1924.

Jan 1 – New Year's day.

Spent the morning ferrying people of the family to and from mass. and readjusting the radio. Played poker with the Finnaitts and Ritchie and lost $2.65.

Jan 2

Back at the office. Percy Rockefeller came through with $12,500 additional Stan. subscription. Warriner in Phila. taking up his new syndicate agreement plan with his brother and his crowd. From there he goes to Toronto to see Hume Smith and Osler.

Jan 10.

Dine in in the evening for dinner at the Towns and the "Swan" which was excellent. We enjoyed it thoroughly. Mrs Towne had been in Alaska for two seasons engineering it on the Yukon with her daughter and son.

Jan 11

Had filling put in wisdom tooth. Great downpour of rain. Bull sick with grippe

Jan 24

First snow of the season. Warriner has at last gotten some on his (my) idea of a new financing syndicate and is going ahead on it.

Jan 25

Got out a "dope" sheet so that I can tell everything about the Colonial at a glance.

Jan 27.

Coldest 27 of January in history. At that not so cold + 5. Yesterday was worse + 10 with a high wind. Took the kids skating and nearly died.

Got Munroe agreement fixed up and send Jack away happy. — I think.

Col Steese came in to see me and chatted for half an hour. He told me of Mear's actions when he was relieved from the railroad. Attached Steese at a Chamber of Commerce dinner where both were guests. Said Steese had a rotten our seas record and knew nothing about railroading. Also said that Gov. Bone was in wrong with everybody.

Listened over the radio to a debate between Dr Straton & Dr Potter on creation vs evolution.

Jan 29

Left New York at 6.30 for Toronto.

Jan 30

All day in Toronto. Bryce, Home Smith, Bateman, Crotean, Osler. Dinner with Bryce + his wife, Bateman and Tom Jones. Tried to get Crotean to take stock for payment due Jan 20 but he needs the money. Left at 8.45 for Cobalt.

Jan 31

Arrived on time. Weather beautiful and about zero. Met him at station. Nothing of much interest at mine. In cutting a box hole at the end of #4 drive a 5' foot drill hole broke into O'Brien. Gerner can now have his law suit he has been spoiling for.

Feb 1
~~Tues~~ 31.

Left for Richlend Lake at 10.32. Started to walk to mine but met Glazier and the horse near the Tough-Oakes.

Feb 2

Went down Tough-Oakes with the new manager Mr W. A. Mc Donald who has recently come from the B.C. mines near Hyder. They have good development on 8 and 9 levels East of the dyke heading in our direction. Enough ore is in sight to start the mill but Mc D. want to build up a big reserve. Returned to Cobalt.

Feb 3.

Discussed mine and mill with Hussey. He agrees with me that to refabricate the Silver Cliff mill is the best bet, if we have ore. It looks pretty blue under our stope another face. I told him to develop along the contact toward the Elizabeth shaft and toward Silver Cliff. Holtchkin made an error in survey which throws our #4 drift across the old boundary. Jim is very much pleased with his increase of $50.00 a month and a trip home. Left for Toronto on evening train. Heard on train that Woodrow Wilson died at 11.45 p.m. Feb 3. His passing was peaceful. So goes one of the greatest figures of our time. He died for his ideals. His one great mistake was in not accepting the reservations to the Treaty of Versailles. If he had accepted the reservations (which would have been recognized by Europe) there would not now be the world chaos, but he insisted on the full treaty. Gradually the United States recognize that Wilson was right, that we are in the world

and that the World must have the United States. When my grandchildren read these lines, Wilson will be recognized in his true greatness.

Feb 4.

Arrived in Toronto on time and went to King Edward for shave and bath. Snowing hard. Saw Boyce and the lawyers. Returned at 5.30. Had bad-boys on train

Feb 5.

Hard day at office over Kirkland-Hunter. Walter Sutherman called. Got home late dirty ragged and tired. Glad to be home. Warning off for Toronto. Had quite a storm with him

Feb

Got Kirkland-Hunter agreement all signed up so that we get all the stock.

Feb 19.

Gradually getting the new financing completed. $192,000 subscribed out of the minimum amount of $200,000 and a number of people to be heard from. Finished getting information for the Clerk done today.

Had lunch with Fred Conduit, former Ambassador Bakhmeteff of old Russia, Mrs McDonald and Fritz.

Receive check for $500 for Fred, Semple, Ryman & self as first payment of our sale of Pittsburgh to the Indian. If this goes through it will about clear us.

Secretary Denby of the Navy resigned yesterday. The oil scandal is involving

people right and left. Denby was probably honest but used poor psychology.

Doheny has been everywhere. If he could not corrupt a person like he did Fall, he hired their prestige as he did Lane, McAdoo and other lesser lights. McAdoo wants the nomination for the Presidency but now is probably eliminated. Let me venture a prediction and see how close I come. I believe that John W. Davis will get the democratic nomination

Went last night to a democratic dinner at Gatti's restaurant. I put forward my plea for delegate to the National Convention but said I would not insist.

Feb 28

Yvonne Dent, our former governess, has been staying with us and has been very companionable. We urged her in her desire to get a job and yesterday she landed one at White Plains and left for her destination. Got a case of gin from my new bootlegger today. — $13.00. Price is going down.

We now have the minimum requirement of $200.000 in our new syndicate and will send out for the first instalment very soon.

The stock market is very much upset on account of all the investigation by the Senate. Fall has been proven a crook, Denby has resigned and Daugherty will soon be forced out. The Republicans hardly know what to do. If President Harding were alive they would have had him into it too.

I am expecting to be called almost any time when they get to investigating the Alaska Coal leases.

March 2.

Warriner off on a vacation to Florida

March 4.

Attended to answering letters. Went home early as Miss Ruth Putnam (daughter of the historian) was at the house. Took her for a drive out ~~Path~~ Bronx Parkway. She is quite an alert old bird.

Tommy came down yesterday with what looked like scarlet fever. The rash however disappeared in a few hours, so the doctor decided it was just rash from indigestion. Working on income tax.

March 6.

Saw Joe Guffey at Bankers Club. He is National Committeeman from Penna. He picks Ralston for Democratic nominee. I pick John W. Davis. Wrote a long letter to Nelson on his refusal to lease St Mathews Island to the Fox Company in which I am a director

March 10.

Saw my old Class-mate Henry S. Thompson who has made a lot of money and tried to get him interested in an Syndicate. Instead he tried to get me into a gamble in Venezuela.

March 11

Had long talk with a Mr Page who had the Venezuela properties. He is a soldier of fortune. He thinks that the tailings dumps of the old El Callao mine have great values in them. I wrote to Mr H.C. Perkins for an opinion. Mr Perkins was a former superintendent of the old mine the "El Callao"

March 12

Had lunch with R.J. Weir, formally the District Engineer of the Seward Division of the Alaska Railroad. It was a good deal of fun talking over old times. Van Wagenen came in to see me. First money coming in from the call sent out by the Consolidated Syndicate.

March 20.

Got another dividend from my share of Wonder Syndicate – 2697 shares of Bishop stock. Market value about $1.50 per share. For $2250 so far have gotten cash, 3371. and the shares. Everybody in the family has rotten colds. Warriner off for Canada yesterday.

March 21.

Beastly day. Feeling like Hell.

March 24.

Cold much better. Went in to see Police Commissioner Enright re getting a place for Senator Towne on the N.Y. delegation to the national convention. We had it all arranged in the Democratic Club that we would get Warren to withdraw in favor of Towne but found that there was a move on foot to have him withdraw in favor of Augustus Thomas. Of course Thomas has too strong a hold on Westchester to try to buck. Enright said to go to Albany and see the Governor and get him to slip the word to Tom Foley to lay off one of his men. The powers want Towne in the delegation for use on the floor, probably to nominate Smith.

March 25

Warriner back from Canada.

March 26

Snowing about 10.30. Liselle's 10th birthday. How the little girl is growing away from us. She and Tommy delighted over their presents, for Tommy must of course have a birthday some time. Being born on Christmas of course does'nt count. They each got a wrist watch and a new suit and some little junk Tempus fugit like the devil.

April 1.

Snowing hard. Started about 2. P.M To storm a regular blizzard. We were to dine with Anne Haight but did not dare go out. With the snow came thunder and lightning. About 6" of snow fell. Primary voting. We democratic insurgents tried to put Augustus Thomas over at the last minute as delegate to the national convention, by writing in his name. Reported we failed.

Ralph E. Robertson of Juneau, one of our good republican friends spent last night with us.

Have Ballaine's pamphlet attack on the Alaska railroad management. He proves that I was in the employ of the Guggenheims. I asked Steve Birch's office to pay me the salary they had held out on me, but was refused. Now wasn't that a dirty trick. I had been in their employ for ten years and didn't know it.

April 4.

Had very interesting call from Dr Wilfred T. Grenfell, the Labrador doctor-missionary. He is interested in getting the reindeer company started in which I have promised to be a director. He thinks it will go a long way toward solving the Eskimo problems in Labrador. Drove into town with Renée and had dinner in a joint we ran across in 49th St. The "Roman Garden". Very fair dinner for $1.25 each and some rotten bootleg white wine. Met the Bodines there. Afterward to see Eddie Cantor in "Kid Boots". Very funny but not worth the money even though the tickets were given us by the Stouts.

April 5. Saturday

To an amateur show in N.R. with the Lash's. As good as most amateur shows.

April 6 Monday.

Good news from Silver Spot. 102 oz ore. We do not know how much there is of it however. Better news from Colonial. Dined with Fred. Father Clifford there. Alys told me about Tracy. He seems to be hopelessly insane.

April 7.

Lunched with Weir and Breck (old Alaska Railroad engineers) and talked over the whole railroad.

April 14
Left for Toronto on 8.30 p.m. train.

April 15.
Saw Bryce and Howe Smith. Left for Cobalt on the 8.45.

April 16.
Arrived in Cobalt on time. Glazier on station to meet me. Saw Dixon in afternoon and made proposition that he take $3187.50 and 1000 shares of Continental for his interest in Continental payment due June 1. He accepted.

April 17.
Went underground. Do not see much hope in the mine as a paying venture. Left at 6.06 p.m.

April 18.
Good Friday in Toronto. Nobody doing anything. Had dinner with the Bryce's framed up a mining deal with Bob if I can put it over. Left at 5 p.m.

April 19
Arrived in New York and went to office. Home for lunch

April 20.
Made my yearly pilgrimage to church with the Ritchies. Rain.

April 21
Rain here

April 22
Went to Thompson-Quinn wedding with Renée and afternoon called

on Meins and Fausts who were at the Ritz.
I think that Mein is beginning to appreciate me

April 24.
Luncheon with Henry Thompson, Mein and Warriner at Down Town Association. Thompson is evidently impressed with El Callao mine in Venezuela and we are not. We would rather have him in Continental.
Attended a meeting of The Labrador reindeer proposition at the office of Mr Lincoln Cromwell. Nothing was done.
The Stouts and Ritchies in for dinner. Dr Grenfell The Labrador missionary is very much interested in the reindeer proposition

May 2.
Appointed on Franklin Roosevelt's committee operating in favor of the nomination of Smith for President.

May 3.
~~At~~ Finley Hunter whom I met on Admiralty Island while bear hunting and his brother Gail dined with us and afterward we looked over Alaska pictures

May 8
Mac Pope in Town. leaving Tomorrow on "Homeric" for a summer abroad. Had lunch with him and Gus Hopper.

May 12.
Warriner left for Cobalt.

May 15.

Got word of the death of my Jew friend Dr Franix of San Francisco. He was blown up in his laboratory while making gas experiments.

Went to a ball game with Fred Bull. Saw St Louis beat the Yankees.

Had a letter from Ziegler, a young lawyer, from Ketchikan wanting an attorney to prosecute a claim against The Trinity Corporation on behalf of the original lessor of the property.

Ore running better at Colonial.

May 20.

Quite an interview with Franklin D. Roosevelt who is chairman of the Smith boom. I am one of the Committee looking out for the Alaska delegates. R. was most cordial. I think he wants to be Secretary of the Navy.

Congress over rode The President's veto of the bonus. Coolidge motto "Do nothing and do it now."

May 23.

Took $1000 participation in Warriner's allotment of Noranda shares. I think it is a good thing. Bought 10 shares of Mutual for the Kids.

Nannie and Lizzie went to Town to stay over night at the "Commodore" and go on to Quebec in the morning

Forgot to say that Tommy has measles but is better after now. He first showed symptoms on Friday (16th). He was pretty miserable for awhile.

Colonial in pretty good ore at

present, but how long will it last. I think we shall have a pretty good month. The first 600 Tons run put us on velvet for the month - 44 ounces.

May 26

Busy day. Settled up with Chadbourne on Kirkland-Munroe. Wrote lots of letters on various subjects. Ordered machinery. Gave a hand out to one of the old Metropolitan Club boys. Went to a Democratic Club dinner in N.R. at which Augustus Thomas was the guest of honor.

Yesterday had a call from Renee's friends the Arden old maids who were at Col. Haight's in Pelham. Drove over there and then we all came home for a drink.

Gave the skinniest of the old dames a run for her money. She seemed to have a great thrill.

Tommy getting well of measles. Has an enormous apetite and temper.

Dinner at the Democratic Club. Augustus Thomas made an excellant little speech. His theme was the liberties guaranteed us through the Constitution which are passing away from us. How the morons are ruling the country through bigotry. All leading up to a sentiment for Smith for President.

Renée rheumaticy.

May 27.

Renée and I drove into town in the rain for dinner at Fred's. Marion and Howard Davison there, just returned from a trip to Europe. They went everywhere.

May 29.

Getting very good ore on Colonial. A little high-grade once in a while. Had lunch with my old Alaska friend Bob Wiley whom I first met in 1904 over on the

White River when I was on the boundary. We had a good talk over old times. He is trying to promote an oil company for Yakatagi.

June 10

Down town for first time in a week. We took the kids to Coney Island for Decoration Day and it was bitter cold. I had no overcoat so caught a bad cold which carried a little fever with and the boss and the doctor sat on me hard and made me stay in bed.

Dined at Ritchies'. Mr. & Mrs Gordon Buck there. She is a daughter of old General Joe Wheeler of the Confederacy. Gen'l Wheeler was in command of the U. S. forces in Cuba in the Spanish war.

Silver showing up very well. It looks like we have a mine there.

June 18

Another $20 gold piece for Renée from Bishop. Fur Farms meeting. Dissolved the Company. Goshaw took over all the debts and assets. Continental meeting.

June 12

Had a very interesting luncheon with Fred, Fritz and Norman H. Davis (brother of presidential candidate John W. Davis). Davis is writing the preliminary draft of the democratic platform. I asked him to put in an Alaska plank and later sent him one. He said he would. He was very interesting on the League plank. McAdoo want a plank to put in not to a national referendum

I am not so opposed to this, except that it opens up the entire subject of referendums which I think are bad dope.

June 14 30th Reunion of Class of '94

Went down to Princeton. Saw a good game wherein Princeton beat Yale 7 to 0. A hard shower after 1st inning which drove many of us to the shelters. There beautiful weather. Harry Thompson and I had rooms together at Hodge Hall. 118 returned out of 223 accounted for. After the dinner a few of the select gathered upstairs and talked over old times and consumed apple jack.

June 15

Had a good breakfast at the Commons for 50¢. Sat around at headquarters until it came time to take a taxi to the function when Harry Thompson and I took the 1.31 train from there. Got home about 4.30.

June 16.

Terrence McManus and I went up to Tammany Hall and interviewed Frank Goodwin, the head of the Executive Committee. I told him that we expected to give Smith 5 votes and that McAdoo would get 1. This pleased him very much. I also told him that we would follow Tammany's lead because in case of an election we wanted their support. This pleased him more. Then I told him I wanted to get his support for Fritz Coudert for congress to run against Ogden Mills. He fell right into the scheme. I met one of the leaders - Charlie Kohler - and that met his approval. Fritz is tickled to death. I believe we can put him over

Grigsby is back. He is all for Smith. Jennings for McAdoo.

June 17.

Got touched for $300 by Senator Towne. Had to have the money immediately. I wonder if I shall get it back.

June 18.

Telegram from Troy saying he will be here on Sunday.

July 10

This morning at about 2 a. m. the Democratic National Convention adjourned sine die and the delegates too tired to be even interested any longer went wearily home after three weeks of deadlock. The ticket is Davis and Bryan.

During the convention there has been a great display of religious intolerance. This has been the outstanding feature. The Ku Klux Klan has demonstrated its enormous hold on both of the great political parties.

The things which have impressed me the most are:

1 Religious intolerance
2 Power of Ku Klux Klan
3 Absolute unfitness of women in politics
4 Failure to rise to the occasion when democratic victory was within our grasp.
5 Lack of true leadership.

The ticket is not a magnetic one. I doubt if it makes much of a showing in the elections. I don't know yet why Gov. Bryan was nominated for the Vice-presidency. Probably as a sop

to his crazy brother W. J. and to draw from the radical group in the doubtful States.

For the past three weeks I have been an absolute liability to my company and to my family. I have come to the office only to get money and open mail. I have stayed in town as often as at New Rochelle. I have eaten when hungry and slept when I cared. I have drunk more liquor than necessary. But for the benefit of whoever may read of this in the future, I have been most careful in looking on the grape.

It's had a hell of a good time and at the same time have been bored to extinction.

As a member of the committee I held the proxy of Bill Casey of Juneau. Judge Jennings acted for Jim Conners, John Power for Jim McCluskey. Troy and Quigley have elected and Oscar Ashby acted for his brother Sam Ashby.

Dick Ryan was chairman of the entertainment committee. Glen Buck, Lex Ricard and Jim Godfrey furnished the hooch. The Headquarters in the Hotel Belmont was popular.

Troy, Quigley and I ran the delegation. We voted and played with Tammany down the line. We voted interminably for 3 Smiths, 2 Underwood and 1 McAdoo. Judge Jennings beg for McAdoo. I think Hugh Wallace jammed him something. Then we got Jennings to change to McAdoo. When Smith made his drive we voted 6 Smith. When Smith dropped out we voted 6 Underwood and on the last ballot we voted 4 for Davis and two for Underwood.

There was only one ballot for vice-president. We cast 6 votes for Key Pittman. Bryan went through with a whoop and we voted "No" to make it unanimous.

I am from now on opposed to women in politics. The women at the Convention for the greater part were old maids or old women. Women at the height of their physical and mental ability were lacking. Probably held down by families and family duties. The McAdoo women were fanatical. They lost all sense of propriety. They were really unbalanced and their eyes looked wild. They made our lives a torment although at first we had a lot of fun jollying them.

I staid at Marion Davison's when too late to go home.

Renée had a good seat on the Speaker's platform but finally preferred to stay with the delegation. When not in town she was at the radio.

The wind up was on the evening of the 10th with a stag party at the Brevoort House. All drunk except me. I ducked early and drove the car home as we left the next day for Millbrook.

Convention are wearying but lots of fun.

July 11

We started for Millbrook at 10.50 and arrived at 3.30 taking an hour out for lunch on the wayside with a pic-nic parcel. Beautiful day and no incidents. 80.1 miles.

July 12 Kids having wonderful time in the barns and hay mows. Dined at Fred Cheesebrough's.

July 13.
Dr and Mrs Chancellor in for lunch. At Oakleigh Thorne's for dinner.

July 14.
Motored home. 4 hours.

July 15 Back at office for first time really since Convention started

July 16
Margaret Davison spent the night with us.
Planning Fitz Conduit's aspiration for Congress. Had him to lunch at Banker's Club with Terrance McManus. Then for Lorenzo Semple to get in touch with George Gordon Battle who is to put Fitz in touch with his district leaders. McManus saw Olvany who is the new boss of Tammany who approves of my candidate. The boy is most enthusiastic.

July 17
Harry Thompson dropped in today and wanted me to become one of the incorporators of a new Company organized to operate some French Guinea placers. He and Percy Rockefeller are the prime movers in the scheme. He is to give me a block of stock. Of course I accepted as I may be able to work the management out of it.

July 31.

Bill Tanner in to see about getting deed for Cascade Group. We to get 200,000 shares in Gold Cliff Premier for it. They to do all assessment work. Jimmie Cox spent night with us.

August 1.

Ordering pump for Hussey. Took lunch with Fritz Coudert. Talked over his political aspirations. Got lumbago and have had it for week.

Aug 4

Warriner back in office. Lunched with Jimmie Gerard and Pendergast and talked politics. Davis is too slow getting started. Ordered an electric pump for Hussey. Got motor all ready for trip tomorrow

Aug 5.

Got away in The "Blue Fish" about 9. A.M. Had lunch with Marion at Millbrook and went on to Pittsfield. Called up Sam Colt who came around to the hotel to see us. He was very sorry he could not take us in.

Aug 6.

Hard rain in morning. Called on the Colts and then on to Fort George. Sam gave us the wrong dope on how to go so we had rotten roads. Made Fort George about 5. Stopped at Hotel Fort William Henry. Very expensive and full of Jews.

A party of drunken Hebrews across the hall kept us awake most of the night. Beautiful spot spoiled by jews and ornate hotel which is badly run.

Aug 7.

Away at 8. Made Ausable Chasm about 5. Nice simple hotel, well run and inexpensive. Speeder passed us on road near Elizabethtown and cut in ahead Too soon. Bent front mud guard slighty. I told him all sorts of things about himself. He paid me $1 much to the amusement of Renée and the kids. It is to go to St Christophe Aug 8 who rules autos. Passed La Colle The Canadian Customs House about noon. I told the officer I was on business and pleasure. He at first refused to let me through and was rather insulting until I calmed him down. It seems you cannot travel in a car if on business. I finally got his permission to report to the Collector at Montreal. Reported to Collector about 4:30 p.m. He also was one of the most important men in the world. At last it was compromised by my putting the "Blue Fish" in the Customs before leaving Montreal. Stopped at Mount Royal Hotel. Badly run, dirty for a new hotel and moderate price for rooms.

Aug 9.
Took "Blue Fish" to storage from Garage. Punctured a Tire going to customs and had to stop for repairs.
In afternoon took ride around town in one horse cab.
Dinner at The Ritz. Very good and expensive — Champagne.
Got away at 11.15 Daylight savings.

Aug 10.
Kirkland Lake at 5.15.
Hussey met us and escorted us to the manager's cottage at the mine. Saw Grazier for a few minutes at Cobalt. He has a two months baby, we did not know about.

Aug 11
Renee and I in Town nearly all day buying furnishings for cottage. They got out about 6.

Aug 12
Hussey, Donaldson and I all day on Kirkland-Munroe looking for places to do assessment. Hussey and I bought Transit.

Aug 13
Hussey and I at K-M all day running boundary lines and scouting the country.

Aug 16
Left Kirkland Lake at 2p.m in hard rain storm. Reached Cobalt at 5. Glazier met us and casually mentioned the fact that his mother and sister were here and that Tommy and I could sleep over the office. We did.

Aug 17.
Renée planning to go back to Kirkland Lake. The Glaziers are two horrible females. G. moved them into his suite and the behaved very badly.

Aug 18.
The gorgons won't speak to us. The resent our being here very much. Renée has decided to go to Nannie's until I can get away. Glazier not going on his vacation until Wednesday. Mine looks only fair. Wrote Warriner yesterday advocating discontinuing the new development winze until we know where we are. Letter from Schnauffer stating that W. left for the west on the 12th.

Aug 19.
The gorgons have slightly unbent. Young Mrs Glazier has evidently been worried.

Aug 20.
Family left at 11.30. Train over an hour late. Glazier off on his vacation to Quebec. Germer and a friend named Walker arrived.

The gorgons did not say good bye to Renee. I frankly told Glazier what the trouble was. He seemed much perturbed. I have moved back over the office and take my meals in Mrs Puro's sitting room. Dined at Hotchkins. Germer and friend quite tight.

Aug 20

Made complete tour of the mine so as to get it in my head. Piston on drill sharpener broke. Ore poor today. Am reopening 1022 drive as other faces are very poor.

Aug 21

Hussey came down from Kirkland Lake. He advises stopping work on 1028 and 1023. Germer and a friend a Mr Walker came in.

Aug 23.

Spent practically all morning underground. Hussey discouraged with showings until I pointed out some cross fractures in the two drives. We then had the drives washed down and came back from the faces and started slabbing in the endeavor to find the veins.

Went to bed early but was annoyed by the armours first of a couple of cats and then by those of the 17 year old. Finnish girl who is sleeping

over the office. Got up and fired out the man and told him never to come back.

Went fishing off the dam at Latchford with Murray of Canadian Explosives. Caught two small bass and had them for supper.

Asked to be on reception committee to meet Governor General Byng. Accepted

Aug 25

Hotchkin and I gave some lines underground for Warriner's winze. I am going exploring for the lost vein in 1022. I think Glazier missed it about 30 ft back. In afternoon I was invited to the Mayor's (Col Armstrong) to meet the Governor General and Mrs Byng. I had a very pleasant chat with them. They had been in Alaska and had been entertained by my successor Gov. Bone. Lady Byng is the typical hatchett faced Englishwoman and General Byng looks like a rum hound and not like the distinguished general who was the hero of Vimy Ridge. There were a number of Canadian soldiers there with their medals and decorations. In evening went to movies with Cross, a young english engineer who is sampling for us.

Aug 26 Hussey down

Aug 27.

Went underground and found that we had cut a cross fracture in 1028. Turned in 1023 to cut the extension at about 20 ft. Went to a bungalow party at Haileybury with the mining outfit. It kept up all night Glazier back. Flew in from Rouyn

Aug 29

High grade in 1020. Nothing anywhere else.

Aug 30

High grade still keeping up.

Aug 31. (Sunday

Went underground in morning. High-grade still in 1020. Veins showing strong in 1022 & 1026 but no silver. Am under opinion that values do not like on or near contact but deep in keewatin. Ergo southern faces may strike into silver 20 to 50 feet lower down.

Gorgins left at 11.0 a.m. I left at 5.45. Met them again at North Bay.

Met Fred Lambart on train. He used to be in Craig's party on 141st Meridian. Enjoyed chat with him. He told me that the government had adopted my Teat as a standard also my method of computing repeated angles. He had his son Arthur with him. Next year he is to attempt the ascent of Mt Logan in Alaska.

Letter from Deputy Minister of Customs and Excise saying that I might keep my car in the government garage until Sept 15. I had asked for a permit to use my car in Quebec until Sept 15. Damn fools.

Lambart told me that Jack Craig had been promoted to Assistant Director of Surveys. — Fine.

Sept 1. Labor Day
Arrived in Montreal at 9. a.m. Customs House closed so have to stay over a day. Lunch with Alex Gray.

Sept 2
Collector would not extend my permit. Got car out in howling storm and started for Quebec. Made it through to Ste Anne by 9. Left Montreal at 12. noon.

Sept 3 Clear
Nannie, Renée and kids all drove up to Quebec and drove around city.

Sept 4
Trip to St Fereol over rough roads. Lunch at St Joachim at nice habitant road house - Morel's.

Sept 5
All over Isle of Orleans. Went to all the churches. One was a gem. Rain at night. Lizzie has bad cold.

Sept. 8
As our auto permit ran out today we had to leave for home. Left Ste Anne at 10.20 a.m. Beautiful dirt roads all the way to Jackman on the Maine border, 133 miles, arrived at 5.30. At Jackman a Customs officer was mean enough to take away my bottle of Benedictine, Rye and Sherry. He looked thirsty so I suppose he needed it. In addition he fined me $15.00. His name is P.M. Relahan. I shall try to get even with him. Staid at Jackman all night in a miserable inn

Sept 9. Storm

Away from Jackman at 10.45. Rained hard all day. Most of the roads under destruction. Must be a beautiful country when clear. Made Yarmouth at 7.30 p.m. 162 miles. Put up at "Village Inn". run by a veritable Puritan gorgon. No smoking but immaculately clean

Sept 10. Storm

Away at 9 a.m. Reached Boston at 4.30 p.m. Could not see much of the coast account of rain. Went to the Touraine as that was the only hotel I had ever heard of in Boston but it was full, they sent us to Parker House, a million years old but good rooms, clean as a whistle and a bath tub up to your neck. I had never been in Boston before. 136 miles.

Sept 11.

Got in touch with Jack Hallowell and Jim Colt. Lunched with Jim Colt and Jeanne at the Union Club. Afterward took the kids to all the points of interest - the Old State House, North and South Churches. The kids were full of enthusiasm to see where Paul Revere had his lanterns hung out. Also Revere's house. In the evening we took the kids to see "Abraham Lincoln" in the movies. Jim has a move on to sell the Coal mine stock at par.

Sept 12.

Away at 9.55. To The Hallowell's place on Cape Cod. 64 miles. - A fine comfortable place, nothing showy. Jack came down at night. Bathed in the surf and got scraped on some rocks. The Hallowells are a bully family. Marion is a dear.

Sept 13

Put the kids in the water on the sand beach. Liselle found a pair of wings and insisted on swimming from the float to the beach. Then of course Tommy had to do the same thing but got scared as soon as he hit the water and started to yell so I had to go after him in a boat. Got away at noon. Hot "dogs" for lunch. Went through Providence and Hartford and staid at a delightful inn, - The Elm Tree Inn - at Farmington. 149 miles.

Sept 14. - Sunday

Away at 10.25. Late start because Renée and the kids had to go to church. Got to New Rochelle at 4. Kids had to check everything up at once. On the whole they have been pretty good. 103 Miles. Car behaved very well on the whole trip

Sept 15

At office

Sept 17 Warriner came back from San Francisco.

Sept 24

Holmes of Boston called me up while I was at dentists and went back to office with me. Wanted to know all about mine. Went to station with him and ran into Jim Colt who had been looking after the coal situation. It seems that he unearthed a secret contract whereby Burton - the president of the company - was to get $300 a share for his stock. The purchaser nearly threw up the deal but I think it is still on. In evening whole family to Dr Stevens to get cold serum innoculation.

Sept 26.

Met George White - former chairman of the Democratic National Committee - on the street. I asked him why Davis had such a tail to his kite (Bryan). White said he had asked the same question of John W. Davis and Davis had replied "Well, we are married now so let bygones be bygones".

White said he could use me on the national committee and I told him I would come in on Monday.

Sept 27

Around home doing odd chores. Drove over to Scarsdale and called on the Lakins.

Sept 29.

Got Warriner into a frame of mind To accept my recommendations concerning further prospecting at both Kirkland Lake and Cobalt. Wired Hussey to start Crosscutting at 800 after cutting station at 700.

Bought new Stetson hat. Family approved of the lid.

Called in at Democratic Headquarters. Had chat with Jimmy Gerard concerning mines and with George White. White will call me up re a job.

Oct 16

Made Alaska Day speech at Rotary Club. About 400 there. Made pretty good speech. Dinner with Mrs Tower at Colony Club and then "What Price Glory" with Mr & Mrs Walker, Mr Tabor, Mr Brogden & Mrs Tower. Met my cousin Pleasants Pennington

Oct 17 My 51st birthday.

Damn! This getting old and older does not appeal to me at all, especially when I still feel young.

Worked all day on report on Continental Iam making up for Jimmie Gerard. I have hopes of getting him interested enough to finance the thing thoroughly.

Oct 18

Motored over to Oyster Bay for lunch with Margaret Whitney. Beautiful Indian Summer day. Saw Alys and Ansel and Georgie Phelps. A little girl there was Rebecca Crane - a distant cousin of mine.

Oct 20.

Mac Pope in town so I staid in too and had dinner with him at the Golden Eagle on 9th St. This is a nice little joint where Walter Shafner took me during the Convention. We had cocktails and wine and delicious food. Before that I introduced him at the Downtown Newspapermens Club. There is a regular bar there.

Working with Warriner on the proposal to Gerard. He is mixing things up in splendid shape.

Oct ~~20~~ 21

Still battling with Warriner. S.D. Warriner in Consultation. S.D. rather had my ideas. Lunch with O. B. Perry and Frank Forster at Banker's Club. Stopped to see old Bernard Guggenheim on way up Town. G. has the Alaska-Premier now but promises me to protect my interests.

Oct 22.

Bob Bryce down from Toronto. Started furnace This morning. Worked on Continental report Met Renée on 5.13. She had been with Tommy to the dentist's where he is having his teeth straightened

Got telegrams from Bert Faulkner and John Troy saying that my old friend Bill Casey of Juneau dropped dead in Ketchikan. He was running for the Legislature and would have been elected.

Mrs Fearn who has been in Juneau for some time with her son also called

me up to make an engagement with us for lunch.

Oct 25 Saturday - Clear and warm.
Drove over to Oyster Bay. Alys joined us in a pic nic lunch. The kids had a beautiful time. Made speech at Democratic Club last night.

Oct 27.
Renée and I appointed a Committee to get former Vice-President and Mrs Marshall and bring them to New Rochelle to make a speech. Motored to New York and got them at 7. Governor Marshall was very interesting off stage. He hates Bryan and expects this election to be the end of the old parties. LaFollette is a nuisance and just wants his own way. Mrs Marshall could only talk of her little adopted son who died.
There were only about 500 at the meeting which hurt Mrs feelings.
After the New Rochelle speech we took them to Port Chester where he had a much better crowd. It was too much for the old man. He looked all worn out.

Oct 28.
Mans dinner at Freds. - Judge Augustus Hand, Judge Finch, Mr Wiley the Manager of the N.Y. Times, Farther Clifford, Professor Shorthall, Walter Price, Fritz and I. A good dinner and interesting conversation.
I now give Coolidge 274 votes, Davis 218, and LaFollette 29.
At last got the Gerard report ready for the Stenographers. Warriner has been a perfect nuisance and delayed me over 2 weeks.

Nov 1.

Went into town to see J. W. Gerard who is taking interest in Continental. He wired his man G. A. Costello to go to Kirkland Lake and Cobalt and make examination.

After lunch we motored up to Millbrook for the week end. Got up there without trouble in 3 hrs & 35 min.

Nov 2.

Played golf with Howard. Called on Fred Chesebrough and The McGuaigs. Renée with relics of cold.

Nov 3.

Saw my first hunt meet. We followed the hunt as well as we could and got a good view. Marion and Margaret riding. Dod & Mrs Flint, Miss Tower and Percy Rockefeller in for Tea. I was glad to meet R. in this manner as he is interested with us. Played a few holes with Howard

Nov 4 Election Day

Left Millbrook at 9.20 and arrived home at 1.20. We stopped en route and voted. Came home the hilly way and enjoyed the scenery. Listened in on radio to election returns until it seemed that Coolidge was elected. The Ritchies came in too.

Nov. 5

Landslide for Coolidge. Smith elected Governor.

Nov 13.

Letter from Jim Colt saying that the Leggills Coal Creek Co deal had gone through and that the first check for #56,000 had been sent to my trustee.

Renée's letter from Mervin Buckey stating that he thought he could rent 1731 21st St for #1000 for 5 months for a Mrs Ledyard of Casanovia N.Y. The 13th seems to be lucky.

Nov. 19.

Went to Washington on the midnight B & O. train for the purpose of taking up the reinvestment of the estate funds.

Nov 20.

A busy day in Washington. First Taylor, then Trust Co. for the first seance. The Trust Officer Mr Leet I found to be quite important. Made a date with him for tomorrow. Call on Alice and Jane Riggs. They seemed glad to see me. Lunch at Tuckerman's on Edgemoor— Chicken. To Fidelity Storage to see about Nannie's things. Metropolitan Club. Ran into Horace Westcott who suggested adjourning to his house for high-ball. Others Bill Morrow and Ike ? Dinner at Faust's - Chicken.

Nov 21.

Morning with Trust Officer. Date with Mervin Buckey to talk about 1731. He thinks he has it rented. Lunch with Eloise Russell — Chicken. Lindsey Russell camped there which seem strange when they are separated. Old Lady Davis glad to see me. Knew me at once. Then keen the Taylor to try on suit. Fenton Cramer picked

me up for a Trip To his house and his mother-in-law's to see Nancy Jane. 4 O'clock Train for ~~Washing~~ Baltimore. Stayed at Mac Popels. Beverly in New York. Frank and Harry there for dinner - Chicken. Jolly party.

Nov 22.

Left Balto at 11. Arrived New Rochelle 4.30. Had to go to coming out party given by Kingsbury Curtiss's for Their daughter. Bori sang and Ruth Draper recited. Dinner at Marion Davison's — Chicken.

The kids in from a church or school fair. Liselle bought two live squabs.

Got home about 2.30.

Nov 23.

Built a cote for pidgeons, Changed a Tire, put away screens. Quiet dinner at home — Chicken. Pretty soon I'll lay eggs or crow.

Nov 27.

Quiet Thanksgiving at home. Nearly finished a larger cote for the pidgeons with two rooms, removable floors and sliding screen front.

Nov 28.

Saw Gerard at Bankers Club. His engineer Turned down Continental. He expected to see a mine and not just what we have - a hole in the ground. I think if Warriner had not hindered me I could have

had him interested. Rented house in Wash. to Mrs Ledyard - $1000 for 5 months.

Nov 29.

Rainy day. Finished pidgeon house and the birds moved in.

Dec 9

We gave a party to Albert & Marie Ritchie and Howard & Louisa Slade. Dinner at Golden Eagle on 9th St with cocktails and wine and then theatre "New Brooms" at The Fulton. We had intended to have The Davisons but Howard is preparing to go to hospital for an intestinal ulcer.