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HISTORY

Everett Judson was born August 3, 1881, in Toledo, Ohio, the only son of Clarence Herbert and Zella Rydman Judson. He attended public schools in Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio, graduating from Lakewood High School in 1911. He attended the University of Michigan, receiving a Bachelor of Civil Engineering in June 1916. He went to work with the Detroit Board of Health immediately after graduation. Mr. Judson had married Bess White on September 24, 1915, and had one son born in July 1916. Their second child was expected in June 1918, during his assignment to Yellowstone National Park.

In January 1918, he began correspondence with the U. S. War Department about a commission in the Sanitary Corps. He received a commission as a Second Lieutenant, Assistant Sanitary Engineer. In May 1918, he settled his wife and son with relatives in Adrian, Michigan, put his goods in storage in Detroit, moved out of his home, and proceeded to Chicago, Illinois, to report to Dr. J. O. Cobb at the U. S. Marine Hospital there. He spent the month of June 1918 on the U. S. Public Health Service Interstate Laboratory railroad car, the Hamilton, on assignment to Yellowstone National Park, where he worked on a report of the Park's water sanitation.

After the Yellowstone assignment, in October 1918, he was assigned to the Influenza Headquarters Office in Chicago. In January 1919, he was sent to Washington D. C., for further studies of bacteriological methods of examining drinking water. In April 1919, he was assigned to present a paper in Indianapolis on bacteriological standards for drinking water in interstate transportation. He was relieved of further duty in July 1919, due to lack of funds.

Upon leaving the USPHS, Judson worked briefly in Chicago for the Hill Pump Valve Company and then, in 1921 moved to Buffalo, New York, where he was employed by the American Radiation and Standard Sanitary Corporation. He served in several capacities with them, being transferred to the New York (1927-1932), Detroit (1932-1939), and Pittsburgh (1939-1952) offices before being forced to retire due to failing health from Parkinson's disease. He spent his remaining years in Eustis, Florida, with his second wife, Louise Naujocks Judson. He died February 26, 1956. He is buried in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Note: Biography provided by Lt. Judson's daughter, Jeanne Judson Prentice, in 1985. The original can be found in this collection's file.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

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DESCRIPTION This collection consists of photographs, photographic negatives, and one official report by Lt. Everett Judson. The report is entitled *A Report on the Sanitary Survey of the Water Supplies of Yellowstone National Park*, completed in June 1918. The report is 26 pages long and includes three black and white photographs.

Additionally, there are fourteen black and white photographic prints taken by and of Lt. Everett Judson. They include photos of him at work and around the park with various others, including Chester A. Linsley, acting superintendent. Photos include locations such as the outside of the superintendent's office, Riverside Geyser, Norris Station, Fountain Station, Geyser Station, and the U.S. Public Health Service Interstate Laboratory "Hamilton," a train car. There are photos of a woman on horseback, and others which feature a car that took Judson and others into the park, showing the confluence of the two modes of transportation at a time of transition. In addition, there are twenty-eight photographic negatives, many of which cover the same topics but include a few more scenic views of the park, several photos of bears, and a few more wildlife shots.

This collection offers a look into the role of the military in the park during World War I, the role of the military in scientific and infrastructure work, as well as the transition of park transportation, featuring cars, trains, and horses.

ORGANIZATION Items retain their original order

PROVENANCE Gift of Jeanne Judson Prentice, 1985 and 1991

RESTRICTIONS NO

ASSOCIATED MATERIALS Digital versions of the photos and negatives are available online, Montana Memory Project (mtmemory.org)

Lt. Everett Judson's uniform jacket and insignia, Yellowstone National Park Museum Collections

CONTAINER LIST**Box 1**

File Unit	Title
01.01	Photographs, 1918
01.02	A Report on the Sanitary Survey of the Water Supplies, 1918

Box 2 [Cool Storage]

File Unit	Title
02.01	Photo Negatives, 1918