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Robert A. Kinzie Photograph Collection, ca. 1906-1917

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Robert A. Kinzie was born at Fort Independence, Massachusetts on January 15, 1870. He attended the University of California from 1893-1897, graduating with a degree in civil engineering. From 1897-1899 he was an assistant to Ross E. Brown and F.W. Bradley and in 1899-1900 served as general manager of the Jesus Maria Mines in Mexico. In 1900-1905 he was assistant superintendent of the Alaska Treadwell Gold Mining Company; 1905-1914, general superintendent of the Treadwell, Alaska Mexican Gold Mining Co., Alaska United Gold Mining Company, and Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company.

He married Veronica Kennedy of San Francisco in 1901 and they had five children: Robert A. Kinzie, Jr., David Hunter Kinzie, Veronica K. Kinzie, Eugenia K. Kinzie Moore, and Elizabeth Kinzie Buckley.

After leaving Alaska, Mr. Kinzie worked as a consulting engineer in Mexico, and for several mining firms in California, including Engels Copper Company, Virginia Mines Corporation, Santa Cruz Portland Cement Company, and others.

Mr. Kinzie and his family mostly resided in San Francisco. From 1930-1955, Mr. Kinzie served on the Council of the Northern California District, American Society for Testing and Materials, of which he was a founder. In 1950 he was honored by the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers, and was advanced to the Legion of Honor of that organization in recognition of his fifty years of service. He died October 22, 1955, in California.

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Alaska Treadwell Gold Mining Co., Treadwell Ditch, mill construction, Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co., Nugget Creek Hydroelectric Power Plant

INVENTORY

1. [Portrait of Robert Allen Kinzie; full length, left profile.]
2. [Part of the Treadwell Ditch System; small shack, left; man above waterway; falls, center.]
3. [Part of the Treadwell Ditch System; two men standing near waterway; falls, center and left.]
- 4-5. [Part of log dam; Fish Creek Valley for Treadwell Ditch System.] Similar views.

6. [Treadwell Ditch System; two men standing above spillway.]
7. [Board walkway, on Douglas Island, in forest; small waterfalls, center.]
8. Nov. 14, 1911 [frozen waterfall].
9. Aug. 9, 1906 [part of dam at Fish Creek Valley (?)]. Dark print.
10. [Two men standing near water damming system; stream, foreground.]
11. [Interior of Treadwell mining building showing large Pelton wheel.]
12. [Interior of Treadwell Mine Hoist building.]
13. [Interior of Treadwell Mine Hoist building.]
14. [Exterior of Treadwell mining buildings; two smokestacks, right.]
15. [Building of Treadwell tank, Feb. 24, 1907; tank, center.]
16. [Building of Treadwell tank, Feb. 24, 1907; Mayflower Island in background.]
17. [Men working on top of Treadwell tank, Mar. 5, 1907.]
18. [Dock, foreground with buildings left and far right.]
19. P.C.S.S. Co. *RAMONA*, Treadwell, Alaska [ship at dock]. W.H. Case Photo (no. 537).
20. View from Wagon Road showing A.J.G.M. Co.'s Trestle and Flume ... [road, foreground; trestle across valley]. Nov. 2, 1912.
21. Juneau Electric Light Co.'s Flume [flume, center, left to right; man above flume, left]. Nov. 2, 1912.
22. Entrance to A.J.G.M. Co.'s Flume Tunnel and Portal of Gold Creek Tunnel [flume, foreground; creek lower right]. Nov. 2, 1912.
23. Intake, Juneau Electric Light Co.'s Flume [man standing above intake, left center]. Nov. 2, 1912.

24. Alaska Juneau G.M. Co.'s Flume and Tram from Cape Horn [looking down on flume and tram]. Nov. 2, 1912.
25. [Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company's pilot mill on Mt. Roberts, Jan. 19, 1914.]
26. [Large group of mine workers in a building, 8-1-11.] Winter and Pond photo (no. 104).
27. Boiler Room, Electric Light and Power Plant, Treadwell, Alaska 1910 [two men, center, near boilers].
28. Engine Room, Electric Light and Power Plant, Treadwell, Alaska 1910 [man, center; engines, left].
29. Condensers, Electric Light and Power Plant, Treadwell, Alaska 1910 [two men, center; condenser, foreground].
30. [Treadwell, Alaska; interior view, generators.] Winter and Pond photo (no. 106).
31. [Gold Creek, Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co. flume in winter, November 14, 1911.] Winter & Pond Co. photo (no. 109)
32. Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co. [Interior view of mill; ball mill floor--holds 12 ball mills which grind rock.]
33. Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co. [The A.J. Mill under construction; pilot stamp mill and interior tramway in view.]
34. Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co. [A.J. Mill interior view, of the main table floor.]
35. Same as 33.
36. [Nugget Creek Power House, with Mendenhall Glacier in background.]
37. [Nugget Creek with Steep Creek on right.]
38. [Nugget Creek Power House and tramway; Mendenhall Glacier in background.]
39. [Nugget Creek Power House and tramway; Mendenhall Glacier in view.]
40. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Pilot mill and beginnings of main mill construction.]

41. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill construction interior view; ball mill floor looking from SE to NW.]
42. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill under construction.]
43. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill, interior view of a jaw crusher.]
44. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill interior, coarse crusher floor.]
45. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill interior, coarse crusher floor drive shafts.]
46. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill under construction, pilot mill in view.]
47. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill under construction.]
48. [Snow-covered site of mill prior to construction.]
49. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill interior view of main table floor before concrete floor was poured.]
50. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill, interior view; tippie, used to turn over tramway cars.]
51. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill, interior view of crusher at top level of mill.]
52. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [View of mill from Gastineau Channel. No. #1 Supply warehouse, steam power plant and main office in view.]
53. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Close-up, front view of mill; exterior completed.]
54. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill interior view of concentrator on table floor.]
55. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Pilot mill and beginning construction of main mill; view taken from mountainside, looking down toward Gastineau Channel.]
56. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill under construction showing concrete walls.]
57. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill under construction, showing skeleton frame before concrete was poured.]
58. Alaska Juneau Mining Co. [Mill under construction; top floor completed.]
59. Long Lake Falls, November 12, 1913 [man to right of falls].

60. [Juneau, Alaska; panorama of Gold Creek flats; Douglas Island beyond.]

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