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1. John and Edith Holm with sons Jim (left) and Stuart, fall 1947, Fairbanks
2. Representative John Holm in Alaska legislative chambers, 1967 or 1968
3. John Holm at sign at Alaska-Canada border, photo taken July 11, 1946 en route to Alaska
4. John Holm planting a chokecherry trees. Holm participated in two mass plantings of chokecherry trees in Fairbanks, each involving about 500 trees.
5. Edith Holm with lynx she shot and killed at the Holm homestead along present-day Chena Hot Springs Road, photo taken 1957. (Similar photo but different pose appears in Claus Naske's "Pictorial of Fairbanks")
6. John Holm built this root cellar to store potatoes and cabbage, approximately 1954. At the time it was the largest privately owned storage facility in Alaska.
7. Cleared site with gravel pad intended for parking lot at what would become the Northern Lights Nursery and Garden Store. This parcel was part of the original Creamer's Dairy lands, and it was the first piece of Creamer property sold. Later, most of the Creamer property was acquired by the state (Alaska Department of Fish and Game). Another small parcel was sold for Joy Elementary School. This photo was taken in 1959.
8. Northern Lights Nursery and Garden Store, circa 1963 or 1964. John Holm planted a formal garden. This photo was taken from College Road, facing north. The shrub border is a Siberian pea hedge, with chokecherry trees in the center and background. The inner circle of shrubs are cotoneaster. The garden later made way for a parking lot, but a few of the trees seen here were transplanted and stand today along College Road (1991).
9. John and Edith Holm inside the Northern Lights Nursery and Garden Store, approximately 1974. This photo was part of a series shot by a photographer for a horticultural magazine. The Holms and their nursery were featured. The photo was taken when it was 50 below.
10. Post card, about 1952, of John and Edith Holm hoeing in their cabbage field. A crop of potatoes in blossom is immediately behind them. In the background is a garage with only a small portion of the home visible. A light structure at right was a handbuilt greenhouse. The homestead was off present-day Chena Hot Springs Road. It eventually was acquired by Henry and Patricia Gettinger. The Holms sold their farm in 1959 --- at the time, the largest farm in the Tanana Valley.
11. John Holm with Shirley Temple Black. The famous child star and later a U.S. ambassador came to Fairbanks to help campaign for Republicans. Date not ascertained.
12. 1953 Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce brochure. Jim Holm, approximately age 6 or 7, is shown with potatoes during harvest on the homestead.