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VAGGE, MIKE

Juneau landlord.

9/8/1947/2 Found dead in his bed in house near
Thibodeaus Grocery. Age 71.

VALENTINE, EMORY

Pioneer----

9/10/1930 E. Valentine died in his apt. in the Valentine Bldg. at 14:00 today of cancer of the stomach. V.G. life history of the man and a list of all his Juneau holdings also...

9/12/1930 Fire truck to carry body of Val.---

9/15/1930/8 Fire bell tolls as Val's body taken to cemetery.

9/28/1931 Valentines's property sold at auction.

10/5/1931 More. Among people who bought Val's. property were W.D.Gross and Joe Meherin.

Valentine was born in 1858 (DeArmond)

VALDEZ,

Explorer 1792

(Book VALDEZ EXPLORATION in A.T.Museum.

Explored in Alaska in 1792 with the schooners "Sutil"
and "Mexicano"

VALENTINE, EMORY

Emp. 5/12/1928/2 E.Valentine here 42 years today. He first bought the lot from Joe Juneau where Ludwig Nelsons Jewelry store is now (1955) and built the bldg. now known as the Seward Bldg.. Opened a jewelry store and assay office. Went to Skagway in 1897 and built the wharf at the end of Slate St. also was a partner in the Klondyke Mercantile Co. there. His dock at Skagway was called variously "Juneau Dock", "Valentines Wharf", and "Sylvester Wharf".

VALENTINE, EMORY

V.G. write-up on him Page 21 in PATHFINDER Nov. 1920

VAN MAVERN, ARTHUR

Alaska drummer

1. Dies at Edmonds.

(NB 24; pp 13)

VAN TRESS, J.

Big Van.

4/27/1939/8 "Big Van" died today at Hospital.

VANCE, DR. HOWE

Juneau Osteopath

5/7/1938/6 Went to Pybus Bay to get his boat "Janie K" and came back with the "Katinka" also. Bought her from the watchman at the Pybus cannery ~~for~~ one Hal Hibbs. Has 35 h.p. 4-cyl Palmer. John Winn ran the "Janie K" back.

8/6/1941/3 Went to Sitka with his "Messenger" with Wendell Schneider and Tom McCaul.

1/3/1952/6 Age 65, died in sleep at Los Angeles
Came to Juneau in early 1920's.

1792-1794

VANCOUVER

(Capt. Geo. Vancouver, R.N.)

In command of the sloop of war "Discovery", accompanied by the armed tender "Chatham" commanded by Lieut. Wm. R. Broughton, R.N. made a surveying and exploring voyage from Eng to N.W. America and around the world in 1790 to 1795

Apr. 1, 1791 they left Eng. and via Cape of Good Hope, arr. off coast of Calif. Apr. 17, 1792. Cruised northward, surveying and mapping, as far as Fitzhugh Sd. then they went to Nootka. Later they cruised south to S.F. and Monterey and about beginning of 1793 went to Hawaiian Ids.

In Mar. 1793, he returned to Calif. arriving off Cape Mendocino on Apr. 26, then proceeded north to Fitzhugh Sd., joined the "Chatham" there and both resumed their surveys northward along what is now B.C. and in S.E. Alaska to Sumner strait. From here they went back south and surveyed the coast of Lower Calif. then went to Hawaii again.

Mar. 1794 Van. again went to Alaska contacting the coast Apr. 2, off Chirikof Id. west of Kodiak. He surveyed around Kodiak, Cook inlet and Pr. Wm. Sd. then south to Port Conclusion in S.E. Alaska, from which he took his final

departure Aug. 22, 1794 and returned via Cape Horn, to Eng. arriving off the Irish coast Sept. 12, 1795

Van. had had previous experience in exploring--was one of Capt. Cook's officers in 1771 and made trip with Cook on his second trip. He also assisted Cook in outfitting and equipping for his third and last voyage. Dec. 1780 he became a Lieut. and served under Rodney in the West Indies until mid-1783. From 1784 to 1789 he served on the "Europa" stationed at Jamaica. In 1790 he was made master and commander of the "Discovery" In Aug. 1794 he was made a Post-Capt. After his return to Eng. he worked continually on his report till his death, in May, 1798. The work, nearly, but not quite complete at the time of his death, was finished by his brother, John Vancouver. (Book came out May, 1, 1798.

Names shown on his charts of S.E. Alaska include: Pt. Gardner, Pt. Townshend, Pt. Nepean, Pt. Pybys,--in that order on S. coast of Admiralty Island. He shows Lemesurier Pt. as Pt. le Mesurier. Shows Etolin and Zarembo Ids. as one island---Duke of York Island. Shows Prince Fredericks Id. and also the 'Duke of Clarence Strait' which includes present Sumner and Clarence Straits.. Estab. Salmon Cove, Observatory Inlet (Portland Canal area)

VARNELL, 2nd Lt. INGRAM W

~~9/5/1945~~ Second Lieut. Ingram Wade Varnell was
killed in a plane crash 12 mi. N. of San ~~ANTONIO~~
Antonio) Texas Aug. 31st.

VASILIEF

1831-1832

(Ensign Vasilief)

--of the cops of pilots, surveyed and mapped a part of Alaska peninsula from Cook inlet westward nearly to Chignik bay. Litke says:

Vasilief's map of northeastern part of Alaska contains all possible details as to the situation of the coast, and appears worthy of confidence, but in his journals which we have had in our hands we have found absolutely nothing except the data on which the construction of the map was based. Relative to places they contained no remark as to their configuration, properties, peculiarities, or their advantages, details so important for the navigator. We are therefore able to add but few observations supplementary to his map hereto annexed."

Vasilief began his reconn. in 1831 at Cape Douglas, and from there went as far west as Cape Kubugakli. Next season he extended it as far as Cape Kumliun. Circumstances prevented him from pursuing his work farther. The reconn. was made in 3-holed bidarkas, a circumstance which, made it possible to explore all the windings of the coast, but

prevented him from seeing the coast and judging of its appearance at any great distance. His chronometer stopped in the first days of the reconn., so that it is based only on survey and latitude observations.

VASILIEF

(Capt. Lt. Mikhail Nikolaievich--)

1819-1822

Made a voyage in July 1819 to the Russ. colonies. With him went Shishmaref on the "Blagonamierennie" (Good Intent) Came around the Cape of Good Hope to Petropavlovsk then left there late in June 1820. They arrived in Kotzebue Sd. and cruised northward along the coast to Icy cape, and returning via St. Lawrence and the Pribilof Ids., reached Unalaska Aug. 19, 1820. From there they went to Sitka and southward to S.F. and the Hawaiian Ids. then back to Sitka arriving there Apr. 7, 1821. From here he went to Unalaska then cruised northward as far as Cape Lisburne, explored the eastern part of Bering sea, discovered Nunivak Id. and then went back to Petropavlovsk then to Cronstadt.

During their cruise they explored the mainland coast of Bering sea from Cape Newenham to and including Norton Sd., and the Arctic coast from Cape Lisburne to Icy cape.

VASILIEF

Vasilief is Russian for Williams. Krusenstern in his memoirs says:

It is much to be regretted that the hydro. works of a naval officer, Valilief, who was in the employment of the American Co., were lost. I have already had occasion to speak of him in the preceding article. Provided with a sextant and chronometer and with much zeal and attachment for his profession, he had during his sojourn in our Am. colonies made a complete survey of all the Aleutian Ids. without having had specific instructions to do so. Unfortunately he was drowned in Lkhotsk harbor ~~and~~ on his return from America to Russia, and what became of his precious papers and drawings is unknown. He is not to be confused with Capt. Mikhail Vasilief who was sent in 1819 to explore the northern parts of the Pacific ocean and particularly Bering strait.

VASILIEF

1809

(Ivan) first of name.

Was a pilot or Mate in the Russian Navy. He went with Hagemester in the ship "Neva" to Russian America in 1806 In 1809 he surveyed the western shore of Baranof Island and at an unknown date "died in the service."

VASSAR, JOE

Juneau man.

8/6/1936/8 Joe Vas ar in jail. Engaged in a
fight back of the Thomas Hdwe. over the Joe
Lewis fight. VG.

VAVALIS, JOHNNY

Juneau boy

1. Pict. of him and new wife. (NB 24; pp 16)

VESTAL, LEROY, JR.

~~2/15/1944 Killed in action in Marshall Ids.~~

VENIAMINOF

1824-1834

(Rev. John-----)

A Russian priest of Irkutsk, went to Unalaska as a missionary in 1824. Of this devoted and noble man all writers speak in terms of the highest praise.

He resided there from 1824 to 1834 when he was made a bishop. He then was ordered to Irkutsk where he took the name Innokenti or Innocentius. Later he returned to Sitka and labored successfully among the Indians there for a time then later again returned to Russia, where he reached the highest office in the Russo-Greek church, becoming Metropolitan of Moscow. He became blind and died at an advanced age some time prior to 1880.

He was also well known for his ethnologic and linguistic abilities as well. Pub. in Russian in 1840 were his Notes on the Ids. of the Unalaska District, in 2 Vols. with a supplementary or third part on the Atkans and Koloshians. These books are standard works, and it is regrettable that they are accessible only in Russian. He learned the Aleutian language and wrote a grammar and dictionary of it which was published in 1846. In the same year he also

published a sketch of the Koloshian and Kodiak languages.
All these works have been used in preparing this dictionary.

VICK, CHARLES

Alice Charles'
son.

Age 38 in Nov. 1964--- 30 days in jail for
disorderly conduct---Ketchikan. 11/23/'64

VIENOLA, EMIL

Juneau troller

1. Pict. of his "Argus" and some info. on his
4-51 G.M. diesel. pp. 20 Dec. 1956
PACIFIC FISHERMAN

VILLIERS, ALAN

Mariner-writer

1. PICT. Info. BOOK 44; pp 11

VINCENT, LEON S.

Northern Alaska
pioneer. Boat
Capt. Writer.

See A/S Sept. 1959 pp 8 for his story of Charlie
Bower--- the "King of the Arctic."

VUKOVICH, STEVE

Juneau pioneer

9/28/1946/6 Good pict. of Steve running for
Rep. to House (Territory)

10/10/1951/2 Age 61, died at Fairbanks. In
Juneau 37 years. Used to operate Brunswick
Bowling Alleys with Nick Petievich. Survived
by wife and son.