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LADD FIELD'S SECOND HOSPITAL, BUILT IN 1943 WHEN THE MOVEMENT OF LEND-LEASE PLANES TO RUSSIA INCREASED GREATLY. THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT OCCUPIES THE LARGE U-SHAPED STRUCTURE TODAY.

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HANGAR NO. 1 AT LADD FIELD. IT WAS THE FIELD'S ONLY HANGAR FROM 1940 TO 1943. IN THE FOREGROUND IS A MEMORIAL MARKER TO LT. GEN. JONATHAN WAINWRIGHT FOR WHOM THE PRESENT-DAY ARMY POST IS NAMED.

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ON THE LEFT IS THE 1941-43 "COMMUNITY BUILDING." NEXT TO IT
STANDS THE ALL-IMPORTANT POWER AND HEATING PLANT. A PORTION OF
AN EARLY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING APPEARS ON THE RIGHT.

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ONE OF THREE BIRCHWOOD-TYPE HANGARS BUILT ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF LADD FIELD IN 1943. THE ARMY USES IT TODAY FOR HELICOPTERS.

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ONE OF THREE APARTMENT HOUSES AT LADD FIELD FOR OFFICERS.
SOON AFTER PEARL HARBOR, ALL MILITARY FAMILIES IN THE ALASKAN
THEATER WERE EVACUATED TO THE UNITED STATES.

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COMMANDING OFFICER'S QUARTERS AT LADD FIELD. BEING INDEPENDENT
OF THE ALASKA DEFENSE COMMAND, THE AIRMEN AT LADD ACQUIRED
FINER FACILITIES THAN OTHER ALASKAN ARMY POSTS.

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RADIO STATION AT LADD FIELD. LOCAL TRADITION HOLDS THAT THE
COMMANDING OFFICER OF THE SOVIET MISSION AT THE FIELD LIVED
IN THIS BUILDING.

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P-39 AIRCOBRA FIGHTERS IN FOREGROUND AT LADD FIELD
READYING FOR FLIGHT TO SIBERIA, JULY 9, 1944. THIS
AIRCRAFT WAS A FAVORITE OF RUSSIAN FLYERS. THE RED
STARS WERE PAINTED ON IN MONTANA

COURTESY, SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION AND US AIR FORCE