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WARDS COVE

Near Ketchikan

1. Good air pict. Dec. '52 PWB. Page 14

WARM SPRINGS BAY

Lower Chatham str.

D.A.Disp. 9/16/1902 Mentioned for the first time, in any papers.

D.A.Disp. 4/30/1903 pp.3 Henry Lovely has taken over Warm Springs Bay hot springs and will put in a store and a hotel.

In 1954 the old 'Harry Raymond' properties were owned by Short Bros. and McDaniel (the latter works for the Burroughs Welding plant in Juneau---Aug. 11, 1954.

Emp. 10/11/1922 "Oregon City" burned up yesterday, here.

Emp. 4/14/1924/2 H.J.Raymond buys Bell Island resort!!!!?
Charters "Chlopeck" to move him to the property.

Emp. 10/29/1924/8 H.J.Raymond sues Anna Herring over some deal involving Bell/~~l~~ Island Hot springs.

Emp. 11/2/1925/8 H.J.Raymond becomes owner of Warm Springs Bay store, bathhouses etc.

Emp. 7/9/1927/8 Prohibition agents, Warren Harding and Geo. Baggen, Sr. on "Helmar" arr. from Warm Springs with prisoners---Dave Wallace, Tommy Jones (Cowboy) Gladys Rogers, etc. Raid was made at the request of

the Saltery there. The party was delayed because they had to comb hills for Dave (One-arm) Wallace who took to the timber....

WARM SPRINGS BAY

Baranof P.O.

10/3/1928/8 The home of Martin Olson, owner of the saw-
mill at Warm Springs Bay, burned to the ground. He lost
everything.

WATER SHORTAGES

S.E. Alaska towns.

1/21/1950 Now Wrangell is out of water. Ketchikan and
Petersburg have been for some time now. Serious, etc.

WEATHER

Weather guessers annoy U.S. Weather Bureau forecasters.
See article Book 37; page 71

D.A.Disp. 2/7/1912 'Kuro Shivo' (Jap Current to you)
Very good article about same.

D.A.Disp. 2/16/1912 (see earlier papers too) Jap Current
changed; mildest winter on record in S.E. Alaska.

D.A.Disp. 9/15/1899 V.G. parable Weather definitions in
Alaska. pp.3.

See 2 in NOTE BOOK NO. 14---Cloud chart.

WEATHER

General--talk--ships
etc...

1. Ships withdrawn from Pacific duty. Book 42; pp. 3.
2. Talk---by tugs etc. V.G. jargon. Book 42; pp. 6.

Seattle P.I. 9/9/1956---1816 was known as the year without a summer-----Most places east of the Rockies had freezing temperatures every month of 1816, and snow fell at numerous places during the summer months.

WEATHER

1. Little Port Walter holds U.S. records for wettest weather station..... (Juneau 1-A; pp. 34)
2. Cold snap in Jan. 1954 hampers logging (J. 1-A; pp. 34)

Seattle P.I. (King Features Syndicate, Inc.) Feb. 1957

Highest officially recorded temperature in U.S. proper was 134° F. on July 10, 1913--in Death Valley Calif. The lowest was 66° below zero, recored at the Riverside Ranger Station in Yellowstone Park, Wyo. Feb. 9, 1953. The highest world record is 136.4° F. registered in Libya, Sept 13, 1922, and lowest is 90° below zero, in Northern Siberia Feb. of 1892.

WEATHER (JUNEAU)-Excluded

- ~~1. Dec. 1953 warm and wet. (Juneau 1-A; pp. 34~~
- ~~2. Weather getting colder says ice-cap student. (J-9;p70)~~
- ~~3. 7" snow at Anchorage 10/21/1954/ (Juneau 9; pp 70)~~
- ~~4. Anchorage hit by heavy wind. (Juneau 9; pp 71)~~
5. 2/10/1938 Hurrican hits Pac. Coast. Golden Gate Bridge
blown 12' out of line.

WEATHER (KETCHIKAN)

10/13/54 Tide, storm worry boat owners. (J-9;pp71)
10/14/54 Lightening, thunder, etc. felt. {J-9;pp71)
11/12/54 Snowing in Juneau. (J-9;pp72

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH

1865-1867

After the failure of the 2nd Atlantic telegraphic cable, the W.U. Telegraph Co., believing that an ocean cable could not succeed, undertook to construct an overland telegraph to Asia and Europe via Bering strait. For this purpose preparations were made on a large scale and parties worked, explored and built some line in Br. Columbia, Alaska and Siberia in 1865 and 1866. When the 3rd Atlantic cable proved, in 1866, to be a success the whole enterprise was abandoned and the geographic information collected by it was scattered. No satisfactory general acct. of this venture has been published. Several manuscript maps were made but not published. A photograph of one of these is the authority chiefly used and cited in this dictionary.

WHEELER-HOWARD ACT

Indian boat deal

- 1/17/1940/3 The IRA or Indian Reorganization Act. of 1936
Under this Hooah village has made application for and
received a \$61,000. loan for boats.
- 8/23/1940/2 Indians (Alaska) get loans totalling four-
hundred thousand dollars so far.

WHITEHORSE

Yukon Territory

1. Pict. A.S Feb. 1956 pp. 25. (Panorama)
2. Pict. A.S. Mar. 1956 pp. 11. (Waterfront)
3. VG pict. of barge shooting Whitehorse Rapids in early days. A.S. Mar. 1956. pp. 10

WHITEHORSE

City in Yukon Territory

1. Pict. pp. 25; Dec. 1954 ALASKA SPORTSMAN

D.A.Disp. 5/23/1905 --Business district of Whithorse wiped
out in disasterous fire.

D.A.Disp. 5/25/1905 -Losses at Whitehorse listed..

WHITESTONE HBR.

11/14/1927 Eleven Sitka indians drowned when their boat "Jenne" wrecked at the entrance to Whitestone Hbr., in Icy Str. near Pt. Augusta. They left Hoonah 10:30 Mon. 11/7th for Sitka. Capt. Johnny Albert and family and the Morgan family. All bodies but that of Mrs. Morgan and a 10 yr. old daughter have been recovered. The vessel is a seine type troller. Strong N.W. gales prevailed at the time. "St Martin" brought in bodies.

WHITE PASS & YUKON CO.

Trail, Company, etc.

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|-------------|-------|------|-------|------|
| "Ogilvie" | Pass. | str. | built | 1900 |
| "Dawson" | Frnt. | " | " | " |
| "McConnell" | " | " | " | " |

D.A.Disp. 5/14/1914 pp 1. V.G. history of the settlement of LIARVILLE on the White Pass trail out of Skagway in 1898, near the Canadian border.

D.A.Disp. 9/28/1900. pp.4. W.P.& Y.Co. bo ght the Str. "Mary E. Graff" from the Alaska Exploration Co. and will operate her on the River this summer.

WHITE PASS AND YUKON RAILWAY

Skagway.

Emp. 4/29/1955 From a 4-mile, one engine R.R. in summer of 1898 to present 110 mile route to Whitehorses...

Cost over ten million to built 1898 to 1900.

Temps. range from 65 below in winter to over 80 above in the summer

Elevation along the line starts at sea level at Skagway, climbs to 2885 in first 20 miles and reaches a maximum of 2916' at Log Cabin, B.C.

Of it's 110 miles, 20 are in Alaska, 32 in B.C. and 58 in Y.T.

It is a narrow gage (36") R.R. Line completed to Whitehorse in Oct. 1900

Company estimates that there were all told 35,000 men who worked on the road during construction and only 35 died from all causes. In 1899 1500 men quit to go to the big gold strike at Atlin.....etc..

Supt. Jack Hoyt points with pride to two big new G.M. diesel engines built especially for the trying conditions on the W.P. run. Each of the 80 ton engines can pull

260 tons as compared to the 160 tons of the old steam locomotives. etc....

Indep 1/13/1957--Three new diesel electric loci's of 800 h.p. are on the A.S.S.Co. "Chena" for Skagway to replace the old steam loci's. This will completely dieselize the 111 mile railroad says C.J.Rogers, Pres. of the line. Valued at $\frac{1}{2}$ a million. The Co. already purchased two diesel loci's. in 1955---total of 5 now.

For a "true" B.S. story read TRUE Jan. 1963 page 54.

WHITING RIVER

1. Navigated by 4 Juneau outboards. (Juneau 9; pp 61)

WILLIAM HENRY BAY

Emp. 7/27/1920/8 The stamp mill at Wm. Henry Bay is now operating.

Emp. 3/15/1921/8 Mill at Wm. Henry Bay will soon run full blast; Supt. A.F. Richards.

WILLIAM HENRY BAY

Lynn Canal

Emp. 9/11/1920/8 Great copper strike made by Alaska Endicott Mining Co. in William Henry Bay....

Emp. 9/12/1922/8 C.W.Mason, Pres of Endicott Mining and Milling Co. arrived in Juneau on the "Spokane" which vessel will proceed on to William Henry Bay with him.

WILSON, POINT

Enti. to P. Sound

"Nevada" French frt. 5/16/1928

WINDHAM BAY

In Stephens Passage

11/26/1901 (D.A.Disp.) Oldest Mining camp in Alaska---
Discovered in 1876 etc. V.G. History.

D.A.Disp. 1/22/1902 Another new mining Co. in Windham Bay..
Emp. 8/18/1921/8 John Johnson, 80, aged prospector of
Windham Bay, searching for the 'Lost Rocker Claim' dies
on the trail.

Emp. 7/1/1915 Gudman Jensen made what is believed to be a
rich platinum stike in Windham Bay.

8/21/1940/8 Shuck River placer ground looks very good.
Road is $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles long now to the diggings.

WINDHAM BAY

Stephens Passage

1/28/1934 Mining in Windham Bay area started in 1869.

WISEMAN

Interior town.

Emp. 1/4/1927 Sam Dubin's store and warehouse at Wiseman
burned----Loss \$40,000.

Good pict. of 3 Bayless children of Wiseman. A.S. May '55
page 28.

WOLVES

1. V.G. pict. of one Art Kimball and Juan Munoz shot on Winstanley Id. (Behm Canal) April 1954, from the deck of the "Watres"

FOR WOLVES NEAR JUNEAU SEE CARD "JUNEAU ANIMALS"

WOMEN PILOTS

See story about Mrs. Ina Jackson of Juneau on the halibut
boat "Ina J" (HALIBUT BOATS)

12/20/1930/2 Mrs Mabel H. Crawford gets operators license
She is the third Alaskan woman to qualify. First was
Edna A. Smith of Juneau in June, 1928; next was Mrs.
Mabel R. Borland of Dillingham in Aug. 1923. ?????

WORLD WAR II

- ~~Emp. 1/6/1938 Expansion of U.S. Fleet (War)~~
- Emp. 1/10/1938 War Referendum Killed by U.S. House of Reps.
(Would have taken power to declare war from Pres. Roosevelt and given it to a 3/4 vote of all States)
- Emp. 1/13/1938 USS "Panay" is damaged beyond repair (War)
- Emp. 2/1/1938 Headlines: Armed Conflict Feared in Bering Sea---Fishermen may attack Jap fishing boats.
- 2/4/1938 Naval Base Suggested for Northland--Japs suspected in Alaskan waters.
- See card in this file on WARS for much more.
- 2/12/1938 Japan Refuses Demands of U.S., Eng. and France to limit battleships.
- 2/15/1938 U.S. Marines halt Jap Patrols in American Zone in Shanghai.
- 2/16/1938 Japan May Quit Alaska Waters. Claim Agreement reached!
- 2/21/1938 Sitka Designated Fleet Air Base
- See cards in this file on JAPANESE*-AMERICAN TROUBLES
- Also see card on JAPANESE FISHERMEN etc.

- 3/22/1938 Honolulu prepared for fleet attack
- 3/23/1938 Dimond (Delegate) urges two million dollars for Alaskan Air Bases.
- 3/24/1938 Japs claim U.S. Navy plans big attack on them!!!
- 3/26/1938 Japan Agrees to Keep Out of Alaska Waters!
- 3/28/1938/ House Turns Down Alaska Air Base Plan!
- 3/30/1938 Honolulu lays plans for air raid! U.S. Navy!
- 6/1/1938 F.D.R. sends "strong Note" to Japan to restore American property.
- 8/26/1938 Sec. of State Cordell Hull sends sharp note to Japs for shooting down American air-liner at Canton.
- 8/30/1938 War Clouds Hanging over Europe!
- 9/24/1938 Europe on brink of War!
- 11/7/1938 Nippon showing Teeth to U.S. Threats made!
- 12/20/1938 Chinese kids in S.F. picket Greek frt. "Spyros" loading scrap iron for Japan. Longshoremen won't cross
- 12/22/1938/2 After 5 days of picketing, SF kids withdraw.
- 3/3/1939 Sam Weinstein, Federal Mediator, rulse that longshoremen must pass through picket line of Chinese women and children at Astoria. Scrap iron being loaded on "Norway Mary" is rusting on sidings on flat cars...

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WORLD WAR II

- 7/28/1937 China-Japanese War is un---undeclared. (Headline)
- 3/4/1939 Astoria bans loading scrap iron for Japan..
- 3/6/1939 Portland longshoremen refuses to load scrap iron for Japan---on the British steamer "Andangorm"
- 3/14/1939 Is Japan Becoming Linked with Italy & Germany?
- 3/27/1939 British reject Plan to Boycott Germany!
- 4/7/1939 German and Italy demand share in administration of the Suez Canal.
- 5/27/1939 Attorney Gen. Frank Murphy says there are "Many Spies in Alaska!"
- 12/37/1937/2 VG Rumor this early about possible war or attack from Japs. (The report in Juneau that the fire had even been started by a Jap bomb!) The whole thing started when the Naval Air base on Japonski called the C.G.Haida" and asked if they had refill for fire extinguishers! From there rumors flew...
- 7/28/1939/2 British women boycott Jap Fish says Shiels.
- 8/25/1939 War Believed Started in Europe!

- 9/1/1939 Battles raging in Europe--Nazis Invade Poland.
9/1/1939 B.C. Premier Pattulo in Juneau---avers that U. S.
can not avoid becomming involved in European War.

See SUBMARINES in Juneau files 4 x 6

- 9/12/1939/2 American pass. must get off of all Canadian
vessels immediately---Can. is classed as a belligerent
nation. "Princess Louise" in Juneau, to comply.
9/13/1939 "Princess Louise" order obviated. Pass. can
go on to their destination this trip.
8/18/1939 Poland Invaded by Russia.
10/28/1939 Japs move for peace with U.S. and Britain
1/23/1940 US and Japan protest British move to board and
search neutral shipping in the Meditteranern, etc.
1/26/1940 Climax Reached! U.S. and Jap Relations! 1911
Pact (trade) with U.S. is off.
1/26/1940 U.S. Fliers Join Finnish Forces.
1/27/1940 Jap--U.S. Tension Growing. Japs Defy U.S. in
China.
4/9/1940 Norway and Denmark Invaded!
4/18/1940 Crisis Nearing In Pacific Ocean. Japan Hints at
Seizure of Pacific Islands.

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WORLD WAR II

~~8/15/1935 Another World War predicted by Britains Chancellor of the Exchequer!~~

5/10/1940 Germans invade Netherlands, Belgium & Luxemburg.

6/14/1940 Big Diomedes swarming with Russians. Only one mile from American soil.

6/14/1940 Paris Captured---French Forces Flee.

7/30/1940/8 Loading of scrap iron for Japan being rushed at three Pacific ports to meet deadline. After tomorrow night all vessels will have to have special permit from State Dept. to load any scrap.

8/7/1940 Canada alarmed at Japs (their own) fishing off B.C. Coast.

8/9/1940 Alaska in Peril of Attack by Two Forces (Japs and Russians!

10/10/1940 Zero Hour Near---Jap--U.S. Relations!

11/9/1940 U.S. steamer "City of Rayville" is first U.S. vessel to be sunk by enemy action in War. 5800 tons Torpedoed near Melbourne, Australia 37 of 38 crew saved.

- 11/12/1940 Two big U.S powder manufacturing plants blown up.
- 12/30/1940 F.D.R. says U.S. must Arm. Tells Why. VG.
- 1/14/1941 Japan Aroused Over U.S. "Hostile Move" in Supporting England!
- 2/20/1941 Japan Plans Pacific Offensive!
- 3/11/1941 Jap Foreign Minister has Talks with German, Ital Lines up Against U.S.
- 3/23/1941 (Sect. 3) Japs know Alaska Coast line better than Americans!
- 3/23/1941 (Sect. 3) Pravda, official organ of Russia, says stories of USSR invading Alaska are nothing more than the delerium tremens of some drunk and originated in a bar in Mexico.
- 3/23/1941/3 (3rd Sect.) Japan and U.S. once signed treaty-- (Treaty of Naval Limitations 2/6/1922) not to fortify Aleutians. Treaty later renounced by Japan and we are now building a base at Dutch Hbr.
- 3/23/1941/6 C.G. "Haida" has her mast shortened from 100' to 80' and her armament increased with larger guns.

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WORLD WAR II

~~4/14/1941 Pact Signed by Japan and Russia! Blow aimed at United States.~~

5/2/1941 Roosevelt proposes taking over ships of Axis but meets with terrific opposition.

5/22/1941 Sec. of State Cordell Hull Urges International Highway for Defense. States Invasion by Russia is a Definite Threat!

6/13/1941 War Threatened Between the Reich and Russia!

6/13/1941 U.S. vessel "Robin Moor" incident---Germans say they will not be buffalowed by U.S.!!

6/16/1941 U.S. Closes Nazi Consulates.

6/23/1941 Axis Declares War on Russia.

6/30/1941 Alaska is in Danger is Russia is Crushed says Sen. Pepper (Dem. of Fla.)

7/23/1941 Japan May Attack Singapore. U.S. Navy Ready to Strike!

7/26/1941 F.D.R. Takes 1st Blow at Japan. Freezes all Jap Assets in the U.S.

7/30/1941/2 Aluminum drive on--big pile in Juneau sponsor-

- by Rotary Club. Piled at Front and Seward. (Now Union Sta.)
8/2/1941/ Nips Gro Defiant at U.S. Japan Hints War in
Offing...
8/11/1941 Japan Nears Break With U.S. Wartime Emergency
in Effect.
8/14/1941 U.S. Will Help (British) Brush Germans!
8/22/1941 F.D.R. swats Japs--Tariff on Crab Meat Raised.
8/28/1941 Jap--U.S. Tension Growing!
8/29/1941 Pacific War Still Threatens--U.S. & Japan to
Talk Facts.
9/3/1941 Japs told by Premier to Mobilize for War
9/4/1941 Japan Prepares for Air Raids. Nips Told That U.S.
Plans World Dominance.
9/10/1941 Japs Stop Clamor On U.S.! (Attitude Changeing!)
9/12/1941/6 U.S. Navy will Protect Shipping Says F.D.R.
Will Not Wait To Be Attacked.
10/10/1941 U.S. Calls for Arming of Merchant Vessels.
10/18/1941 Japs Given Stern Warning by U.S. Senator Pepper
10/24/1941 War With Japan Inevitable Says Sec. of Navy
Knox!!
11/6/1941 Japs plan Military Move. To Force U.S. to Actio
Cut off China's Burma Road.

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WORLD WAR II

~~11/10/1941 England Ready to Fight Japan. Royal Navy Will
Join With Yanks!~~

11/12/1941 Japan Believed Ready For War!

11/13/1941 U.S.--Japan Now Nearing War

11/15/1941/2 Jap Envoy, Saburo Kurusu is in Wash. D.C.
Still Hopes for Peace.

11/17/1941 U.S.--Japan Now Nearing Crisis.

11/18/1941 Japan Clears Decks for Action. (Army and Navy
Ready in Far East. Tojo Says Nippon Forces Ready for
Any Emergency.

11/22/1941 U.S.--Jap Talks Break Down. Kurusu's Mission
a Failure.

11/27/1941 War Issue Put up to Japan (Hull puts direct
question)

11/28/1941 No U.S.--Jap Compromise

11/29/1941 Japan Prepares for War. Bitterly Assails U.S.

12/1/1941 Japan--U.S. Nearing Break. Situation Very Grave

12/2/1941 F.D.R. Makes Demand on Japan. Wants Explanation
of Military Moves!

12/3/1941 Explosion on Pacific Believed Near!

- 12/4/1941 Japan Making War Moves in Far East. Mass 40 Warships and an Aircraft Carrier off the Coast. Air Base being hastily constructed! Springboard Prepared for attack in three directions is Indicated!
- 12/5/1941 Japs Reply to Roosevelt's Note. Hull Expected to Tell President of Contents this afternoon. Japanese Nationals Summoned!
- 12/6/1941 Far East Crisis Near Breaking Point---All Leaves Cancelled in Orient.
- 12/8/1941 DECLARE WAR Japs attack Hawaii and Manila.
- 12/8/1941 All U.S. Ship Movements to be Kept Secret
- 12/9/1941 Jap Ships reported off Pac. Coast of U.S.
- 12/11/1941 War Declared by U.S. on Germany and Italy.
- 12/13/1941 Grounded Local Planes can now take to the air.
- 6/3/1942 Dutch Hbr. attacked, by 4 bombers and 15 fighter planes about 06:00 today in a 15 min. attack. Juneau has been alerted----may be attacked!
- 7/16/1942 Expect Attack on Pac. Coast at Anytime
- 7/21/1942 Del. Dimond Urges Driving Japs out of Alaska
Right Now!
- 7/22/1942 Sen. Coffee of Wash. Demands Japs be Ousted from Aleutians

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WORLD WAR II

- 7/23/1942 De Witter McKenzie tells why Japs are still in the Aleutians.
- 8/6/1942 Plan to drive Japs from Aleutian Islands.
- 8/7/1942 Jap Aleutian Invasion is Threat to U.S.
- 9/23/1942 Jap's Wings Clipped in Aleutians. They are now in for real troubles....
- 9/25/1942 All-out Jap Attack on Pac. Coast of U.S. is Predicted.
- 12/3/1942 Large number of unidentified surface craft sighted 450 miles off West Coast. All leaves cancelled and all men ordered to ships at once!
- 2/2/1943 Japs Bomb Aleutian Base (Unnamed)
- 4/6/1943/2 Del. Dimond aroused over Nome waste article--- wants name of informant....
- 4/13/1943 Japs Building Fields for Attacks on Alaska--- Airways seen on Kiska and Attu. (U.S. has been bombing both places almost daily.)
- 4/14/1943 U.S. Blasts Jap Runways on Kiska and Attu.
- 4/14/1943 Japan Broadcasts Ready to Strike U.S. Mainland!
- 4/14/1943 No Japs on U.S. West Coast Says General John

L. DeWitt. "A Jap is a Jap whether American citizen or not
says DeWitt!

4/16/1943 Kiska Japs Stronger than Ever!

4/17/1943 Situation in Aleutians is Alarming. Congress
stirred up... Navy says they can't spare any ships
for the area.

4/20/1943/3 Juneau to have her first "Meatless day". Wed.

4/27/1943 Japs Going to be Tough to Get Out of Aleutians.

5/1/1943 Navy Bomber Sinks Jap Sub off Aleutians.

5/5/1943 U.S. will Bayonet Japs From Kiska: Blow Will
Soon Fall On Enemy.

5/8/1943 Another U. S. Base Established on Amchitka Id.

5/15/1943 U.S. Forces Land on Attu.

5/19/1943 Enemy in Retreat on Attu. U.S. Forces Gain
Ridges, etc.

5/20/1943 Japs Now Encircled on Attu. Capture of Air-
field Announced.

5/21/1943 Tokyo Reports Japs Evacuating Attu.

5/31/1943 Attu Captured--Enemy Killed off after 20 day
Battle.

6/2/1943 1500 Japs killed, 4 taken prisoner on Attu.

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WORLD WAR II

- ~~7/26/1943 Kiska soon to be invaded.~~
- 8/21/1943 Kiska Island now Occupied---No Japs Found!!!
- 9/8/1943 Italy surrenders unconditionally. Terms accepted.
- 10/14/1943 Japs bomb Attu for first time since occupation by U.S. troops. No casualties.
- 3/11/1944 Predicted that Alaska will be attacked by Japs. Coast is still in danger.
- 6/6/1944 D-Day in Europe today. Invaded by U.S. etc.
- 10/19/1944 Yanks begin Invasion of Phillipines; land in Leyte Gulf.
- 3/1/1945 Corrigedor retaken by Yanks. Shaps steam into Manila harbor.
- 4/23/1945 Yanks in Berlin first, but ordered out by Russ.
- 4/30/1945/6 Rumor circulated of Germany unconditional surrender....
- 4/30/1945 Benito Mussolini executed by firing squad.
- 5/1/1945 Hitler reported dead.
- 5/3/1945 Berlin Surrenders to Soviet Forces.
- 5/7/1945 Germany Surrenders V-E Day.

- 7/26/1945 Call on Japan to Surrender. Japan Makes Peace Offer via Moscow.
- 7/27/1945 Japan rejects Potsdam Ultimatum.
- 8/4/1945 Jap hospital ship seized with fake patients and cargo!
- 8/6/1945 Atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima
- 8/8/1945 Russia declares War on Japan.
- 8/10/1945 Japan Quits if they can keep Hirohito
- 10/11/1945 Would Block Loans to Britain and Russia!!
- 1/30/1946/2 Kurile occupation agged at Yalta says Byrnes
- 3/11/1946 Pravda says Churhill is inciting war with his British-American Military Alliance)
- See VG account. "Night Before D-Day" pp 30. SAGA Oct. '59

WORLD WAR III (?)

~~8/21/1946 and 8/22/1946 Tito Gov't. shoots down 2 U.S.
planes (C-47's)~~

8/26/1946 Russia backs Jugoslavia. Blasts U.S.

WRANGELL

Alaskan town.

1. Fire ---see papers Mar 22, 1952
2. Fire---Book 35; Page 60
3. Have Wrangell Sentinel for Mar. 24, '52 in envelopes.
(See envelope No. 2.)
4. Business district wiped out by fire 3/25/1906 NOME NEWS
5. D.A.Disp. 3/26/1906 'Wiped out by fire at 16:00 Mar.
24th, 1906
6. D.A.Disp. 12/13/1907--Piledriver, launch and floating
cannery all disappear during a storm at Wrangell. Later
the launch and the clam-cannery were located anchored in
a protected cove but the pile-driver was still missing.
7. D.A.Disp. 9/19/1913 (MURDER MYSTERY) The headless body
of Dick Nestrom hanging from the doorway of a drifting
launch, was the greusome find of Deputy Marshall Schnabe.
at 06:30 today..Mystery surrounds the death.
7. EMPIRE 7/2/1954 Jap sawmill to run by Oct.

D.A.Disp. 8/21/1915 pp,2; John Finlayson of Wrangell, reputed to be the oldest man in Alaska, age 103, applies for a pension.

D.A.Disp. 9/30/1915 pp.2; Vigilante Committee at Wrangell gives orders to all Mexicans to leave town immediately.

D.A.Disp. 11/11/1915 pp.8; Gasboat "Kingfisher" exploded and burned at Columbia & Northern Dock at Wrangell, yesterday morning. Owner John Uolcheck, on board, escaped in underwear, unhurt. Boat about 30' long and valued at \$200.00

D.A.Disp. 5/10/1916 pp.5 New tender "Shamrock II" are being built to follow the trolling fleet in the Wrangell Dist. and put up troll caught fish. The boat will be powered with a 45 h.p.C-0 eng. and is 52' long. The scow will be 64' x 12'.

D.A.Disp. 8/19/1916 Three men on the halibut gas-boat "Ella J" are dead and 2 more are dying from gas-poison.

D.A.Disp. 3/7/1917 "North Cape", small halibut boat exploded at Wrangell today when Capt. Hans Tideman and Aren Sanvik tried to prime the engine with a gallon jug of gas. Capt. Tideman is severly burned.

WRANGELL

S.E. Alaska town.

- 7/6/1929 Near tragedy at Wrangell on 4th. 18 small boys, ranging from 6 to 12 yrs. old were on the bow of a small boat watching the log rolling contest when the craft capsized and all went in the bay! All were saved but some had pretty close calls.
- 11/4/1929/7 Wrangell sawmill refinanced and will resume operations shortly. Nick Nussbaumer puts up money.
- 11/9/1931 New Industrial school finished at Shoemaker Bay is fine structure. (Wrangell Institute) Completed.
- 3/10/1932/ Body of John L. Grant, 24, found drowned at Wrangell.
- 9/24/1932 Wrangell Institute to open Oct. 1st. 80 pupils!
- 4/16/1935/8 Fire destroyed the Ranier Grill in Wrangell today. Tom Komatsu, Jap. is dead.
- 7/28/1937 Std. Oil house and large tank at Wrangell, burn Supt. Z.M. Bradford mgr.
- 12/29/1939/3 Official census 1142 persons now as compared to 946 in 1930 census.

11/15/1943 Helen's Place, the last restaurant in Wrangell, closed down today. This is first time in history of the town that it did not have a restaurant or cafe. Wrangell had 4 restaurants in 1898 FEB. and 74 in Mar. 1898! during the gold rush.

1/23/1947/7 \$750,000. lumber mill at Wrangell--expansion work starts. Fred V. Wagner.

8/7/1947/2 Receiver for W. sawmill appointed.

10/27/1948 18 year old Emma Axberg dies in fire at Wrangell

11/13/1948/2 No bids for Wrangell sawmill.

4/15/1949/5 Alaska Asiatic Lumber Mills, Inc. paid \$38,600. in full by A. Takahashi.

5/17/1949 Wrangell votes 216 to 24 for 2% sales tax.

5/23/1949 Foltas decision in the Wrangell Mill case to set precedence.

7/27/1951/8 Wrangell to have new mill says C.T. Takahashi.

3/22/1952 Wrangell swept by disastrous fire---20 bldgs. over 1-million loss, etc.

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WRANGELL

Emp. 11/22/1923/6 Work on Wrangell breakwater to begin..
Cost \$34,000.

Emp. 9/30/1924 Two men, Nick Berry and Josip Guyatich, natives, drowned at Wrangell when their boat "Merieian" a 40 ton seiner ran on the rocks in Wrangell Hbr.. They had returned to her to salvage equipment and she slipped off the rocks and sank trapping them in her hull.

Emp. 10/1/1924/6 More on the above accident.

Emp. 11/18/1924/8 Breakwater completed.

~~Emp.~~ K.D.N. 6/24/55 First Jap vessel the freighter "Kosho Maru" stopped at Ketch. for fuel before proceeding to Wrangell to load lumber for Japan. Entered customs at Ketch.

Emp. 7/1/55 Daido S.S.Co. frt. "Kosho Maru" is loading lmb at Wrangell (250,000 M) Loaded pulp at Ketch. last week

HISTORY---See 1898 Wrangell papers in Museum.

See PATHFINDER Feb. 1921 pp. 9 for life of J.G.Grant P.C.McCormack. and Gov. James Sheakley (Picts too)

Wrangell incorporated in June, 1903 Election held 6/15/03
Peter C.Jensen, Mayor (ex-officio) See list of all

Mayors and councilmen to 1921 In PATHFINDER Feb. 1921.
V.G. article of Wrangell pioneers---first three white men
to locate there. PATHFINDER Feb. 1921 pp. 26. Mr Heale;
Fred Lynch and William King Lear, who was a soldier there.
See good old pict. pp. 28 in A.S. for April 1956.

WRANGELL HISTORY

~~Excerpts from WRANGELL & GOLD OF THE CASSIAR by C.L.
Andrews copyrites 1937 (Lulu Tinker-Comm. printer.~~

Named for Baron Ferdinand Von Wrangell, explorer and one time chief manager of the Russian American Co. 1830 to 1836.

On a summer day in 1833 the Russian brig "Chichagof" in command of Lieut Dionysius Zarembo found an Indian village at Old Wrangell or Kotzlitzan (Village Id. down in Zimovia Strait)

Kadashan's Totems were first mentioned in 1887; while Chief Shakes totems seem to be the oldest remaining ones--old engravings show them in place in 1869.

Eyakh otlan---or war canoes of the Haidas & Thlingits
In the spring of 1834 the Chichagof" came back and finished the building of Redoubt St. Dionysius---at which the song of Baranof was sung.

Hudson's Bay Co. organized in England in 1670 by Pr. Rupert and his gay cavaliers and given charter by Charles II.
The Russian American Co was founded in the Siberian

city of Irkutsk by the Czar of all of Russia.

The earliest known visitors to Wrangell were George Vancouver in 1793 but he missed the mouth of the Stikine. This discovery is credited to the ship "Alahualpa" in 1802.

A British ship the "Caroline", Capt. Cleveland, visited the village of Stikine 4/16/1799 but does not mention the existence of the river.

"Hootz" means brown bear."

"Keet" means "killer whale"

"Yelth" means "raven"

The Hudson's Bay Co.'s Capt. Robert Campbell (commanding officer) was credited with discovering the Stikine in 1837.

June 1834 the brig "Dryad" from Fort Vancouver, Capt. Peter Skeen Ogden may have seen it.

"Beaver" 101 and a third ft by ----and registering 108 and one eighth tons burden and had five (9#) guns a crew of 26. Made her first trip to Fort Simpson in 1837 and second one to Sitka in 1840.

In 1847 the Russian ship "Nilolai" went to Fort Stikine to quell an Indian uprising against the English.

The Hudson's Bay Co. then bought other ships: The "Otter" in 1853 and the "Labouchere" 1859.

~~There is a VG account of an Indian attack on the "Labouchere" in XXXX at Hoonah on Aug. 2, 1862 ---they held the quarter deck for several hours.~~

Stikine Gold

Indians were the first discoverers of gold in Wash. and B.C. and brought gold to Kamloops as early as 1852

Gold rush to the Fraser River from S.F. was in 1858--1859-----40,000 people came.

"Buck" Choquette was first to find gold in the Stikine in 1861. VG account of the British sloop of War "Devastation" went to Victoria and the Russian brig "Alexander II" was sent to the Stikine to protect the British. She was commanded by Capt. Lemasheffsky. Sept. 1862

The SS "Flying Dutchman", Capt. Wm. Domingo Moore was the first vessel to travel up the Stikine in 1862--summer. She had frt. on board and also towed a barge (pushed) up river and had 125 prospectors on her. Capt. Moore was first of the swiftwater skippers. The name of the barge was the "J.W.Moore" which was later fitted with boilers and twin screws and sold to Grenon & Craney of Utsalady and was finally wrecked in Deception Pass.

The Indians were unhappy with the steam and the noises and claimed they would drive salmon and moose out of the river country. A meeting was held and Moore made speeches, and paid out over \$200.00 in Hudson's Bay blankets and finally restored peace.

In May 1862 the Russian Corvette "Rynda" came from Japan to survey the Stikine.

(The prospectors who stayed on the River were called the "61 Men"

In 1866 the Str. "Geo. S. Wright" brought the Western Union Telegraph cable etc. to the Stikine and the Str. "Mumford" was to take it to Telegraph Creek. However the successful laying of the Atlantic cable put an end to this ---the Russian line.

In 1867 (Oct 18th) the U.S. took over and on Nov. 1st the old Revenue str. "Lincoln" was anchored at Wrangell.

The new fort was built in 1868-'69-'70. at a cost of \$26,000. and renamed Wrangell.

VG account of the Battle of Wrangell which started on Xmas day in 1869 (see page 39 etc.)

Gold of the Cassiar

In late autumn of 1872

~~William King Lear built the first dock at Wrangell VG. As Capt. Moore's steamboat business increased he built the "Gertrude" to run on the Stikine above Glenora. Later a Capt. Irving on the boat "Glenora" came and he and Moore had quite a steamboat war, etc.~~

"The steamboat business increased. Capt. Moore and his sons took out about 100,000 in gold from their claims. The Capt. had been in the steamboat trade on the Fraser with one of the earliest boats. He and his sons put a line on the Stikine. They built the "Gertrude" and ran her to Telegraph Cr, 15 miles above Glenora, where the Irving boats ran. The Irving interests and the Moore interests had a way. Capt. Moore, then bought the "Glenora" The Str. "Gem and the "Minnie" came on the run in 1875. The American str. "Beaver" came up from the Columbia in 1877, the next year she struck a rock and became a total loss. The old boat "Nellie" came from P. Sd. in 1878 and the "Cassiar" owned by the old smuggler W. J. Stevens, came into the game in 1879. On the ocean run the "Olympia" was bought by the H. B. Co. and was changed to the "Princess Louise" Moore bought the "Grappler" to run from Victoria in connection with the

river boats, and also ran the "Western Slope" from Victoria to the boundary on the Stikine to evade the U.S. Customs. The British str. "Sardonyx" came in 1880 as the trade was declining.

See page 48 for some good stuff on old Dick Willoughby who ran a dance hall at Wrangell with a Bill Latham.

See page 56 for list of Klondike days on Wrangell--- also steamers on Stikine listed.

WRANGELL ISLAND

In the Arctic

5/25/1936 VG 'Death Sentence for Dictator of Polar Island
The tyrant of old, etc.! VG.

WRANGELL NARROWS

See additional on card on Dredging, etc.

Emp. 5/29/1926 "Gen. Rossell" begins dredging Narrows

Emp. 7/23/1926/8 Major Oliver tells of W. Narrows job.

First survey made in 1902 but no action taken. Second survey was made of both the Narrows and Dry Strait but still nothing was done about it. A third survey was made in 1916 but still nothing done and the final survey was made in 1920 and the work of dredging the Petersburg Bar was finally started this year.

Emp. 4/20/1927 W. Narrows will be closed May 10 to Sept. 1. while dredging operation going on. Small craft can pass.

Emp. 9/6/1927/2 Dredge of P.Sd. B. & D. burned to waters edge in W. Narrows yesterday. It was on the beach in Half Moon anchorage for minor repairs when the fire, of undetermined origin, started.

Emp. 10/4/1927/8 New dipper dredge "Burrard No 2" enroute

Emp. 6/20/1928 Work on Wrangell Narrows finished.

12/6/1943/2 C.G. orders all vessels drawing over 9' to get permission to use Wrangell Narrows.

4/8/1949 The big dredge of P.Sd. B & D. co. burned on Xmas

day and was beached in Half Moon anch. Another barge
(dredge) being towed off Calif Coast by the "Jim" sunk

It was to replace the burned one for P.Sd. B. & D. Co.

4/12/1949/2 The "Kodiak Salvor" having raised the sunken
"Redondo" will proceed to the Narrows to try and salvage
the burned dredge.

6/13/1950 W. Narrows dredging to cost \$1,063,900. Channel
300' x 24' at M.L.L.W.

WRANGELL NARROWS

7/8/1929 The U.S.E.D. dredge "McKenzie" is due at Petersburg to start dredging operations on Petersburg Bar.

1/10/1934/8 Most of buoys and aids to navigation in the Narrows have been taken out by ice.

12/23/1952/2 Narrows dredging now completed.

WRANGELL SAWMILL

~~D.A.Disp. 3/19/1918/4~~ The large Wilson & Sylvester Mill at Wrangell, was destroyed by fire yesterday. H.W.Gartley, Pres.