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Summary
Title: Knut Wullfschmidt and Pacific (freighter) photographs,
Date: 1919-1920
Collection No: P05-010
Creator: Wullfschmidt, Knut
Extent: 18 items.
Repository: San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park (Calif.)
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Abstract: This collection consists of 18 photographs from aboard the freighter PACIFIC from 1910-1920.
Physical Location: Historic Documents Department
Language: In English.
Indexing Terms
The following are indexing terms related to the description of this collection.
Pacific (freighter)
Photography of ships
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Ships--Maintenance and repair
Valparaíso (Chile)
Postcards
Photographic prints
Access Information
Access
This collection is open for research.
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Processing/Project Information

Processing and Cataloging
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ANCS+ Catalog No. SAFR 20659.
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Administrative Information

History
Biography
Knut Wullfschmidt served aboard the freighter PACIFIC in the late 1910s and early 1920s. In the 1930s, Wullfschmidt worked as a dock man for the California Stevedore & Ballast Co. at Pier 26. In 1979, Wullfschmidt returned to Sweden to retire. The freighter PACIFIC out of Stockholm was the second ship on the Johnson Line's North Pacific route. She was built in Copenhagen in December 1914, and she hauled cargo for ports in South and Central America and the West Indies. A short typed note states that Wullfschmidt worked with Harry Bridges at Pier 36 in the early 1930s. The note has been placed in the Historic Documents Department photograph collection folder for P05-010.

Custodial History
The photographs and postcards were probably donated to San Francisco Maritime Museum by Knut Wullfschmidt before 1979. The materials were accessioned into the National Park Service when the museum was made a unit of Golden Gate National Recreation Area and then were transferred (accession no. SAFR-1) to San Francisco Maritime National Historical Park after the establishment of the new park in 1989.

Acquisition
Accession number SAFR-00001.

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Scope and Content
This collection consists of 18 photographs from aboard the freighter PACIFIC from 1910-1920.
The photographs of the PACIFIC were taken by crewmember Knut Wulfenschmidt. There are 11 photographic prints and 7 postcards.

Arrangement
Arranged in chronological order.

Item Inventory
1. 4-masted full-rigged ship, photo taken by Wullfschmidt aboard PACIFIC, 1919.
2. 5-masted barkentine BRIGHT (?), taken from PACIFIC, 1919. Photo by Wullfschmidt. He identifies her as a 4-masted ship.
4. Port of Valparaiso, Chile, 1920, with numerous vessels, including the M/S PACIFIC. Noted on back of print that to the right of PACIFIC is the POTOSI of Hamburg. Photo taken by Knut Wullfschmidt.
5. Knut Wullfschmidt (with plug hat), on wreckage of PETSCHILI, wrecked near Valparaiso, 1920. (PETSCHILI was a 4-masted
6. PETSCII, wrecked at Valparaiso, Chile, 1920.
7. San Francisco Pier 40, Johnson Line, Scandinavia, people on pier waving to ship, 1920. The PACIFIC was headed for Union Bay in Canada to load coal for England for a coal strike. Photo by Wullfschmidt. Photo trimmed at corners.
8. PACIFIC, 1920
10. Scene of Canadian coast (or possibly where PACIFIC ran aground), Photo by Wullfschmidt.
11. Postcard, PACIFIC ran aground Strait of Juan de Fuca, August 28, 1920. Photo by Wullfschmidt.
14. Postcard, PACIFIC in dry dock for repairs, Victoria, B.C., photo taken by Wullfschmidt.
15. 4-masted ship ANTOFAGASTA, towed back to Germany, 1920.
16. 4-masted French ship coming in to port at Antofagasta, Chile. Photo by Wullfschmidt. The caption says that she was on fire when they opened up the hatches, and that she was up on the beach four days later.
17. Postcard, PACIFIC at Antofagasta, Chile. Corners trimmed. Photo by Wullfschmidt.
18. Postcard, PACIFIC at unidentified port, corners trimmed.