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# Introduction

## 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.

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VIDEO

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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.
71. Alaska Highway Wildlife, Video V-279, 1992.  
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.
74. Video Memories II, Video V-286, 1993.  
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 Beauport 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.

VIDEO continued

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.

78. McConachie, Harry fonds. Video V-638, V-639 (2002/99), 1939–1950.

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 Kluane 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.

## 1.2 Ephemera

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.

### BOOKS

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Location 811.54 Ros (Coutts Library)

### CORPORATE

84. MacBride Museum collection, COR 001 (82/251), f. 1 & 2, 1930–1963.  
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.

### MANUSCRIPTS

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.
88. Faulkner, Victoria fonds, MSS 143 (83/50) f. 31, 1896–1979.  
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.”

MANUSCRIPTS continued

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.
92. Hamilton, Frank fonds, MSS 274 (2001/65), 1946.  
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.
94. Hendrickson, Edward fonds, MSS 227 (91/13), 1948.  
Note: Includes Alaska Highway registration cards and a letter of employment.
95. Hise, Troy fonds, MSS 231 (93/49R), 1992.  
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.
97. MacBride, Mary collection, MSS 061 (82/342), 1914–1964.  
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.
99. Pathman, William fonds, MSS 231 (93/63), 1943–1944.  
Note: Contains a poem, liquor and driving permits and employment cards.
100. Rawlins, Don collection, MSS 249 (93/53R), 1943–1945.  
Note: Includes applications, licenses, permits, a menu, an issue of “Northern Newscast,” and an “Order of Alaska Cheechacos” certificate.
101. Seaton, Robert fonds, MSS 008 (82/146), 1942–1965.  
Note: Scrapbook containing newspaper and periodical articles dealing with the construction of the Alaska Highway.

MANUSCRIPTS continued

102. Sparling, Gudrun fonds, MSS 122 (82/48), 1923–1948.  
Note: Includes a poem about the 18th Engineers Regiment, a menu for the turnover ceremony, stationery, envelopes and photocopies of greeting cards.
103. Surprise, Delphus fonds, MSS 122 (82/458), 1942–1944.  
Note: A poem and an Alaska Highway Travel Control Permit.
104. Tanguay, Father Jean-Paul fonds, MSS 199 (86/96), 1942–1943.  
Note: Stationery featuring a small map of the Alaska Highway.
105. Whyard, Florence fonds, MSS 191 (85/68) f. 29, 1974.  
Note: Includes newspaper clippings regarding the Alaska Highway.
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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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## 2. Military and Civilian Governance



*Army bell tents set up in a cleared area near Edith Creek, 1942.  
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## 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.

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

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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.

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## 2.2 Maintenance and Repair

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.

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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.

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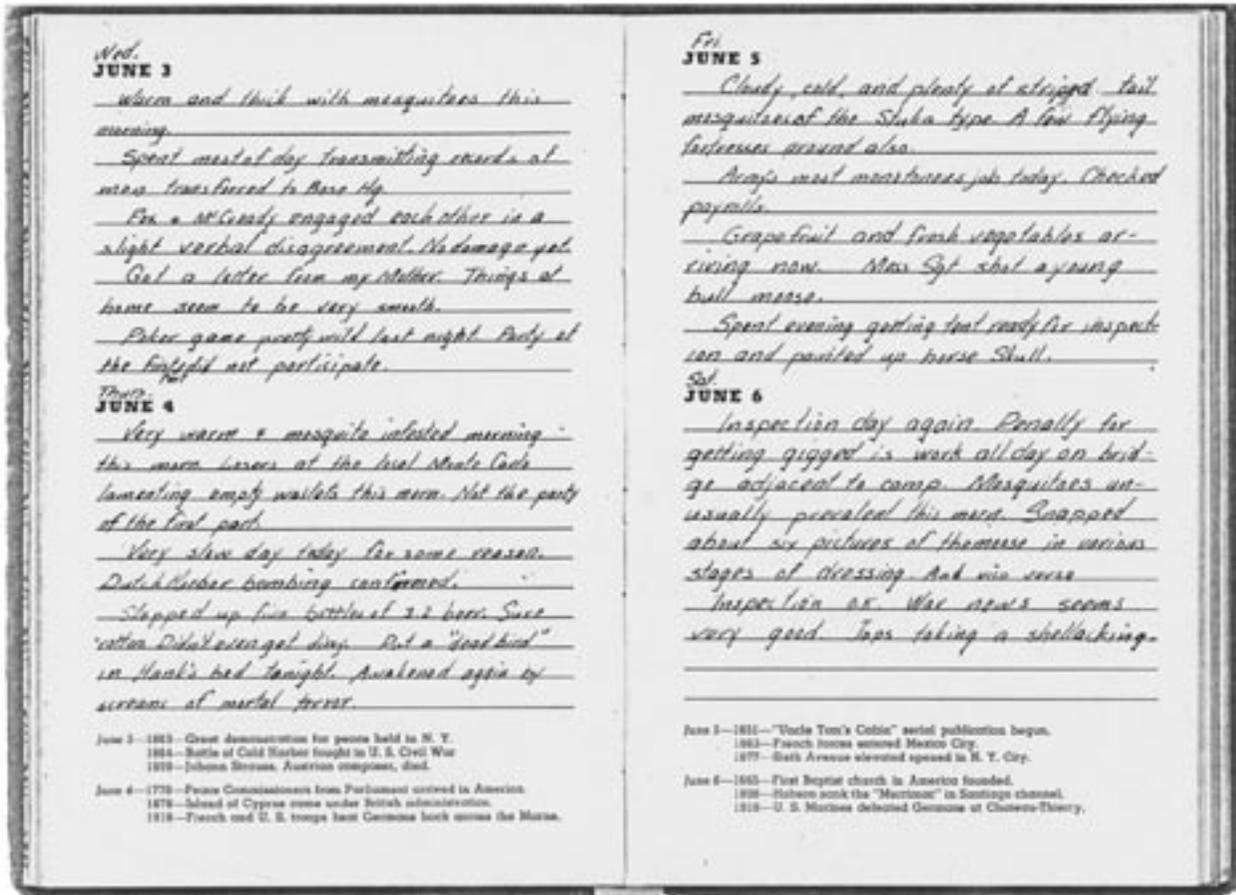
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### 3. Personal Narratives

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.

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538. Finnie family fonds, MSS 130 (82/561), 1980.  
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MANUSCRIPTS continued

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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: 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: 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. Lelund, 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."

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

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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.

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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.

546. MacKenzie, Jack fonds, MSS 199 (87/87) f. 1, 1945–1948.

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.

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Note: See also Bob Ormbrek's photo collection at PHO 406 (90/52).

MANUSCRIPTS continued

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**SOUND RECORDINGS**

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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.
562. Charlie, Bob fonds, SR 007 (1) (88/54), 1968.  
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.
563. Grafe, Willis fonds, SR 064 (1) (83/87), ca. 1942–1982.  
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.
564. Humphreys, Clemit fonds, SR 143 (92/45), 1992.  
Note: Sound recording of Clemit 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.
565. Koepke, Jan fonds, SR 264 (1-3) and CD 97 (1) (2005/128), 1981.  
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).

SOUND RECORDINGS continued

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.

567. Yukon. Heritage Branch, SR 131 (1-10) (92/14), 1991.

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

568. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-589-3 and Film 8-65 (95/94) Film 8, ca. 1945–1946.

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.

569. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-588-4 and Film 8-61 (95/94) Film 4, ca. 1942–1948.

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.

572. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-588-5 and Film 8-62 (95/94) Film 5, ca. 1943.

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.

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573. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-589-1 and Film 8-63 (95/94) Film 6, ca. 1942.

Note: Scenes include U.S. Army activity, Alaska Highway construction and vehicles in and around Whitehorse. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3) (95/94). Detailed listing sheets are available.

574. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-590-1 and Film 8-68 (95/94) Film 11, ca. 1947–1950.

Note: Scenes include the Canol Road, Yukon scenery and a General Motors party before a hunting trip between Aishihik and Otter Lake. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3) (95/94). Detailed listing sheets are available.

575. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-589-5 and Film 8-67 (95/94) Film 10, ca. 1946.

Note: Scenes include the Canol Road, an Army checkpoint on the Alaska Highway, views along the Alaska Highway to Fairbanks and a U.S. Army band. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3) (95/94). Detailed listing sheets are available.

576. Drury, William L. fonds. Video V-590-2 and Film 8-69 (95/94) Film 12, ca. 1950s.

Note: Scenes include highway driving and Yukon scenery. Bill Drury's narration of these films is located at SR 210 (1-3) (95/94). Detailed listing sheets are available.

577. KTOO-TV Video Productions collection. NEDAA - The Gravel Magnet, Video V-139 (89/28), 1988.

Note: A documentary featuring testimony from Yukoners on the impact of the Alaska Highway.

578. MacKenzie, Jack fonds. Video V-115 (1-2) (87/87), 1945–1948.

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.

579. N.N.B.Y. NEDAA - Alaska Highway, Video V-171-3, 1987.

Note: A short history about the building of the Alaska Highway and the effect on First Nations. Pearl Keenan and Johnnie Johns are interviewed.



#### 4. Photographs and Pictorial Works



*Teresa Chanatry and her friends on the banks of the Yukon River, ca. 1942.  
Yukon Archives. Teresa Chanatry fonds, 99/68, 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. Cartter fonds and Robert Hays fonds, are digitized and can be viewed on line at [www.yukonarchives.ca](http://www.yukonarchives.ca).

### PHOTOGRAPHS

580. Amos, Donald fonds, In-process material 3/8/3 (92/46), 1941–1948.

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.

581. Barnes, Albert Charles fonds, PHO 044 (89/99), 1940–1949.

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](http://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.

583. Bethune, Dan fonds, PHO 594 (2003/129), 1942–1943.

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

584. Bidlake, Geoffrey collection, PHO 423 (91/98), 1961–1964.

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

585. Billard, Lewis G. fonds, PHO 526 (2000/49), 1949.

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

587. Bussey, Edward fonds, In-process material 2/13/5 (99/74), 1942–1944.

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

588. Cameron, W.C. fonds, PHO 183 (93/77), 1942–1943.

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.

589. Canada. Army. Royal Canadian Ordnance Corps, 14th, PHO 138 (81/94), 1946–1964.

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.

590. Canada. Department of National Defence, PHO 419 (91/37), 1944–1977.

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.”

591. Caron, Ray collection, PHO 599 (2004/91), 1940–1942.

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.

593. Carpentier, Harry fonds, PHO 473-475 (93/105), 1942–1943.

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

594. Carter, Thomas collection, PHO 436 (93/112), 1942–1943.

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

595. Cartter, R.A. fonds, #1463-1654 (82/281R), 1942.

Note: R.A. Cartter 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](http://www.yukonarchives.ca).

PHOTOGRAPHS continued

596. Chanatry, Teresa fonds, PHO 601 (99/68), 1944–1946.

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

597. Coleman, Jack fonds, PHO 459 (93/90), 1942–1943.

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

598. Couch, Orval fonds, PHO 180 (92/35), 1942–1945.

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

599. Crawford, Tom fonds, In-process material 3/15/7 (2000/118), 1944–1945.

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.

602. Ellingson, Vern fonds, PHO 508 (98/89), 1940–1942.

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

603. Elliot, June fonds, PHO 525 (2001/107), 1943–1944.

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

604. Fenby, Glen Henry fonds, PHO 553 (2001/120), 1937–1943.

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.

609. Gabriel, Ron collection, PHO 609 (2005/10), 1942–1943.

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

610. Gettleman, Russell fonds, PHO 183 (93/88), 1942.

Note: Russell Gettleman 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.

612. Haines Junction Photograph Exhibits collection, PHO 599 (2004/79), 1942–1967.

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

613. Hale, Tom fonds, In-process material 3/15/7 (2000/117), 1942–1943.

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.

614. Hamel, Charles collection, PHO 424 (91/14), 1942.

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.

616. Hamilton, Frank fonds, PHO 521 (2001/65), 1946.

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.

617. Hamilton, W.J. fonds, PHO 437 (93/3), 1943.

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.

619. Harrington, Richard fonds, PHO 102 (79/27), 1949–1974.

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.

620. Harrington, Richard fonds, PHO 275 (85/25), 1949–1974.

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.

622. Hathhorn, Harry fonds, PHO 595 (2003/123R), 1942–1945.

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

623. Hayes, Bob and Edna fonds, PHO 547 (2003/122), 1942–1949.

Note: Caption list is available.

PHOTOGRAPHS continued

624. Hays, Robert fonds, #5669-5716 (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](http://www.yukonarchives.ca).

625. Hendrickson, Edward fonds, PHO 417 (91/13), 1948.

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.

627. Holz, Kenneth fonds, PHO 183 (93/85), 1942–1943.

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.

628. Horback, Helen fonds, PHO 138 (81/6), 1933–1980.

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

629. Huijbers, Henk fonds, PHO 097 (98/30), ca. 1950s–1970s.

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

630. Humphreys, Clemit fonds, PHO 439 (92/45), 1942, 1992.

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.

632. Jones, Sheldon L. fonds, PHO 213 (81/5), 1944–1945.

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

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633. Kamloops Museum and Archives collection, PHO 128 (80/44), ca. 1942–1945.

Note: Caption list is available.

634. Karman, Ed fonds, PHO 434 (92/32), 1942–1943.

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.

637. Knox, Robert E. fonds, PHO 120 (80/27), 1950.

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

638. Learning Resources Corp. Ltd. collection, PHO 216 (81/75), ca. 1970–1980.

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.

642. Lux, Richard collection, PHO 215 (83/73), 1945–1950.

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

643. MacBride Museum collection, #3547-4142 (82/296).

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

644. MacBride Museum collection, PHO 152 (82/29), 1941–1942.

Note: Caption list is available.

645. MacKenzie, Jack fonds, PHO 350 (87/87), 1945–1948.

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.

647. McCombe, Molly fonds, PHO 374-375 (88/127), 1934–1960.

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

648. McCormick, David fonds, PHO 558 (2002/05), 1957.

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

649. Milligan, Sybil fonds, PHO 601 (99/103), 1944–1946.

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.

650. Miscellaneous II collection, PHO 050 (82/403) f. 2, 1898–1960.

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 169 (84/76) consists of the report from the survey trip.

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653. Muncy, Jim fonds, PHO 481 (2001/50R), 1942.

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

654. National Archives of Canada collection, PHO 369 (88/138) #39-43, 42, 46-70, 1887-1943.

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.

656. Neal, Phillip fonds, PHO 437 (93/9), 1942-1945.

Note: This collection consists of a series of slides. Audio cassette SR 165 (93/9R) is of Phillip Neal narrating the sequence of slides. Caption list is available.

657. Ormbrek, Bob fonds, PHO 406 (90/52), 1942.

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

658. Paris, Eileen collection, PHO 387 (89/69), 1955-1958.

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

659. Pathman, William fonds, PHO 485 (93/63), 1943-1944.

Note: Caption list is available.

660. Pedee, Larry fonds, PHO 045 (82/377), 1942-1943.

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

661. Penberthy, K. Voight fonds, PHO 567 (94/127), 1943-1944.

Note: Consists of 323 Kodachrome slides.

662. Phillips, James fonds, PHO 487 (93/93), 1942-1944.

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

PHOTOGRAPHS continued

663. Postcards collection, PHO 058 (82/427), 1960–1978.  
Note: Collection includes postcards of the Alaska Highway, Whitehorse and Dawson City taken between 1960 and 1978.
664. Preston, William J. fonds, PHO 312-313 (85/78), 1942–1943.  
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.
665. Provincial Archives of Alberta collection, PHO 282 (85/62R), 1942.  
Note: Photographs depicting views of the construction of the Alaska Highway including images of crews, equipment, supply bases and bridges.
666. Quong, Jimmy fonds, In-process material 2/1/2 (2004/104), 1948–1960.  
Note: The photographs depict the Peace River area of the Alaska Highway, especially the collapse of the Peace River Bridge in 1957.
667. Rawlins, Don collection, PHO 182 (93/53R), 1943–1945.  
Note: Don Rawlins worked on the Canol Project for the Standard Oil Company as head operator. Caption list is available.
668. Robinson, J. Lewis collection, PHO 144 (99/50), 1942–1943.  
Note: Photographer is unknown. Caption list is available.
669. Rutherford, Doug and Clara collection, PHO 500 (92/59), 1992.  
Note: Consists of photographs, taken June 28, 1992, of the Alaska Highway Native Sculpture Project at Burwash Landing, Yukon.
670. Scales, John fonds, PHO 481 (91/91), 1942 and 1963.  
Note: John Scales worked as a cook during the construction of the Alaska Highway in 1942.
671. Schroeder, Cliff fonds, PHO 471 (93/1), 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.

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673. Shulist, Brownie fonds, PHO 266-267 (84/33), 1942–1976.

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.

678. Stubbings, Charles fonds, PHO 453 (93/59), 1943–1946.

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

679. Surprise, Delphus fonds, PHO 132, 163 (82/458), 1942–1944.

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

680. Their Own Yukon collection, PHO 574, 575 (2000/37), 1898–1969.

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 Shelsky.

PHOTOGRAPHS continued

682. Thomson, Jo fonds, PHO 047 (82/388), 1942–1945.  
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.
684. Turnquist, Emil fonds, PHO 047 (82/399), 1957–1958.  
Note: Includes slides of the Alaska Highway (#26–#59), the Slims River (#106–#155) and Haines Junction (#99–#105). Caption list is available.
685. United States. Army. Corps of Engineers collection, PHO 077 (77/10), 1942.  
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."
686. United States. Department of Transportation. Federal Highway Administration photograph collection, PHO 421 (91/97), 1942–1943.  
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.
687. United States. National Archives and Records Administration collection, PHO 325 (87/28), ca. 1942–1943.  
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.
689. Veyrat, Father fonds, PHO 183 (92/47), 1950–1958.  
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.

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691. Walmsley, Gordon and Lorna fonds, #9732-13733 (87/69), 1954–1974.

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.

693. Whyard, Florence fonds, PHO 246 (84/43), 1940–1973.

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

694. Wideman, William Clay collection, PHO 564 (2001/115), ca. 1940s.

Note: Caption list is available.

695. Woods, George collection, PHO 183 (93/72R), 1943–1945.

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

696. Wright, Allen fonds, PHO 247-249 (84/49), 1970.

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.

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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.

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

700. Yukon. Protective Services collection, PHO 366 (89/8), July 16, 1988.

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

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## 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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Note: Sound recording of Reverend Robert Ward commenting on the impact of the Alaska Highway on Teslin.



## 6. Special Events



*18th Engineers' 30-Year Reunion bumper sticker, 1976.  
Yukon Archives. U.S. Corps of Engineers, 82/250, 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.

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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.

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Note: Al Turner worked as a meteorological technician at the Watson Lake weather office 1943–1945 and Whitehorse 1946–1948 and 1956–1968. Caption list is available.

**POSTERS**

785. "40th Anniversary 1942–1982" Button, Misc. Objects M-74, 1982.

Note: This is a round yellow button with black lettering "The Alaska Highway 40th" and "and I was there!" around the circumference.

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789. Alaska Highway Celebration, Poster P-482 (93/20), [1992].  
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Note: Poster for the July 26, 1992 air show in commemoration of the Northwest Staging Route and the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.
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Note: Poster features a drawing by C. Seymour Withuhn and a poem by J. Hamilton Clarke in celebration of the 50th anniversary of the building of the Alaska Highway.

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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.

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

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Note: Includes footage of the military ceremony of the turnover of the Alaska Highway. Detailed listing sheets are available.

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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 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.  
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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.

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

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

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

## 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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Note: Blueprint map of Canol no. 1 in 5 sheets.

835. Canol no. 1 - Plan and Profile - Refinery Railroad Approach, Map H-0925, 1943.

Note: Contains 1 sheet.

836. Canol no. 2 - Skagway to Whitehorse, Map H-2007, 1944.

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.

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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.
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