Description: 1048 By Herbert Dickey, Lincoln, Maine. Poem, “Suthin’”, about a pulpwood operation in Washington County; work he did on a farm; people he knows in relation to the towns they live in and what they were doing; how they are all meaningful to stick through life with him. See NF XVIII: “‘Suthin’.”

Text: 8 pp. poem
Accession Number: 1071

Accession Date: 1976.12.00

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Accession Number: 1071


Text: 69 pp. detailed catalog and notes
Recording: T 1083 - T 1088
Photographs: P 0928 - P 0935, P 02340 - P 2343

October 9, 1976 Morrison talks about putting a road up around Matagamon Lake in order to farm the lumber there for Diamond Match Company; building lumber camps; getting snowed in at Trout Brook Farm; the meaning of the poem, “Suthin”; where many of the surviving workers of his woods operation are living now; his house burning down in 1960; his first job working for his father and Great Northern in 1913; being sent to Bangor to recruit men for the Great Northern job; learning to pole logs or river drive; managing a logging camp; and songs that were sung in the camp.

Text: 14 pp. transcript
Recording: T 1083 2 hours

October 29, 1976 Morrison talks of scouting the forest for the Diamond Match job; the layout of the Diamond Match logging camp; how the rationing of World War II affected the camp; his relationship with boss, Clifford Cheney; how cook, Mac McKinzie lost his job in the camp; recruiting farmers from Aroostook County as teamsters; a day in the life of the camp; problems with excessive alcohol consumption at the mill; and machines he invented to help the work go faster.

Text: 9 pp. transcript
Recording: T 1084 2 hours
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Accession Date: 1976.12.00  T# 1089, 1090, C# 1091, 1092

Collection MF 058

Number:

Collection “Suthin” Project

Name: Jim McKinnon

Interviewer Dona Brotz, Joan Brooks, Edward /Depositor: D. “Sandy” Ives

Narrator: Jim McKinnon

Accession Number: 1072

Description: 1072 Jim McKinnon, interviewed by Dona Brotz, Joan Brooks, and Edward D. “Sandy” Ives, Old Town, Maine for AY 125 (1976) in a series of interviews, McKinnon talks about Grover Morrison’s woods operation at Little Musquash.

Text: 79 pp. detailed index, notes, and other material
Recording: T 1089 - T 1092 5.25 hours
Photos: P 0928 - P 0935, P 0879

October 16, 1976 Dona Brotz and Joan Brooks. McKinnon talks about being a walking boss for Diamond Match; entertaining the crew with clownish behavior; cruising for lumber; how the camp was built; slang terms used in the camp; the naming of the camps’ roads; and cattle in the camp. The second side of the tape is blank due to operator error. A copy of McKinnon’s poem and essay, “The Cross-Haul”, is included with the transcript.

Text: 5 pp. transcript
Recording: T 1089 Open Reel Tape 1 hour

October 31, 1976 in Old Town, Maine. McKinnon describes a picture he owns of the inside of Grover Morrison’s office; talks of Grover Morrison himself; how the mill worked with the loggers; what a walking boss does; what a wangan is; and terms and men referenced in his poem, “Suthin’.” Includes a hand-drawn map of the Little Musquash logging camp and a layout of the storage yard.

Text: 7 pp. transcript
Recording: T 1090 Open Reel Tape 1.5 hour

November 15, 1976 Jim McKinnon, interviewed by Dona Brotz and Edward D. “Sandy” Ives, Old Town, Maine. McKinnon describes in great detail how he lunches with his fellow workers.

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Accession Number: 1073

Accession Date: 1976.12.00   T#  1093, 1094 C#

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0932, 0933,
0934, 0935

Name: AY 125

Interviewer Stephen Ballew

/Depositor:

Narrator: Earl Gould and Harold Williams

Description: 1073 Earl Gould and Harold Williams, interviewed by Stephen Ballew, October 27 and November 3, 1976, Princeton, Maine. Also included: map and photos, P 0928 - P 0935. See NF XVIII, “Suthin.”

Text: 19 pp. journal, catalogs, and other materials
Recording: mfc_na1073_t1093_01, mfc_na1073_t1094_01 130 minutes
Photographs: P 0928 - P 0935

October 27, 1976 Gould and Williams discuss their jobs in the Little Musquash Lake logging camp; how good the food was; a map drawn by Jim McKinnon of the camp’s layout; the poem, “Suthin’” and the men referenced in it; and getting logs to the sawmill.

Text: 5 pp. catalog
Recording: mfc_na1073_t1093_01 65 minutes

November 3, 1976 Gould talks about the location of the Little Musquash Lake logging camp; building a Pickerel Sled; the difference in pay scales between his father’s time, Gould’s time, and today; and Ivan Daigle. The transcript includes a stylized diagram of the men’s camp.

Text: 5 pp. catalog
Recording: mfc_na1073_t1094_01 65 minutes

Related Collections NF XVIII, “Suthin.”

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Description: 1074 Leo Merrill, interviewed by Edward D. “Sandy” Ives, November 3, 1976, Passadumkeag, Maine. Merrill talks about working for Harlan Moores, a subcontractor that was hired for the Little Musquash Lake logging operation; the private camp built by Merrill and his wife; 2 and 3-man cutting teams; laying out “corners”; a typical day on the job; carting wood out of the forest; the Bangor rule for board measurement; scarf-cutting; twitching; and the type of axes used on the job.

Text: 11 pp. transcript
Recording: T 1095 1.5 hour
Photos: P 0928 - P 0935
Description: 1075 Goldie Averille, interviewed by Dona Brotz, November 2, 1976, Brewer, Maine. Averille talks about being the only woman in the Little Musquash Lake operation; working as a cook with her husband, Blaine; the kitchen set up at the camp; the type of food she and her husband would make for the loggers; and after-dinner activities. The transcript includes an ingredient list for Blaine’s Molasses Filled Cookies, a sketch of the double loading stoves they had in the kitchen, and a sketch of the men’s camp.

Text: 6 pp. notes, catalog, recipe
Recording: T 1096 1/2 hour
Photos: P 0928 - P 0935

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Description: 1078 Don Parker, interviewed by Joan Brooks, November 14, 1976, Danforth, Maine. Parker talks about working in Connecticut during World War II and then moving back to Maine in 1945; working as a teamster for Grover Morrison at his logging operation; the men’s camp; after-dinner activities; picking potatoes for a living; and what Maine winters were like while he was in the camp.

Text: 8 pp. catalog, notes, and newspaper article
Recording: T 1101 .75 hours
Description: 1079 Ivan Daigle, interviewed by Dona Brotz, November 13, 1976, Lee, Maine. Daigle talks about starting to work in lumber camps in 1934, when he was 29 years old; working for Grover Morrison before the Little Musquash Lake operation; the layout of the Little Musquash camp; Jim McKinnon; the scalers on the job; logging teams; log cutting competitions; how the camps have changed over the years; the Hovel; and dinner etiquette at camp. The transcript includes a rough sketch of the Hovel and a rough sketch of the first chain saws seen in the logging camps.

Text: 9 pp. catalog, notes
Recording: T 1102 1.25 hours
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Text: 7 pp. catalog and notes

Recording: mfc_na1080_t1103_01 53 minutes
**Description:** 1081 George “Junior” Monk, Jr., interviewed by Stephen Ballew, November 3, 1976, Princeton, Maine. Monk talks about how much money he made working for Albert Merrill cutting wood on the Little Musquash Lake operation; Joe Clancy’s alcoholism; the food at camp; how lunch was served in the woods; being a cookee himself before WWII; raw eggs in coffee; and scaling.

Text: 7 pp. catalog and journal
Recording: **mfc_na1081_t1104_01** 61 minutes

**Interviewer** Stephen Ballew

**Narrator:** George “Junior” Monk, Jr.
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Name: AY 125

Interviewer Stephen Ballew /Depositor:

Narrator: Orville Moore

Description: 1082 Orville Moore, interviewed by Stephen Ballew, November 3, 1976, Baring, Maine. Moore talks about yarding logs for Grover Morrison’s Little Musquash Lake operation; sleeping in the Teamster’s shack; what a walking boss’ job was; living conditions in the camp; Jim McKinnon (referred to as “McKenna”); stubbing; the introduction of the chainsaw into the camp; regulations; the bucking board; and going into the logging business for himself after the operation ended. Transcript includes two hand drawn maps of Moore’s memory of the camp layout.

Text: 11 pp. notes, catalog, and diagrams
Recording: T 1105 1 hour

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Description: 1529 By Edward D. “Sandy” Ives’s AY 125 class, October 23, 1976, Little Musquash Lake, Township 37 MD BPP, Maine. Notes, letters, sketches, and journals from a fieldwork class’s field trip to Little Musquash Lake including detailed picture drawn on graph paper demonstrating the specific range and feet between buildings along with what they looked like at the camp with each structure then enlarged exposing what exactly is inside each building. See NF XVIII: Suthin.

Text: 21 pp. manuscript

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