylor, Issac collection, #89/43, 1946-1947.

 $\underline{\text{Note}}$: Home movie showing the official ceremony to hand over the highway to the Canadian Army

Video V-214

50th Anniversary - Rendezvous '92. Yukon Anniversaries Commission collection, #91/10, 1990.

Note: Video designed to promote the 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway

Video V-213

Rendezvous Road. Yukon Anniversaries Commission collection. #91/10, 1990.

Note: Video designed to promote the 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway

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Raedeke, Walter E. Passport to Adventure [Alaska Highway Directory]. 1967.

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The following section includes a selection of various legal documents and legislation concerning the building and development of the highway.

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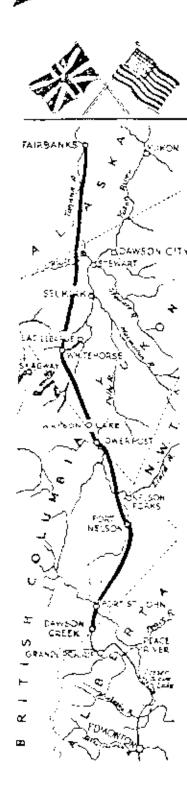
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PERSONAL NARRATIVES

Alaskan Highway



We needed a road and needed it quick So we pushed it through from Dawson Creek, By toil and sweat through flies and grime, To Fairbanks, Alaska, ahead of time. We'll do our part though the job is hard And lick the Japs in their own backyard.

(PAM 1943-29)

PERSONAL NARRATIVES

Of the thousands of people who have either lived or travelled the highway some have written accounts of the their adventures or daily lives. Some are humorous, some sad. all are rife with fascinating detail and information. References to some of these works follow:

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Sidney: Gray's Publishing, 1963 (c).

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GOV 1886, f. 36314 Alaska Highway - General Correspondence re: Travelling the Alaska Highway (YRG 1, Series 2, Volume 44), 1947-1950.

MANUSCRIPTS

MSS 080. 083-086 Courts, Robert C. collection, #78/69-1, 1847-1978.

Note: refer to finding aid for file descriptions

MSS 130 Finnie, Richard Sterling collection, #82/561, 1980.

MSS 146 Grafe, Willis R. collection, #83/87-2, $19^{\rm h}2\text{-}1982$ ca.

MSS 199 Graham, George A. collection, #86/77, 1986.

MSS 227 Hamel, Pather collection, #91/14, 1942.

MSS 048 Hays, Robert E. collection, #82/305-2, 1976.

MSS 227 Hendrickson, Freds collection, #91/13-1, 1948.

MSS 104 Letcher, Mary collection, #80/48, 1980.

MSS 109 Nieman, Paul collection, #80/79, 1980.

MSS 227 Ormbrek, Bob collection, #91/24-1, 1942-1991.

Note: Photographs were taken from 1942-1944.

Robert collection, #82/146, 1942-1965.

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SS 040

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MSS 146

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Note: Historical narrative on the highway

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<u>Note</u>: Personal reminiscences about the construction of the Alaska Highway

VIDEO\$

Video V-139 NEDAA-The Gravel Magnet. KT00-T. V. Video Productions collection, #89/28, 1988.

 $\underline{\text{Note}}\colon A$ documentary featuring testimony from Yukoners on the impact of the Highway

PHOTOGRAPHS AND PICTORIAL WORKS



Donjek River Bridges (1942) YA/R. A. Carter Coll., #1477

PHOTOGRAPHS AND PICTORIAL WORKS

Pictures, of course, are one of the most striking sources of history and photographs of the "The Road" are no exception. Thousands of these pictures exist and more surface every day.

Catalogued photos may be viewed in the "Photograph Visual Finding Aid" available at the Yukon Archives and and thru interlibrary loan via the Whithorse Public Library.

Many collections, however, are uncatalogued and are accessible thru the 'Index to Uncatalogued Photograph Collections' which can obtained from the Yukon Archives.

The following is a list of both the catalogued and uncatalogued photograph collections:

CATALOGUED PHOTOS

1463-1654
Carter, R. A. collection

1920-1976 Haines, C. collection

5669-5716 Hays, Robert collection

3547-4142 MacBride Museum collection

UNCATALOGUED PHOTOS

PHO 139
Baggaley, Keith collection, #81/123, 1950 ca.
Subject: Alaska Highway map

PHO 306 Cust, Florence collection, #84/64, 1942-1946. Subject: Ceremony (1942).

PHO 167 Duffy, Donald collection, #82/474-1, 1942-1943. Subject: construction.

PHO 142-144
Finnie, Richard Sterling collection, #81/21, 1898-1944.
Subjects: construction, crew, road sign, camp, and equipment.

PHO 235
Grafe, Willis R. collection, #83/87-4, 1942-1982.
Subjects: construction, crew, Donjek River, Donjek River bridge, Duke River bridge, equipment, Kluane Lake, Pickhandle Lake, Slims River area, Slims River bridge, Soldier's Summit, White River, camps: Elliot, Hardluck Creek, Silver City.

PHO 424, f. 21, 22 Hamel, Father collection, #91/14-2, 1942. Subject: Soldier's Summit.

PHO 264
Hamilton, Frank collection, #81/151, 1946.
Subject: armouries.

PHO 102 Harrington, Richard collection, #79/27, 1949-1974.

PHO 275 Harrington, Richard collection, #85/25, 1949-1974.

PHO 138 Horback, Helen collection, #81/6-1, 1933-1980. Subject: Stockton bridge. PHO 128
Kamloops Museum and Archives collection, #80/44,
1901-1945.
Subjects: construction and crew.

PHO 120 Knox, Robert E. collection, #80/27, 1950. Subject: road sign.

PHO 216
Learning Resources Corp. Ltd. collection, #81/75, 1970.
Subject: Whitehorse area

PHO 286
Lorence, Charles M. collection, #84/73-2, 1942-1944.
Subject: construction - Champagne area.

PHO 121
Lorence, Charles M. collection, #87/71, 1942-1944.
Subjects: construction, equipment, truck convoy, and camp.

PHO 152
MacBride Museum collection, #82/29-1, 1941-1942.
Subject: construction.

PHO 377
MacDougall, Rod collection, #89/57, 1957-1962 ca.
Subject: scenic view.

PHO 028

Manceau, Fernando collection, #82/324, 1942-1944.

Subjects: construction, crew, equipment, and camp.

PHO 374, 375
McCombe, Molly collection, #88/127, 1934-1960.
Subject: equipment.

PHO 050, f. #2 Miscellaneous II collection, #82/403, 1898-1960. PHO 369 file #3, 4, 5 National Archives of Canada collection, #88/138, 1887-1943.

Subjects: construction and crew.

Restriction: Local orders only (Yukon). Requests from outside Yukon must be referred to National Archives of Canada

PHO 420 Ormbrek, Bob collection, #91/24-2, 1942-1991. Subject: construction.

Note: Photographs were taken from 1942-1944.

PHO 387
Paris, Eileen collection, #89/69, 1955-1958.
Subject: scenic view.

PHO 045
Pedee, Lawrence A. collection, #82/377, 1942-1943.
Subjects: construction, equipment, Canyon Camp.

PHO 58 Postcards collection, #82/427, 1960-1978.

PHO 312, 313
Preston, William J. collection, #85/78, 1942-1943.
Subjects: construction, and equipment.

PHO 282
Provincial Archives of Alberta collection, #85/62R, 1942.
Subjects: aerial view, bridge, construction, and equipment.

PHO 266, 267
Shulist, Brownie collection, #84/33, 1942-1976.
Subjects: accident, ceremony (1946), crew, equipment, truck convoy, camp, and camp-fire.

Restriction: No commercial use without permission of donor, Mrs. Inez Shulist

PHO 287

Simmons, Edward James collection, #84/91, 1947 ca.

Subjects: construction - Peace River Bridge, crew, and equipment.

PHO 152

Simmons, J. Aubrey collection, #82/192-2, 1942-1980.
Subject: ceremony (1942).

PHO 132, 163, 164

Suprise, Delphus Arthur collection, #82/458-1, 1942-1944.

Subjects: accident, bridge, construction, construction - bridge, crew, equipment, raod sign, truck convoy, and camp.

PHO 047

Thompson, Jo collection, #82/388, 1942-1945.

Subjects: bridge, construction, road sign, scenic view, and Kluane Lake camp.

PHO 363

Turner, W. Al collection, #87/102, 1943-1963. Subjects: ceremony (1946), and ceremony (1963-1965).

PHO 047

Turnquist, Emil collection, #82/399, 1957-1958. Subject: scenic view.

PHO 77

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers collection, #77/10, 1942. Subjects: construction - Liard River Bridge, ceremony (1942), construction, crew, equipment, and camp.

Restriction: Photo credit line must read "U. S. Army Photo".

PHO 325

U. S. National Archives and Records Administration collection, #87/28, 1940 ca.

Subjects: construction - Nisutlin River bridge, construction - Teslin River bridge, construction, crew, equipment, and camp.

 $\underline{\text{No}}\text{te}\colon \text{Photo must credit U. S. National Archives and Records Administration}$

PHO 032

Waddington, Maggie collection, #82/331-1, 1902-1963. Subject: ceremony (1942).

PHO 246

Whyard, Florence collection, #84/43-2, 1940-1973. Subjects: scenic view, and truck convoy.

Restriction: No reproductions must be made without the permission of Florence Whyard until June 1994. All reprints of Mile Post photographs are to be credited "courtesy of Mile Post"

PHO 247-249

Wright, Allen A. collection, #84/49, 1970. Subject: scenic view.

PRO 339

Yukon Territory, Economic Development: Mines and Small Business collection, #87/93, 1942.

Subjects: construction - bridge, Donjek River bridge, equipment, and vehicle.

PHO 366

Yukon Territory. Protective Services collection, #89/8, July 16, 1988.

Subject: aerial view.

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Geographical Journal, vol. 42, no. 6, 1951: 238-359.

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MILITARY AND CIVILIAN GOVERANCE

Alcan's Black Engineers (U. S. Army Corp. of Eng.) Alaska 1942-1943

When America needed a highway through
The lads of Black all dresses in brown
Carved out a road from frozen ground
From Dawson Creek to Delta Junction
They hacked and chopped and froze their toes
To save America from its foes.

Many a night they went to bed
With bodies black and blue and red
Mosquitoes, Black flies. No see'ums too
Had bitten their clothes and gotten through.
In muck and mire, brimstone and fire
They bulldozed their way and didn't tire.

Without shellfire or any belle
They came through many swamps of hell.
Missing grits and American fries
They made the mighty lifeline
Of the Alcan Highway rise.

Then tanks, guns and airplane crews

Could roll this highway to pay their dues.

In spring, summer, winter and fall

Sometimes with no day or sun at all

These Black guys answered their countries call.

Kept the Alcan open, made it work
A monster challenge they did not skirk.
The Black soldier and his crew
Saw this great endeaver through.

The Alcan Highway is now history And will remain into eternity. North to the future in this state That's a-cut above the forty eight.

> J. Roscoe Wurst (1925-(Pam 1992-116)

PLANNING THE HIGHWAY

Planning for the highway linking Alaska to the "lower 48" began in the 1930's. 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 February 1942, however, brought the United States into the war and the need for a highway gained importance in Washington's eyes.

By the mid-March signing of the formal international agreement between Canada and the United States, the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers had already surveyed routes and the engineers were already entering the country. Three routes were considered; none of which were followed exactly.

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Book 971.2 Ala U. S. Congress. Alaska International Rail and Highway Commission. "Transport Requirements for the Growth of Northwest North America". 3 vols. Washington, D. C.: U. S. Government Printing Office, 1961-.

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GOV 2078, pt. 13

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GOV 2078, pt. 14
Letter to G. A. Jeckell, Commissioner, RE: proposed routes of the B. C. - Yukon - Alaska Highway. Map of the proposed route enclosed (YRG 1, Series 8, Volume 8A), 1939.

MAPS

Map H-1599 (A-D) Alaska Highway - plan of right of way, 1958.

Map H-2323 Alaska Canada Highway, projected location - Whitehorse Airport, 1942.

Map H-1179 Alaska Highway Route Map supplied by U. S. Public Roads Administration, 1943.

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

Map R-22
[Atlin Lake - Jake's Corner survey, route map and profile, mile 0 - mile 58], 1946.

Map R-370 Plan of right of way to Alaska Highway from monument No. 1928 to monument No. 1977, sheet No. 56, 1950.

Map H-1469
"Plan of survey of let 6, group 803, lat. 60 49'[N], long. 137 41'[E] approx., Yukon Territory." Approximate area of mile 1022 Alaska Highway, 1951.

Map H-714 Proposed highway to Alaska, 1941. Map H-1209 [Route for the proposed Alaska Highway], 1931.

Map H-1305 (A-r) Series of maps showing a survey of the Alaska Highway (B.C. section), 1975 ca.

Map R-118 [Sheet No. 31, plan right of way of Alaska Highway from monument No. 1005 to monument No. 1046 Yukon Territory], 1947.

Map H-1443 Sketch of lands staked near mile 909 Alaska Highway. Includes British Yukon Railway Co.'s "Junction Grounds", lot 287, group 804, British Yukon Railway right of way, and Ryan, McArthur and Cox applications, 1955 ca.

Map H-1468 Sketch showing survey of lot 6, group 803 Yukon, mile 1022 Alaska Highway, Mrs. D. Mackintosh Homestead, 1950.

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The "Road" had immediate and long-term impacts on the social, economic and environmental concerns of the people living in the Yukon and Alaska. The existing communities experienced a sudden influx of people and the presence of a major transportation corridor created new communities along its route. Whitehorse became more prominent and its future was assured as a transportation hub.

Inevitably, Dawson's role as the centre of Yukon activity and administration was diminished.

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SPECIAL EVENTS

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Rendezvous 192--Alaska Highway 50th Anniversary, Yukon Anniversaries Commission collection, #91/ 10, 1990.

UNCATALOGUED PHOTO COLLECTIONS

PHO 328-337

Anglican Church, Diocese of Yukon collection, #86/61-2, 1896-1970. Subject: Ceremony (1942).

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Cust, Florence collection, #84/64, 1942-1946, Subject: Ceremony (1942).

PHG 424, f. 21, 22

Hamel, Father collection, #91/14-2, 1942. Subject: Soldier's Summit. PHO 266, 267

Shulist, Brownie collection, #84/33, 1942-1976.

Subjects: accident, ceremony (1946), crew, equipment, truck convoy, camp, and camp - fire.

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PHO 152

Simmons, J. Aubrey collection, #82/192-2, 1942-1980. Subject: ceremony (1942).

PHO 363

Turner, W. Al collection, #87/102, 1943-1963.

Subjects: ceremony (1946), and ceremony (1963-1965).

PHO 77

U. S. Army Corps of Engineers collection, #77/10, 19-2.
Subjects: construction - Liard River Bridge, ceremony (1942), construction, crew, equipment, and camp.

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PHO 032

Waddington, Maggle collection, #82/331-1, 1902-1963, Subject: ceremony (1942).

VIDEOS

Video V-119

Film #5, #9. Greenstade, Ronald L. collection, #85/50-5, 1949-1951 ca.

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

Video V-225-2

Film #10. Harbottle, Bud collection, #91/20, 1940.

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m Note}$: Home movie of the official deremony handing the maintenance of the Alaska Highway over to the Canadian Government

Video V-211

Film #6. Taylor, Charlie collection. #89/43, 1946 ca.

Note: Home movie showing first buses over the Alaska Highway and the official caremony handing it over to the Canadian Army

Video V-209

Fi)m #5. Taylor, Issac collection, #89/43, 1946-1947.

 $\underline{\text{Note}}$: Home movie showing the official ceremony to hand over the highway to the Canadian Army

Video V-214

50th Anniversary - Rendezvous '92. Yukon Anniversaries Commission collection, #91/10, 1990.

Note: Video designed to promote the 50th Anniversary of the Alaska Highway

Video V-213

Rendezvous Road, Yukon Anniversaries Commission collection, #91/10, 1990.

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X89-1-1A-203PH Major General G. Walsh, C.B.E., D.A.O., C.D., Commander N.W.H.S., April 1946-Dec. 1947. X89-1-1A-204PH Brig. H.L. Meuser, O.B.S., C.D., Commander N.W.H.S., April 1946-Dec. 1947. X89-1-1A-205PH Brig. S.C. Brown, O/B.E., C.D., Commander N.W.H.S., Dec. 1950-April 1951. X89-1-1A-206PH Brig. S.H. Webb, D.S.O., C.D., Commander N.W.H.S., Aug 1962-Aug 1963. X89-1-1A-207PH Brig. A.B. Connelly, C.B.E., C.D., Commander N.W.H.S., Feb. 1948-Aug 1950. X89-1-1A-235PH Bob Seaton of "18th Engineers" at Kluane Lake, Oct. 1942. X89-1-1A-277PH Kerr, Rusty Martin, Jimmy Rogers at Opening Ceremonies, when Army opened the Highway.

Unidentified Personalities Collection

X89-2-1A-195РН	Men during combat training session on Alaska Highway Credit: U.S. Army.
X89-2-1A-196PH	Three soldiers beside truck, first convoy from Whitehorse to Fairbanks Credit: U.S. Army.
х09-2-1А-197РН	Soldiers surveying.
х89-2-1А-198РН	Couple posing at Alaska/Yukon order on Alaska Highway.
X89-2-1A-199PH	Soldiers with movie camera by river.
X89-2-1A-216PH	18th Engineers Regiment Concert Band outdoor concert at Silver City, 1942.
X89-2-1A-250РН	Group of Army personnel during ceremony on bridge.
Х89-2-1А-265РН	An American Corp. of Engineers soldiers employed on Alaska Highway.
Х89-2-1А-266РН	Men at "The Official Canadian- American opening of the Alaska Highway".

Transportation Collection

X89-3-1A-162PH	U.S. Army construction equipment on flat cars at Whitehorse rail yard, Credit: YA/Paul Vergon Coll.
X89-3-1A-440PH	Cat pulling crew and gear in a stone boat through the mud- Alaska Highway, 1942.
х89-3-1А-441РН	Construction equipment moved by sternwheeler Credit: U.S. Army.

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X89-3-1A-442PH	Truck and bulldozers working on construction. Credit: U.S. Army.
Х89-3-1А-443РН	Building log bridge. Credit: U.S. Army.
X89-3-1A-444PH	Army convoy during construction. Credit: U.S. Army.
X89-3-1A-445PH	Construction equipment on train flat car. Credit: YA/Paul Vergon Coll.
Х89-3-1А-446РН	Construction equipment for the Highway. Credit: YA/Paul Vergon Coll.
X89-3-1A-447РН	Construction equipment for the Highway, 1942. Credit: YA/Paul Vergon Coll,
Х89-3-1А-448РН	Bulldozer pulling skid sled full of men and supplies in winter, Alaska Highway, 1942 Credit: YA/MacBride Museum.
X89-3-1A-449РН- X89-3-1A-457РН	Highway construction 8 photos.
Х89-3-1А-463РН	Tractor trailer on Alaska Highway, c. 1940's.
X89-3-1A-466PH- X89-3-1A-470PH	Survey 1942 of Alaska Highway.
X89-3-1A-478PH	One of 8000 temporary culverts, log culverts on the Alaska Highway, c. 1942 Credit: U.S. Army.
X89-3-1A-479PH	Crew drilling dynamite holes Credit: U.S. Army.

Site Specific Collection

X89-4-1A-359PH	Whitehorse, c. 1940's.
Х89-4-1А-408РН	Overview of Takhini area of Whitehorse. Credit: YA/Paul Vergon Coll.
х89-4-1А-409РН	Line up at Camp Takhini Mess Hall, c. 1940's. Credit: YA/Paul Vergon Coll.
X89-4-1A-437PH	Alaska Highway, Donjek River Bridge with flags and banners Credit: National Defense.
X89-4-1A-438РН- X89-4-1A-439РН	Alaska Highway in winter.
х89-4-1А-495РН	Alaska Highway in winter.
X89-4-1A-553РН	Alaska Highway showing Canadian Customs building at Mile 2204.
х89-4-1А-554РН	Army radio vehicle crossing river bridge at Mile 132, July 29, 1943. Credit: U.S. Army.
Х89-4-1А-555РН	Alaska Highway showing Tanana River bridge during snow storm, Sept. 2, 1942. Credit: U.S. Army.
X89-4-1A-565PH	Koidern Maintenance camp, Alaska Highway White River area, Mile 1156.
хв9-4-1А-566РН	Alaska Highway Mile 104, Beatton Bridge in B.C. Credit: U.S. Army.
X89-4-1A-567PH	Alaska Highway at Haines Junction, Mile 1016, Maintenance camp.
X89-4-1A-569PH	Canadian border marker, Alaska Highway.

X89-4-1A-570PH	Alaska Highway in winter, showing Alaska border monument.
X89-4-1A-571PH	Alaska Highway, wood and steel bridge.
X89-4-1A-572РH	Alaska Highway showing "Entering Alaska, leaving Yukon" sign.
X89-4-1A-574РН	Alaska Highway showing pontoon bridge and Army truck, 1942 Credit: U.S. Army.
X89-4-1A-575Рн	Building Alaska Highway wooden bridge, 1942.
X89-4-1A-576PH	Military "tent city" along Alaska Highway.
Х89-4-1А-577РН	Alaska Highway monument officially handling over the Highway to Canadian Army.
X89-4-1A-578РН	Alsek gap on the Alaska Highway, Mountain Archibald.
X89-4-1A-580РН- X89-4-1A-592РН	Scenic Alaska Highway photos.
X89-4-1A-588РН	Military living facilities, 1945.
X89-4-1A-595PH- X89-4-1A-641PH	Scenic Alaska Highway.
X89-4-1A-705PH- X89-4-1A-724PH	Scenic Alaska Highway
X89-4-1A-781PH	Soldiers Summit, Nov. 20, 1942 Credit: U.S. Army.
Х89-4-1а-403РН	Bird's eye view of Whitehorse c. 1940's.
Х89-4-1А-369РН	Whitehorse Army compound.
X89-4-1A-581PH	Bridge on Alaska Highway.

Personal Photograph Collections

Vernon Haik Collection

X88-2-1A-1PH-X88-2-1A-101PH

Photos relating to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the R.R. Survey of 1942. Included is a contemporary map that Mr. Haik marked the sites of the many camps they had while under going the survey.

Dick Thomas Collection

X90-28-1A-1PH

1943 outside of Army barracks, rock garden printed in rocks, "The Alcan Hell Drivers" 519 Trucking Battalion.

Anita Ronayne McWilliams Collection

X91-9-1A-1PH-X91-9-1A-7PH

Photos of Governor General Lord Alexander visit 1947 and decorating officers.

Cilbert Patton Collection

X89-36-1A-1PH-X89-36-1A-10PH

Photos of Whitehorse area in 1945.

Vivian Urban Collection

X89-52-1A-1PH-X89-52-1A-10PH Photos of the U.S.A.F., 1942-45, mainly of inside of Army Hospital.

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Х89-62-1А-ЗРН	Muskwa	River,	Alaska	Highway,
	B.C.			3 1,

W. D. MacBride Collection

х89-6-1а-61РН	1947	Winter	Carnival	Queen
	(Mary	y MacBri	lde).	

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X89-53-1A-1PH-	
X89-53-1A-92PH	Camp and Crew pictures of
	personalities that were
	working on construction of
	Alaska Highway. Personal
	photos of people on the

Highway crews.