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ORAL HISTORY BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

NAME: Fred (first) - (middle) Hupprich (last)

(NICKNAME:) - (MAIDEN NAME:) -

MAILING ADDRESS: 1661 Aspen FAIRBANK ALASKA
(city/state/zip) 99709

DATE OF BIRTH: 11/3/26 BIRTHPLACE FAIRBANK, ALASKA
(city/state)

SPOUSE: Louella J Hupprich

MARRIAGE DATE: June 11, 1967 PLACE: FAIRBANKS

CHILDREN: John Roy Hupprich
Noel Fredrick Hupprich

ALASKAN RESIDENCY: Since 1926 - 67 yrs

OCCUPATION/PROFESSION: _____

Ret:

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT IN RELATION TO ORAL HISTORY:

Talks about growing up in Nenana in the late 1920s and 30s.
Saw the Riverboat Nenana being assembled in Nenana and
took free trip to Minto and back on the sternwheeler along
with many other townspeople in 1934. Delivered ice to
sternwheelers for summer refrigeration. Moved to Fairbanks
in 1943 and worked as a truck driver. Drove to Whitehorse
on the newly constructed Alaska Highway and also traveled
on the Richardson between Fairbanks and Valdez, delivering
the steel girders for the Northward Building as well as
supplies for the town. He later drove Mac trucks to Eagle and
other heavy equipment to Coronation Gulf in the NWT during
the construction of the distant early warning (DEW-line)
in the winter of 1956-57. Worked for DOT and retired
from Fish and Game after serving as a mechanic for their

INTERVIEWER: Margaret Van Clew (over)

DATE OF INTERVIEW: June 7, 1994 TAPE NUMBER: 579

Some names mentioned

Clyde Geraghty
George Van Wyhe
Al Ghezzi
Celia Hunter
Ginny Wood
Walt Wigger
Quintal Pollini(sp?)
George Nehrbus
Henry Kaiser
Lena Dewey
Elizabeth Rappolt
Brothers - George and Robert Hupprich
sisters - Martha
Haggard Olsen
Bishop Bentley
Pete Smith
Jack Coghill
Coghill family
Louis Hamell
Fowler's store
Haggstrom
Liner Lake (a lake near Nenana)

~~their~~ riverboats and other equipment.

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