

	[cover] <u>Diary of James Wickersham</u> From Oct. 15, 1908 to May 20, 1909																																								
Diary 15, 1908	[clipping - inside front cover of diary] Wickersham is Given 3,802 out of 9,625 Votes Polled, Leading Chilberg By More Than 1,400 and Corson By 1,663. (UNITED PRESS SERVICE.) Juneau. Oct. 20. ...The official canvassing board of the territory this afternoon completed the count of the election for delegate to congress from Alaska. The official count is as follows: <table style="margin-left: auto; margin-right: auto;"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>First Div.</th> <th>Sec'd Div.</th> <th>Third Div.</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>WICKERSHAM</td> <td>728</td> <td>943</td> <td>2131</td> <td>3802</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CHILBERG</td> <td>186</td> <td>760</td> <td>1437</td> <td>2383</td> </tr> <tr> <td>CORSON</td> <td>404</td> <td>368</td> <td>1367</td> <td>2139</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RONAN</td> <td></td> <td>266</td> <td>200</td> <td>541</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1007</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Scattering</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td><u>294</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>GRAND TOTAL 9625</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The board was composed. As provided by statute, of Governor Hoggatt, Collector of Customs Hobart and Secretary of the Territory Distin.</p>		First Div.	Sec'd Div.	Third Div.	Total	WICKERSHAM	728	943	2131	3802	CHILBERG	186	760	1437	2383	CORSON	404	368	1367	2139	RONAN		266	200	541	1007					Scattering				<u>294</u>					GRAND TOTAL 9625
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Diary 15, 1908 October 14	-October 14 th , 1908- Recd, telegram dated yesterday as follows: from <u>L. V. RAY</u> , Valdez: <u>"Bearing in mind my confidential relations love kindly send names two men your selection deputies Fairbanks. Personally ask you to select such as will not impair relations existing marshal and self satisfactory to you and not too objectionable or distasteful our opponents"</u> (signed) " <u>Ray</u> ." I answered as follows: <u>"L. V. Ray, Valdez. Alaska. Henry Karstens and Grant Murdock are young men strong active honest and thoroughly competent and I earnestly</u>																																								

	<u>recommend them for appointment as deputies in Fairbanks."</u> <u>"Charles Dribelbis will return only one vacancy exists. Rumored here Murdoch not a citizen. Is he a citizen. Answer O.B."</u>
Diary 15, 1908 October 14	-14- <u>Also sent following today, "L.V. Ray, Valdez, Alaska, Henry Karstens will not accept. Substitute name John M. Keating thoroughly qualified good man."</u> And, <u>"L. V. Ray, Valdez, Alaska, Grant Murdock took first citizen papers Seattle 1890 final papers before Judge Mcbride Mt Vernon Skagit Co. Washington 1905. Is full citizen."</u> I can't quite understand the matter - if Love, U.S. Marshal, is willing to be friendly to me why don't he telegraph directly? and why let the opposition knock Murdock? Still if we can get even one appointment its that much. Also the postmastership here in a tangle. Clum says he has <u>not</u> resigned - Hoggatt won't assist Robe -the N.C. Co. is busy pushing Robes candidacy, et. etc. the merry war goes on.
Diary 15, 1908 October 15	-15- The first cold night of the season - 4° below & most beautiful weather - clear & cold. My opponents are active in their opposition at all times. They captured Labor Day Committees & refused to ask me to participate and this week they manipulated the Committee on Alaska Day - Oct. 18 - and while they were obliged to put me down as a speaker they put me in such a place and way and so surrounded me that it is apparent to all that I am not wanted - Tozier is to be toastmaster, Heilig follows

	<p>with the -first speech - then Wells - then Ronan - then I -& then O'Connor - all opponents. Incidentally Harry Steele, "Katy" Heilig & a few more of the News - Times bunch are on - and I alone. If anything depends on it - why I would fight them cheerfully - but I think I can hurt them more by keeping away and I intend to do that!! Let the public</p>
Diary 15, 1908 October 15-16	<p>15</p> <p>get its fill of them and their schemes. I can afford to stand by, and watch their antics, and put the whole burden of the entertainment upon them. Whether the public will care to pay \$7.50 a plate to hear Wells, Ronan and O'Connor talk is a matter of curiosity. Anyway I intend to keep away from their "game" and let them play it alone.</p> <p>-16-</p> <p>The first overland mail came in today - I received a letter from <u>Vice President Fairbanks</u> congratulating me on my election saying "I <u>am advised by our mutual friend</u>, Mr. Henderson, of your selection as a delegate to congress. <u>This is very gratifying news to me for it is of the utmost importance that Alaska should be well-represented at Washington, and I know of no one who will serve her better than your good self. The honor which</u></p>
Diary 15, 1908 October 16	<p>16</p> <p><u>has come to you is a distinct one and you need no assurance that is in the fullest degree gratifying to me"</u></p> <p><u>With all good wishes,</u> <u>Sincerely your friend,</u> <u>"Charles W. Fairbanks."</u></p> <p>I also received a letter from Stephen Birch, the Guggenheim copper engineer from the Bonanza mines. - he congratulates me but with a decidedly wry face. Among other things he wrote in his letter: "<u>While I do not know Corson personally, I had been advised by men whom I considered your friends that he was all right, and the Governor pledged my support last June, which, as a matter of fact</u></p>

	<p><u>amounts to very little, as you know."</u> This letter gives me a chance to give Birch & his crowd a good "roast" and I sure intend to do it, and try and get them to break away from the Governor - in Territorial politics.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 October 18-19	<p>-18-</p> <p>Alaska Day - and typical one too, for it is snowing - not cold, but just a general all-day snow storm. Went out sleigh riding with white headed, good hearted Bill McPhee, who came into the Yukon country in 1888 - 20 years ago. Bill is 6 ft. tall, heavy frame, gentle as a child, a saloon keeper, and one of the salt of the earth. A typical frontiersman - miner & friend.</p> <p>-19-</p> <p>The Alaska Day banquet last night was, as it ought to have been - a "fizzle". Most of those on the list as speakers failed to show up, & things went from incompetency to intoxication. My telephone was rung until I refused to answer - but I remained quietly in bed, and I am now satisfied that I did the right thing.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 October 19	<p>-19-</p> <p>They waited for an hour for me & then tried to explain why I did not appear - my friends told them I was not asked to speak - O'Connor & McLeod, two flannel mouthed agitators did the talking, Tozier and Timmins, two other smart Aleck agitators did the managing 5 the crowd did the drinking - and another holiday was jobbed by Tozier & Timmins. People are now wise to them, however, and the next time they wont have such easy work.</p> <p>We are having the most remarkably fine fall weather, - the ice has formed on the Chena river in the last 24 hours owing to the Sunday snow fall, but the weather is perfect today and it is warm & fall like only. The Tanana valley is certainly a good country & a fine northern climate.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 October 20	<p>-20th -</p> <p>[Clipping, election returns]</p> <p>Territorial Returning Board, consisting of Gov. W.B. Hoggatt, Collector of Customs C.L. Hobart and Surveyor General Distin met at 10:30 o'clock this morning at the governor's office, and gave out the</p>

	<p>following authentic returns from the recent delegate election:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>1st</th> <th>2nd</th> <th>3rd</th> <th>Total</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Wickersham</td> <td>728</td> <td>943</td> <td></td> <td>2131 3802</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Corson</td> <td>404</td> <td>368</td> <td></td> <td>1367 2139</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chilberg</td> <td>186</td> <td>760</td> <td></td> <td>1437 2383</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ronan</td> <td>266</td> <td>200</td> <td></td> <td>541 1007</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clum</td> <td>1</td> <td>116</td> <td></td> <td>166 283</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Scattering</td> <td></td> <td>11</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>1585</td> <td>2387</td> <td></td> <td>5642 9625</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Territorial Returning Board met today at Juneau & declared result of Election of Aug. 11 for Delegate to congress:</p> <table border="1"> <tbody> <tr> <td>Wickersham</td> <td>-3802 votes</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Chilberg</td> <td>-2383 “</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Corson</td> <td>-2139 “</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Ronan</td> <td>-1007 “</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clum</td> <td>-294 “</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Total</td> <td>9,625 “</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Have this day endorsed Dan Sutherland, Nome, for U.S. Marshal by telegrams to President, Senator Piles & also Dan, at the Rainier Grand Hotel, Seattle.</p>		1st	2 nd	3 rd	Total	Wickersham	728	943		2131 3802	Corson	404	368		1367 2139	Chilberg	186	760		1437 2383	Ronan	266	200		541 1007	Clum	1	116		166 283	Scattering		11			Total	1585	2387		5642 9625	Wickersham	-3802 votes	Chilberg	-2383 “	Corson	-2139 “	Ronan	-1007 “	Clum	-294 “	Total	9,625 “
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Diary 15, 1908 October 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>The most beautiful, clear, sunny winter weather - the roads macadamized by nature - the stages running to Valdes & everything settled down for the winter.</p> <p>The <u>clerks office</u> has just announced that the Attorney General has authorized them to <u>double the Court fees</u> - This is, in my judgment, a great hardship on the poorer litigants, and wholly unnecessary. The clerks office now has six employees – Wells, McDonald, Gates, Arthur Phelan and Mifs De Pencier, in the office proper, and H.A. Day, in the land office. Two men can do all the work in ordinary times - and one man can do it now (with stenographer) and then not work. But the fees have to be doubled that the political debts be paid.</p>																																																				
Diary 15, 1908 October 31 – November 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p><u>George Shea, Chief Dept. Marshal</u> reached here today & assumed charge of the U.S. Marshals office. Also received telegram from Valentine, Maloney &</p>																																																				

	<p>Winn, asking me to join them in opposing Judge Gunnison's reappointment. Answered saying I would do so, and asking them to suggest <u>what</u> I should do.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Nov. 1-</p> <p>Shea is being most earnestly besought by Wells, Dodge, et. al. "to do business" with them, but so far they have accomplished but little.</p> <p>The "<u>Times</u>" today demands that I announce whether I am a Republican or a Democrat! Of course I smile & keep still. Let the galled Jade wince! I am content, for a while.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">-Nov. 3rd -</p> <p>National Election Day. <u>Taft</u>, vs. <u>Bryan</u>, and the returns by telegraph here to midnight show that in all probability Taft has been elected. This being Bryans third attempt, it is probably his last.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Taft wins, according to this morning dispatches. For Roosevelt's sake I am glad of it - he, more than Taft, was the candidate.</p> <p>The Shea matter is coming around all right I think, but Murdock's appointment is not satisfactory because he is not a clerk and bookkeeper. What the office really needs is a first class accountant - bookkeeper, stenographer, typewriter, diplomatist and lawyer - for \$166.66 a month, while ordinary clerks get \$200! Dodge - Wells, et. al. have been lodging in the</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 4	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>Marshals office with Shea, "knocking" Grant Murdock & me, and attempting to oust everybody & get old Westby and Billy Butler in, but so far in vain.</p> <p>I have not called in the Marshal's office - have not met Shea, - and he is complaining about it to our mutual friends. I called in two members of the Mine Owners Assoc. Hamill and Lawson, yesterday & scared them by explaining that Dodge & Co. were attempting to get control of the Marshals office, - and they will probably assist me. I also now learn that <u>Tozier</u> wants to be the next regular Republican candidate for Delegate to Congress - & is probably being encouraged by</p>

	<p>the “Court party”. - Wells, et. al. and the “News” & “Times.” <u>But</u>, the straw vote election held here yesterday {Bryan 571, Taft 353, Debs 198, Chafin 7, Spinld 6} gave Bryan a clear <u>Majority</u>, - and they are now figuring that on a party vote Alaska would be Democratic! & this scares Tozier.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>Al. Miller, Chief of police, was shot & killed by a crazy woman in the Pioneer Hotel, on day before yesterday - He is to be buried today by the Masonic fraternity. He was a good officer and a good citizen & his death was strictly in the line of duty.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Called on George Shea, new deputy marshal, today and had a long & satisfactory talk with him. He declares his entire friendly disposition & we agreed to quit all past grievances & work without feeling. He also told me that Shackelford & others at Juneau feel the same way. The immediate cause of agreement was Grant Murdock. They need a clerk in the Marshals office & must have one - and neither Grant nor any other man there can do the work. He</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 5	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>agreed with me to put Grant in the guard room until a deputy place could be provided & then give him a deputyship at some other place, and to appoint Maltby for me as Clerk & office deputy. I conceded the point provided Grant will accept the situation agreeably.</p> <p>Have just received a telegram from D. J. Boone, St. Angelo, Texas, saying “Please write J.C. Wynn, Attorney, San Angelo, Texas. letter giving financial and character standing of Boone and Manley may have others endorse also if you desire. Register “(arrested?)” am accused of attempting to Blackmail Manley out of property and of persecuting him for years.”</p> <p>At first I thought the word “registered” meant “arrested,” and am not sure yet, but probably not. Will get Ben. Boone busy & find out. Evidently the</p>

	<p>fight is on between the two in Texas, anyway.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 6	<p style="text-align: center;">-6-</p> <p>Shea came over to see me this morning and among other things said that Jim Hagen, in a conversation with him on yesterday had suggested that if he, Shea, would permit gambling, the gamblers would pay Shea \$1200. a month & that I would support him for the appointment of U. S. Marshal for the new division!! The liar and criminal! The Murdock matter is still hung up, for I now learn that the Marshal is anxious to be relieved on account of a vigorous protest made against Murdock by Judge Reid! The Oklahoma bunch here could not get him so they advised Judge Reid & he tried his influence with some success. I am embarrassing them by refusing to advise Murdock to withdraw thus leaving it to them to remove him on Judge Reid's secret objections & which they do not want to do!!</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 7	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>After another long talk with Shea in which he pleaded with me to join with him in recommending Maltby, one of my friends, for clerk in the Marshals office in Murdock's place, and the appointment of Murdock as guard in the Jail, with a promise that Grant Murdock) shall have the first vacant deputyship. We finally did it - and I joined in a telegram to Love, with Shea, on those lines, and I hope the matter is settled.</p> <p>I have just finished writing a letter to President Roosevelt asking him to include in his message in December the following paragraph on Alaska: “I <u>now recommend that the Congress give Alaska an elective territorial legislature, consisting of the usual upper and lower houses, with limited membership, and</u></p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p><u>such carefully limited powers that no territorial nor municipal bonded indebtedness can be incurred, nor country government inaugurated; with a fixed limit on its power of taxation, and such other limitations as well give the territory a sufficient</u></p>

	<p><u>though simple and inexpensive form of self-government</u></p> <p>I have written him as briefly as possible but with as much persuasion as I can hoping to get him to adopt this sentence and incorporate it in his message.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8-</p> <p>Very warm spell - thawing & uncomfortable. No snow as yet - or not enough to make good roads. The "Times" & "News" today say that John Conna, janitor Court house is removed by Shea and</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 8-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>Woolridge, "prominent citizen & Republican appointed" - John is a negro - mulatto - bright, active and vigorous in spite of his 69 years. - but the Oklahomans wanted his scalp because he voted for me – and they got it. Well - they have the office, now, and the power, and I guess I can't complain if they exert their right to remove and to fill with their own friends.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Had a settlement with Henry Cook tonight & withdrew from all his business because he is so intimately associated with Barnette, McGinn & Sullivan that to help him I guest appear for them also, and that I won't do.</p> <p>I returned him his retainer of \$250 and we parted agreeably.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Friday 13th Novr, 1908.-</p> <p>Friday Recd, letter from Gov. Wilford B. Hoggatt dated Juneau, Oct. 20, 1908. Enclosing my certificate of election of Delegate. "Hon. James Wickersham. "Fairbanks, Alaska. "Sir: I have the honor to forward herewith Certificate of your Election as "Delegate to the House of Representatives from the Territory of Alaska for the "term beginning March 4, 1909. "Respectfully, "Wilford B. Hoggatt, "Governor of Alaska.</p>

	<p>This is proof of progress: the Governor has at least learned that it is the "Territory" and not the "District of Alaska." The Certificate enclosed is signed by "Wilford B. Hoggatt, Governor of Alaska, Wm L. Distin, Surveyor General of Alaska, Clarence A. Hobart, Collector of</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>Customs for Alaska," and the Certificate assures me that I "received the greatest number of votes cast at said election for Delegate to Congress for the term beginning March 4, 1909," etc. It is dated at Juneau on Oct. 20, 1908 - and still has the "The Seal Of The District Of Alaska" appended thereto. H. K. Love, Marshal, today removed Grant Murdock -who refused to resign. He telegraphed me about it - I answered saying that I had been uninformed about Murdock's citizenship & withdrew my recommendation for both Murdock & Maltby - both turned down.</p> <p>It has been a bad mess & I am glad it is over. Love declares in today's telegram that he "aimed to show me a courtesy in the interest of Republican harmony" - which he did not do in removing John Conna - negro, janitor, old Union soldier, Grand Army man, and removed because he voted for me.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Sent a telegraphic message to President Roosevelt today as follows: "Theodore Roosevelt, Washington, D.C. <u>Won't you put this sentence in your message:</u> <u>I now recommend that the Congress give Alaska an elective territorial legislature, consisting of the usual upper and lower houses, with limited membership, and such carefully limited powers that no territorial nor municipal bonded indebtedness can be incurred, nor country government inaugurated; with a fixed limit on its power of taxation, and such other limitations as well give the territory a sufficient though simple and inexpensive form of self-government</u>" Letter explanation November eighth coming." James Wickersham, Delegate Elect, Alaska. I paid \$34.70 for the telegram!!</p>

<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18-</p> <p>Prepared and sent to E.S. Harrison, Seattle, an article "What Alaska Needs In Organic Law," for the Tanana Issue of the "<u>Alaska-Yukon Magazine</u>".</p> <p>Harrison wrote me asking for such an article & has informed me that my picture would be plastered on as a front piece - and I was glad to express my views in this issue since it will be scattered far and wide & I hope to do some good in an educational way by preparing people to accept the true view on the legislative needs of Alaska - to do away with the mistaken view that what we need is "territorial form of government," which we now have. I attempt to show that what we really need is a specific definite law establishing an elective Territorial Legislature.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20-</p> <p>The "<u>Times</u>" this morning announces that <u>Mrs. Maddocks</u>" has been appointed Postmistress for Fairbanks, and the <u>News</u> tonight says, on the endorsement of Gov. Hoggatt & Comt. Shackelford. I am greatly disappointed & even chagrined that the President gave it to her over Robe, whom I endorsed. The tide is strongly against me now & it looks as if I would be obliged to quit practicing law and go to practicing politics. Still I am better off probably & if the people can stand it I ought. The real power behind the gang is the "Guggenheim-Morgan" money power & I know that that is a pretty strong one & <u>I intend to make it pay for this affront.</u></p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Have prepared a personal letter to the President in explanation of political conditions here and in opposition to Mrs. Maddock's appointment as post mistress. Have attempted to give him to understand that her appointment is a bribe to a Democratic paper to keep up the fight in my own town against me, and I have requested him to withdraw her appointment & to appoint L.S. Robe.</p> <p>Have looked up Robes pedigree and find it a good one, and set it out fully to the President. Sent the letter out by Abe Spring who goes on the stage in the morning. Well telegraph the President asking him to holdup the</p>

	<p>appointment until my letter arrives. Hoggatt is in Washington & may President against us.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 23-26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Sent President message saying: <u>Please hold appointment postmaster Fairbanks, Alaska, until letter forwarded you today arrives.</u></p> <p>So far this has been a most beautiful winter - no excessively cold weather - 20°/0 being the coldest. Not enough Snow until recently, but now the trails are well covered & fine.</p> <p>Stage for Valdes this morning carried nine or ten passengers: Ed Stier, Abe Spring, Hamilton, wife & children etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day. Mrs. W & I & the Heilig's took dinner with Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Parsons. - and a good dinner it was. So far the winter has been mild - warm - perfect.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Received by mail today formal acknowledgment by the Treasurer of the Nat. Rep. Com. of my subscription to the National Campaign Fund.</p> <p>Also a letter from Frank H. Hitchcock Chairman, Nat. Com. as follows: -</p> <p><u>"Republican National Committee, 1. Madison Avenue New York City, October 31, 1908</u> Hon. James Wickersham, Attorney at Law, Fairbanks, Alaska. <u>My Dear Judge Wickersham: The letter you addressed to me under take of the 25th ultimo has just been received and I wish to assure you of my appreciation for your thoughtfulness in contributing so generously to our campaign fund. the check for \$100. which you enclosed will be handed to Mr. George R. Sheldon, the Treasurer of the National Committee. Your election as Delegate To Congress from Alaska was naturally most gratifying to</u></p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 November 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p><u>me and I heartily congratulate you on the result. it is a good thing for Alaska. I shall look forward to receiving the letter to which you referred.</u></p> <p>yours very truly,</p>

	<p><u>"F.H. Hitchcock."</u> I sent him also, today, a telegram as follows & will follow it with a full letter: <u>"Frank H. Hitchcock, Washington, D.C. Effort being made give Fairbanks post office democratic candidate delegate account his newspaper aid continuance local fight against me. Wrote President fully November twenty third letter reach Washington about December twelfth. Have written you fully today. See president get appointment held up till today's letter reaches you. James Wickersham."</u> Received telegram from James H. Ralph - the original money behind Steve</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 27	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>Birch's Bonanza Mines & the Copper River Ry - the Guggenheim scheme, asking if I intended to come East this winter!! I answered No, without extra session of Congress was held - then I'd come. The old man is a friend of mine & I wonder why he wishes to know. I can't refuse to tell him honestly about my movements though I am sure it will reach Hoggatt through Birch & thus give them a base of information to work politics from to my detriment. But, what of it? Have just finished my letter to Hitchcock, "roasting" Haddocks & it will go out in tomorrows mail. Have just learned that Marquam, who is the "Regular" Republican Committeeman - the Hoggatt committeeman for this part of the Territory, & Tozier are both very</p>
Diary 15, 1908 November 27- December 3	<p style="text-align: center;">-27-</p> <p>much exercised and disappointed over the Haddocks appointment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Dec. 3rd -</p> <p>It seems quite certain now that Judge Reid will hold court here the latter part of this month - they are preparing to draw furies and the judge Marshal & other officers will leave Valdes so they report about the 7th. Met Thompson the other evening at the "Club" and he told me he was preparing an <u>"open letter"</u> to Judge Reid, in which he intended to call his</p>

	<p>attention to all the shortcomings of himself and his appointees - evidently is to be a hot number. The fight seems now on in the Apache ranks - Dodge & Marquam are fighting & the latter is sending telegrams signed</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 3	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>by himself and friends to Shackelford & the Governor denouncing Dodge and the Maddocks appointment vigorously. Maddocks is now struggling to keep from going into bankruptcy - he is hopelessly bankrupt - but offers to assign instead of bankruptcy - & Dodge is said to be trying to dispose of his property with intent to leave the country. It would be good riddance to bad rubbish. Received telegram from Judge Reid yesterday asking me to act as the attorney for the Receiver in the Tanana Electric Co. & I consented to do so. I am also told that he is threatening Wells on account of his "offensive partisanship" - it has created such a bitter warfare on the court, & I hope it's true - but doubt it. Fine weather so far this winter.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 5-7	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>The juries were drawn today by Clerk Wells and Jury Commissioner Harris - none went into the box except a few Corson Rep. and a large number of Western Federation of Miners men - the result is a packed Grand & Trial jury - and Dodge & Wells can indict or free as they please -Tozier, however, is the real slick one in the scheme & it insures the acquittal of the indicted rioters - of last spring</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7-</p> <p>Telegraphed to "Sec. of Navy to learn whether Darrell will return home with the fleet or not. Preparing articles of Incorporation etc. for the <u>Tanana</u> Quartz & Hydraulic Mining Co. - on Hill between Chatham & Bedrock.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 8	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Telegrams say that U.S. Marshal Love & E. A. <u>Henderson</u>, left Valdes yesterday for Fairbanks - In a recent letter from Wikidel, Valdes, he intimated that Henderson expected to be clerk of the Dist. Court. Wells has recently said that HE might quit Jan 1. -Wonder if Reid intends to make that change - & why? I hope so without knowing why!</p>

	<p>The telegrams say that rest of the court party will leave Valdes for Fairbanks on Thursday.</p> <p>Recd, answer from Sec. of Nay today saying that Darrell would return home with defeat. <u>Good</u>.</p> <p>The weather this winter has been perfect so far. Have just received letter from Falcon Joslyn - saying that Hoggatt et. al. were in great haste to get the</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>4th Div. bill through & fill the offices with Hoggatt-Guggenheim men before I could be heard. He had a long talk with Senator Piles about it and the Senator thought the matter ought to be delayed until I could come to Washington, which Joslin thinks I ought to do at once, - <u>but I won't go</u>. Hoggatt has also expressed a determination to secure the election of a Labor Union man for Delegate two years from now - <u>wish I could prove that!</u> & I'll try.</p> <p>Telegram to Tribune tonight that Mrs. Maddock's name had been sent in to the Senate by the President. Nothing now, but fight in the Senate & I do not feel like doing that.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Sent a telegram to Senator Piles today calling his attention to my letters to the President and Hitchcock against Maddock as postmistress. Asked him to hold up the confirmation in the Senate until charges could be received and evidence offered and asked him to request letters etc. from President & Hitchcock.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Received telegram from Senator Piles today saying: "<u>Postoffice Committee will not report appointment until matter has been investigated after full hearing</u>". And now the row is on in the Senate as well as locally, for this morning's "<u>Tribune</u>" contains an interview by Shea in which he denies that he recommended Mrs.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Maddock's appointment and says that from what he has learned here neither one of the three</p>

	<p>candidates - Robe, Maddocks, nor Pepper voted for the Republican candidate for Delegate - Corson - and therefore he is not interested in the scrap. Dodge (is said by Shea himself) called him up this morning early and demanded to know if he wrote the the paper quoted him correctly & being answered in the affirmative raised a big row about it - & Shea cussed him out - Later Maddocks was closeted with him (Shea) and used loud language - & the end is not yet.</p> <p>Later - the row seems to be spreading for I now hear that McDonald & Wells - the Clerks in the Court also had a row & the whole fabric is in danger of falling.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 12	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Pratt has long been one of my most bitter opponents - and today I got my revenge. He has really been the brains of the fight against me locally - and consequently he has brains. He is a highly nervous, bold, and not a bad student - one of the good lawyers of the camp. In the case involving the title of No. 3, below. 1st tier R.L. Dome Creek. Claypool, Kellum & Cowles were long the attorneys for Rooney & his partners, but as the case was coming on for a fight Kellum weakened & got them to employ me. Lately Kellum & his firm have abandoned hope & the Defendants Rooney & his partners desired him to draw his firm out of the case & he did today. I then advised Rooney & his partners to go and employ Pratt in the cast with</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 12-14	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>me & they did. He seemed much pleased - the case is a close one - but if we win we get one tenth each - and the property is worth \$200,000. and such cases have been very rare with Pratt - who has not yet been in on a good case. I am going to make him devote some of his fighting strength to this case & maybe we can win it - though it is a close one.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14-</p> <p>Got a vigorous protest off to Senator Piles today against the confirmation of Maddocks as Postmaster. Don't</p>

	<p>know whether it will do any good or not but I don't intend to leave anything undone that can block their game. They will know that their hatchet isn't "buried in my vitals" yet at any rate. This is all I can do at present.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 14-15	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p><u>H.K. Love, U.S. Marshal</u>, arrived on the stage today - also Dad. Henderson, Deputy Clerk & <u>also a Miss Pierson, who is to marry Shea</u>. I also wrote a letter to Falcon Joslin, and put him after Maddocks. He will be in Washington when my letter gets there. Sent out my Life Insurance Premium for Jan'y 1st and a lot of other mail. -15-</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 15	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>me & he insists that Judge Reid also is anxious to stop hostilities & that he will put his food down hard on his subordinates when he gets here on Thursday. I shall be surprised if he does - and will appreciate it Y let him know it. Abe Spring wrote Jonas a letter from Valdes saying the same in great detail about Reid, and Henderson brought me a letter from Mrs. Wikidel saying the same. In his paper on Monday ("Tanana Miner") Thompson has a long "Open Letter," to Judge Reid, - calm, conservative and truthful, in which he presents to the judge the acts of his clerks in their right light Y demands that they be punished or obliged to attend to their business & quit running politics from the clerks office. I learn that Judge Reid will talk to me about it when he comes - hope he does!!</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 16	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>I am being almost overworked these days organizing Quartz Mining Corporations on both sides Chatham Creek, - have just finished Articles for the Tanana Quartz v. Hydraulic Mining Co. incorporators: Anthony Goesmann, D.H. Cascadian, J.E. McDowell, Mrs. DM McDowell, E.G. Brown, Racy Roberts and Fred LaBlanche. Their claims - 7 Quartz & 7 placer covering the quarts, - look highly valuable, and we hope that development work will prove what we now think. I</p>

	<p>am also trying to get the Reese, Myers - et. al. claims in Chatham Creek in shape, and tonight a rough neck boy has agreed with me to organize the "Jupiter-Mars. Min. Co. covering two claims on a ledge 5 feet wide that goes \$50. to the ton, or more. And so it goes - If this quartz is what it seems this camp has a bright future before it.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 18	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Judge Reid, wife, Parks & his wife, & the judges Party came in this morning on the stage from Valdes. The "Times" has begun a regular "battle royal" of abuse & slander against me again, and amongst other things they accuse me of writing the "Open letter" to Judge Reid, which was published in the "Miner," and also the editorials in the "Tribune" criticizing the Judge. Evidently the war is started in aid of the Clerks gang in the courthouse - to "backfire" by drawing attention to me instead of their misdoings - a cunning scheme. The "News" tonight announces that Dan Sutherland <u>will</u> be appointed Marshal at Nome. - I hope so, but don't believe it merely because I see it in the "News".</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 20	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Telegraphic dispatches to the Newspapers say that President Taft has asked <u>Senator Knox</u> to become Sec. of State. <u>Judge Ballinger</u> " Sec. of Interior <u>Frank Hitchcock</u> " Post. General & <u>Geo. W. Wickersham</u> " Atty General in his cabinet. I hope so, for they are all my friends, and I could at least get a fair hearing from them. Geo. W. Wickersham is of the Pennsylvania branch of the family, a member of the law firm of Strong & Cadwalader, of 40 Well St. N.Y. I have never met him but I am told he is a great lawyer. This summer that firm had some correspondence with me about an interest in the Beatson mine, belonging to a deceased owner- I had a long talk with Judge Reid this afternoon & he pledged me</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>in the strongest words his friendship & support. - he assured me that his appointees would hereafter be</p>

	<p>quiet, even if not personally friendly, and in every way proffered the olive branch. I assured him that I had not either written or inspired the attacks made on him by the Miner and Tribune, & he accepted my statement in apparent satisfaction - but I am not satisfied that he will carry out his pledges, though I intend to so myself, and intend to give him the benefit of every doubt - and even if he appoints more of my bitter enemies to office (as he undoubtedly will) I shall view it without a sign of distrust - and await fairly what may come of it.</p> <p>It will take time to bring a good result in a matter of this kind - and I'll wait a reasonable time.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 21	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st December-</p> <p>The shortest day of the year - the sun shone over the whole Tanana Valley for two hours or more!</p> <p>Court convened today - Billy Butler, Dodges Lieutenant, was made court crier! thus giving Shea and me, both, an intimation of the judges position.</p> <p>The "<u>Miners Union Bulletin</u>" is now roasting me in pages of abuse - and accuses me of having written Thompson Miners "Open Letter" to Judge Reid!!</p> <p>Since I had nothing to do with it & since their charges are false I will be silent & say nothing - neither admit nor deny. Still I told Judge Reid personally & he readily said he did not believe a word of the charge.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 24	<p style="text-align: center;">-24-</p> <p>The "Dodgers" are trying in vain to bring about dissension between me & Judge Reid, but we both decline to permit it, though he has to keep his own friends and I mine in mind all the time. I do not permit anything to go to the public like a wail from me - I am the elected representative of the people of Alaska, and feel entirely independent, but at the same time I feel that it is most harmful to the public good to be known to be fighting the court & will not do so.</p> <p>Publicly I give him countenance and intend to do so notwithstanding the actions of his clerks. He assures me most frankly that he intends to keep them within bounds & to support me & I'll do the same.</p>
Diary 15, 1908 December 25	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Christmas Day 1908. and a fine winters day at that. Dinner with Charlie and</p>

	<p>May – present Mr. & Mrs. Charles E. Taylor, Mrs. Chamberlain, Lizzies mother, Mr. & Mrs. Edgar Wickersham, Bob Chamberlain, Jack Curry & Debbie & I. We had a fine Christmas turkey & "trimmins" with good cheer & a Christmas tree.</p> <p>It has been a fine winter so far - from zero to 30° below - hard roads, plenty of snow & the trails fine. The people generally are delighted with the climate – "only man is vile". - and the "other fellow" at that.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 1	<p style="text-align: center;">January 1st, 1909</p> <p>Nothing doing much lately. Court is grinding along with the criminal cases, and civil cases wont be reached for two weeks yet.</p> <p>I am waiting - but intend now to begin to push things, since I want to get my cases tried early so that if the President calls a special session I can go.</p> <p>Have been talking to Heilig about a law partnership - but it is not finished yet - think we will do it, but we've postponed it for a few days on account of business arrangements.</p> <p>Debbie's health is better - and she is getting ready to "<u>go out over the ice</u>" to meet Darrell when the fleet gets into port. The dispatches this morning say that</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 1	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>the fleet will be detained in South Italy on account of the frightful earthquake disaster at Messina, Italy, & vicinity, where thousands of people were killed & all their property destroyed.</p> <p>Last Sunday evening - the 27th - we gave the "officials" a dinner - <u>Judge</u> and <u>Mrs. Reid</u>, <u>Mrs. Burton</u>, who is with them, <u>Marshal Love</u> and <u>Dist. Atty. Crossley</u> - Debbie gave them a fine dinner, and they spent the evening with us, and it was a pleasant one at that. My enemies are trying to convince (and have I think) these officials that I am unfriendly to them. I am trying to put myself fairly on record as being friendly - and then I will do no more - just let them imagine - but without having evidence</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 1	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>to support their imaginings. I shall be courteous, polite and shall support the court and aid in upholding the court: I shall not criticize the officials until occasion renders it necessary or proper and then only publicly and fairly. Indiscriminate criticism and abuse of the</p>

	<p>courts and officials has greatly harmed the camp and the Territory and I hope to assist in setting a better example, but Judge Reid has some “fool friends” who may force him into a position where he will be subject to just criticism. Even then I intend to let other people do it without they force me into a corner - my former position as judge justifies me in this silent course, I think.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Jany 2nd 1909.</p> <p>Recd, telegram this morning from D.J. Boone, San Angelo, Texas, as follows: <u>“James Wickersham, Fairbanks, Alaska. Manley indicted perjury here, warrant in sheriffs hands for murder Schleicher County. Manley gone. believed forfeited his bond on way to Alaska. Will know certain today: If he is on way Alaska. must I follow Requisition will be forwarded. Boone.”</u> Evidently Boone, like his ancestor, Daniel, is on Hilliard's trail, and intends to get his scalp. All of which shows that if Manley had behaved himself there and been honest for a time he could have been rich, happy and safe - but his inmate 'cussedness' gave him the swell head - & the Sheriff “got im.”</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>Last night Monkman and Kelleth – Maddock’s partners came to see me & employed me to assist them in getting a settlement of their partnership accounts. They told me that Maddocks - for the <u>Times</u> owed the 1st Nat. Bank \$7,500. -That the Bank had information that Roediger was coming from Dawson to buy the Times from Maddocks - that on Dec. 22, Jack Ronan had sold his 1/3 int. in the Times to Maddocks for \$1,000. - that it was not paid - that Ronan & the 1st Nat. intended to bring suit today (Jany 2) to prevent the sale to Roediger - they M & K, could not get a settlement & that it seemed to them that Maddocks had “taken” about \$60,000 of partnership money without accounting for it - & with Manley’s troubles in Texas - the “gang” will be having “A Happy New Years” – riot. Let em fight - it seems that none</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 2-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>of them know <u>why</u> Roediger is coming - and know nothing of the case of “<u>Roediger v Pritchard</u>”, which I</p>

	<p>brought, nor that I telegraphed to Roediger to come on that case, etc. etc. Dodge & “Suspicion” are driving them into suing (the 1st Nat. into suing) Maddocks - and I don't care - let them sue & the public will begin to get onto the inside of their corrupt “bludgeon.”</p> <p>January 5 This mornings “Tribune” has the dispatch posted opposite about Manley-Knowles. Charges of Murder, Perjury, Grand Larceny, etc. are pending against him.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">January 5th</p> <p>This mornings “Tribune” has the dispatch posted opposite about Manley-Knowles. Charges of Murder, Perjury, Grand Larceny, etc. are pending against him.</p> <p>[clipping:] FRANK MANLEY FORFEITS BOND IN TEXAS COURT (Special to the Tribune) SAN ANGELO, Texas, Jan. 4.- The district court in session here, today ordered that the bond of Hilliard B. Knowles, alias Frank G. Hanley, of Fairbanks, Alaska, given for his appearance in court to answer the charge under which he was arrested in Seattle, be forfeited. A similar action was taken fourteen years ago on the disappearance of Knowles when under indictment. As a further development in the matter it was today discovered that the indictment is missing from the papers in the case, and an investigation has been ordered by the court.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Took dinner last night with Judge & Mrs. Reid - they live, temporarily, in the Barnette house - present Judge & Mrs. R. Dist. Atty. Crossley, Mrs. Burton Mrs. W- & I. After dinner the Judge & I had a confidential talk and he again assured me of his friendly disposition and said that he had given his clerks positive orders to abstain from attacking me - he also referred to a suggestion that I made to him some time ago - that he be a candidate for Governor next spring when Hoggatt's</p>

	term expires and he spoke favorably of it! We spent the evening – Judge & Mrs. R. Crossley & Mrs. B. & Mrs. W- & I at the “500” Card club at Judge Erwin’s. - a large social gathering and a pleasant evening. Mrs. Wickersham is ready
Diary 15, 1909 January 8-9	8 to go out on the stage tomorrow “over the ice” to Valdes on her way to Washington & to see the “Fleet” come home on February 22. - to see Darrell & visit with him. The stage goes at 7 a.m. in the morning –Mr. Parsons, Dr. Carmichael and F.S. McFarline also go on the same stage so she will be well protected. The expectation is that I will follow two months later. -Jany 9 th - <u>Debbie went out on the stage this morning for Valdes.</u> – 7.a.m. Mr. Parsons, Dr. Carmichael, F.S. McFarline were also aboard & two French prostitutes. Its a beautiful morning - warm - only zero, and I hope she will have a good trip - She is going to meet Darrell.
Diary 15, 1909 January 9	-9- “ <u>Hell is to pay, and no pitch hot</u> ”!! to use an old saw. The Tribune today received a telegram (United Press) saying that grave charges had been made to the President against Judge Reid - including the charge of the appointment of Goodwin, his brother in law, as Receiver of the Alaska Central Ry at \$1500. a month; that the President had discussed it at a cabinet meeting & that it smelled of graft, etc. Reid mentioned it in court and it is quite evident that he is scared almost white. Later - Tonight Parks, Reid’s stenographer said that at 4 o’clock, this afternoon Reid received a telegram from the Atty Genl saying: “ <u>your explanation is not satisfactory to the President</u> ”.
Diary 15, 1909 January 10	-10 th - The Tribune gave prominence to the Reid telegrams this morning & both the “Times” and “News” gave it editorial and local mention. Both asserted that Reid appointed Goodwin at my request - its amusing to see them run to the cover of my coattails! after the

	shameful manner they treated me in the case. I intend to keep still & say nothing without I’m driven out & then I’ll take the position forced on me. I am told they blame <i>me</i> secretly with the whole trouble - and that Reid, McGinn, Goodwin, et. al. sent many long telegrams of defense and explanation to Washington last night, - that McGinn telegraphed Gov. Hoggatt that I was to blame, etc. etc. Let the galled jade wince - awhile.
Diary 15, 1909 January 10-11	-10- <u>Have made arrangements to have John Conna cook for me while Mrs. Wickersham is gone, and I intend to live at home & keep the house going.</u> Ed. S. Orr and his wife came in from Valdes yesterday, - have invited them to take dinner with me tomorrow evening . Weather is fine - just about zero, and Debbie reached Donnelly’s on the Delta river tonight. She is having a fine trip so far. -11 th - Mr. & Mrs. Ed. S. Orr. Took dinner with me tonight - Conna is cooking for me and I am quite comfortable. Court is grinding along on the criminal cases.
Diary 15, 1909 January 12	-12 th - I have learned through my secret service guesses that McGinn sent the following telegram to Gov. Hoggatt on Saturday night for Judge Reid & with the Judges consent: “ <u>Charges against Judge Reid in regard to Alaska central investigated by Wickersham in my opinion though Joslin and spring his political backers for personal reasons. Goodwin appointed receiver upon application and suggestion of Wickersham. Wickersham suggested appointment. Reids enforcement law engendered active antagonism undesirables who openly boast will cause removal. Respectable element community strongly favor Reid.</u> ” Now what do you think of
Diary 15, 1909 January 12-13	12 that?? They are squealing now like a pig under the fence, and are giving me all the credit for their trouble. Goodwin says that I had a long head - that I led him into the scheme, and when I had them just right that I exposed them, to their undoing. They also now say

	<p>that Reid will not be removed summarily, but will be called to Washington and then be allowed to explain - if he can - but that <u>they</u> dont think he can. -13th -</p> <p>Capt. Richd. Roediger arrived here tonight from Dawson, via the Circle trail - 13 days on the road. Heard from Debbie - they reached Paxton's yesterday & ought to get to Gulkana tonight - alls well. Colder - 32° below zero.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 14	<p>-14th -</p> <p>Am preparing a complaint for Monkman & Kellett v. Maddocks. They say that Maddocks has embezzled about \$80,000 of their money & that he refuses to account or settle. I also learn that the "News," "Times" and "Tribune" are trying to form a combine - to do away with one morning paper - the "Tribune" probably, and carry on the morning survival and the evening News - They are each broke and each is trying to ease its fall by pushing over the other, and all are willing to sink together - well let 'em go. the camp is cursed with the pack. McGinn has been drunk ever since he has been at home. Court on criminal work - and taking his time for things. Colder - about 38° below.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 15	<p>-15-</p> <p>Recd, characteristic telegram from Debbie - from Copper Center - this morning saying, "<u>Trail, people, weather fine. Well and Happy.</u>" They escaped all the bad weather - they will reach Tiekhell tonight & Valdez tomorrow. Riggs escaped from Jail this morning - tried to burn schoolhouse - went into the schoolrooms with can of gasoline & revolver threatening children etc. - then ran over to George Herrington's house threatening - the chief of police - O'Connor overtook him - Riggs shot & so did the chief -killing Riggs the first shot. Riggs undoubtedly crazy. Court grinding slowly – weather colder - 45° below zero. Catholic Charity Ball tonight.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 16	<p>-16-</p> <p>35° - to 45° below zero. Telegraphic dispatches tonight to the morning</p>

	<p>papers say that the Alaska Central troubles for Judge Reid, arise from Labarei's boasting that he controlled the court & other receiver and that they intended to reorganize the Co. in the interest of the Canadian Stock holders, etc. etc. It is a stockholders & bondholders fight - It seems that Roosevelt & Bonaparte are both drawn into it - & the end is not yet! I think the local effect will be to break up the Highly developed graft & political machine, organized by Goodwin, - the Times-New-Doge-Tozier etc. bunch! They now have the fear of God & the Dept. of Justice) in them.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 17	<p>-17th Sunday -</p> <p>The telegraphic dispatches say that the President will send a special representative here to investigate the charges against Judge Reid. It seems the trouble has grown out of the fight between the two rival factions in the Alaska Central bondholders -they made a row because Labaree - the co-receiver with Goodwin boasted that <u>he</u> controlled the court for his side. Also they kicked because while the Receivers spent \$1.300. in caring for and protecting the property of the Ry. they drew down \$11,000. in salary for doing it!! The President and Attorney General thought this was "graft" and say so - hence the investigation - This is the 3rd time -in Fairbanks - where in the midst of a term of court - the court itself has been tried!!</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 18-20	<p>-18th -</p> <p>Received telegram from A. E. Light, Gales secretary saying: "Roosevelt today asked me notify you desire see before inauguration!" <u>But Light is light in both name and nature and I wont pay any attention to it, since if the President wished to see me he could telegraph personally.</u> -20th -</p> <p>My case, Myers, et. al. v. Lloyd et. al. was called today on our application for an injunction to prevent the defendants from digging a tunnel under the U.S. tunnel site law onto the Rex Lode claim - the court upon our showing granted the injunction - and in my judgment this ends the case - for our showing is overwhelming.</p>

<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Judge Reid announced in open court this morning that he had been ordered to come to Valdes at once to meet the "Investigator", and that he would leave on next Thursday - poor devil I know how it feels. This puts our court business all "on the bum" again, but personally I am glad of it - <u>very</u> glad of it, for there were some peculiar things lining up in some of my cases and a row was just ahead - but will now be averted. <u>Roediger today bought a 2/3 interest in the Tribune and the paper will be published by Roediger & McDonald.</u> We compromised the litigation between the "Homestake" & the "Golden" claim on Little Eldorado & will form a holding corporation to take both properties.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Judge Reid announced today that he would adjourn court next week till March 8th - I learn that he does that on the suggestion of Atty Genl Bonaparte & the court officials think that means a "whitewash" - but it may not! They will go next Thursday - Judge Reid - his wife & Mrs. Burton - and also <u>Marshal Love and Dist. Atty. Crossley have been ordered to go to Valdes with Reid.</u> We are to have no terms - no civil cases - until after he returns, greatly to my relief. It has been from 40° to 55° below zero for a week - and no sign of abating. Am busy getting injunctions etc. in case Judge Reid does not come back - & in closing up in safe way.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 24-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p><u>Sunday.</u> 55° below zero - some cold. "High jinks" at the Tanana Club last night - a general drunk, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>The "Yucatan" reached Seattle yesterday - Debbie aboard & o.k. The stage left for Valdes this afternoon. Orr & wife & Roediger went, also Marshal Love and Dist. Atty. Crossley. <u>Crossley told me that charges had been made against both him and Love also, and that they had been ordered to Valdes to</u></p>

	<p>answer. Reid & his "bunch" go on Thursday - for their investigation!! I got the case of the Homestake v. the Golden, association placer retaining claims settled yesterday - got \$5000. in the joint concern for my services.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>While Roediger was here I delivered to him the \$4500. which he sent me for security on the attachment in his case against Pritchard. Before he left today he made arrangements to loan the "News" the sum of \$6000. through me and gave me \$1000. and his power of attorney. He also paid me \$250. on account of services. He bought a 2/3 int. in the "Tribune" through me for \$2500.⁰⁰ Telegraphic dispatches say that the bill for the creation of the 4th Judicial Div. will pass the Senate soon, having been favorably reported from the Senate, - it having passed the House. Judge Reids friends are securing the signing of endorsements for him by telegrams to the President - they are tireless - as restless active grafters usually are.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 27-29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p><u>Court Adjourned till March 8th</u> Had a strenuous day in court with a personal row with McGinn in which I lost my temper and called him a liar. It was over the Jurack v. Dunbar case, and I still insist that I was correct even if wrong.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Judge Reid could not go with his wife out on the stage today because it was 40° below zero, but will go Saturday, Attended "Marathon" race, 26 1/2 miles, last night - Demara, the Greek, beat Wada, the Jap. - it was a good race.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Busy on preparation of a lecture on the "Apaches of the Tanana" which I will deliver for Rev. Bettcher's Indian Missions fund. Attended Masque Ball at Eagle Hall tonight - as a mere spectator</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 January 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Judge Reid & Party got away on this mornings stage, and a</p>

	<p>new story is now out that last fall Judge Reid borrowed \$1000 from Frank Noyes (who had an important case on trial before Judge Reid), that when Reid came to go this week Noyes came & demanded his money & raised such a row about it that Judge Reid had to borrow it to pay Noyes - & that he finally got it from K. J. Miller - etc.</p> <p>Some time ago John L. McGinn and Billy Barrett in drunken condition took Dodge and McDonald, the Dept. Clerk, into the Tanana Club, and in the sudden Exuberance of their recent forgiveness of body for past enmities proposed them for membership. For more than a month their names have been posted on the board for membership - the vote took place this afternoon - 25 votes were cast - and 20 were blackballs -& they were thus nearly unanimously rejected.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 January 30	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>Received a letter from Debbie today - she says -at Valdes - that she is well & strong, and in better health than for a long time. She had a fine trip, had a trail appetite and gained several pounds in weight. She had good traveling companions and greatly enjoyed the journey-</p> <p>My friends here are preparing to give me a banquet on Wednesday night before I go out on Thursday, and tonight I received a telegram from John P. Hartman asking when I would be in Seattle and saying that my friends there intended to give me a banquet on my arrival.</p> <p>Am having carpenters rearrange my offices and enlarge them, and I am to take Heilig and Roden into a law partnership with me beginning on Monday. -They firm will be <u>Wickersham, Heilig & Roden</u></p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-Feb 1st -</p> <p>A new feature appears in the fight against Judge Reid - Wells, clerk of this court, has been sending Tom Marquam to me and my friends for a week to assure us that he was not friendly to Reid, and last night Marquam assured me that if I would not fight Wells he would resign and "go after Reid" - I said I would not fight him. Parks, Reid's stenographer, is also proclaiming "graft" against Reid and he and Wells have agreed to squeal in unison. So far I have done nothing</p>

	<p><u>though I intend to make complaint when I see the investigator - at Valdes.</u></p> <p>Delivered a lecture last night for the benefit of Rev. Chas. Betticher's Indian mission fund - subject "<u>The Apaches of the Tanana</u>".</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 2	<p style="text-align: center;">-February 2, 1909 -</p> <p>Coal matters are sure in a funny shape. Judge Reid has gone out to be investigated - no attention was paid to him except by those to whom he owed money - He owed the Noyes Bros \$1000. and they demanded it so loudly that he finally borrowed it from "Judge" Miller - and Miller complained promptly as soon as he found it was borrowed to pay Noyes. - the Judge went unwept and unsung. Then Saturday night Doge and McDonald - the judges friend and his deputy clerk, were blackballed at the Tanana Club - 22 black & 3 white - and the whole gang are in a "blue funk". <u>Wells, resigned today as clerk of the court.</u> He had already sent on Friday his friends to see me, & today Dan Henderson came to my</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 2	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>office and begged me to see McDonald whom he said wanted to be friendly!</p> <p>McDonald came and assured me of his high regard - and vouched for Judge Reid's friendship for me. He smooth-bored me and I looked as if I believed every word he said and didn't. This evening Shea came also - the whole bunch is fighting at each other - and I am going to Washington, at the President's request - and they don't know why.</p> <p>On the other hand my friends are tendering me a banquet tomorrow night - I delivered a lecture to a large and fine audience last night - I have received an invitation day before yesterday from Hon P. Hartman - saying my friends in Seattle wanted to know when I would get there so they could give me a banquet etc. etc.. In short, I am up and <u>they</u> are down & I have made no complaint nor public statement of any kind.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">-Feb. 3rd -</p> <p>Busy arranging my business affairs so as to go out on tomorrows stage - on my way to Washington. Have formed a law partnership with A.R. Heilig and Henry Roden. -W-H-</p>

	<p>&R-, and we are busy fixing up a fine office and <u>they</u> – my partners – are moving in. All ready to go tomorrow. Banquet tonight at Eagle Hall by my friends to bid me goodbye.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Feb. 4th -</p> <p>Eagle Hall was a blaze of light, and happiness last night - speeches, & good cheer - a 160 friends sat at a great table around the Hall to help start me off to Washington in the right way. Judge Pratt sat at my Eighth hand - Major Clum was toastmaster - the band discoursed sweet music & it was an occasion to be proud of.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>[Clipping] The Tanana Tribune, Thursday, Fairbanks, Alaska, February 4, 1909 JAMES WICKERHSAM BANQUET PROVES A SPLENDID SUCCESS, One Hundred and Fifty Friends Gather at Festive Board to Wish Delegate-elect Godspeed on His Career at Washington.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>The banquet tendered last night by his well wishers to Delegate-elect James Wickersham at the Eagle hall was in every way an unqualified success. Nearly 150 persons were present and all entered into the spirit of the occasion and united in wishing the delegate Godspeed in a manner of which the unanimity was the striking point. There were no factions represented and there were no politics aired, there being evident a disposition to show Judge Wickersham that he had a united town back of him in his forthcoming career at Washington.</p> <p>Major Clum acted as toastmaster and performed his task to everybody's satisfaction. He opened the proceedings with a eulogy of Alaska and spoke of the credit that was coming to the man who had been elected to represent this vast empire in the halls of congress. His opening speech was followed by one from Attorney Heilig, in response to the toast of the president, and this always-ready orator rose to the occasion with an excellent summing up of the many great things that the chief executive has achieved during his term of office.</p> <p>Numerous other speakers were called upon</p>

	<p>and all responded in happy vein, each voicing the sentiment that Alaska had made a choice of delegate on which it was sincerely to be congratulated.</p> <p>At Judge Wickersham's right hand sat Judge Pratt, and it was not far along in the proceedings when the toastmaster called on the old-time attorney for a talk on "The pioneer Lawyers". Judge Pratt is well known as a fluent and at times, somewhat forceful, talker but it is doubtful if ever he was heard to better advantage than in his speech last night. Prefacing his remarks with the statement that it was one of the duties of Alaskan attorneys to "police" the judges, Mr. Pratt touched with gentle inference on the fact that at times the lot of the practicing attorney has been in Alaska almost as strenuous as that of the president himself. He then summed up what in his opinion were some of the crying needs in the matter of legislation for this country and suggested some remedies. Turning to the delegate-elect, and speaking in the manner of one who talks of what he knows well and has much at heart, he assured his audience that he felt absolutely confident that James Wickersham was the man in his opinion best qualified to obtain at Washington what the country needed. Calmly and with judicial acumen Mr. Pratt summed up the reasons which to prove that a wise choice has been made; and that his argument carried weight was evidenced by the hearty applause which was accorded him.</p> <p>When Judge Wickersham's turn to speak came he was tendered an ovation, the cheering lasting for several minutes. He opened his address by stating that he had heard Bill McPhee say that although this was a big reception being tendered to him on this occasion it would be nothing in comparison to that he would receive on his return from Washington. This, he stated, had somewhat scared him, for he was well aware of the limitation of a delegate from Alaska in the halls of congress. But, he continued, although his name would appear on the roll at the very foot, "there will be no man on the floor of congress who will represent as great a country as I</p>
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	<p>represent. I will be able to say to all of them I am you equal when it comes to the country I represent</p> <p>It would be his effort in congress, said the judge, to make that congress understand the character of the country he represented and to show them its vast resources so that they will come to properly appreciate the necessity of doing for Alaska those things of which she is so badly in need.</p> <p>Referring to the promises he had made during the campaign he said, "I pledge you anew that I will stand for every one of the pledges I made."</p> <p>But, insisted the delegate-elect, without some assistance his efforts are likely to be less fruitful than if he receive a united support from Alaskans. Each could help, he pointed out, by writing to congressmen with whom they were acquainted and suggesting to them the necessity of getting back of the delegate from Alaska in Alaskan legislation he asked for and he earnestly asked that such a procedure should be adopted. "I don't care if ever- I am elected again so long as I can accomplish some of the things which I promised to try to effect when making my campaign," said the judge in concluding his remarks.</p> <p>Many other speakers followed Judge Wickersham and the talks were interspersed with songs and recitations. It was nearly 2 o'clock before the orchestra played "Auld Lang Syn."</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 4-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>Worked in the office till the stage starts. Lock up our house & leave the key with Conna. Our stage left Fairbanks at 2 o'clock in the afternoon & my friends gathered in large numbers to bid me good & gave me their cheers as the stage drove away on the jump. 20° below zero.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>We reached Salchaket & remained over night at Billy Munson's. Our party is a jolly one - Burnside's, transportation agent for the N.C. Co. Billy Barrett, merchant from the Innoko, Bot. Martin – "three fingered Bob - miner & sourdough prospector who has traveled over Alaska even more than I have. Finley Monroe, one of the early prospectors who goes with us to get the aid of an oculist to save his eyes - he is nearly</p>

	<p>blind. Foster, a sick miner & wood cutter & Barney Goss, who goes as my private secretary. A jolly good crowd of fellows.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>We stopped at Gordon's - 103 miles out. Pretty good place - no women - plenty to eat & a good bed. 26° below zero at night. Trails fine & whole party happy & jovial.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Fine trail & good day yesterday to McDavitt's old road house where Debbie & I reached 2 years ago almost frozen after an all night storm on the Delta. Weather good & making good time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>We crossed the summit yesterday in the usual small sled - double ender- one horse - the McDavitt's have moved up to the summit and keep the old Yost road house - they gave us a fine dinner & we crossed the summit like & down the Gulkana river - and stayed all night at Paxsons -making good time so far, but now it looks like waiting for the stages.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>"Our Home" Roadhouse <u>last night</u>.</p> <p>We learned at Paxsons that Judge Reid - who started three of four days ahead of us - was sick at Miers' - the next road house to Paxsons. - We reached Miers' late - for we were detained till noon at Paxsons - and found judge Reid & his party there - the Judge was certainly lively & apparently a vigorous invalid. He tried to engage me in an earnest and business conversation, but I purposely avoided it. He did, however, ask me to assist him by recommending a new clerk - <u>Wells resigned on the 2nd</u> - and what he wanted was for me to recommend Henderson - but I evaded the matter & won't have anything to do with it. I intend to be free to fight him in Washington if I think I ought. He talked more with Barney Goss than with me - & urged him to get me to appoint a clerk etc.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909</p>	<p>[Inside back page - 2 photographs:] "On the Trail Near Salchaket" "Stage Leaving Gordon's Roadhouse"</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 10-11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Feb. 10th '09.</p> <p>a "Valdez-Fairbanks Stage Line" sticker shown and another photograph:</p>

	<p>“At Paxson’s Roadhouse” We stayed at the Gulkana Roadhouse last night. Good place but they let all the fires go out, and it was 42° below zero we nearly froze - but did not.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Feb. 11</p> <p>At Tonsina Road House last night. As we passed the great mountains on the East</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 11-12	<p style="text-align: center;">11</p> <p>side of the Copper River old Mt. Wrangell was seen to be smoking nervously - clouds were rolling across the great flat summit issuing from the crater. -12th -</p> <p>Teikhell Road house last night. We took double enders here to cross the summit - Thompson’s Pass. Met Jim Fish here 4 he told me that Wilmer, the representative from the Department of Justice had told him that Judge Reid was O.K. & that he intended to find in his favor. As we passed Copper Center yesterday I received a letter from J.M. Lathrop asking me to take dinner with him at this house on my arrival & saying that Wilmer would be there. Fish says it is a “white wash” - & it looks like it.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 12	<p style="text-align: center;">Febry 12th continued.</p> <p>We left Teikhell road this morning at 2 o’clock 40° below but clear. We were in double enders but I had a big fat cook from Tonsina in with me & he just about crowded me out - Cross the summit in a windstorm & reached Wortman’s at 2 o’clock. Recd, telegram from Lathrop asking me to take dinner with him - but one also from the Orr’s, & I answered the latter accepting, as I do not want to go to Lathrop’s with Wilmer. Arrived in Valdes at 5 o’clock - bath-dinner with Orr’s, & then at Lathrop’s request went to his house & met Wilmer - the investigator of charges against Reid. I declined to talk at Lathrup’s - so Wilmer asked me to go over to the Clerks office. I noticed that the “dinner party” consisted</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 12	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>of Lathrop - the Guggenheim agent for the steamship Co’s - the assistant at \$500.00 per month of the Receiver for the Alaska Central Ry. Co. whose appt. Wilmer is here investigating & Burton, the</p>

	<p>deputy of the court under Judge Reid, who is being investigated - the deputy who “packed” the grand jury drawn to investigate the Cordova election frauds, - Wilmer & Mrs. Lathrop. A moments conversation with Wilmer convinced me that he was easy - a nice old lady - but as unfitted for his work as a child - as a detective he couldn’t catch a streetcar, let alone a criminal. He stated to me frankly that he considered Judge Reid all right but through Wells - who has already quit -a bad man. Reid, Burton, Lathrop etc. have his entire confidence, though Reid has not yet arrived here.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 12	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>I declined to talk to Wilmer, except in the most formal way & let him do the talking. I saw it was no use, his opinion is formed - he told me he had already telegraphed it in to the Department of Justice - <u>so</u> <u>whats</u> <u>the</u> <u>use</u>? He has been entirely surrounded by Reids henchmen - members of the grafting fraternity - who have wined & dined him & carefully directed the investigation in the way they wished it to go. I will say nothing but wait a more favorable opportunity - probably at the Dept. of Justice. My friends gave notice that a public reception would be tendered to me tonight at the courthouse & when I finished with Wilmer I went there - made there a speech & shook hands with the crowd.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 12	<p style="text-align: center;">-12-</p> <p>I also went over to the McKinley hall for a few minutes to show up at the dance given in aid of some local matter. My boat - the “North Western” was to go at 12 o’clock midnight, but readily did not get way until 5 a.m. When I went for my ticket Lathrop & Burton were in the office in close consultation- Burton slipped out & Lathrop wished to see me. We went into his private office & he Offered me the attorneyship for the Receiver in the Alaska Central Ry -seemed to think I ought to take it & assured me that all parties - the judge, receivers etc. desired me to accept. I declined to consider the proposition and told him I would not accept it. They seem danged anxious to get me hooked -but I will not bite at that bait.</p>

<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 13-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>Outbound from Valdes for Juneau. A storm raging & seasick.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Sunday - a heavy storm. Last night about midnight our ship saw a light -signal of distress and bore down upon a 30 foot sloop - with a small house - and even in the heavy storm they cried for aid & wished to be taken aboard - after several hours maneuvering the "Northwestern" got the small boat alongside & lines were thrown to her occupants -they caught the lines & as the two vessels ground the smaller to pieces the shipwrecked persons were pulled a board -except a poor boy - 18 yrs old, who was caught between the two vessels & crushed & drawn into the sea. One woman was on the small craft & hung with one</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 14-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>hand to a rope and was dragged on board our boat - she is the sister to the poor boy who was drowned. There were seven men & the woman - all saved except the boy. They had been drifting helplessly at Sea for eight days & were almost without water or food, & probably would soon have gone to the bottom.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15-</p> <p>We reached Icy Straits at dark & reached Juneau about midnight - I was met at the Dock by Valentine, Maloney, and a large number of my friends who insisted that I remain over in Juneau until the "Jeffersons" next trip down -in 48 hours, and that I attend a reception etc. tomorrow night. So I will do, and thus visit the people of S.E. Alaska, & meet my friends.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Spent the day in Juneau conferring with my friends, visiting the newspapers, etc. etc. the extent and character of the reception may be judged by the following reception committee.</p> <p>[clipping] Reception Tonight to Wickersham James Wickersham, delegate to congress, arrived on the Northwestern last night and is registered at the Occidental. He will go south on the Jefferson</p>

	<p>tomorrow. This evening a public and non-partisan reception will be tendered him at the Elks' hall between the hours of 8:30 and 10:30, after which a repast will be served.</p> <p>The following is the reception committee: Juneau – Mssrs. Valentine, Distin, Folsom, Snow, Spickett, Nowell, Mitchell, Heid, Cheney, Caro, Willis, J. R. Winn, Lyons, Shoup, Fisher, Dudley, Holford, Malony, Nelson, Cobb, Crowther, Sheperd, Burton, Mesdames, Heid, Cook, Spickett, Caro, Holford, Snow, McBride, Lyons, Folsom, Shoup, Nelson, Nowell, Willis, Behrends, Dudley, Summers, Mitchell, Malony, Cobb, Crowther, Shepherd. Douglas – Messrs. F.N. Simpson, W. C. Boyd, P.H. Fox, O'Connor, Olson, Rosswog. Treadwell – Messrs. Tubbs, J. Christoe, F. Hebert, D. Kinzie, D. Webster, Mesdames D. Kinzie, Hebert, Christoe, Tubbs.</p> <p>Later: the reception tonight was the largest & most enthusiastic that I ever received. It brought out all the people apparently in Juneau. The Elks Hall was filled when I reached there and my friends found that more than a reception was expected -so I was obliged to make a set speech. After music by the band and orchestra & the speech, the reception was held - then the large dining hall was thrown open to a public feast. It was a great reception.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17-</p> <p>My reception last night was flattering to me and my friends and I greatly appreciated the great crowd & their hearty good will. The Record - Hoggatt's own paper had the following account today:</p> <p>[clipping] JUNEAU, ALASKA, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1909 MANY ALASKANS MEET DELEGATE WICKERSHAM AT ELKS HALL The pubic and non-partisan reception given to Judge Wickersham, delegate to congress from Alaska, last night in Elks' hall by the people of Juneau and Douglas is and was an unqualified success. The evening's proceedings began with</p>

	<p>musical solos by the Juneau native band and Carl Strom's orchestra. Rev. D. Holford introduced Judge Wickersham to the audience in an appropriate speech, interlarded with the characteristic witticisms of the reverend gentleman. When Judge Wickersham stepped forward to address the large gathering he was greeted with prolonged applause. In his preliminary remarks he stated that he had come to the gathering in his "glad rags" as he expected it to be a social function, but it looked to him more like a political meeting, and on asking his friends what was expected of him he was told to get up and make a speech. Judge Wickersham's address was constantly interrupted</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>[clipping continued] by applause. In the course of his remarks he said that although the election was over he did not think it would do any harm for him to reiterate his pre-election promises and to state to the people of this vicinity what he was going to Washington prepared to do for Alaska. In the first place he advocated a limited form of territorial government for Alaska which would allow Alaskans to make their own laws but continue to leave the burden of the judiciary and executive branches, as now, on the federal government. He would ask that the legislature's powers of taxation be limited so that the burden of the support of the country should not fall too heavily on the corporations that are opening up and developing the North. He advocated a just tax against the cannerymen and the doing away with the rebate on salmon-fry. He also said that better laws were needed for the conserving of the fisheries of Alaska and a stop placed on the wanton destruction of the fish. A labor lien law was necessary in this country, not so much in the vicinity of Juneau, but in the interior, where he would like to see the miners lien on the winter dumps taking precedence over all other claims. He advocated the appointment of an inspector of mines for Alaska so that the [clipping continued on next page in diary]</p>

<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>[clipping continued] men who worked in the placer mines of the Tanana and in the quartz mines of the country could do so under proper precautions safeguarding their lives. The delegate impressed upon the minds of his listeners that when he arrived at Washington he would be a very small potato indeed, and big things would be expected of him from the people of Alaska. He told them that he could not even vote in Congress, neither could he address the members from the floor of the house, but that all he could do would be to talk in the committee rooms. Although he would be the smallest potato he would represent more coal than the two senators and thirty-six representatives from Pennsylvania. He would represent more gold than the two senators and thirteen congressmen from California. He would represent more copper than Montana's representatives would; and would represent greater fishing interests than all the senators and congressmen combined along the Atlantic coast. In fact, though the small potato – somewhere near the bootblack stand - he would represent the greatest empire in the country. He asked everyone who wanted to, to write and tell him what they thought Alaska needed. No matter how many letters he received from his friends in Alaska [clipping continued on next page in diary]</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17-</p> <p>[clipping continued from previous diary page] they would all receive his attention. He wanted the whole country to help him in the great work that was before him. In concluding Judge Wickersham said: "I am for peace, honest and honorable, or I am for war. I will not interfere with any other officer or official and I shall not permit any officer or official to interfere with me." Before taking his seat Judge Wickersham said that he would now confirm the pre-election promise made by Emery Valentine, that in the event of his election the capital of Alaska would remain in Juneau, he would go further, and state that he</p>

	<p>would do all he could to have an appropriation made for the construction of suitable public buildings in this city. At the conclusion of the judge's remarks the audience came forward and shook him by the hand, after which the rest of the evening until midnight was spent in dancing and partaking of the bountiful repast that had been provided. The Recon said editorially: [clipping] After last night Judge Wickersham may truthfully say, like the great Roman emperor, "Veni, vidi, vici." Marshal Shoup today informed me that he had resigned to take effect July 1, and I told Maloney, and Valentine & my other friends & told them to get busy to secure a good man whom we can recommend for the place. Will leave tonight on the "Jefferson" for Seattle much pleased at my reception by the people of Juneau, & Douglas Island. A fine feeling exists towards me here, now.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18-</p> <p>We reached Wrangell this afternoon & I spent an hour with "Chips" Cole, Patenude, & my other friends talking over the town, its prospects, etc. and old days -and the election. No political demands are made on me here. About midnight we reached Ketchikan and I was met at the wharf by Capt. Connell Forrest J. Hunt and other friends and spent two hours visiting the town. Could not see Ex-Gov. Swineford, who is old and feeble and asleep in bed. My visit here was very pleasant and enjoyed by me - and apparently by my friends. Ketchikan is an important place, and I have many friends here – but they do not make any political demands on me.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-February 21st-</p> <p><u>Sunday</u>. Reached Seattle this morning at 9:30 and went to the Rainier - Grand Hotel. Debbie has gone on to Norfolk Va.- the fleet will reach there tomorrow & she will see Darrell. The "P-I." this morning has the following = Dozens of my Alaska friends are here and I am to have a banquet by the Arctic Club at</p>

	<p>the Washington Hotel.</p> <p>[clipping] WICKERSHAM TELLS OF LEGISLATIVE {22nd}DUTIES{P-I} Delegate-Elect From Alaska Will Introduce Bill in Congress Calling for Limited Territorial Government.</p> <p>[clipping] GIRL WILL GREET JUDGE WICKERSHAM She Bears Invitation From North Yakima to Visit That City Petite Margaret Mulrooney, sister of Alaska's only woman banker, Miss B. Mulrooney, of Dome Creek, will be the first to welcome Judge Wickersham, delegate-elect from Alaska, as he steps from the steamer Jefferson at 10 o'clock this morning. Miss Mulrooney represents the Commercial Club, of North Yakima, where there is a big colony of Alaskans who have quit raising pay dirt to raise pay fruit. When it became known in North Yakima that Judge Wickersham was due in Seattle there was a stir among the Alaskans. Of course, everyone over there isn't an Alaskan, but a few Alaskans can make a big stir. And the Commercial Club decided that, owing to so many Northern farmers – reformed miners – asking that the judge be invited to visit that city, it was best to send a delegate to Seattle to meet him. Then with a united voice the Alaskans in the Commercial Club demanded that they send Miss Mulrooney. She arrived yesterday. "I guess it was because I supported Judge Wickersham in Yakima in the last election," said Miss Mulrooney. "Of course, we couldn't vote over there, but say, I went</p>
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	<p>away out to the back end of our ranch and just whooped it up when I got the Post-Intelligencer telling of his victory. That was the only time I felt that women should vote and really I hope they never will, for had I had the opportunity I just know I would have repeated. Isn't that what you call it when you vote twice? Really, I believe I would have voted twice or maybe more than that.</p> <p>"Of course, we all know and like Judge Wickersham, and on account of my ardent enthusiasm, I guess the Commercial Club has sent me here.</p> <p>"If Judge Wickersham cannot visit us Alaskans in the Yakima country he will just have to make a speech from the platform of the cars. I came over here to get recognition, and I am going to win out," and pretty Margaret Mulrooney stamped her little foot to emphasize the fact that if the Northern Pacific does not hold its train for a few minutes it had better pull up its tracks and move to some other valley.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CONSERVATIVE MEASURE LIKELY TO BE FAVORED</p> <p>Beyond affirming the adherence to the platform upon which he was elected delegate to Congress from Alaska, and promising to work in Congress for the passage of a bill conferring some form of territorial government upon the great rich Northern country, Judge James Wickersham, who arrived yesterday from Fairbanks, would not commit himself when asked for a statement of his plans for future work at the national capital.</p> <p>"Following out the terms of the platform upon which I was nominated for delegate to Congress, I shall, shortly after I assume office at Washington, seek to obtain the passage of a bill providing for a limited form of territorial government for Alaska. The details of this measure have not yet been worked out, but naturally there will be provided a scheme for every part and division of Alaska to be represented in the legislative body or council consisting of two houses.</p> <p>"I believe that if a measure is carefully drawn and</p>

	<p>conservatively framed much less opposition to it will be manifested than if a radical measure were introduced."</p> <p>In the foregoing words Judge Wickersham concisely stated his policies today. He will be guest of honor at a banquet at the Hotel Washington Tuesday night, at which possibly he may make a more extended statement of his political ambitions and views. At the Rainier-Grand Hotel where he was a guest today he met Mrs. Wickersham, who preceded him to Seattle some days ago.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham will do everything possible in his power to aid in the construction of wagon roads in Alaska and will also aid in the passage of laws designed to assist in the construction of railroads.</p> <p>"What the people of Alaska seem most to need, if one of their necessities can be chosen from the rest as most important, is quick mail communication and transportation," said Judge Wickersham. "I realize that it is a difficult matter to impress upon persons unfamiliar with Alaska and its resources the value and merit of measures having for their object the construction of lines of transportation and communication in the great Northern gold-bearing country. But I shall not be found wanting in bringing to bear all the influence I may possess in behalf of these measures for Alaska's good, nor shall I overlook any opportunities to inform the members of Congress who do not know the true conditions existing in Alaska the facts regarding that territory."</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WICKERSHAM WILL REACH CITY TODAY All Alaskans in Seattle Will Go Down to Pier to {21st}Meet Him{P-I}</p> <p>Judge Wickersham will arrive in Seattle this evening on the steamer Jefferson, and Alaskans in town will go down to the dock to give their delegate elect to congress a welcome. Last evening at the</p>
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	<p>Butler, Northern, Rainier-Grand, Washington, Washington Annex, Butler Annex and other hotels Alaskans from nearby points began to gather, regardless of political affiliation.</p> <p>At a meeting yesterday of the committee having in charge the banquet to be given Judge Wickersham by the Arctic Club next Tuesday evening, the following programme was decided upon:</p> <p>John P. Hartman, toastmaster; Gov. M.E. Hay, "Greetings From Washington"; James Wickersham, "Response"; Judge R.A. Ballinger, "Alaska in National Affairs"; J.E. Chilberg, "Alaska and the Fair"; R.W. Jennings, "Home Rule"; F.M. Brown, "Our Guest as Judge"; A.J. Daly, "Greetings from Northwest Alaska"; "Abe Spring "Seattle Spirit".</p> <p>The banquet will be held in the main dining room of the Washington hotel. Tickets are being sold rapidly, and a large attendance is assured.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21-</p> <p>While it is a special desire by the Arctic Club that all Alaskans in the city be present, the affair is not for Alaskans exclusively. It is desired that there be a large attendance of representative Seattle people.</p> <p>Those desiring tickets should make arrangements through the office of the secretary of the Arctic Club at the earliest possible date.</p> <p>My friends are to give me a banquet at the Washington Hotel. Monday I went over to Tacoma – all right Donnelly Hotel. Saw Judge Geo. T. Reid & back to Seattle Tuesday morning.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd-</p> <p>[clipping] [portrait photograph] James Wickersham</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WICKERSHAM TO URGE HOME RULE FOR FAR NORTH Alaska's Delegate Wants Steel Highway Into Tanana District PROMOTES GOOD ROADS Advocates House and Senate as Ter- ritory's Legislative Body - Favors</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Lien Law to Protect Miner - Will be Modest in his Demands</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Judge James Wickersham, delegate-elect from Alaska, arrived in Seattle yesterday from Fairbanks.</p> <p>The steamer Jefferson, on which he came out, was an hour ahead of time, and in consequence the several hundred Alaskans who intended to welcome him to the city filed down to the wharf only to find that he had gone to the apartments reserved for him at the Rainier-Grand.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham refrained yesterday from discussing political conditions in Alaska. He said that he was the delegate of the people as indicated by their votes, and he wanted all Alaskans to help him, no matter who they were or what their affiliations. So far as he was concerned personally, he was on the peaceful mission to the capital for which he was elected, and , representing the people of that district, he intended to voice their wishes.</p> <p>Today he will receive the Alaskans in the city at his rooms on the first floor of the Rainier-Grand. This afternoon he will go to Tacoma for a few hours. He will meet all who come today. Tomorrow evening he will be the honor guest at a banquet at the Washington Hotel, where 150 Alaskans and personal friends will meet him. The banquet is given under the auspices of the Arctic Club.</p> <p>He will leave here on Wednesday morning for Yakima on the invitation of former residents of Alaska who are now farmers in that valley. He will be met at the -depot by a band and the leading citizens of the valley and escorted to the Chamber of Commerce, where an informal reception will be held. Autos will then take him for a spin, after which he will attend a banquet in his honor. The Alaskans of Yakima will then claim him for the rest of the evening. He will then proceed direct to Washington. He will be accompanied on the trip to Yakima by a number of Alaskans.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Discusses Legislation</p> <p>"Alaska is so big, has such a great future, has such a thriving population, has so many things to be done to bring it into the rounded, finished territory, that I hesitate to say what is most needed," said</p>
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	Judge Wickersham, yesterday, when asked concerning his efforts in congress for Alaska.
Diary 15, 1909 February 22	22 [clipping continued] "I am fully aware" he said, "that few in Washington understand Alaska, and yet it is my hope, my ambition to inform congress what we need that we may forge our way to the front. We need much and yet we need little. If we can succeed in severing the ties that hold us back we will forge ahead. It is easy to suggest, but I am aware it will be difficult of accomplishment. "I shall stand on the platform on which I was elected. I shall advocate the territorial form of government I consider advisable for the people at this time. I shall favor a scheme for building railroads in Alaska, and I want wagon roads, for I know this is the one great prayer of the people, immediate means for quick letter communication and transportation of light express. I shall ask for mining inspectors, whose duty it shall be to protect life in the mines. We need practical men alone for this, not politicians. Wants a Legislative Body "First and foremost of the questions which the people in the North discuss is that of a legislative addition to our present form of government. It is the one department of the three essentials to government by the people. We have already the judicial and the executive departments; we lack the vital, the most essential. I shall introduce a bill in congress providing for a limited form of government. I will advocate two houses, both elective, the senate to be made up of three men from each division, while the lower house can be made up of, say, eighteen members, selected according to population as by other states or territorial electors. "I shall not propose that they be given the same legislative power granted in other territories. Rather it will be limited, in fact, so modest that I feel congress cannot overlook our request. "We do need, and I shall say we want it so we can have the right to pass a lien law to protect the

	miners who are laboring for wages. We must have the right to supplement our mining laws. It is as necessary to us as navy to the nation. It is our one great industry. We want to protect, to foster it. We want to encourage capital to come in there and we are just as anxious to throw a protecting arm over the miner who is now struggling with so many odds against him. Who better than Alaskans can say what those laws should be? "I realize that the special session of congress which will be called by Mr. Taft is for the sole purpose of a tariff revision. When I reach Washington I shall acquaint myself with all the members who are on the committees who have anything to do with territories and impress upon them the [end of clipping] ALASKA GIRL WINS POINT WITH JUDGE Her Invitation on Behalf of North Yakima Accepted by Wickersham The girl won. Margaret Mulrooney, of North Yakima, accomplished her mission to Seattle and she is happy. Miss Mulrooney is the young Alaska woman selected by the Commercial Club of North Yakima to come to Seattle and invite Judge Wickersham to stop and accept the hospitality of the men of the North who have made their home in the Yakima district. Miss Mulrooney was one of the first to greet Judge Wickersham as he stepped ashore. She was fairly beaming with happiness. The Jefferson, arrived an hour ahead of time and there were few down to the steamer. Incidentally, the Seattle reception committee was not on hand. But the little Alaska girl was there. "Yes, I'll ride up to the hotel with you," she said, in answer to an invitation by Barney Gross, Mr. Wickersham's secretary, to step into the auto. "I have a great secret to tell you, Mr. Wickersham," said the girl, with some hesitation, and then the whole thing was out of the bag. Judge Wickersham listened to her, and Miss Mulrooney told of this man, who was on Discovery at Cleary; another, 4 below on Dome; one from this
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	<p>and that creek, all over Alaska, who are now raising apples in the Yakima valley.</p> <p>“And are they all there, Miss Mulrooney?” inquired the judge.</p> <p>“Why, I haven’t named half of them, and they do so want you to stop over for just a few hours. Won’t you do it? See here is an invitation.”</p> <p>“Yes, I will,” said Judge Wickersham. “I note there area a great many friends of mine on the list you have named, and if they have sent you here to ask me to meet them, they retain the warmth of friendship they had in the North, and they are the kind of friends to have. I will visit there Wednesday.”</p> <p>“I don’t want to go to the hotel. Won’t you put me off here?” said Miss Mulrooney.</p> <p>“Why certainly; but what is your hurry?”</p> <p>“I want to send a telegram to North Yakima.”</p> <p>I am to go over to Yakima, on my way East, and stop over & visit my friends there. There are a lot of Alaska people there & they have invited me & Alaskans in Seattle to come & we will.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23-</p> <p>[Menu]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ARCTIC CLUB BANQUET TO HON. JAMES WICKERSHAM HOTEL WASHINGTON, FEBRUARY 23, 1909 MENU</p> <p style="text-align: center;">----</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TOKE POINTS OLIVES CELERY SALTED ALMONDS STRAINED CHICKEN GUMBO CALIFORNIA BASS CHICKEN LIVER BROCHETTE SLICED TOMATOS ALASKA PUNCH ROAST FILET OF BEEF, WASHINGTON JULIENNE POTATOS WALDORF SALAD EN SURPRISE ICE CREAM ASSORTED CAKE CHEESE CRACKERS COFFEE</p>

<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23-</p> <p>Was accorded a flattering reception tonight at the banquet given to me by the Alaska – “Arctic Club” - in the Washington Hotel. 162 Alaskans and Seattle and Tacoma businessmen sat at the tables. Reception in the gentlemens parlor before banquet. I was introduced by William Pitt Trimble Pres. Of the Arctic Club and John P. Hartman my Seattle lawyer friend acted as toastmaster.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DELEGATE-ELECT WANTS SEATTLE TO HELP ALASKA James Wickersham Is Guest at Banquet Given by the {P-I}Arctic Club{24th} ISSUES AN ULTIMATUM Representative of North Says He Will Book No Interference From Any Other Official Of Territory at Capital-Desires Legislature</p> <p>James Wickersham, of Fairbanks, delegate-elect to congress from Alaska, was the honored guest of the Arctic Brotherhood and the people of Seattle at a banquet last night at the Hotel Washington. Mr. Wickersham was warmly received, and he was visibly affected by the demonstration accorded him. In his speech he pledged himself to the interests of his Alaskan constituents above all else, and begged the aid</p> <p>[portrait photograph] Hon. James Wickersham, Delegate-Elect to Congress from Alaska</p>
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of the people of Seattle and Washington in upholding him in the work to which he has been chosen. While mentioning no names, he issued an ultimatum that if any official of Alaska should try to embarrass him at the national capital he would thereby precipitate a fight, the scars of which the enemy would carry to his political grave. The delegate-elect received the splendid welcome from the hundreds of representative men present as evidencing more their interest in Alaska than in himself personally. He outlined his views on territorial government, stating that what he wanted for Alaska was a legislature with limited power, but with sufficient authority to handle the local affairs of the territory, which have grown too numerous and too great to be handled through the departments of the national government.

Gathering Representatives of Alaska

The banquet was served in the rathskeller of the Washington, which had been decked for the occasion. The tables, arranged in a hollow square about the room, were decorated with blushing red carnations and lighted with delicate-tinted candelabra. Life and color were everywhere, and the buzz of Alaska talk and the laugh of good-fellowship and good stories filled all the moments not occupied with the elaborate menu and the feast of reason.

John P. Hartman was toastmaster. At his right sat Mr. Wickersham and his left H.C. Gill, acting mayor of Seattle. The guests filed into the banquet room at 8 o'clock, and it was after 10 when William Pitt Trimble, president of the Arctic Club, rapped for order.

Mr. Tribble, in introducing the toastmaster, paid a tribute to Judge Wickersham as "the most distinguished citizen of the territory of Alaska" which brought forth an ovation to the guest of honor.

Mr. Hartman then read letters of regret from public officials of the state and nation. Complimentary references to Judge Wickersham were greeted with enthusiastic applause.

Judge Wickersham's Speech

"It is a great pleasure to me to be with you – doubly a pleasure to have you meet in this way in support of Alaska and Alaska matters. You are taking this action, I believe, to show your interest in the territory which has elected me its third delegate. You have been kind to say nice things of me and to cheer me. Years ago, as judge, I went down the Yukon river to Circle City. You know old Matt Weber, who ran a roadhouse up there, Matt was a great grouch. I had heard of him before, and I tried to propitiate him. He was standing at the door when I arrived. I said, 'Are you Mr. Webber?' He did not reply. 'I'm Judge Wickersham,' I said. He answered quickly, 'Oh, the hell you are!' He then proceeded to roast shyster lawyers, and he roasted lawyers all the rest of the evening. So it is not all compliments, but the knocks make the compliments all the more acceptable. I take it as a tribute to Alaska. I am an Alaskan-have mushed it from Valdez to Tanana and down to Nome. I have roughed it, and been as lousy as any one who ever mushed it on the trail.

"In speaking of territorial government-the burning issue in Alaska politics for years-What do you mean by territorial government? We have had for years an executive department, the governor, the executive officers, the judicial department in three courts. But never before the case of Alaska has a territory been organized without a legislature.

"Now, I am not going to interfere in the work of any other official of Alaska. No other gentleman is authorized to represent the people of Alaska in congress. I am responsible. I alone am responsible for that. I expect no interference. I do not believe that any other official will so far forget his oath of office as to presume he represents the people of Alaska and to interfere in my work in congress. That man, whoever he is, is going to get into a fight. And if such gentleman wins over me he will carry away scars of the battle for all the rest of his life.

Judge Wickersham's closing appeal for Alaska, given in an even, earnest voice, roused the

gathering to a pitch of great enthusiasm, and he took his seat amid a storm of applause that amounted to a demonstration.

Judge Ballinger Sends Message

Judge R.A. Ballinger, the next secretary of the interior, was unable to be present owing to a pressing previous engagement. In a telephone message transmitted to the gathering by Chairman Hartman, he communicated to them the following message:

“As secretary of the interior, and a citizen of Washington, a very large part of whose development is due to the great and cordial trade relations existing with the territory of Alaska, I promise that I will co-operate with Mr. Wickersham in obtaining for Alaska everything that great territory demands and stands in need of.” Judge Ballinger announced also a promise from President Taft that the president will have three members of his official family (the cabinet) visit and personally inspect the territory of Alaska during his term and that Alaska might expect from him any legislation looking toward its further great progress, prosperity and development which might be recommended by these gentlemen after personal consultation with the citizenship and the elected delegate of the territory.

Guests Present

Those present included:
James Wickersham, John P. Hartman, E.A. Von Hasslocher, E.R. Dunn, Barney Goss, Elmer A. Friend, A.J. Daly, H.C. Gill, William Pitt Trimble, F.M. Brown, R.W. Jennings, E.S. Harrison, Carl M. Johanson, George Max Esterly, George E. Baldwin, Frank Kernan, Charles G. Debney, Sol Spring, Fred Vogeler, S.H. Kelleran, F.E. Youngs, Thomas Larson, J.L. Lewith, L. Duke, J.H. Irving, J.H. Davis, Ed C. Russell, A.D. Pinneo, Abe Spring, W.R. Morse, E.L. Webster, Henry R. Harriman, Clark Davis, Dr. I.H. Moore, W. H. Ferguson, George E. Miller, S.F. Rathbun, J.B. Powles, E.B. Scott, F.M. Caldwell, A.F. Albertson, of Tacoma; A.H. Soelberg, Maurice D. Leehey, B.S. Paschall, M.D.; H.R. Elliott, John H. Bunch,

Charles S. Wills, Charles H. Hyde, Fred T. Fischer, E.G. Anderson, H.L. Turner, Andrew Nerland, J.L. Briggs, J.C. Gaffney, C.A. Banghart, Samuel Archer, D.W. Burchard, J.L. Yocum, J.T. Gray, Wallace Langley, George Butler, H.F. Berry, James Fish, sr.; D.B. Olson, O.C. Foster, L.W. Suter, Thomas Bruce, W.V. Rinehart, Godfrey Chealander, H.E. St. George, of Fairbanks; W.H.B. Thomas, Harvey S. Jordan, C.S. Weeks, J.H. Smith, Ralph Hopkins, G.F. Clark, J.T. Dickson, R.J. McChesney, J.J. Cavender, I.W. Boothby, R.S. Bates, M.K. Rodgers, E.C. Hawkins, Omar J. Humphry, F.P. Meyer, W.J. Heney, J.G. Price, B.D. Mills, J.L. Green, E.M. Carr, C.S. Hannum, F.J. Nestor, William L. Collier, J.M. Davidson, C.C. Coulter, C.L. Morris, W.H. Bush, J.P. Searce, J.P. Anderson, C.E. Crutcher, Ralph S. Stacy, Alex Larson, J. Herbine.

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President Sends His Regrets

Letters And Telegrams Were Read From President Roosevelt, Through William Loeb, Jr., His Secretary; Vice President Fairbanks, Senator Ankeny, Congressman Humphrey. Senator-Elect Wesley L. Jones, Gov. S.G. Cosgrove, Acting Gov. M.E. Hay And Falcon Joslin, Who Had Been Invited To The Banquet.

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The Foregoing Account Was In The Post-Intelligencer This Morning & The Following Editorial – Also Clipping Following From The “Times”. – “Times” Act. – [W- Drew A Small Sketch Of A Finger Pointing At Clippings]

BATTLE GAGE
HURLED AT
HOGGATT

Delegate-Elect James Wickersham Of Alaska Says There Will Be War If Anyone Seeks To Interfere With Work.
HE ALONE HAS POWER TO
SPEAK FOR NORTHLAND

Gives Notice He Will Brook No
Meddling With Official Duties

At Banquet Tendered Him By
Alaskans And Business Men.

What Alaska Wants.

Delegate Wickersham, of Alaska, announces that his main purpose in congress will be to further the scheme for giving Alaska a full territorial government. this is the pledge of the platform on which he was elected, and he was elected as an independent candidate, in opposition to the candidates of both of the regular political parties, because of that platform and his pledges to follow it.

It is difficult to see how congress can honestly find arguments to avoid giving the people of Alaska what they ask, the same measure of self-government that is given every other community over which the American flag floats. The kanakas of the Hawaiian islands and all of the many semi-barbarous tribes of the Philippine islands today have a larger self-government than is accorded the white American citizens of a territory on this continent.

Of course Judge Wickersham will ask other things of congress, things which it is right and just that this great undeveloped territory should have. He will ask that some assistance be given to the construction of railroads to open up the interior. Congress has extended such assistance liberally to the Philippine islands, which have been a burden upon the country instead of a help to it since their acquisition. Alaska has been more than self-supporting. It has been a revenue producer since its acquisition, and, commercially, the trade with Alaska is more valuable than that with any other of the noncontiguous territories of the united states.

Whatever The Legitimate Demands Of Alaska may be, in presenting them to congress Judge Wickersham should have the earnest and hearty support of the entire delegation from the state of Washington, for whatever furthers the interests of Alaska or aids towards the development of its wealth of resources must aid Washington.

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In response to an invitation to be present at the banquet given last night to Judge James Wickersham, Vice-President Charles W. Fairbanks wired the following:

"I regret that it will be impossible for me to accept. Extend to Judge Wickersham my heartiest congratulations and good wishes. The people of Alaska have honored themselves in honoring him. He will bring to his official duties a high order of ability and a devotion to duty which is reassuring to the future welfare of the great territory from which he comes."

Regrets were also received from President Roosevelt through his secretary, William Loeb, Jr., from former United States Senator Levi Ankeny, from United States Senator Wesley L. Jones, who is now in Washington, from Gov. S. G. Cosgrove, dated at Paso Robles, Cal., from Acting Gov. M.E. Hay, from Congressman William E. Humphrey and from Falcon Joslyn, a Tanana operator now in Chicago.

"I am the sole and only representative elected from Alaska to go to Congress. No other man has the right to say he represents Alaska, and while I shall not interfere with the duties of any officer of Alaska, should any such officer undertake to interfere with me in the discharge of my duties, or seek to represent himself as representing Alaska, there will be war, and that war will be of the offensive kind and if I go down to defeat, my adversary will carry scars the remainder of his life."

In the foregoing language, Representative-elect James Wickersham, of Fairbanks, Alaska, last night hurled the battle gage in the direction of Gov. W.B. Hoggatt, of Alaska. The sensational announcement, or challenge, made by Judge Wickersham, was entirely unexpected, for it came in the midst of a speech covering in a general way the legislative needs of Alaska and his own plans for providing the relief sought.

So, therefore, the startling words uttered in stentorian tones by the representative, who is no mean orator, quite electrified the big crowd of

Alaskans and Seattle business men gathered at the banquet at the Hotel Washington last night in honor of the delegate-elect, by the Arctic Club and Seattle business men.

Not less striking was Judge Wickersham's pronouncement as to corporations, railroad, mining and fishing, operating in Alaska. He spoke evidently without any extended preparation, and when he came to handling the corporations which many Alaskans have been fond of abusing as monopolies in years past, he spoke with great deliberateness, weighing each word carefully and watching the effect of his utterances on his mixed audience of local wholesale merchants and manufacturers and Alaska mining operators, the one class selling annually millions of dollars worth of supplies to the other class.

I do not want to see anybody have power to build a barb wire fence around Alaska and her coast, keeping others with capital from coming into the country to develop it," said the delegate from the North. "I want to see the fishing corporations who take millions of dollars worth of canned salmon from Alaska's waters, contribute some of that rich profit for the maintenance of her courts, her schools and other institutions. Why, the packers used to pay \$80, 000 a year tax on their catch in Bristol Bay, where now they contribute nothing, a law having been passed relieving them of the tax as long as they start and conduct fish hatcheries.

"I would change this, so that these fishing corporations would pay something towards the maintenance of Alaska's courts. Only six months ago the fees in the Third District of Alaska were doubled because there is no money coming in from the fish tax and the courts are bankrupt, so that every litigant must now pay twice as much as the service formerly cost him to get into court, to serve papers, etc.

"I am in favor of getting capital into the country for the construction of new railroads, and I do not want to lay a straw in the way of any man or corporation seeking honestly and legitimately to develop Alaska and her great resources by the construction

of railroads. But these corporations, while they get a square deal in return."

(Applause)

Judge Wickersham eloquently told of Alaska's great natural resources. He said:

"While as a delegate from Alaska, sent by the people of that territory to Congress, I will not have the right to vote, and will be in a class with the gentleman from Porto Rico, that from the Hawaiian Islands and from the Philippines, and thus will be at the foot of the class, I will maintain that not even the thirty-five representatives and two senators from the great state of Pennsylvania will represent greater natural wealth in coal than Alaska possesses. Nor will I admit that the great delegation from California will represent as great wealth in gold as that contained within Alaska's boundaries, and I will maintain further, that no man, either senator or representative in Congress, will have the honor to represent a greater or a better people than the residents of Alaska." (Cheers.)

Judge Wickersham said that while he will urge at all times the passage of a law conferring greater powers of government on Alaska, he does not believe in the wisdom of a bill providing for a county form of government in Alaska. He said he would urge the creation of a legislative body with limited powers, and specifically limiting its powers to levy taxes. His position on this subject, he said, was governed by his desire to do nothing which would deter capital from entering the territory.

H.C. Gill, acting mayor of Seattle, in a humorous speech, welcomed Judge Wickersham to the city. Acting Gov. M.E. Hay sent a letter of regrets, as did J.E. Chilberg who was ill in his room, and Judge R.A. Ballinger, who was detained by a previous engagement. Judge Ballinger, in his letter, specifically pledged himself to aid Judge Wickersham in every possible way to get better laws for Alaska and to aid in the development of the territory.

"I will promise him," said Ballinger, "that three members of the cabinet will visit Alaska this year." (Applause.)

	<p>W.P. Trimble presided and introduced John P. Hartman as toastmaster. The latter coined a new phrase, "Alaska-Washington-Seattle-one and inseparable," that made an instantaneous hit with the big crowd. J.B. Powles spoke for the business men of Seattle, and A.J. Daly, Fred M. Brown and Abe Spring were the other speakers on the list.</p> <p>The P-I said editorially – in its paper.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">What Alaska Wants.</p> <p>Delegate Wickersham, of Alaska, announces that his main purpose in congress will be to further the scheme for giving Alaska a full territorial government. This is the pledge of the platform on which he was elected, and he was elected as an independent candidate, in opposition to the candidates of both of the regular political parties, because of that platform and his pledges to follow it.</p> <p>It is difficult to see how congress can honestly find arguments to avoid giving the people of Alaska what they ask, the same measure of self-government that is given every other community over which the American flag floats. The kanakas of the Hawaiian islands and all of the many semi-barbarous tribes of the Philippine islands today have a larger self-government than is accorded the white American citizens of a territory on this continent.</p> <p>Of course judge Wickersham will ask other things of congress, things which it is right and just that this great undeveloped territory should have. he will ask that some assistance be given to the construction of railroads to open up the interior. Congress has extended such assistance liberally to the Philippine islands, which have been a burden upon the country instead of a help to it since their acquisition. Alaska has been more than self-supporting. It has been a revenue producer since its acquisition, and, commercially, the trade with Alaska is more valuable than that with any other of the noncontiguous territories of the United States.</p>

	<p>whatever the legitimate demands of Alaska may be, in presenting them to congress Judge Wickersham should have the earnest and hearty support of the entire delegation from the state of Washington, for whatever furthers the interests of Alaska or aids towards the development of its wealth of resources must aid Washington.</p> <p>[photograph of James Wickersham]</p> <p>Upon request of the Yakima Com. Club. I left Seattle this morning for N. Yakima – with me F.M. Brown & wife Valdes. John Nestor of Nome, Butler of Fairbanks, Miss Mulrooney & Barney - Arrived at Yakima at 3:00 o'clock & were met by a delegation of Yakima business men. Alaskans & the band.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 24	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th – Continued.</p> <p>We had a long automobile ride around country- & dinner with Mrs. Charbonneau, Mrs. Jesse Noble, Miss Mulrooney, Miss Johnson & our party. There was a reception at the Yakima Club rooms & a banquet at the hotel - speeches, toasts, etc. etc. It was a most pleasant affair and both I and my friends greatly enjoyed it, and the Alaskans in Yakima also seemed pleased.</p> <p>Left Yakima at 3:20 in the morning - Barney & I, for Washington, while our friends from Seattle went back over there.</p> <p>Following is from Yakima papers, 25th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALASKA ADDS MORE TO THE AGGREGATE WEALTH THAN ANY OTHER STATE</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 24	<p style="text-align: center;">-24-</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SAYS JUDGE JAMES WICKERSHAM Yet Her Delegate Is Allowed No Voice arid Her People Have No Power to Make Laws - Aid of Washington Asked to Help People Work Out Their Salvation.</p> <p>"Yakima has carried off Alaska's prettiest girl and is beginning to carry off many of her most desirable citizens who are making their homes in this valley, therefore Yakima owes much to Alaska," said</p>

Judge James Wickersham at the smoker at the Commercial club last evening in addressing a large representation of this community's leading citizens.

Judge Wickersham's speech rang true and that the claims made by his friends that he is the idol of the people of Alaska was borne out by his sincerity and earnestness. In a few well chosen phrases he drew a word picture of Alaska's importance to this state and to the United States as a producer of wealth and as a consumer of products and contrasted this with the lack of consideration that is accorded that territory in legislation and law regulation.

His remarks were in part as follows: Alaska produces more gold in placer and quartz than the state of California, yet Alaska's delegate has no voice in the making of her own laws, for her delegate is allowed no vote in congress and she has no legislature at home.

"Alaska produces more copper every year than the state of Montana, and yet Montana has her two senators and five congressmen. Alaska has a greater deposit of coal than any other state, not even excepting the great state of Pennsylvania, which is represented in congress with two senators and 35 congressmen. Alaska produces a greater supply of fish every year than any other state, and embraces a greater extent of territory than all of that part of the United States east of the Mississippi river, and yet form the least state in the union to the greatest, her delegate to the national legislative halls is only one stage higher up than the man who blacks the congressmen's shoes or the barber who shaves the whiskers from their faces.

"Up in one wing of the national capitol is an entrance over which is a sign which reads, "Finance Committee Rooms." If when I get to Washington I should even attempt to enter that sacred hall I have no doubt but that they would throw me down stairs for my impudence, and yet Alaska pours more than 20 million dollars in virgin gold into this country every year and during the last 12 years there has not been one year when she

did not pay back her purchase price many times over.

"At the time that gold was discovered in Alaska the coast cities of Washington and the whole state was in the grip of hard times and the whole commonwealth was almost bankrupt, but the flood of gold which has flowed into this state has turned the tide upward and it is steadily increasing. In Seattle I learned that the assessed valuation of property had increased by over \$140,000,000 in the last decade alone, mainly because of the immense Alaska trade that has been developed.

"Our population is increasing and it is discovered that Alaska is a great market, a great market for Yakima products, and that she is rich in deposits of minerals. She lies just beyond Puget sound and Washington is and always will e the recipient of her untold wealth. Her people are coming to Yakima to invest their money and make their homes. We pay the highest prices for what we buy and we are now going to ask that the people of the coast sates who are directly interested in Alaska, and particularly Washington, which state is most interested, to help us secure something from congress.

In the first place we want a territorial legislature to clothe the skeleton of laws already in force, with flesh and blood. We want laws that will enable us to untangle the little matters like property liens and laws to prohibit miners form leaving open shafts unprotected. These seem insignificant, but when there is no provision for any of these trifling subjects, the aggregate evil is something colossal.

"We want you to ask Senator 'Yakima' Jones to intercede for us and all of the other Washington legislators to do likewise, so that Alaska may have the opportunity to work out her own salvation. WE have demonstrated our ability, we want the rights to which our importance to this country entitles us."

The smoker was of an informal character and was opened with appropriate remarks by Mayor Armbruster, President Alexander Miller, Judge Whitson and Judge Bruce Milroy of Nome presided and introduced Judge Wickersham.

Judge Brown, mayor of Valdez, followed Judge

	Wickersham and during the course of his remarks he took occasion to pay tribute to Judge Wickersham in the following words:
Diary 15, 1909 February 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>“It has been my privilege to appear before courts over which Judge Wickersham has presided at every session since he has been in Alaska and I have never known a man of higher integrity, of more intelligence, or a man better read in the law than our present delegate-elect to congress. We of the north know full well that his offices there will not be in vain.”</p> <p>Judge Brown was followed by Messrs. Nestor of Nome, Thomas of Dome and Berry of Fairbanks.</p> <p>The distinguished guests were met at the train upon their arrival Wednesday afternoon and taken for a spin in autos, after which Mrs. B.A. Carbonneau served a dinner at her home.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham is hurrying to Washington to confer with President Roosevelt before he retires from office, at the president’s request. He was only prevailed upon to pay a visit to Yakima through the persistency of Miss Margaret Mulrooney, who camped on his trail until he finally consented.</p> <p>The entertainment of the Alaskans was concluded with a banquet at the Yakima hotel, consisting of several delicious courses, followed with a program of toasts presided over by Judge Milroy. Those responding were: Judge Wickersham, Judge Brown, Messrs. Snyder, Redman, Bounds, Henry and Secretary James of the Commercial club.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A SUGGESTION.</p> <p>The ceremonies attending the visit of Judge Wickersham and party in this city were productive of a closer bond between Yakima and the land of the midnight sun. As a result of it the needs of Alaska were voiced in a forceful and pertinent manner and the mutuality of interests between Washington and Alaska made plain.</p> <p>The idea has been suggested that because of the understanding which has been reached through an acquaintance with Judge Wickersham and his ambitions for his constituency, the</p>

	<p>governing board of the Commercial club instruct the secretary to prepare a letter to Senator elect Jones and Congressman Poindexter, requesting them to use every possible endeavor to pave the way for and bring about if possible the legislation in congress that Judge Wickersham, acting for Alaskans, is seeking.</p> <p>It need not be explained that this would at once make it plain to Yakima’s representatives that Washington must look out for Alaska, that she owes it to Alaska to exert this influence, and furthermore, it will show the men at Washington that this community is on the alert for the furtherance of her interests and that these interests have risen above log rolling to the plane of broad minded statesmanship.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JUDGE WICKERSHAM AND PARTY ARRIVE Enthusiastic Welcome Given Alaskan Delegate at Railway Station. Dines With Mrs. Carbonneau, Reception, Smoker and Ban- quet Tonight.</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham, Alaskan delegate to congress, and his party, were given a hearty welcome at the Northern Pacific station this afternoon, when the train arrived from Seattle, by a host of his old friends who knew him in the north, the Commercial club and prominent citizens. The juvenile band turned out for the occasion and there was a big crowd at the station. Former Alaskans predominated in the crowd and were first to rush their way through to grasp the hand of Judge Wickersham. He gave them all a hearty handshake and he and his party were then whisked off in automobiles by former Alaskans for a ride about the city and surrounding country.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dines With Mrs. Carbonneau.</p> <p>The party will take dinner with Mrs. B.A. Carbonneau, at her home, 315 South Fourth street, remaining as the guest of the only woman banker</p>
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	<p>in Alaska form 6 until 8 o'clock. From Mrs. Carbonneau's home the party will be escorted to the rooms of the Commercial club, where a smoker and reception will be held in honor of Judge Wickersham under the auspices of the club. President Alex Miller, of the Commercial club, will preside at the smoker and there will be short speeches by those called upon, and Judge Wickersham will be asked to deliver an address. an orchestra will intersperse the program with music.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Banquet Given by Friends.</p> <p>After the smoker Judge Wickersham will again be placed in the hands of his Alaskan friends, who have arranged to give him a big banquet at the Yakima hotel. Covers will be laid for 50 to 75. Judge Bruce Milroy will act as toastmaster and there will be a number of addresses. The banquet will continue till about train time, when Judge Wickersham and his party will leave Spokane and the east.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Ballinger Party in Spokane.</p> <p>Judge R.A. Ballinger, who is slated for the secretaryship of the interior, will not be a member of the party as originally planned. Word was received by Secretary James, of the Commercial club, and Mrs. Carbonneau, yesterday that pressing business in Spokane would compel Judge Ballinger to leave Seattle at once over the Great Northern. President Alex Miller, of the Commercial club, tried to get Judge Ballinger by telephone last night, and have him reconsider, if possible, but he could not be reached.</p> <p>Accompanying Judge Wickersham were Frank M. Brown, mayor of Valdez; John Biglow, a millionaire of Alaska; Frank Berry, of Berry Bros., and Barney Goss, secretary to Judge Wickersham.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">One More Stop-Over.</p> <p>The party will stop at Spokane tomorrow where it will be joined by Judge Ballinger, and then they will all proceed to Washington, getting there just in time for the inaugural. A party of friends of Judge Ballinger's and Judge Wickersham's will entertain</p>

	<p>them in Spokane, and may also accompany them to Washington.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham has a large number of warm personal friends living in North Yakima and vicinity, with whom he became acquainted in the earlier days in Alaska. It was through their efforts that the delegate was induced to stop over.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">YAKIMA IS CLOSELY RELATED TO ALASKA</p> <p>Judge Wickersham Explains Allied Interests at Smoker and Banquet.</p> <p>Party Welcomed and Entertained By Commercial Club and Old Friends.</p> <p>That Judge James Wickersham, Alaskan delegate to congress, was pleased over being persuaded to stop over in North Yakima to visit old friends and be the guest of the Commercial club, was indicated in addresses he made before the Commercial club and at the banquet at the Yakima hotel last night. The other members of the party were just as well pleased.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham said he wanted help from North Yakima to carry out his mission as the non-voting member of the Alaska legislature, which meets in Washington to "not make laws" for his far away country. He appealed to his hearers to use their influence with Senator Jones, Senator Piles, and the congressmen from this state to assist him in getting the ear of congress, which might result in remedial legislation. He said the interests of the Yakima valley are very closely allied with those of Alaska, the big red apple being exchanged for yellow gold.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Smoker at Commercial Club.</p> <p>After dinner with Mrs. B.A. Carbonneau the party of Alaskans went to the Commercial club rooms, where a reception and smoker were tendered to Judge Wickersham and his party. President Alex Miller, of the Commercial club, presided, but in honor to the party and the many Alaskans in the</p>
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	room, his duties were placed in the hands of Judge Bruce Milroy, who has "seen service" in Nome. Mayor Armbruster welcomed the party to the city and Judge Wickersham was introduced.
Diary 15, 1909 February 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alaska Contributes Much Wealth.</p> <p>"Alaska contributes more to the aggregate wealth of the United States," he said, "than any other state in the union, yet the people of Alaska have no voice in the making of their laws, no self government. Alaska is rich in all the mineral resources, she produces more gold than California, she has a greater copper field than Montana, a greater deposit of anthracite coal than the state of Pennsylvania, is rich in timber lands and her fisheries are greater than all the states combined, yet the citizens of Alaska may only elect a delegate to her 'legislature' in which he does not even get a vote. We are sending over \$20,000,000 annually in gold alone to the United States, and we are just starting. The state of Washington and the northwest get the greater part of the benefit of our treasure because it all comes to Seattle. We are your best customers for much that you produce we give you yellow gold for, and pay 25 to 50 cents each for your red apples, and send our people down here to purchase your land and help build up this great valley with their gold.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Built Up State.</p> <p>"Seattle is just about half way between New York and Alaska. Seattle has been built up with Alaskan gold and is destined to be the great metropolis of the Pacific coast. But it is now learned that Seattle does not need the gold from Alaska as in former years, and it must find another market, close at home, for exchange. That market is your beautiful city of North Yakima. Our people are coming here, paying you your price for your land, investing their gold, and many of them are making their permanent homes among you. North Yakima is next to Seattle to Alaska, the first city this side of Puget Sound to attract your wealth and it is doing so. We ask you to help us. We ask you to use your influence with 'Yakima' Jones and Senator</p>

	<p>Piles, and the entire Washington delegation, to get the legislation we need to develop our great vast resources of wealth."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Judge Brown Speaks.</p> <p>Judge Fred M. Brown, mayor of Valdez, was the next speaker. Diverting from a discussion of the amount of gold produced in Alaska, he said they had a great coal fields untouched, a climate on the southern shores that is surpassable, no colder than in the Yakima valley; thriving cities, agricultural land which raises potatoes, strawberries, vegetables, wheat, hay and other farm products equal to any in the United States. He used his time in telling of other things about Alaska, many of which were unheard of except by those who have lived in that northern country.</p> <p>Other speakers were Judge Edward Whitson, of the Eastern Washington judicial district of the United States court; Frank Berry, of Berry Bros., wealthy mining men of Alaska; John Nester, of Nome, and George Thomas, the United States court commissioner at Nome, who has already invested heavily in the Yakima valley.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Banquet for the Visitors.</p> <p>After the smoker a banquet was served at the Yakima hotel by resident Alaskans. Covers were laid for 60. Judge Milroy acted as toastmaster, and responses were made by Judge Wickersham, Attorney A. Snyder, Judge Brown, Dr. A.J. Henry, William H. Redman; Irvin Bounds and Secretary James, of the Commercial club.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yakima Outdoes Seattle.</p> <p>Before adjournment Judge Brown rose and said: "I just asked my friend Berry here the day of the month. He said it is the 27th. We have dined nine times in the last 48 hours and, basing his calculation on three meals a day, figures three days ahead of time. In Seattle we were given a big banquet, but I want to say here, that this spread, its service and entertainment, is better and nicer than we had in Seattle."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham and his secretary, Barney Goss, left at 3:20 this morning for Washington. Judge Brown returned to Seattle today and will sail</p>
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	<p>for Valdez Monday morning.</p> <p>[clipping] ALASKANS YAKIMAS' DEBTORS. During the week just passed it has been the good fortune of the people of Yakima valley to meet and know many of the foremost figures in the political and business activity of the far north. Receptions and banquets in honor of Judge James Wickersham and his distinguished party have been tendered and mutual felicitations exchanged. Of the career of Alaska's idol and honored delegate to the congress of the United States, all were more or less familiar before his visit. The</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>latter contact with his wonderful personality and his engaging manner, has endeared him to the hearts of the people of this community full as much as though he were one of our own men. Whatever his people at home may think of him, he is regarded just as highly here, and his ambitions and aspirations for his constituents are shared even as much as they are by those who elected him to the distinguished office which he is seeking to fulfill in the capital of this nation. As proof it is only necessary to mention the letter of instruction that is being prepared by Secretary James of the Commercial club to Senator Jones and Representative Poindexter in congress asking them to do all in their power to enable Judge Wickersham to accomplish the very worthy objects that he seeks in his mission to Washington. So strong was Judge Wickersham's appeal and so thoroughly sincere was his evident purpose to accomplish needed legislation in connection with his visit to congress, that the people of Yakima felt intuitively that the very least that they could do would be to exert every possible political influence in his behalf. It has been the good fortune of the management of this paper to meet and know many of the remarkable characters of Alaska. They are estimable gentlemen. Much more might be said but it has been our experience that to know them</p>

	<p>well is a rare privilege and one well worth cultivating. That Judge Wickersham was delighted with the good fellowship and the "Godspeed" that Yakima gave him is only a corroboration of the heartfelt desire of all Yakimans for his future success and welfare. Alaska is a wonderful place. The richness of her resources are well known. The hospitality and the generosity of her people is significant. All who have lived and labored in the northern wilds, love her and well they may, yet when certain aims and ambitions have been accomplished, her people look forward to making their homes in a clime where the winters are less rigorous and where more of the associations emblematic of earlier associations are to be obtained. In years gone by these men who fought and toiled and struggled to wrest from the wealth of this northern country a competence which might enable them to establish themselves in the states, have expected to locate in Seattle, because Seattle to them has ever been synonymous with "home." In the evolution of events and the onward march of time, Seattle has grown to a great metropolis. Property values and investment opportunities have grown apace and there is no longer on Puget sound the chance of investing in a moderate fortune and realizing the returns that were possible a few years ago. As a result of this situation, Alaskans have been coming to Yakima. They give testimony to the fact that they have found in this community a home which offers all of the advantages of fellowship of Seattle and, what is more, all and more of the opportunities of investing a little money with the prospect of returns in a measure commensurate with the opportunities to which life in the land of the midnight sun has accustomed them. Such people as Henry Cook, Mrs. B.A. Carbonneau and Judge Thomas of Fairbanks, Judge Bruce Milroy and John Mestor of Nome and Judge Brown of Valdez, who have purchased and become infatuated with the beautiful Yakima valley, are indicative of the strength of the appeal which</p>
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	<p>the inherent advantages of this clime suggest to the men and women who have made good under conditions far more trying than those of the community which they have chosen for their final home and resting place.</p> <p>Yakima has tendered to the distinguished men and women of Alaska not one bit more hospitality and but little more attention than is extended to all other visitors who are in question of a home and favorable surroundings in the great northwest. But Yakima likes good citizens and Yakima people know none better than Alaskans. The people of that country are always and at all times welcome in this city and community not because they have money, but because they are worthy of the very best that any people are able to accord.</p> <p>Yakima trusts that many others from the north will come to Yakima and become acquainted with us. If they like us and see in our valley opportunities for investment, all well and good; if they feel that the proper opportunities for investment are not to be found here, we are satisfied. Yakima wishes them the greatest possible success and the greatest amount of happiness that is to be found anywhere on God's great footstool. No other people deserve more, we trust that they will never obtain less.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 February 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>[clipping] {Times} DO YOU SEE THAT CHIP? {3/2/09}</p> <p>Now comes into public view Hon. James Wickersham, delegate-elect from Alaska. Head erect, eyes front, like a man ready to dare and die, he is winging before the gaze of all beholders - in his hands a club, on his shoulder a chip.</p> <p>"Don't you knock that chip off," says he.</p> <p>"He means just what he says. In general terms he is addressing all comers, and he wants it understood from the outset that any man who trifles with the chip is more than likely to encounter the club.</p> <p>Specifically, he is reputing some almighty plain talk to Hon. Wilford B. Hoggatt, Governor of Alaska.</p> <p>Back of it all is political history, which Wickersham, who has a good memory, chooses not to forget.</p>

	<p>Primarily it relates to the manner in which certain delegates were sleeted for the Republican National Convention last summer; secondarily, it goes a bit further into the past.</p> <p>"While I shall not interfere with the duties of any officer in Alaska," says Judge Wickersham, "should any such officer undertake to interfere with me in the discharge of my duties, or seek to present himself as representing Alaska, there will be war; that war will be of the offensive kind, and if I go down in defeat my adversary will carry the scars the remainder of his life."</p> <p>Thus the Delegate concedes to the Governor the right, if he so choose, of constituting Washington, D. C., the winter capital of Alaska; but there must not be any executive meddling with the legislative business of the territory. Such an act on the part of the Governor will be construed as unfriendly, and tantamount to a declaration of war.</p> <p>While the Governor may take his instructions from the Chief Executive, the Delegate proposes to go his own way, according to his own sweet will and the exigencies as they may arise. He feels entirely qualified to fight his own battles.</p> <p>When the voters of Alaska elected Wickersham, they picked a man who has been in many a live scrap and has learned to grow; fat on mix-ups. He was appointed judge, and made Alaska too hot for thimble-riggers and sure-thing artists - consequently they got after him to prevent confirmation. Despite uncompromising opposition in the Senate, he held the place, spending many a long and weary day at the National Capital, trying to get a fair-and-square deal. Finally, when he quit, he had not been licked - it was a drawn battle.</p> <p>In his new capacity, Wickersham is going back to the councils of the nation. He remembers the experiences of Delegate Frank Waskey, genial and competent, whose name had such an insidious and inviting sound that it always provoked a smile.</p> <p>Also he has in mind the testimony of Delegate Tom Cale, rough-and-ready, who liked not the devious ways of the national lawmakers and who will have to pass through several reincarnations before he can recover from his disgust at the chicanery of politics.</p> <p>Wickersham has also noted that both his official</p>
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	<p>predecessors encountered the “other representatives” of Alaska, and he knows that their recollection on that score is so unpleasant that they prefer not to talk about it.</p> <p>Hence Wickersham, embossed with chip and armed with club, proclaims:</p> <p>“I am THE SOLE AND ONLY representative elected from Alaska to go to Congress.</p> <p>That is to say, he intends to be “on the job,” or know the reason why.</p> <p>Since Alaska has always been an anomaly - a territory without a territorial form of government - a community that has been roundly taxed without having had the least representation -the “representative” from Alaska has been very much like a foundling. Certainly there have been self-constituted “men of influence,” ever ready with patriotic fervor to turn an honest dollar in promoting legislation supposed to be in the interest of the territory; but for the most part the fatherless child has been left on the doorsteps of some good-natured Senator or solicitous Congressman.</p> <p>Thus it has happened that there have been discovered in official life the following-named “Special representatives” of Alaska:</p> <p>Hon. Knute Nelson, Senator from Minnesota. Hon. William Sulzer, Congressman from New York. Hon. F. W. Cushman, Congressman from Washington, Hon. Will E. Humphrey, also Congressman from Washington</p> <p>In view of Delegate Wickersham’s pronouncement, it would appear to be up to the aforementioned Senator and Congressmen to take notice.</p> <p>Nelson, with McCumber, fought Wickersham to the last ditch in the judgeship controversy - it is said not because they loved Wickersham any the less, but because they loved somebody else who wanted the job, (and whom they would be able to name) a great deal more. With them the new Delegate is not particularly eager for a fight. While he is not exactly inviting them out, the chances are that if they happen into his path he will glance at the chip and grip the club a little tighter.</p>
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	<p>It is much the same with the others, but not quite so much so. They may be, and probably are, regarded as harmless and inoffensive.</p> <p>Sulzer is interested in blue foxes and peacock copper, from which sources he hopes to add to his already comfortable store. He wants to take a summer jaunt to the Southeastern coast, view the landscape from the comfortable deck of an excursion steamer, and when he gets home tell all about the country, even to the frozen reaches of the paleo-crystic sea.</p> <p>Cushman is so closely identified with Alaska that he considers himself a favorite son. Once he was North on legal business, and after hurrying to Washington he tried unsuccessfully, under the “constructive grab”, to collect mileage from a point near the north pole to the National Capital, totaling some \$1,500. Ever since that time he has regarded himself as one of the “special representatives”, and has affected to be expert on all Alaskan legislation.</p> <p>Humphrey once braved the thickets of Kodiak, and triumphantly ambushed a brace of ferocious bears. He potted mother eagles by the score and as trophies stripped the Bird of Freedom of her legs and claws. With picturesque regularity he has gallivanted between the igloos of the Arctic and the thatched huts on the Isthmus of Panama; and on that basis appears to think that he, too, has a preferred lien on the title of Alaska’s “special representative.”</p> <p>To them once and all “Jim” Wickersham gives notice. The founding dodge is out of date. It belongs to the inglorious past. Wickersham is “The Sole and Only,” and he wants them all to remember not to forget.</p> <p>Wickersham has no vote, that privilege being denied a Delegate. But he has a right to the floor, he has his voice, his brain, his brawn, a big club and a highly-sensitized chip. He is likely to prove an interesting study in the primitive art of “swatting”</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1908 February 28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Feb. 28th</u></p> <p>Reached Chicago at 10 a.m. and remained 2 hours. Frost, of the Alaska Central Ry. met me and we went to Union League Club and smoked & talked the 2 hours about his road & receivership thereof in Reid’s court in Alaska. Explained the situation fully to him - he is very bitter against</p>

	<p>Judge Reid for appointing Goodwin & Labaree & allowing nearly \$4000 per month receiver's salary.</p> <p>Left Chicago at Noon for Wash. Judge Ballinger, Sec. of Interior, is on my train & have already had many fair talks with him - especially this afternoon. He strongly urges me to avoid open warfare in Washington with Hoggatt & Shackelford & says</p>
Diary 15, 1909 February 28- March 4	<p style="text-align: center;">-28-</p> <p>I shall have a fair deal with the administration. Mch. 1st</p> <p>Reached Washington today & found Debbie at the Raleigh Hotel waiting for me. She has had her visit to Hampton Roads - Norfolk, Portsmouth - saw the fleet reach home from its tour around the world. Darrell is all well & had a visit with him. He is still on the "Louisiana" and will come to Washington in a week for his examination for promotion to a Lieutenant. Mch 4th</p> <p><u>Inauguration Day Of Taft.</u> This was a frightful day - a heavy snow storm raged all forenoon and spoiled the outdoor parade etc. A foot of snow and slush covered the</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 4	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>streets and made marching bad & waiting in line dangerous.</p> <p>Contrary to the usual custom the inaugural ceremonies took place in the Senate Chamber. As a Delegate-elect I had a seat on the Senate floor & saw & heard the whole ceremony - President Taft was sworn in & Roosevelt came forward & shook hands with him, talked in a low tone to him & then retired through an outer door - and left immediately for his home in New York.</p> <p>Taft read his inaugural address. The Senate was convened in special Session - V.P. Sherman took his oath & station as presiding officer & Fairbanks retired. New Senators were sworn in - "the King is dead - long live the King," - the change was made.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 4	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>Debbie saw the parade etc. from a covered seat opposite - north of - the Treasury Building. We have been at the Raleigh Hotel, but will go to the Portland - 14th & Thomas Circle, on Monday. Congress will meet in special session on the 15th to take up <u>Tariff Legislation.</u></p>

	<p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TALKED ABOUT IN HOTEL LOBBIES</p> <p>President-elect Taft's selection of Judge Ballinger to be Secretary of the Interior is particularly pleasing to the people of Alaska, and, I may say, to the whole of the Northwest, said Judge James Wickersham, delegate-elect from Alaska, at the Raleigh. Judge Wickersham, who was United States judge of Alaska for several years and resigned to make the race for Congress, arrived in Washington yesterday to attend the inauguration, and will remain through the extra session of Congress.</p> <p>No man in the whole country has a more comprehensive knowledge of the needs of Alaska than has Judge Ballinger," continued Judge Wickersham, "and if Mr. Taft had selected a Secretary of the Interior with the particular purpose in view of dealing with matters in Alaska he could not have found one so competent. The secretary of the interior, more than any other officer of the Federal government, will have an important work to perform in regard to Alaska, and it is because Judge Ballinger knows that country and its needs more intimately than any other public man that people of the Territory are happy over his selection.</p> <p>"Alaska," continued Judge Wickersham, "will be one of the most important sections of the United States in the years to come. The people out there are not thinking of Statehood, except in the distant future, but they do want, and will strive to obtain, a Territorial legislature, which they should have. We produce more coal than Pennsylvania, more gold than California, and more fish than any other part of the world, to say nothing of our seal fisheries and the possibilities of agriculture."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham has been many days on the way from Alaska. His home is in Fairbanks, 400 miles from the seaport of Valdez. In the winter season it is necessary to take the trip from Fairbanks over snow. "We were about eight days on the trip from Fairbanks to Valdez," said Judge Wickersham. "A large part of the road must be traveled in single-horse sleds, and a stop is made every night at a roadhouse along the route. When we approach Valdez we had to turn aside to allow a great string of sleds going into the interior to pass. There must</p>
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	have been 200 of these sleds, following one after the other. This shows what a large amount of goods is going into the interior.”
Diary 15, 1909 March 7	[James Wickersham’s identification card to get into President Taft’s inauguration ceremony] -7- It was proposed to give a dinner to Cale, but it was thought that Gov. Hoggatt would not be inclined to attend so a bunch of Alaskans invited all Alaskans to meet tonight at Hancock’s restaurant. 1234 Pennsylvania Ave. - a mere informal gathering of Alaskans, each to pay his own share - & thus rob it of personal or political features. Next page is the “P.I.” account.
Diary 15, 1909 March 8	8 [clipping] WICKERSHAM TOASTS HOGGATT; GOVERNOR DRINKS TO DELEGATE Alaskans Attend a Love Feast in Washington-Politics are Barred WASHINGTON, March 7. - (Special.) -Nineteen Alaskan who are in Washington, gathered around the board at Hancock’s restaurant last night at a harmony dinner. The seating arrangement was such that Delegate Wickersham sat on Gov. Hoggatt’s right and Falcon Joslyn, of Fairbanks, was seated at the governor’s left. Harmony prevailed, but no politics was talked. Delegate Wickersham proposed the Governor’s health, and the Governor reciprocated by proposing the delegate’s health. Those present, beside the governor and the delegate, were: L.P. Shackelford, Falcon Joslyn, C.W. Young, Daniel Sutherland, A.E. Light, Michael J. Sullivan, Charles E. Herron, ex-Delegate Cale, P.J. Costen, J.C. McBride, Barney Gross, Joseph Sullivan, Wythe Denbick, Mr. Vanhook, Mr. Judd, Harry White and Peter verified. WALTER E. CLARK. {Seattle P.I. March 8, 1909} There seems to be a desire on the part of Gov. Hoggatt’s friends to give it a “political harmony” color which it was not intended to have. Still I favor a mere harmonious arrangement of Alaskan affairs for the Administration would soon tire of our bickerings - I want results in legislation, and would gladly forego

	personal quarrels to get them, but I will not be imposed on - nor will I permit them to put me in the light of tamely surrendering to Hoggatt.
Diary 15, 1909 March 10	-10 th - On account of Ballinger’s suggestion of the “Big Stick” - and to get my self established again in the regular Republican organization I am <u>ceasing to fight</u> Tom Lyon’s candidacy for Judge in Alaska. I am urging his unfitness to sit at Juneau, - but my objections do not seem to be as effective here as they are in Juneau - but I’ll do my duty & let the consequences fall where they may! Shackelford & I have talked with Secretary Ballinger & then with Atty. Genl. Wickersham & have consented to let the following be appointed without objection, so as to avoid a petty fight & probably get nothing for ourselves or Alaska:
Diary 15, 1909 March 10-14	10 We consent to: Tom Lyons, Judge, (to Succeed Gunnison) Dan Sutherland, U.S. Marshal, W. C. Powell, “ “ P. D. Overfield, Judge (to succeed Reid) C.D. Murane, U. S. Dist. Atty. (new division). Further than this we could not agree. - they will fight Robe and I’ll fight Shea, & we do not even discuss a judge for the new division. -14 th - Sneveley, who lived in Eagle City in 1902, on account of my decision against him in the case of Eagle City v. Sneveley, over contest on overlap of his land on the town-site of Eagle, is making good his threat and is sending a most libelous and vicious printed letter to each member of the House of Rep. calling me a “felon”
Diary 15, 1909 March 14-15-16	14 and referring to the old case against me of 20 years ago - My intuition is to keep still without some objection is raised - or I am asked about it. I have his letters demanding money & could probably have him arrested for blackmail but shall not! March 15, 1909 Special session of Congress met today - I was sworn in without question & took my seat - that is

	<p>no one took a seat, or will until the drawing tomorrow. A very short message from President Taft called Congress to work on Tariff - and nothing else will be done this session.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mch. 16.</p> <p>Drawing of seats today - I got the seat formerly occupied by</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 16	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>Jones of Washington - now Senator = No 380, on the Republican side. <u>On Saturday night the regular Republican Caucus of Housemembers was held in the House chambers - I knew that Shackelford had filed objections against my admission -alleging as his ground that I had been elected on an Independent ticket - but I went, - was admitted - placed on the "regular" roll, voted for "Uncle Joe" Cannon for Speaker, etc.</u> Darrell is up here taking his examinations for Lieutenant in the Navy. - He is scared, as usual, but will pass without doubt. We are now located at the "Portland" 14th & Thomas Circle - Darrell is still at the Raleigh.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 20	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Have been much concerned about appointments - Ballinger has bound me over to keep the pace, and I can not cry out without first going to him - so just before noon today I went to see him & he asked me to go to lunch with him which I did. On the way he said that the matter of appointments was just as it had been - that our agreed appointments would be made - & while at lunch he told me that he just had the President sign a general order requiring all Territorial officers to remain at home and attend to their business until they had special authority from the Sec. or Pres. to leave their territories. He said that an application had just been received from Gov. Curry of N.M. for leave of absence, and denied & that</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>this gave him the opportunity to make the general order - that he knew I would be glad to get it on account of my objection to Hoggatt's presence in Washington etc.</p>

	<p><u>He also told me most positively, but confidentially, that Lyons was to be appointed Judge in the Fairbanks Division & not the Juneau division.</u> I expressed great satisfaction at this information & told him that it relieved me from much difficulty & doubt -(& I hope it will be carried out). Hoggatt is not here - he is in New York, but I feel sure that he and Shackelford will move everything to undo the effect of this order. The evening Star this evening has the clipping on the next page, and it has been telegraphed out west & to Alaska. We are sending it as a clipping.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MUST STICK TO JOBS Secretary Ballinger's Order to Territorial Officials TOO MUCH GADDING ABOUT Governors' Lobbying Trips to Wash- ington Not desired. At Work Within an Hour After Ar- riving From New York-Sum- mers to Be Reappointed.</p> <p>Territorial officials in Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico, Hawaii and Porto Rico are going to get a little shock in a few days when they receive an official order from Secretary Ballinger of the Interior department informing them that in the future they must remain in their territories except in cases of emergency. Secretary Ballinger called at the White House today and his contemplated order no doubt received the approval of President Taft. No explanations will be given in the order of the Secretary, but it will be emphatic enough for territorial officials to understand that they are to make their headquarters at their respective stations and not in Washington and other points. The order is intended to put an end to governors and other territorial officials coming to Washington during sessions of Congress and spending many months here lobbying for the passage of measures or for statehood. Some Notable Instances</p>

During the session of Congress just ended Gov. Hoggatt of Alaska spent three months in Washington, frequently appearing at the White House and being seen almost daily in the halls of the Capitol. He appeared as representing the Interests of Alaska as to legislation. Gov. Curry of New Mexico, who was a rough rider, spent several months hustling for statehood for New Mexico, and a number of other officials of the territory joined him. Gov. Kibby of Arizona was in evidence in this city a good part of the time during the efforts for statehood.

A few days ago Elias Clark, attorney general of Arizona, arrived in Washington and did some work for the reappointment of Gov. Kibby as Governor of Arizona, and visits are frequently made to Washington for this and similar purposes.

Delegates Enter Protests

The delegates in Congress from the respective territories have complained about the work of territorial officials for many years. Thomas Kale, who was the delegate from Alaska in the last Congress, did not conceal his objections to the presence of Gov. Hoggatt in Washington. The delegates have claimed that they were sent to Washington to represent the Territories, and that their efforts were often opposed by the governors, United States attorneys or others from the territories, thereby causing conflict and generally failure in putting through legislation.

From the territories also there have been complaints of the absence of the governors and other officials, business being sometimes suspended for weeks until the return of the absentees. Mr. Ballinger believes the territories are entitled to better service from their officials than this, and his order will break up a habit that had begun to attract much attention.

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MUST ATTEND TO BUSINESS.
Secretary Ballinger's Hint to Territorial Officers.
WASHINGTON, March 20.-This statement was given out at the Interior Department to-day:
"Under the administration of Secretary Ballinger of the affairs relating to Territories the Territorial officers will be expected to devote their time exclusively to the duties

of their respective offices, and leaves of absence to enable such officers to visit Washington will not be approved by the Secretary except in cases of emergency, the reasons for which must be satisfactory to the Department."
The announcement that Territorial officers will be expected to remain at their respective places of official residence is supposed to have been brought out by the presence here of several Governors and other officers of the Territories this winter. Gov. Curry of New Mexico spent a good deal of time here while engaged in the campaign to secure statehood for that Territory. Gov. Hoggatt of Alaska has also been in Washington for some time, although on leave of absence granted by the President of the Secretary of the Interior.

Diary 15, 1909
March 22
-22nd-
Recd, telegram from Geo. Nowell asking me to meet him at Shoreham tonight on his arrival from Boston. He is coming to fight Lyons appointment. Met him & while we were sitting near the elevator landing - Gov. Hoggatt - Shackelford & Sec. Ballinger came down - they are evidently begging him to make exception -Gov. Curry of N. M. has resigned today & that helps to draw attention from Hoggatt also.
Shackelford & I went to see the Post-Master General today about Robe's appt. at Fairbanks, as Postmaster. We could not agree & he said he would examine the papers, etc. -Shackelford also asked for leave & files objections in writing & I to reply - agreed to - its a fight on this office.

Diary 15, 1909
March 23-24
-23rd-
Acting upon conversation etc. with Harry White I went to see Congressman McKinley of Cal. about an appropriation - to defray expenses of the President to the Pacific Coast & to Alaska - he immediately called a meeting of a few Pacific coast congressmen & we agreed to call a meeting of all Coast Congressmen on Thursday at 3 p.m. to consider the matter.

-24th-
Called with Shackelford, on Atty. Genl. found Judge Gunnison there, - when he came out he said Lyons

	had been appointed Judge & that he was out. We then saw the Atty. Genl. <u>who said Lyons would be sent to Fairbanks for a year.</u> His & Murane's appointment are to be sent in first - The Atty Genl. at my request sent a telegram to Judge
Diary 15, 1909 March 24-25	-24 th - Reid at Valdes ordering him to stay at Valdes until further orders. -25 th - <u>Shackleford served me with copy of a written protest against Robes appointment in which he charges, in effect, that Robe represents the "gamblers" and the bad element in Alaska - it opens the door wide to me to go back at him & Gov. Hoggatt - and I shall make my reply warm.</u> Lyons & Murane - Judge & Dist. Atty. were nominated today - Sutherland and my friends are anxious and think this means a "job" on Shackleford's part, but I don't think so. The Atty Genl is acting square, I have no doubt: Darrell was nominated today as Lieutenant in the Navy. - thus skipping the Junior Grade & taking double promotion.
Diary 15, 1909 March 25	-25 th - Later - Went to see the Atty. Genl. with Senator Jones and Major Ballaine about the Alaska Central litigation at Valdes - when we went in the Atty. Genl. mistook Ballaine for Shackleford and drew out a number of affidavits made by Cobb & the Nowells attacking Lyons, and also Shackleford, for perjury, subordination of perjury, etc. in Juneau litigation, filed by Geo. A. Nowell, today, to prevent the appointment of Lyons as Judge - I called the attention of the Atty Genl to his mistake & he apologized to Ballaine, but said <u>that he intended to withdraw Lyons appointment from the Senate and hold it up until the matters in the affidavit could be investigated.</u> Did not see Nowell on this trip - he has gone back to Boston and will return on Monday - I am afraid this will complicate Alaskan appointments.
Diary 15, 1909 March 26	-26- Went over to see Solicitor Genl. Hoyt -

	this morning about testimony in the old Richards contempt case - I want to use it in answer to Shackleford's attack on Robe - Hoyt then went after me about my remark to the Atty, Genl. that Shepherd - <u>whom he said was his cousin</u> - was a gambler and a drinker. He denied the accusation, etc. <u>think I'll get the evidence for Hoyt said the Atty. Genl. did not believe it.</u> Have had a long consultation with Stephen Birch, Eccles & Steele, of the Copper River Ry. Co - this afternoon - and I told them with brutal frankness about the Cordova Election frauds, the fight their people made against me in the last election - they listened with interest etc. I think explained that I wanted a law passed giving Alaska
Diary 15, 1909 March 26	-26- a local legislature & that I wanted them to help me - & that I wanted Gov. Hoggatt to go home and attend to his duties as governor etc. The conversation covered the conditions in Alaska very fully and I think some good will come of it. I explained very frankly to them that I only asked fair consideration for the people of Alaska and wanted nothing from them politically. That their support politically would do me more harm than good, etc. The following clipping looks like weakness on Sec. Ballinger's part, since he told me that it was intended to cover Hoggatt. Still it leaves Hoggatt here in violation of the rule, even if the Secretary must violate it for him. [clipping] TERRITORIAL OFFICERS MUST STAY AT HOME Secretary Ballinger Orders Office Holders to Keep Closer to Their Legal Residence WASHINGTON, March 20. – (Special.) -Secretary Ballinger issued a statement today saying that all territorial officers would be required henceforth to remain on duty at their respective places of legal residence, and come to Washington only in emergency and when ordered to do so. The statement was regarded by some persons as

	<p>directed toward Gov. Curry, of New Mexico, who has been here in the interest of statehood, and Gov. Hoggatt was requested to come here by Secretary Garfield. Secretary Ballinger explained tonight that he did not have Gov. Hoggatt in mind when he issued the statement and that there are, in fact, reasons why the Alaska governor should remain in Washington for the present.</p> <p>Walter E. Clark</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 27-28	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Recd, letter from Atty Genl. containing copy of the charges against Lyons, & saying that in view of their serious nature he had withdrawn the nomination pending investigation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Sunday. It now looks to me as if my yielding to the coercive efforts of Sec. Ballinger in favor of peace in Alaskan matters is likely to turn out badly. He is not keeping that friendly alliance as fairly as he promised and from his constant applications & daily association and support of Hoggatt & Shackelford I am inclined to believe he is giving them strong support & growing cold in my favor.</p> <p>Well, if he does it may force me to put on war paint and go out on the war path. However, I</p>
Diary 15, 1909 March 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>intend to keep my part of the compact. Shackelford's insulting letter about Robe is yet unanswered because I am waiting to discover a time when it can be answered without endangering the appointment of Sutherland and Overfield but Ballinger suggested in my interview with him yesterday - that it might be six months, now, before my friends would be appointed - and that a new man for Judge at Juneau might be named etc.</p> <p>He seems to be more favorably inclined toward Hoggatt & has, in effect, nullified his order requiring territorial officials to remain at home - so far as Hoggatt is concerned.</p> <p>I intend tomorrow to have an interview with the Atty Genl & Hoyt, Solicitor Genl. about the Shepherd judgeship accusation & get it straightened out - even if a row is necessary to do it.</p>
Diary 15, 1909	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p>

March 30-April 1	<p>Nothing new - Lyons name was withdrawn from the Senate and the Atty. Genl. yesterday heard Nowell & Shackelford on proofs - but the matter was continued over till Friday. Nothing new about other appointments.</p> <p>Darrell and Debbie are having a visit - for a month & both are enjoying it. Debbie's health is excellent, - she looks better than she has for many years & feels it too.</p> <p>Am engaged in preparing my letter in answer to Shackelfords objecting to Robes as postmaster at Fairbanks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-April 1st-</p> <p>Went & saw Ballinger - showed him the Shackelford letter & told him the situation - that it was intolerable - that Hoggatt was here knocking etc. and he told</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 1-5	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>me that he thought they were not acting in good faith and that he would talk to Postmaster General Hitchcock about it, and that he intended to have a serious talk immediately with Hoggatt & that the Gov. would go Alaska Immediately. Hoggatt has been allowed to remain here on account of his wife's condition - a baby one month old.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Nothing new. Wrote to Hoggatt asking for copy of Shea letter - No new information about appointments.</p> <p>Long automobile ride with Debbie & Darrell.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5-</p> <p>Things warming up in House - Was offered opportunity to talk on the subject of Tariffs on Coal, - would have done so on Saturday - but not today.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 6	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Election day in Alaska.</p> <p>Saw the Atty. Genl. today & he told me that Ed. Cushman would be appointed to the new 3rd Div. Dist. - the Valdes district - in Alaska. Also that he intended to reappoint Powell at Nome. The charges against Lyons are yet being investigated. Saw Secty. Ballinger & he had seen the P.M. Genl. & advised me to do the same about Robe, as postmaster at Fairbanks. Also called on Franklin K. Lane, Int. Stat. Com. & had a pleasant visit.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 7	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Called on Senator Elkins of West V. today on coal tariff matter. He asked me to prepare him a</p>

	<p>statement of coal conditions in Alaska, and I have done so. The House has practically put coal on the free list, and I want the duty of 67¢ left on, & my statement is in aid of that effort. I also wrote the Atty. Genl. a strong protest today against assigning Lyons to the 1st Div. - the Juneau district, and asked him to assign Cushman there. I also got Congressman Cushman interested in the same way & it may result in something. My Alaska friends are furious at Lyons being sent to Juneau, - & I agree with them.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 8	-8 th -
	<p>Three or four days ago I wrote a letter to the Atty. Genl. asking him to send a telegram to Crossley, Dist. Atty. at Fairbanks, to take the affidavit of Wells, Parkes, Stier & others in the matter of charges against Judge Reid. Did so on telegram from Fairbanks requesting it - enclosed to Atty. Genl. copy of telegram which I wanted sent. <u>Received letter</u> from him just now saying that <u>he had sent the telegram</u>. <u>Have completed & sent to senator Elkins, W. Va. & to each senator from Oregon, Wash. & California statement showing the great necessity for keeping the tariff of 67¢ on bituminous coal!</u></p>
Diary 15, 1909 April	-9 th -
	<p>Recd letter from the Atty Genl saying that the objection to Cushman's appointment assignment to Juneau was that his appt. was not to take effect until July 1. I answered during Cushman's appt. & assignment to Juneau, & concluding "<u>in the interest, alone, of peace and good order in Alaskan courts, I beg you to make that assignment.</u>" I also saw Cushman & gave him the situation & he agreed to go over to the Atty. Genl. in the morning and insist upon Ed's appointment & assignment to Juneau. The Tariff bill passed the House today - now the fight begins in the Senate. <u>Sec. of the Interior, Judge Ballinger took dinner with Debbie & me tonight.</u> Darrell is in New York for a week.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 10	-10 th -
	The tariff bill passed the House today & was sent to

	<p>the Senate - The Senate Com. has been at work on the bill for some time & it now looks as if we might get away from Wash, early in May. The President has withdrawn the name of Powell, U.S. Marshal, Nome - two of Shackelford's friends - Lyons & Powell are thus pulled down after appointment. Have succeeded in getting Cushman hard at work to try & get his brother E.E. Cushman appointed judge and assigned to Juneau. I have also filed today an additional protest against Lyons being assigned to Juneau & with Cushman's effort & the Nowells knock we may gain the point - which I think of great importance.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 11-12	-11 th -
	<p>Sunday and sick - not seriously. -12th - Called on Dermott, Com. G.L. office & consulted with him about appointing trustee for the townsite of Ketchikan - he promised me to appoint C.E. Ingersoll - one of my friends and a very good man. Have written to Ingersoll. Telegram from Jonas saying my friends carried the Fairbanks election April 6th and asking me to get Love sent out to the coast & Sullivan sent to the Interior & to get Sullivan to appoint Boyer his first assistant -deputy etc. Sullivan is not here but I've written to his brother. Chas. S. Wulff. Sec. Rep. Ter. Com. Alaska, here & has gone this afternoon to see Hitchcock about politics.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 13	-13 th -
	<p>Received letter from the Atty. Genl. saying that he had finally determined to appoint Lyons & Cushman - and to send Lyons to Valdes for a year - Cushman to Juneau for a year - & then exchange them. I feel greatly discouraged at the attitude of the Administration over Alaskan matters - Hoggatt & Shackelford are controlling for more than <i>they</i> ought and it is greatly to the detriment of the Territory. Recd, telegram from the Tribune saying that if there was no court in Fairbanks before the clean up in May there was sure to be trouble - and I can easily believe it. I answered saying there would be no court there before July.</p>
Diary 15, 1909	-14 th -

<p>April 14-17</p>	<p>Have finally determined, to go into a fight here against Governor Hoggatt and Shackelford. Have begun the preparation of a detailed statement of the political situation in Alaska in the Answer to charges against L.S. Robe, whom I have endorsed as postmaster at Fairbanks. I intended to prefer charges of misfeasance and malfeasance against Governor Hoggatt in it and as a part of it, and try and clip his [end of sentence]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17-</p> <p>Have been working on a Statement of Government Affairs in Alaska –being an answer to Shackelford's charges against Robe. Barney went over to N.Y. yesterday for me to get facts from Ryan & Perkins to assist me in answer. Also telegraphed today to the N.C. Co. Fairbanks.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 April 17-19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>My friends in Juneau were very ugly at me at first but got a letter from Cobb yesterday explaining that they were hasty & that they now knew I was right etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-April 15.- [probably meant 18]</p> <p>President sent in the names of Lyons for Judge 1st Div. Juneau, Sutherland for Marshall Div. Juneau Telegraphed Dan.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19-</p> <p>Sent the Senate Com. on Judiciary at their request endorsement of Dan Sutherland, and also copy of my protest against Lyons assignment to Juneau. I won't protest against Lyons confirmation - for I don't want the administration down on me, but I won't endorse him or his confirmation.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 April 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">April 20th</p> <p>Attended opening of bids for care of the Alaska Insane before Sec. of Interior. Dr. Goddard's bid - Sitka Hot Springs Sanitorium \$25.00 per month each – Mt. Tabor Sanitorium, Portland, Oregon, \$27.50 per month each.</p> <p>Dr. Coe of Portland was present and made a strong statement & argument against giving the bid to Goddard, & I made statement & argument for keeping the Insane in Alaska. The matter was</p>

	<p>taken under advisement. Telegraphed to Goddard. Am still working on statement in Answer to Shackelford's letter against Robe. Darrell went over to N.Y. and will go back to his ship on Saturday. Raining</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 April 21-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Am to go with Sec. Ballinger to call on the President tomorrow morning. Working on my answer to Hoggatt – Shackelford letter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Have just come from my first interview with President Taft - Secretary Ballinger kindly took me up with him and introduced me. I invited him to come to Alaska this summer & he said he would if the Congress would pass an appropriation to pay his expenses - and if they did not he could not come.</p> <p>He talked about his own poverty & said that he got back from the Philippines with only \$1,500. and spent that in the campaign.</p> <p>I also said to him that we wanted his help in Alaskan legislation - that we wanted a territorial Legislature in Alaska.</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 April 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>He objected to that and said we were not yet settled people - that we were (not his exact words) "turbulent people", that he had just ordered troops to move up there to keep miners from creating disorder etc. I answered saying that he did that in other States & Territories and that our people were generally quiet and law abiding - He smiled & changed the subject. I left a copy of my article on "What Alaska needs in Organic law," from the Yukon - Alaska Magazine, Jany 1909-and asked him to read it - he promised - but won't.</p> <p>On my way back I talked to Ballinger - if Alaska gets relief it must be through him. Hoggatt has quite evidently prejudiced the President's mind & I think the only way to get it in shape is through Ballinger. - B- told me</p>
<p>Diary 15, 1909 April 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>confidentially, What Alaska needs first is a Governor of the right type - one who has a board mind and can and will appreciate the needs of</p>

	<p>Alaska. He said that Governor Hoggatt would not be a candidate for reappointment. We then discussed (B & I, on the way back to his office) whether or not Alaska is a Territory & to my surprise he says it is not. I called his attention to the case of U.S. v. Rasmussen, 197. U.S. 5.16.- & I also told him that Franklin K. Lane, Comr. U.S. Interstate Com. Com. had spoken to me & asked me if Alaska is a Ter. saying that if it was the Com. had jurisdiction, etc. Ballinger said that he was opposed to the Com. expressing any jurisdiction over the Ter. - that he had power to regulate rates etc. & that he thought it would be harmful for the Inter State Com. to act.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 25	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Darrell's leave of absence was ended yesterday and he returned to his ship - the Battleship "Louisiana" now lying at Hampton Roads in Norfolk Va. Debbie will go to Illinois a week from today. Nothing new in politics except that George A. Shea has been here - he kept out of sight, but is evidently assisting Shackelford to convince the Administration that I and my friends are the representatives of the "gambling and liquor machine" of Alaska. I intend to give his pedigree pretty fully along similar lines in my answer to Shackelford's charges of that kind.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Nowell (Geo) and Chas. G. Wulff - the first from Juneau and Wulff from Valdes are here fighting Lyons confirmation and they had the Judiciary Com. sent for me this morning. Present Senator Brandager & Senator Sutherland -Shackelford representing Lyons & also Nowell & Wulff against him. They forced me into the hearing - I refused to go until Senator Brandager requested me to come saying that he had no time to write the request but did to personally over the phone. Nowell undertook to cross examine me about a statement that Shackelford made to me that they desired Lyons appointment as a protection to their clients against the Nowell litigation. I was examined by all parties & I took this position that I desired to work with the Administration which had determined to</p>
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April 27	<p>divide the offices in Alaska between the two factions. The "Big Stick" was held over us & we each bowed our necks & consented that the administration's choice should go through & I agreed under that condition not to oppose Mr. Lyons. I said in Answer to a direct question that if I had been free to choose I would <u>not</u> have chosen Mr. Lyons, and that I had protested in writing to the Atty. Genl. against his assignment to the 1st or Juneau Division because of the local feeling there against him. I said that I knew of no charge of wrong doing against Lyons that I would trust him but that there was a bitter feeling against him on account of Hoggatt & Shackelford, etc. Nowell and Wulff are making a better fight against Lyons and may succeed - John Lyons, of Valdes is here -he keep s away from me - & Shea of Fairbanks is also here -both "knocking" me & fighting for the Hoggatt-Shackelford combine.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 28	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>The Lyons fight still on before the Judiciary Com. Wulff and Nowell still making every effort to present his confirmation & they think to prevent this confirmation & they think with some chance of Success. Wulff also wants to be appointed one of the Census officers for Alaska & I promised to endorse him. <u>Sutherland was confirmed as U.S. marshal for Juneau today.</u> Good - that helps, for he will undoubtedly do much to harmonize my friends there. On Monday I saw Tawney, Ca. of the House Com on Appropriations about the Presidents trip to Alaska & told him what the President said. He agreed to go to & see the President - which he did - & today announces that he will endeavor to secure the necessary appropriation to pay the Presidents trip to Alaska!</p>
Diary 15, 1909 April 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Have finished my letter in answer to the Hoggatt-Shackelford letter against Robe for Postmaster at Fairbanks. Have not hurried the matter on account of Sutherland's appointment and Confirmation, but now feel that it ought to be pushed promptly. -30th -</p> <p>Telegram from Dan Jonas, Fairbanks saying that Robe was defeated by a few votes by the Ronan-Maddocks-Pepper Democratic ticket - 5 of our ticket out of seven</p>

	<p>was were elected - Robe was the eight man with 390 votes. John & Tom Lyons just called - they are here trying to get Tom confirmed - They were reasonably friendly, and I told them why I protested against Tom's assignment to the Juneau division - they don't appear to take my opposition badly.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-1st-</p> <p>It now looks as if this Special Session would never end - the tariff bill is in the Senate 5 the House meets on Monday 5 Thursday for just time enough to adjourn - while the Senate is conducting its operations - It looks as if an adjournment will not be reached before July 1. -and no one can fix the date. Have finished my letter today to accompany "Statement & Evidence" in answer to Hoggatt-Shackleford letter of March 24 – against Robe. <u>Wrote letter to Atty General yesterday & delivered it. Petitions etc. to Pardon Clerk, in Atty Genls. office in re commutation of the Sentence of Vuko Perovich from death to imprisonment for life.</u></p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 2-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-2nd-</p> <p>Darrell came over from Norfolk today & spent the day visiting with us - he went back tonight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd-</p> <p>Mr. P.D. Overfield, candidate for judge in Alaska is back in the city & U.S. Marshal Dan Sutherland will be back tonight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th-</p> <p>Debbie started West this afternoon at 4. p.m. Dan Sutherland came to town - Am going to talk with John & Tom Lyons this evening about Tom. going to Fairbanks as judge.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5-</p> <p>Lyons was confirmed as Judge yesterday. I am disappointed that he was assigned to the first division - its Ballinger's fault.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 6-7	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th-</p> <p>Learned today that the Atty Genl had ordered Lyons to go to Fairbanks and hold court there for three months. <u>Nominated George Kennedy, 20 years old, born & raised in Juneau for appointment as cadet at West</u></p>

	<p><u>Point, Military School.</u> Called & had quite a talk with the Attorney General today & gave him a copy of my Answer to Shacklefords letter of charges against Robe. Sent original to Postmaster General Hitchcock & gave Shackleford 2 copies - one for himself & 1 for Hoggatt.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th-</p> <p>Wrote official letter to the Attorney General today in which I am attempting to get him to answer the inquiry: Is Alaska a Territory?</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 11	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th-</p> <p>Went over to New York on Saturday evening (8th) and visited Mr. James II. Ralph at the Waldorf-Astoria. On Sunday he and Stephen Birch & I went out automobiling - we went up the Hudson shore to Peckskill & then Eastward to Westchester & to Portchester on Long Island Sound, & thence back to New York. We had lunch at Briarcliff Hotel, & a beautiful day & an enjoyable ride. Met John Lyons in New York Sunday night - Shackleford & Judge Tom Lyons were in Boston on Monday (yesterday) visited with Birch. Lyons & Mr. Ralph in the down town part. Called on Judge</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 11	<p style="text-align: center;">11</p> <p>Wm. A. Day. Came back to Washington last night on the "Congressional Limited" train. Sent telegram from N.Y. yesterday asking A.L. Hamilton to send me Quartz outlook. Also sent one today to Louis Rhodes asking for same information. Received copies Fairbanks papers today - the "News-Miner" - edited by Thompson, with McGinn & Barnette as "angels" - is now roasting me most viciously & attempting to start a fight on me with Judge Lyons, - just as I expected. Such a course will drag Lyons down hill promptly, but as he has only a few months in Fairbanks he can be made to do many things unfairly that wont be a damage to him - but may be to me.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 13	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th-</p> <p>Saw the President again this morning & he said "I shall expect you to prepare the itinerary of my trip to Alaska," & suggested 3 weeks as the time he</p>

	<p>ought to spend in making it. Am now preparing the itinerary. Saw Ballinger & Atty Genl. Wickersham last evening & P.M. Genl. Hitchcock in the forenoon yesterday. It looks as if Hitchcock will <u>not</u> appoint Robe, but will appoint Pepper on account of a promise made to Shackleford at the Chicago Convention. Talked to the Attorney General about the removal of Reid & the commutation of Perovich's sentence. I am determined to "grin" & say nothing publicly, but work with Ballinger to aid me in both matters. Think the judgeship can be arranged.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 14-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th-</p> <p>Alaska papers received today say that I was affirmed by the Circuit Court of Appeals in the cases against Louis R. Pratt, for contempt of court. While I regret to see the old man have to pay the fine it is just that he should for he was certainly brutal in his fight against me, and deserves the penalty.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th-</p> <p>Secretary Ballinger telephoned to me last night at 11 o'clock asking me to come to his office this morning at 9. He began by talking about the Fairbanks post office and said that he had personally urged Hitchcock to appoint Robe, but that H- said he would probably not appoint either Robe or Fetter, but a new man. He then referred to a conversation that we had some time ago about Governor</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 18	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>Hoggatt's resignation & told me that he & the President & Sec. of State Knox had talked the matter over and had concluded to appoint <u>Walter E. Clark</u>. He went on to say that Clark was my friend, etc. etc. When I could get a chance to talk I protested quietly but earnestly against the appointment, saying that Clark represented the Hoggatt-Shackleford-Guggenheim-Jarvis interests & had fought me through his press reports in the Post-Intelligencer at Seattle, etc. I begged him not to make the appointment. I begged him not to make the appointment. He was evidently greatly annoyed at my</p>

	<p>stand, but restrained himself & urged that I go and tell Sec. Knox now I felt. He made an appointment with Sec. Knox & I went to see him & repeated my objection more in detail and more earnestly & urged to him that Clarke's appointment was a</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 18	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>blow at the best interests of Alaska & in the interest of the fish, transportation, coal & copper trusts etc. I also urged him to give us a man for Governor that hand affiliation with any Alaskan faction - a broad gauged man who would be governor of the whole territory and not a faction etc. But it did no good. Clarke has long been the intimate friend & press agent of Knox & he will stand by him. The matter is to be taken up at the cabinet meeting this morning & I presume Clarke's appointment will be announced. I said everything both to Ballinger & Knox that I could fairly and I now feel that, I am outside the administration lines - Ballinger has wealthy thrown me over - simply because he had not the strength to stand by our agreement for peace.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 18	<p style="text-align: center;">Later:</p> <p>Within two days after the first intimation that the administration was considering Water E. Clark for Governor - his appointment was made. It was sent in this forenoon and now I must see the Territory controlled for four years longer by Jarvis & Shackleford. Well, I did my best in the few minutes I had to persuade them not to do it - but in vain. <u>Walter E. Clark, governor - the subservient servant of Jarvis the Guggenheim Trust etc.</u> I am disgusted with Ballinger. He knew I would oppose Clark & when 3 days ago he received a telegram from Hoggatt announcing his resignation he kept me in ignorance.</p>
Diary 15, 1909 May 18-20	<p style="text-align: center;">Later-</p> <p>Walter E. Clark came to my rooms in the Portland & called for the first time since I have been in Washington - I told him frankly what I had said in opposition to his appointment & that I intended to continue to object - <u>but that I did not intend to oppose his confirmation before the Senate!</u> I did this because I do not intend to be put into the position of fighting the President - though I shall attempt to persuade the President to withdraw the appointment</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th-</p> <p>Called on Senator Knox and told him that I did not intend to oppose Clarks confirmation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th-</p> <p>Am preparing a letter protesting against Walter E, Clarke appointment.</p>
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