

Diary 43, 1933-1935	[Front cover] <p style="text-align: center;">Diary Of James Wickersham -From- October 16th 1933 -to- July 10th 1935</p>
	[inside front cover – clipping] <p style="text-align: center;">HONORARY DOCTOR OF LAWS DEGREE CONFERRED ON JAMES WICKERSHAM Pres. Bunnell Presents Candidate For Honor To Mrs. Hess, Secretary Of Board Of Trustees. RECORD IS CITED Second Honorary Degree To Be Conferred By Alaska College</p> <p>An inspiring feature of the Thirteenth Annual Commencement exercises held at the College May 20 was conferring the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws upon James Wickersham in recognition of the long and faithful service to the territory and to the College.</p> <p>This is the second honorary degree that the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines has awarded. The first was an honorary degree of Doctor of Science to General James Gordon Steese at the tenth Annual Commencement in May 1932.</p> <p>In presenting Judge Wickersham to Mrs. Luther C. Hess, Secretary of the Board of Trustees for the honor, President Bunnell cited his many noteworthy accomplishments.</p> <p>James Wickersham, a native of the state of Illinois, was admitted to the Bar in 1880. He was Probate Judge in Pierce County, Washington, from 1884 to 1888. During 1893 and 1894 he was City Attorney at Tacoma, Washington.</p> <p>In 1900 Mr. Wickersham came to Alaska to be United States District Judge of the third division, which position he held until 1907.</p>

	<p>He was Delegate from Alaska to the 61st-66th Congress from 1909 to 1921, a period of 12 years. During this time he introduced the Bill which resulted in the construction of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines. This Act was approved March 4, 1915 and Mr. Wickersham laid the cornerstone of the College on July 4, 1915. He returned to the College last year to deliver the Commencement Address and to break the sod on the site of the Eilson Memorial Building.</p> <p>Between 1931 and 1933 he returned to Washington as Delegate from Alaska to the 72nd Congress of the United States. Since 1933 he has been practicing law in Juneau.</p> <p>He is editor of Alaska Territorial Law Reports in seven volumes covering a period of from 1867 to 1928, and Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, listing publications concerning Alaska between 1724-1924.</p> <p>The doctor's robe was placed upon Judge Wickersham by Mrs. Luther C. Hess and Dean Ernest N. Patty. The diploma was presented by Mrs. Hess. This honor having been bestowed, and in response to President Bunnell who was the first to congratulate him, Judge Wickersham, showing great appreciation, responded simply, "I thank you."</p> <p>As soon as the Benediction has been said, crowds of friends filed onto the commencement stage and congratulated him upon his receiving the honor. Judge Wickersham, in his several statements, expressed himself as being very pleased with, and sincerely grateful for, the honor bestowed upon him.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DOCTOR OF LAWS</p> <p>The conferring of the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws upon Judge James Wickersham at the last Commencement of the Alaska College was most appropriate. It is fitting that the College should give distinguished recognition to the man who did more than any other one person to bring it in to being, who worked whole-heartedly for it when the</p>
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	<p>majority of the people in the Territory thought that the attempt to establish an institution of higher learning in Alaska was quixotic and ridiculous. Judge Wickersham while Delegate to Congress, fostered the bill introduced into the Senate of the United States in 1915 granting four sections of land for a site for an agricultural college and school of Mines. On the 4th of July of that year Delegate Wickersham gave the principal address at the laying of the cornerstone for the first building. He then did a great deal to foster enthusiasm in the Territory and to get an appropriation from the Territorial Legislature for the construction of the building.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham is worthy of the honorary degree for other reasons besides his interest in and early work for the College. He is a throughgoing Alaskan and has a deep interest in the Territory, and as a student of its history he has collected much interesting and valuable material. His "Bibliography of Alaskan Literature" will long remain a valuable reference book for historians and others.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1933 October 16-18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>October 16, 1933.</u></p> <p>Argued demurrer before Judge Alexander in Westerland vs Green - Bond: Court held with me - plaintiff asks rehearing: We have friends, Pond and Winter for dinner tonight. -17th -</p> <p>My commission of Notary Public expires today & I am having it renewed. -18th -</p> <p>Court meets every day - trail jury. I make no effort to get criminal business - it is undesirable & there is neither honor nor profit in it.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1933 October 18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">THE ALASKA WEEKLY Published Every Friday By THE ALASKA WEEKLY CORPORATION 2100 5th Avenue, at Lenora, Seattle, Washington SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1933 Sidelights of Sourdough</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Reunion in Los Angeles</p> <p>Right here we want to share with you all some of the splendid letters read during the convention. Everyone loved the letter from Judge James Wickersham, which began: "It would be a pleasure to attend the festivities at that famous roadhouse, and sit with you, crowding near the round-bellied, red hot oil tank stove, stuffed with a roaring fire of spruce wood, while our felt shoes and wet socks hang steaming from the bailing wire stretched on the pole frame around the stove pipe, as we listen, open-mouthed to some gray-headed Yukon liar trying to outdo the last one. How often we have been happily entertained by Bill McPhee, 'Waterfront' Brown, Dan Callahan, George Kilroy, Gordon Bettles, Bruce Slater and other of the numerous Yukon sons of Ananias - and how we loved it, and them. May their kind never perish!</p> <p>"Memory calls up the picture, as I write, of the old time around house table, as you will probably see it at your convention feast in the most beautiful city of America - (how to you think Seattle likes that, Judge?), with its Granite coffee pots, one at each end of the board, presided over by good old "Flatwheel" himself, flanked by cans of Eagle Brand Milk, with nail holes ready for use, the can artistically ornamented with a picture of the contented cow: plates piled high with stacks of sourdough flapjacks, hunks of alleged fresh California butter just out of the brine barrel, platters overflowing with bacon and beans, a huge roast of cariboo just off a nearby hillside, cans of Vermont Maple syrup blended in a San Francisco warehouse, and jars of A.C. Co. pickles - a plentiful supply of grub, fit for any mustier who straddled a gee-pole and cussed the dogs for a twenty-mile jaunt since he ate his breakfast at his mornings camp fire. I would be happy to sit with you and drink a tin cup of Hooch Albert's best Circle City Brew, or even take a swig from the bottle of Cyrus Noble - but its a long wet trail from Alaska to your miners meeting on the great outside, and I cannot come.</p> <p>"Sometime during the reunion, stop proceedings</p>
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	<p>for at least one minute and say a prayer for the unfortunates - men and women who failed to find the longed-for pot of gold, but whose mortal remains rest in lonely or unknown graves somewhere in the wilderness of the Northland, far from home and kindred; and, do not forget the hard working and faithful dogs who drew our sleds and shared our hardships and grub piles along the Arctic trails. Imagine them tied to nearby spruce trees, in the open, after their once-a-day meal of dried salmon</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1933 October 18</p>	<p>18</p> <p>or N.A.T. '98 bacon and rice, and ask every dog lover present to stand and listen to the reading of verse from Frank Cotters roughneck rhyme to the Malamute:</p> <p>But you can't tell me God would have Heaven So that a man couldn't mix with his friends; That we are doomed to meet disappointment When we come to the place the trail ends. That would be a low grade sort of Heaven, And I'd never regret a damned sin If I mush up to the gates, white and pearly, And they don't let my malamute in.</p> <p>"And since you have thought it wise to organize the International Sourdough Reunion, Inc., for the perpetuation in your adopted homes of the true and romantic spirit of the Yukon Northland, whose Arctic Brotherhood Motto has always been – 'There is no Boundary line here', you may excuse me for repeating an international verso intended for another occasion, but even there, dedicated to the constructive virtues of the pioneers of the Yukon.</p> <p>Who first explored the Kwikpak wide, Who floated down wild Pelly's tide, Who built fur posts for Indian trade And bought the Book to the Yukon glade; Who blazed the trail over Dyea divide Who built their boats on Lindemans side, Who worked the Stewart's bar, awhile, and found the paysteak on Forty Mile; Who mined at Circle, and Klondike Creeks, Who camped at Nome, neath Anvil's peaks, Who founded Fairbanks, opened its mines, And prospected where the Iditarod twines.</p>

	<p>Who built its towns, its roads and trails, Who planned its railroads, and laid rails; Who guide in counsel, in creating homes And inlaying a States foundation stones. "It is a patriotic duty you have undertaken to preserve the history and romance of the great Yukon basin stampedes, in which each of you bore your good brave part, and all Alaska wishes you a happy time at your Los Angeles Reunion." It would have done your heart good, Judge, to have heard the applause which followed the reading of this letter and to see the smiles on the faces of those at the "Miner's Meetin'" you mentioned.</p> <p>-Oct. 18th continued.</p> <p>Dinner with Governor Troy tonight. Present - the Governor, his daughters, Mrs. Morgan & Mrs. Bender, Judge & Mrs. Alexander; Com. of Education Mr. & Mrs. Karnes, Mr. & Mrs. Faulkner,</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1933 October 18</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Mrs. Wickersham & I, and Mr. R.E. Bender, the Governors son-in-law.</p> <p>After an excellent dinner the guests played "Bridge" - a card game utterly unknown to me, but in playing which the Alexander's, Faulkners and the Governor are expert. Mrs. Alexander sang and played the piano - in both of which she is singularly expert - she has a good well trained voice and sings & plays the piano like a prima donna. The Alexanders are social beings, and seem greatly to enjoy their friends. Grace won the first prize & Faulkner the other – Mrs. Faulkner is the most expert player in town & it was amusing to see him carry off even the lowest prize - not her.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1933 October 19-21</p>	<p>-19th - Working in the office. -20th - Same as yesterday. -21st - Court sustained my demurrer in Westland v Bond & Evans wife. Misaction of the court relieves the Greens – my clients – from any charge on their property and leaves Bond to carry the burden – which is both equitable – lawful & just.</p>

	Bar association meeting today. Judge Alexander attends – he is very democratic in his manner & well liked by the lawyers.
Diary 43, 1933 October 22-23	-22- Sunday, but I worked on brief on Mechanics Lien - for plaintiff as against Bond, in case of Westland v Bond & the Greens. The latter are my clients & Bond has attempted to defraud both Westland & the Greens, hence my attempt to hold Bond liable - as he clearly appears to be under the citations of court decisions. Cold Taku wind blowing. -23d- Attended court, but trail criminal case on & could not get anything done in my law matters. Taku wind blowing.
Diary 43, 1933 October 24-25	-24- The very tempestuous Taku wind has been blowing three days, but is quieting down this evening. Young Carrigan came in & settled for correspondence about his Tennessee lands - paid me \$15 ⁰⁰ ! -25 th - Calm & snowing. Grace had two mechanics working till late, getting the attic apartment ready for a Mr. & Mrs. Davidson, connected with the U.S. Geological Survey. Tonights <u>Empire</u> says Gov. Troy is going to Washington at request of the Sec. Int. to look after Alaska <u>appro's</u> .
Diary 43, 1933 October 26-27	-26 th - Working on law brief for court argument in Westland lien case - for Fox - who thinks he is beaten - but is not! -Octo. 27 - <u>Married Deborah S. Bell, at Rochester, Illinois, Octo. 27, 1880.</u> Fox, Atty for Pflf. in Westland v Bond, is making a third attempt to get Judge Alexander to overrule my demurrer in that case. Gov. Troy started last night to Wash. & just received a latter from Bunnell, Pres. Agri. College that he will be on next boat to same fountain of Demo. appropriations & offices. Recd. letter from Judge Gore, Nome,

Diary 43, 1933 October 27-28	27 that Larry Sullivan, Dist. Atty. at Nome has been requested to resign & did so, and that ONeill will take his position Immediately. Gore thinks he will have a similar request soon. He will return to Ketchikan, while Sullivan will Practice law at Nome for a time. -28 th - Judge Alexander held Westland Lien insufficient - sustained general demurrer interposed by Stabler! & <u>overruled Motion</u> by Fox to set aside my order on demurrer. This practically ends the case, but Fox intends to file an Amended Complaint trying to base a lien Equity as against Bond!
Diary 43, 1933 October 29- November 1	-29 th - Sunday, working in library arranging books & reading. -30- Wrote letter to Paul P. O'Brien, clerk U.S. Ct. Ct Appeals, S.F. asking for copy of printed Record in the case of Jackson v. U.S. 102. Fed. 473 – the only printed record of the trial of any of “Soapy” Smiths gang of Skagway highway men. -31 st - As usual in the office. -Nov. 1, 1933 - Busy in the office as usual. Also rewriting two first chapters for my “ <u>Old Yukon Trails.</u> ”
Diary 43, 1933 November 2	-Nov. 2- Paying my monthly bills. One Swain, from Enumclaw, Wash. seems to have gotten hold of Fritsche’s stock in the Porcupine Min. Co. and has written to me about handling his claims – he is purchasing some of the liens of the miners who worked on the claims and other unalienable claims & wants to secure judgment for all these amounts & sell the mines & buy them in etc. <u>It is a mess</u> & I am going to be careful about it. Will talk it over with Faulkner who sent Fritsche to me as a client. Forgot to attend the weekly meeting of the Chamber of Commerce.
Diary 43, 1933 November 3-7	-3 rd - Have consulted with Henry Roden in relation to his becoming interested as attorney with me in the

	<p>Fritsche v Porcupine Mining Co. cases. He will examine the papers and we may then average the matter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Have been sick at home for two days with a bad cold. I am over it now & worked as usual in the office. New business coming in but not in unusual amounts. Still something new all the time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 8	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Attended hearing in capitol of Juneau-Douglas Bridge matter. Noyes, U.S.A. Engineer – quite a crowd & much interest – nothing. Genl. James Ashton, Tacoma in town – endorsed him to Behrends. Sent Maud & Nellie \$10⁰⁰ Harry \$5. I expect they need much more. Sent this telegram to La Guardia elected Mayor of new York yesterday: <u>“Juneau, Alaska, Nov. 8, 1933.</u> <u>Hon. J.H. LaGuardia,</u> <u>New York City: We Alaskans congratulate you on your glorious victory stop you well deserve that honor and we hope</u></p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 8-9	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p><u>the highest office comes to you in early time.</u> <u>James Wickersham</u> He carried New York over the determined opposition of both Tammany and the Roosevelt administration – by majority. He has consistently been friendly to Dan Sutherland & myself in all Alaska matters.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Attended luncheon at Chamber of Commerce meeting today & heard Mr. Phil Bradley denounce the Presidents gold – financial plans most vigorously – also his N.R.A. efforts & said the people in the</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 9-11	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>Were bring strong oppositions etc. It was a strong anti-Roosevelt speech & will not get any applause from the Democratic press.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Catching up on correspondence & having two last</p>

	<p>– (using the 1st and 2nd) Chapters of my Old Yukon Trails typed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p><u>Armistice Day.</u>” Worked on finishing (for the 3rd time) my Ms. “<u>Old Yukon Trails.</u>” Am refreshing some sheets by retyping and adding two new chapters – Mrs. Davis (Uncle Sam’s Attic) would be shocked to see them!</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 12-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Sunday. Same as yesterday!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>My old Tacoma friend, Gennas James M. Ashton, called – he is here in the matter of raising the S.S. <u>Islander</u>, which sank off the south end of Douglas Island with a loss of about 70 passengers. She is supposed to have on board about a <u>Million</u> dollars, more or less. She was found some three or 4 years ago, and is now being raised from about 300 feet They now have her on shore of Admiralty Is. in about 40 feet of water, and will finish the</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 13-15	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>job in the spring. Ashton represents the law questions & also the Salvage Co. which is doing the work, and suggests that if any serious matter rises he wants me to assist R.E. Robertson as counsel!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Genl. “Jim” Ashton, my old Tacoma friend, of 1883 to date, took dinner with us tonight & seemed to enjoy it very much.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. I loaned Gustav Oien, \$40⁰⁰ to make a trip to Seattle to get the supplies for his Assay Office.</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 16	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>With the assistance of a good stenographer have this day finished the third re writing of my Ms. “Old Yukon Trails,” and intend to send it to West Pub. Co. St. Paul, hoping they may publish it as a relief to lawyers & judges & give them a book relating to Courts in the Wilderness! Anyway I shall not again re write or change or add to it. <u>Its done</u>, and if no publisher become interested I will add it to my ms in my Alaska Library and let it lie there until some</p>

	one will be interested hereafter and a publisher shall appear – someone will in time!
Diary 43, 1933 November 17	-17 th - Had a group of Indians in the office today – told them plainly the troubles which prevented the passage of the bill to pay the Tlingit & Haida tribes – by the U.S. – for their tribal lands taken by the U.S. in 1867. Present: Johnson of Kake, Eli Katanook of Sitka, Williams of Hoonah & Brown of Haines. I made it clear to them that they had a fair case against the U.S. for recovery, but they must organize their best men, employ a lawyer, -1 or more – and be loyal to him & their case – and that their chances were fair to recover their claim.
Diary 43, 1933 November 18-21	-18 th – Same as usual in the office. Bar Association at Baileys Café. – an interesting talk by “Jack” Hellenthal on “Natural Law.” -19 th – Sunday. Long walk – around Willoughby Ave – Movies to see “Madame Butterfly” with Grace! -20 th – In the office as usual. Grace is reading my Ms. “ <u>Old Yukon Trails</u> ” for errors in copying. -21 st - My old Fairbanks friend J.D. (“Jack) Reagh, formerly in business with Dicky & others in Fairbanks in
Diary 43, 1933 November 21-22	21 general merchandise – butter & eggs, etc. called this afternoon & we had a good talk about early days in the Tanana. He owned some Cleary Creek Claims etc. and sold to the A.E.Co. – he got more for his claims than I did for mine. He advised me to write to Jack Mihalcik – who owns claims near my Ester-Eva creek claims, about the value of my claim. He is on the S.S. going to Seward & possibly to Fairbanks. -22 nd - Wrote Reply Brief in Matheson Case today. Appellers brief does not seem to me to be serious.
Diary 43, 1933 November 23-24	-23 rd – Left my Ms. “Old Yukon Trails” with Phillip Smith,

	Geological Survey, today to scan & suggest errors, especially in matters of information about nomenclature etc into the Kantishna river country. He seemed interested. -24 th - The “Elks Lodge” is holding a Card game this evening – a sort of general gathering to determine the best players in that order. Mrs. Faulkner and Grace are taking part in the tournament and hope to “get in the money” – as horse races say – they will probably “also ran” – as the disappointed politician are described!
Diary 43, 1933 November 25	-25 th - The criminal business of this term of court ended yesterday. Every man or woman charged with crime was convicted – and there was not one that could pay a lawyers fee! Of course I had no criminal defense, but the others who had, are bemoaning their luck. We will now have such civil cases as are on the docket – I have two of the best, but cannot probably get them to trial at this term. Our system of law enforcement, especially in Alaska, is ancient, and deplorably inefficient. Crime is increasing all over our country. We must soon adopt more prompt and rigorous action or criminals will rule the country.
Diary 43, 1933 November 25	-25 th continued- Grace & Mrs. Faulkner came home last night disappointed – the “Bridge Game” like all such games run by brighter people – was not what they had anticipated & they did not quite understand the rules! They had 200 people playing at 50 tables – by the Elks for Charity! While there is little litigation with fees to correspond to the amount of the labor, I am “prospecting” – in old mining locations. Many patents to mining ground were obtained years ago when it was a new business in this locality & some of these were abandoned by the owners. I am searching the records for such abandoned patented ground & the owners!
Diary 43, 1933 November 25	-25 th continued- Jim York is happy – he originated a plan to sell the Berner’s Bay Mines to a Canadian crowd of mining

	<p>operators, & was notified today that his plan had succeeded!</p> <p>At the Bridge Game last night four ladies, at the same table, won = Gov. Troys two daughters & Mrs. Holzheimer & Mrs. Alexander!!</p> <p>Sent my Reply Brief in the case of Matheson v National Surety Co. to the Clerk U.S. Court of Appeals – the case was heard, however, 3 or 4 days ago – in San Francisco!</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 26-27	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Sunday. Reading.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Starting in to arrange my Misc. letters & papers so as to bundle them in orderly manner. Will destroy most of them as uninteresting & useless.</p> <p>We had dinner Saturday evening with Dr. Phillip Smith at Mrs. Madders restaurant. It was the 33d anniversary of his marriage – Mrs. Lucas[?] made him a “birthday” cake, & about 20 of United States Lucas & wife, Wernecke & wife, Watson & wife, Governors 2 daughters, the DeVignes, Wickersham’s, Jack Hilliard.</p> <p>We had a good dinner, then they played cards & I was excused & went home.</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 28	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Pond came in to answer my inquiry about what to do with the case of Goldstein v Pond. He surprised me by saying that secretly he & Mrs. Simpson (Goldstein) had settled the case some time ago.- it appears Mrs. Simpson employed H.D. Stabler, Atty. & he got Pond & the matter was arranged = Pond needed money & feared the lawsuit – so Belle loaned him \$1500- & took a mortgage – (that’s the agreement) for \$3500.- payable in 3 years at 4%! Foxy Belle!! Foolish Pond! He needs a Guardian. This is first I have heard of the plan & Pond tells me Hellenthals do not know it yet!</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 28-29	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th continued –</p> <p>Willis Nowell tells me his family owns controlling interests in Alaska Consolidated Mining Co. claims on Douglas Is. & that he will write to his brother George & get authority to sell = they have a dozen or more patented mining – quartz claims.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p>

	<p>Femmer came in to consult with me about his daughter – he says she went up to Haines to visit a lady friend & while there attended a “drinking party” with the friend – they all got drunk & to make things exciting Femmer’s girl was married to a sergeant at the Army Post! And now what?</p>
Diary 43, 1933 November 30- December 2	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day. We worked in the library all day. Went to the Gastineau Restaurant for one Dinner – and then to the “Movies” to see Will Rogers play in “Too Busy to Work.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Dec. 1st 1933-</p> <p>Finally Robertson today served me with an Answer in the case of Fritsche v Porcupine Mining Co! Fierce “taku” wind started up this afternoon – snowing also.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2nd -</p> <p>Wrote a letter to Pond <u>disapproving</u> his settlement with Mrs. Simpson of the case of Goldstein v Pond, et. al.</p>
Diary 43, 1933 December 2-4	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>Secretly through her attorney he has put himself in her power again, & I determined to make a record so as to prevent him from blaming me when it turns out to be a bad settlement. Lunch with Bar Association – these are interesting meetings!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Sunday – took long walk. Had company for dinner – Mr. & Mrs. Davidson & Bennett.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Consultation with Rose Femmer – Ferguson – Meleher – married this last time when drunk – <u>20 yrs old. No ground for Divorce</u> – but possibly for an annulment! She is</p>
Diary 43, 1933 December 4	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>daughter of my friends DB. Femmer a prominent business man & got married to a soldier at Haines when on a drunk with wild party. The suit also must naturally raise the question of the jurisdiction of the “Commissioner” at Haines who issued the marriage license in this case, for he was appointed by a court order giving him only <u>certain limited power</u> less than the statute authorizing the District Judge to appoint him - & in my judgment the order</p>

	of his appointment is void & his acts entirely null & void, for the Statute requires such office to be " <u>a duly appointed and qualified United States Commissioner.</u> "
Diary 43, 1933 December 5-8	-5- The more I study the law applicable to the appointment of hybrid U.S. Commissioners the more I am inclined to think they are not legally appointed. However it will take an actual test case to determine the right of the case. -6 th - Poor old Bill Casey, now, tells me he has a cancer on the top of his right ear, & must have an operation. Working in the office as usual. -7 th - [No entry] -8 th - Drawing Reply to Robertsons Answer – in Fritsche v Porcupine Mining Co. Sent letters & copy
Diary 43, 1933 December 8-10	8 of Defts. answer to Fritsche also to Swain, Enumclaw, Washington. Robertson extended my time to reply until next Wednesday. -9 th - Working on Answer Fritsche case. Attended Bar Assoc. luncheon. -10 th - Sunday. In the office. Wrote a letter to Herbert Putnam. Librarian Congressional Library asking assistance of Dr. Henry E. Browne, consultant in European History, in the library, to ascertain facts about Lt. Col. Von Rosen, said to be in Swedish Army in Estonia in about 1684, & said to be the father of Martha, a serf bastard girl, who
Diary 43, 1933 December 10	10 was taken prisoner by the Russians at the battle of Marienburg & became the mistress and slave of Meushikoff & later of Peter the Great, then his wife & later his empress and on his death the Empress Catherine I, who gave Bering his final instructions to proceed in 1725 on his voyage of discovery in the north Pacific ocean – when he discovered Alaska – 1728-1741.

	Also finished & had copied by a stenographer – typist Reply to Answer in Fritsche v Porcupine Mining Co. Also sent Mifs Patricia Hobbs, - friend of Mrs. Mary Lee Davis, copies of poetry written by Alaska school children for her "Anthology."
Diary 43, 1933 December 11	-11 th - Served reply in Fritsche case on Robertson, atty, for Defendant. Wrote Fritsche & sent him copies of Reply – gave him situation as it stands today & asked for information & instructions about course he wished to pursue in the Swaine matter. I had a talk with Phillip Smith Saturday evening about my Ms. "Old Yukon Trails" which he is reading. He seems to be pleased with it, but is not through reading yet – he suggested he would write to the Editor of Geographic Magazine & recommend they publish it.
Diary 43, 1933 December 12-14	-12 th - Busy in the office – nothing much. -13 th - Received from O.B. Swain, Enumclaw, papers in his proposed case against Porcupine Min. Co. also Berry Lien from Atty. Jas. A. Dougan, 811 Lowman Bldg. Seattle in same case: with instructions to proceed with suits. Called in Henry Roden & conferred with him – for I wish him to assist me as counsel in these two items. -14 th - Sent Harry & Maud, each M.O. for \$5 ⁰⁰ for Christmas present – I think they need food & but send the money & not a present.
Diary 43, 1933 December 14-16	14 Sending Christmas Cards & Presents. -15 th - Robertson served Notice to take the Deposition of Pomeroy & 3 other witnesses in the Fritsche Case. I immediately sent them to Fritsche with a letter of this date etc. showed them to Roden & Faulkner, both, & they each said it was not necessary to file Xex interrogations. -16 th - Lunch with Bar Association as usual. Phillip Smith sent my Ms. Old Yukon Trails back with a detailed

	report, showing that he had read it carefully & criticized it with care & without fear. His criticism makes
Diary 43, 1933 December 16-17	16 it necessary to make a few alterations – mostly in short phrases, and I am much pleased with what he suggests. In most instances they aid the text, but in a few I cannot agree with him & will not make the suggested changes. I am greatly indebted to him for his careful examination and suggestions which have given me more confidence in the story that I have before had. I shall write a letter and tell him so. Although I do not gather the idea that he is at all enthusiastic about it. -17 th - Sunday. At home reading – a bad wind blowing.
Diary 43, 1933 December 18-20	-18 th - One of the unusual cold spells & a “taku” wind freezing Juneau. -19 th - Unusual Cold - 13° below zero – with Taku wind. Spent the day in the office making corrections in Ms. Old Yukon Trails, as per Smiths suggestions & rearranging the Chapters to my own satisfaction in spite of Mary Lee Davis’ criticisms. So cold that few persons are on the street – its like Sunday. -20- Same as usual in the office. Cold storm still blowing.
Diary 43, 1933 December 21-22	-21 st - Christmas cards and presents are both coming & going. Grace has sent out many of both & enjoys it, and is now acknowledging cards, generally by sending another when they are from some one to whom she did not send one. Still 8° below zero & wind, but the wind seems to be dying out. -22 nd - The short day of the year – the sun rose this morning down the mid channel of the Gastineau – at 9 oclock – clear & bright – passed behind Mt. Jumbo at exactly 12 m. out in half an hour & hidden again at 1 ³⁰ behind the next mountain – in sight 4 hours!

Diary 43, 1933 December 22-23	22 Darrell sent me 2 boxes of Cigars – just when I am trying, <u>without success</u> , to quit smoking! I greatly enjoy a good cigar, but too much indulgence gives me a sore throat & prevents sound sleep – still I smoke! -23 rd - We have had two weeks of queer weather – clear, cold & windy – a most unusual spell of weather for Juneau. Not a drop of rain – but a Taku wind blowing & a clear sky. Henry Roden is going down to Seattle on other business and I have given him letters of introduction to Fritsche, Swain & Dougan, who are interested in the Porcupine Mining
Diary 43, 1933 December 23-24	23 Co. cases in some way, and have asked them to talk to him freely & give him all the facts in these cases. I intend to take Henry in the cases & wish him to get a good report of the evidence from these men who knew the facts & who are interested as clients. Lunch at Juneau Bar Association meeting at Baileys – enjoyable. Everybody out today – warmer – buying Christmas presents. Went to movie theater with Grace. -24 th - ‘Twas the day before Christmas.” Grace is as pleased as a child – with her Christmas presents. A clear beautiful day – getting warmer.
Diary 43, 1933 December 25	-25 th - Christmas Day: <u>Clear & Cold</u> . We had a “tree” with highly colored electric lights in the dining room. Davidson’s had another on the 3 rd floor – Called on Davidsons & also the Newmarker’s – had glass of toddy at both places & then to Dinner – a good old-fashioned “Turkey Christmas Dinner” with the Faulkners – present Mr. & Mrs. B.M. Behrends. Mr. & Mrs. John Mullen, Grace & I, Mrs. Parker - & Jean Faulkner. at the table for the little folks, Virginia Mullen, Douglas Parker & Malcolm – it was a fine dinner

Diary 43, 1933 December 25-28	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>after which we had a hilarious time with games in the parlor.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Same in office. Have lost the pictures which I had selected as illustrations in Old Yukon Trails” – am searching everything in the house & so far cannot find them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27-</p> <p>The “Alaska” is in the harbor and our Fairbanks friends Mr. & Mrs. Pinkerton called – they say business is good in my old town. Busy in office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>In a special Geological Survey on the “<u>Lode Deposits of Eureka and Vicinity Kantishna District, Alaska,</u>” – Geo. Survey</p>
Diary 43, 1933 December 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>Bulleting No. 849.F.” page 352, - 1933. the official admission is now made that, “In 1903 Hon George (James) Wickersham at that time Judge of the third division of Alaska, conducted an expedition from Fairbanks to the head of navigation on the Kantishna River and then went overland to Mt. McKinley. While traversing the Kantishna Hills he found gold in the gravel of some of the stream beds, and his report of the occurrence of gold there induced J.B. Quigley to go into the region.” etc. Even this mistake in my name does not prevent entirely it from giving my party the credit for being the first discoverers of gold in the Kantishna region.</p>
Diary 43, 1933 December 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>Little in the office – conference with the Gorhams about their mortgage to one Anderson for benefit of creditors. Wrote Winden, Tacoma for statement of my income for 1933 in aid of mine to U.S. for income tax return. Still cold & clear & below zero!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Dec. 30th -</p> <p>Same in office: Bar Assoc. meeting lunch. Drawing Application for Femmer Wharf Permit – rock fill. I received a letter address to “G.” Wickersham – “Grace,” from Al White, urging attention to the “White Service Bureau” – a scheme similar to R.E. Robertsons – “Alaska</p>

Diary 43, 1933 December 30	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>Service Corporation” - a scheme to give him power to bring suits in his corporation's name, and to act as attorney for it, so as to double the fees, costs, etc. With White's letter he sent a printed “Who's Who in Government” slip giving a list of all the public functions & offices he has held or been connected with, etc. He has also been publishing a flaring card or prospectus in the “<u>Daily Empire</u>” in respect to the same matters. These “<u>private</u>” corporations are generally dishonest, unethical, of course & I think I will object to the issuances of this one to White!</p>
Diary 43, 1933 December 31- January 1, 1934	<p style="text-align: center;">-Dec. 31st –</p> <p>Sunday. Taku wind still blowing – 10° below zero – for 3 weeks now. Unusual weather for such a long period.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 1, 1934</u></p> <p>Spent part of the day in the office briefing the law in relation to the “Personal Service Corporation's” of Robertson and Al. White, <u>and have concluded they are illegal, and without authority of law.</u> Called on Atty General Truitt at his residence – (Assembly Hotel) and conferred with him about them. He takes my view & will ask Frank Boyle, Ter. Auditor to withhold filing – if offered – until he can</p>
Diary 43, 1934 January 1-2	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>investigate the legality of the Articles of Incorporation.</p> <p>We had dinner tonight for a few friends = Mrs. Mifs Kate Long, school teachers in History and my friends Stivers ad Henning. A good turkey & a pleasant after dinner in the library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 2nd, 1934</u></p> <p>Called on Boyle, Ter. Auditor, & found him & Truitt, Atty General, in consultation about Al White's proposed “Whites Service Bureau.” I made objection to its filing in the Auditors office & Boyle said he would not allow it to be filed until objections could be heard.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 January 3	<p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Found my lost pictures, maps, etc. to be used in “Old Yukon Trails” – in my library – where I had, I</p>

	thought, examined every scrap of paper!! But I found them, at last, much to my relief! My Ms. is finished for all time, & now my illustrations are at hand, and I shall soon get the Ms. to traveling to a much desired publisher, but the hard times & general want of interest in Alaska may prevent progress – until the Roosevelt programme of seeking the return of prosperity by <u>Waste</u> is ended and we shall <u>recovery by work and Economy!</u>
Diary 43, 1934 January 4-5	-4 th - Have written letter to Femmer about his wharf Permit – warning him of errors therein – he promises to follow my warning! -5 th - Femmer called, signed his application for a Permit to construct a rock filled dyke to protect his wharf & mailed it to Lt. John Noyes, U.S.A. Eng. Corps. Prepared Brief in support of objection to be made tomorrow before the Juneau Bar Association against Personal Service Corporations – practicing law – directed to R.E. Robertsons corporation & Al. Whites prospectus in which he advises the public that he intends to prepare another.
Diary 43, 1934 January 6	-6 th - At the meeting of the Juneau Bar Association held at Baileys Café today I brought up the matter of Al. Whites advertisement, etc. in the proposed formation of White's Service Bureau: I read Whites Advertisement printed in the Daily Empire of Dec. 29-30, his letter addressed to corporations & people generally calling attention to the great value of his Bureau as a Trustee for Estates, etc. & his "Who's Who in Government," – all unethical & fraudulent attempts to secure business for his Bureau, & thereto the laws relating to "Personal Service Agent Corporations" etc. all of which
Diary 43, 1934 January 6	6 greatly disturbed R.E. Robertson, who established & has earned on for 5 years & more the " <u>Alaska Personal Service Agents</u> ," a corporation organized March 3, 1928 as a side issue to Robertsons law business. Al White who is very recently admitted as a lawyer, saw a good thing in it, & started out, with his advertisements to organize either a

	corporation or a Bureau, as a side issue to his proposed law business. My statement was heard, whereupon on motion of Faulkner the Association appointed a special committee of three – Faulkner Fox & Monagle, to investigate & make a report back to the Association.
Diary 43, 1934 January 6	6 I also prepared a brief covering the general features of the law problems and covering the Alaska Organic Act & the acts of the Territorial Legislatures in relation to such Personal Service corporations. All my papers were turned over to the Special Committee, and I will now allow that body to work out the case to suit itself. The lawyers – some 18 in number – seemed largely in favor of the Investigation & Report. Of course Robertson, his partner Monagle, a member of the Committee, Frank Foster & Grover Winn, are expected to be with White – but in a small minority. It will help clean the Bar of frauds.
Diary 43, 1934 January 7-8	-7 th - Sunday – Went over my photographs & picked out a great number from which to choose those I may want as illustrations in the "Old Yukon Trails." That damned Ms is now completed – again! -8 th - Had a conference in my office today with Frank A. Boyle, auditor, about the estate of John Dolan, one of Boyles friends who is under observation for insanity. Dolan owns several quartz gold mines in Sheep Creek basin – of little value probably for gold, but with a greater potential value as a source of water supply for Juneau. He was interested – especially in relation to the water supply suggestion.
Diary 43, 1934 January 9-10	-9 th - We had the Fairbanks College Basket Ball team up to our house last night with their girls & friends. Grace gave them a midnight lunch – case [cake], coffee etc. music and dancing – 50 people! and an enjoyable time generally. Mr. & Mrs. Flory, Faulkner, etc. also. Writing letters today: business & personal. -10 th -

	Gustave Oien: mining engineer came back on last nights boat from Seattle with an assay outfit & will go into the mining game earnestly. Jack Wilson came in to talk about going on Al White's ticket – I advised him to steer clear of the White – Paul – Frank Foster combination & <u>he will!</u>
Diary 43, 1934 January 11-13	-11 th – Same as usual in office. -12 th – Al White & Bill Paul are making up a ticket for the Republican party – neither of them voted that ticket 2 years ago. They are intending, so it is reported, to support George Grigsby for Delegate, Democrat against Dimond, Democrat, and if that appears it will probably beat their whole plan. -13 th - Working on Ms. for Eighth Alaska Report – sending to Clerks
Diary 43, 1934 January 14-15	-14 th Sunday. In library reading Russian History. Peter the Great & Catherine I. Catherine I, born a slave, was a far greater woman than Catherine II! -15 th - Ordway, the photographer, succeeds very well in recovering old & faded photographs! Am preparing illustrations & some are old & faded – and must be restored – for Old Yukon Trails. Gus. Oion and Joe Waite are to go to work as partners – Alaska Assaying & Engineering Co. – Sam Daniels to work for them as assayer at \$150 ⁰⁰ per month to pay for his own used material – contract being considered.
Diary 43, 1934 January 16-18	-16 th – Heavy snow storm. Working on correcting errors & omissions in 8 th Alaska Ms. -17 th – Working on 8 th Alaska Repts. Pegues, the editor of the Empire, is boosting Al. White in the editorial columns of that paper – helping to build up the Republican machine with Al. as its manager – so that the Democratic machine may be better able to manage both parties!! -18 th - There is a row brewing in the Democratic party in

	this Division over patronage – there will be
Diary 43, 1934 January 18-19	18 a Divisional Democratic Convention here next week, and it is said the fellows who cannot get jobs – from the Connors – Hellenthal - & Church crowd – who are taking all the offices – will start a fight on the Church party. The Catholics have the power & will not give the Protestant element a chance – hence the row. -19 th - Henry Roden came home from a trip to Seattle today – he is discouraged about the outlook – economical & political – in the States. Says the distribution of Billions of Government wealth in the country is
Diary 43, 1934 January 19	19 not looked upon favorably – it is helping temporarily – but he fears the day when this wild giving ends. Says he is not going to pay mortgages & taxes on Seattle property. He says property is not worth the sum of mortgages & taxes, <u>etc.</u> Of course conditions in Alaska are better than usually in the States. Dr. Chase filed his nomination papers today for the office of Ter. Treasurer – on the Republican ticket. Evidently he is in league with the Al. White – Paul ticket mongers! Smith filed as a Republican yesterday - & the Democrats will do something next week!!
Diary 43, 1934 January 20	-20 th - Dr. H.L. Smith, Dean of the Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind. wrote to Anthony E.[?] Karnes, Com. of Education for Alaska, asking for two typical Alaska short stories and poems expressive of the ideals and ambitions of the people of Alaska, etc. Karnes sent his letter to me & asked me to answer it. I have just sent it back to Karnes with a letter suggesting that he send Dean Smith a copy of my "A Bibliography of Alaskan Literature" 1724-1924." and thus permit him to choose his own stories and poems from the material and dissensions in "A Bibliography"- it will interest him.

<p>Diary 43, 1934 January 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th continued.</p> <p>Today at the meeting of the Juneau Bar Association I called attention to a request from the American Bar Association that every Bar Assoc. in the United States take notice that Feb. 4th is the 133d anniversary of the day when John Marshall took the oath of office as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, and observe the day by some exercise commemorative of that event. Whereupon the meeting passed a motion requesting me to prepare an address and deliver it to the meeting on that day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Sunday – snowing – read the “Life of John Marshall,” by Beveridge.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 January 22-23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd –</p> <p>Henry Roden is back from Seattle, where he had conference with Fritsche & Swain, upon my introduction and request, & we are now starting on cases for them. My suggestion that the Bar Association take measures to honor John Marshall, as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the U.S. has resulted in pressing me into service to deliver an address! so I am reading his opinions as Chief Justice of that court!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Working with Roden in Fritsche & Swain cases against the Porcupine Mining Co. Cases.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 January 24-26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>Working on data for my Address on John Marshall.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday – also attended Lunch of Chamber of Commerce. heard Wade, D.R.A. superintendent for Alaska explain – or attempt to explain that law in its application to Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Roden & I have prepared complaint in Swain and Berry cases against Porcupine Mining Co. also at work on my Marshall address. Wrote letters of explanation, etc. to Fritsche & Swain about their cases.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 January 27-29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>Bar Assoc. luncheon. A Mr. Wade, in charge of N.R.C. spoke at some length on the proposed</p>

	<p>adoption of a gold mining Code etc. An interesting discussion followed. Working on my address.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Sunday- Worked on Marshall address.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Mrs. Hermann, who aspires to become a member of the Legislature came in to say that Al. White had encouraged her to file in the primary as a candidate and she asked my advice: I advised her not to file – to keep clear of White & Paul - & I think she will do so!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 January 30-31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th –</p> <p>Studying the life & Opinions of John Marshall – for my Friday talk.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Have received a letter from Grosscup & Morrow. Atty. Tacoma, about the sale of group of mining claims by Bixby to their clients & they want me to attend to the matter. I wrote that the title was not certain – to pay no money until all interests claimed were settled with & deeds obtained <u>etc.</u></p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BAR ASS'N. WILL PAY TRIBUTE TO JOHN MARSHALL Bar to Honor Memory of Most Famous of U.S. Su- preme Court Justices</p> <p>The 133rd anniversary of the induction of John Marshall as Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, which took place on February 4, 1801, will be observed by the Alaska Bar Association here next Friday afternoon, it was announced today by Grover C. Winn, Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements. The ceremony will be public and all interested persons are invited to attend.</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham, former Federal District Judge in Alaska and for many years Delegate to the principal address. The meeting will be held in the Federal court room in the Capitol at 2 p.m.</p>

	Justice Marshall served 35 years on the Supreme Court bench, the longest term of any Chief Justice. He is credited more with any other man with having stabilized the judicial branch of the Federal Government and his decisions are declared to have been a major factor in preserving the Federal Union. The local observance is part of a nation-wide ceremony under auspices of the American Bar Association.
Diary 43, 1934 February 1	-Febry 1 st '34- Finished my address on John Marshall. – made it short – 40 minutes probably. – am not satisfied with it = <u>but</u> . Judge Paine – collector of bad debts – who has occupied the office next to mine has made some money this year in operating a fox farm – he now gives up the office & his collection business & is leaving for his farm on Kuiu Island, where he will reside hereafter. Paine has had a wide experience – came to Skagway – Dyea in '97, & thence to the interior trapped, etc. for years then was admitted to the bar – assistant clerk of court at Valdez, Com. at Juneau, lawyer etc. & now in his old age retires to his farm!
Diary 43, 1934 February 2	-Febry 2- Delivered my address on John Marshall, Chief Justice, etc. in Court Room at 2 p.m. today – a good audience etc. The members of the Bar all there. Judge Le Fevre, President of the Bar Assoc. presided: Gov Troy & the Territorial Officers present & many others, including High School History Class. Read it without trouble and many kindly congratulated me. [clipping] LIFE AND WORK OF J. MARSHALL ARE EXTOLLED Judge Wickersham Deliv ers Fine Address on Great Chief Justice The life and work of John Marshall, “Expounder of the Constitution of the United States,” were extolled today by Judge James Wickersham in a

	ceremony in the Federal Court room here commemorating the 133d anniversary of the day on which the great Virginia lawyer took the oath of office as Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court. The exercises were under the auspices of the local Bar Association and were a part of similar exercises held throughout the Nation by affiliates of the American Bar Association. Alaska Has Interest Alaskans should honor John Marshall, declared Judge Wickersham, for several reasons. “First, that great constitutional expounder, long before we were born... had the unbounded courage and wisdom to declare: “The Constitution of the United States confers, absolutely, on the govern-
Diary 43, 1934 February 2-4	2 ment of the Union, the power of making war.. and of making treaties. ‘Consequently, that government, possesses the power of acquiring territory, either by conquest or treaty, and of creating States in the Union out of such acquired territory as in the Louisiana Purchase, and other territories in the western country. “Alaska is an organized Territory; the Constitution is in full force and effect over its entire area; it has been admitted into the body of the United States and when its population shall be sufficient it may be admitted as one of the States of the American Union with all the Constitutional rights by the people of New York or Virginia. “it is the duty of every judge and lawyer, of the Governor of Alaska and every member of its Legislature, of every businessman and citizen, to study the Constitution of the United States in its relation to the embryo State of Alaska, that we may be secure in our lives, liberty and property, now and hereafter. You can best do tat by a study of the heroic labors of John Marshall, who so long and successfully defended and extended it as the very foundation of our Nation.” Sketches His Career The background and life of Marshall, his record as an officer in the Revolutionary Army, his

	<p>connections with Washington and Hamilton and other leaders. Marshall, the Federalist, and some of his most momentous decisions as Chief Justice of the Federal Supreme Court, were discussed by Judge Wickersham.</p> <p>Of the part he played in making the Constitution a living, forceful and vital factor in the life of the country, the speaker said:</p> <p>“The Constitution, at first, may be represented as a vague outline of a greater picture, drafted by a master hand; its beauty and value, however, depended upon the skill with which the lights and shadows, the gorgeous coloring, should be add. The supreme Court of the United States was color master-and his (Marshall’s) courage, strength of body and character, his ability as a constitutional student and lawyer, his powerful grasp of logical argument and the principles of government involved, enabled Marshall, during his 34 years on the Supreme Court bench, to apply the colors artistically and complete the masterpiece.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>The Bar Association were kind today & passed a Reso. thanking me for my Address on Marshall.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Wrote a long letter to Darrell today – he sent me a copy of a change in</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 February 4-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>will – leaving me \$5000. & the \$5000 in bonds in case he passes away before I did. His mother left him the \$5000 in bonds – ½ of the amount I have purchased & he has always given me the interest on them. I also wrote him fully about my financial condition & I am quite sure it will be a glad surprise to him to find it much better than he expected. Bless his good heart. Also sent him copy of Empire of Friday containing a very nice report on my Address on John Marshall, C.J. officer U.S. Supreme Court.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Writing letters in answer to those accumulated in the last 10 days.</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 February 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th continued-</p> <p>Grover Winn, Treasurer Smith and I had a conference today about Smith’s withdrawing from his filing for the nomination on the Republican ticket in the April primary election, and re-filing before that date as an Independent. Smith will think it over until tomorrow – the 6th is the last date to file as a Republican – but to file as an Independent may be done before the primary election in April – though he will not be voted for at that time – but his name will thereby go on the regular ticket as an Ind. at the Nov. election, & he (Smith) thinks he can then be elected as Treasurer on his Ind. nomination.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 February 6-8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Smith, Ter. Treas. withdrew as candidate on the Republican ticket & is to get out a Petition & will file anew as an Independent, & thus avoid a struggle in the Primary Election.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Am preparing my data for my Income tax report.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Smith’s friends are circulating petitions for his candidacy as Terry. Treas. as an Independent Harland, his clerk, presented it to me but I explained that I could</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 February 8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>not sign it, for Dr. Chase has long been my friend, supported me at last election, etc. and that I did not wish to appear to be in opposition to him in a public way. Anyway, Harland & Polley, both Smith’s employees in his office, voted the Democratic ticket and refused to vote for me at the last election. I am much pleased that business is slowly accumulating in office. Busy on my income tax account. Also preparing illustrations – photographs of Yukon valley scenes for use in Old Yukon Trails. It is a more particular task than I anticipated.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 February 9-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Working on Income Tax Statements – not a big job – but a “pernickety” one. Postponed at request of Chas. Noghel[?] until Feb. 20th.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Meeting Bar Assoc. We talked about Lincoln – roundtable. I am going to write a letter to the President to try to get my scheme of May, 1921, for a coaling station in Kachemak Bay, resurrected!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>Sunday. Reading in library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Lincoln's Birthday: writing letter in the office, etc. At the Bar</p>
Diary 43, 1934 February 12-13	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>association luncheon at Baileys Café on Saturday the lawyers listened to talk from the Atty. Genl. Truitt about Lincoln, and then we had a round table discussion about his character, life etc. joined in by all the members.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13-</p> <p>In the office as usual. Went out to George Danners dairy – Henry Roden & I to look over the place – a small case for him – Donner – on Thursday. Have written letters to sever authors asking consent to use a verse in my Old Yukon Trails – preceding each chapter – a very proper thing before you grab anothers verse!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 February 14-16	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>Working on my Income Tax Report. Busy in the office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16-</p> <p>Case of McDaniel v Donner. Justice court - contract – Jury drawn. Case tried – we made a good defense but the plaintiff & his wife told an agreed story – the woman – young & handsome cried – jury 3 women and three men – judgment against us for \$27000 the full amount asked for – their case was not proved – no evidence offered to prove atty fee, & other items – but it was a labor case, result as usual.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 February 17	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Attended Bar Association luncheon at Baileys Café – Committee, on the complaint made by me against Robertson on corporation as an adjunct to his law business & against Al. White on wide</p>

	<p>spreading advertisements in the Empire – strongly disapproved both schemes – approved by Assoc. by a unanimous vote & adopted a Resolution condemning such unethical methods – also instructed Sec. to send copies to all District Court Judges in Alaska & that's that! <u>A good ending.</u></p> <p>I spent an hour trying to persuade Mrs. Danner to compromise the case with McDaniel – She went home to talk to her husband.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 February 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>Sunday, in the library at home. Grace & I went to see a sound – talking play at the theater & enjoyed the singing very much.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Mrs. Danner came in and said they would not compromise the McDaniel suit, and instructed me to appeal the case to the District Court. While she was talking to me Henry Roden & Frank Foster, McDaniels lawyer, came to the door – but on seeing Mrs. Danner, backed out. This afternoon she came in again and complained about Foster & Roden being together & expressed a loss</p>
Diary 43, 1934 February 19	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>of confidence in Roden because he was talking to Foster! I told her that they had come in to find out if the case was to be settled – that I had told Foster on Saturday that we would tell him if the settlement would be made & that was his purpose in coming to see Roden & myself. I convinced her that Roden was acting under my instructions & was acting in good faith, etc. She went away seemingly satisfied! I also told her that if they wished to do so they could employ another attorney to take the appeal & try the case in the District Court – but she did not express a wish to do that!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 February 20	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Received a surprising letter from Darrell – Some ten days ago I sent him a financial statement of my account with the Hopping-Winden agency at Tacoma showing their receipts & Expenditures in re. the Dairy farm on the Puyallup valley, at Tacoma: The statement disclosed a deficit of some \$600. one half of which was against the ranch. Which Darrell & I own together – the other</p>

	little more than \$600. against my town house – and worse, it showed tat the agency had paid my sister Nan the sum of \$25 ⁰⁰ per month for 1933 – or \$300. ⁰⁰ Darrell had
Diary 43, 1934 February 20	20 not consented to that disposal of the \$300. ⁰⁰ and his letter criticises me vigorously for permitting the money to be paid to her – leaving that much of the farm taxes unpaid! He sent the \$300. ¹⁸ to Winden to pay the bal. on the farm, and demands that no more be paid out to her out of his share of the rents. Of course, he is quite right in the matter, but the instructions from me to pay that sum to Nan was given several years ago – has been a standing instruction to them, but the recent depression resulted in small collection – but not any diminution of the payment to her – hence his criticism about my action – which amounted
Diary 43, 1934 February 20	20 merely to an unexpected oversight arising from the falling off in receipts. Thinking over it all night I have concluded to send him a written power of attorney to manage the business of collecting the rents – mine & his also, until he is repaid the \$300. collected by Nan – I will instruct the Agency not to pay Nan any more funds out of the general collections – but let her rustle awhile on the \$2400. she received last fall for her 24 acres of land willed to her by mother. Darrell was evidently very angry at my thoughtlessness & attributes it to a design to injure him!! <u>Just too bad!</u>
Diary 43, 1934 February 21-22	-21 st – Charles Naghel, expert accountant is assisting me in the preparation of my income tax statement – it certainly requires an expert – and even then he says it is quite probably that some special Agent will come along this spring and demand an inspection of my books, etc. and may be increase my obligations. The people are certainly being “governed” these days, to an excessive degree. -22 nd - Washington’s Birthday. Sent Darrell a long nice letter, the Power of Attorney & a copy of my letter of instructions to

	Winden.
Diary 43, 1934 February 22-23	22 Grace & I had dinner with Mrs. Tupper last night & enjoyed the visit -& the dinner. -23- I have written letters to all those whose versus I have copied at the heads of my 28 Chapters in my Ms. “Old Yukon Trails” –including the last one tonight to Rudyard Kipling, Author, Batemans Burwash, Sussex, England, asking their permission to use a short verse written by each of my correspondents, in that way! Grace has another card party on tonight – “Bridge,” so I am at the office – I do not play cards well enough to impose myself on a party of good players.
Diary 43, 1934 February 24-25	-24 th – Working getting Peratovich case ready for action. Attended the Juneau Bar Assoc. luncheon – H.L. Faulkner & Jack Hellenthal spoke on the Socialistic attitude of Roosevelt’s “New Deal” philosophy – both interesting and ready speakers – though I still cling to the principles of the Constitution! -25 th - Grace & I finally agree upon & finish my statement of Tacoma tax – went to the theater to see Eddie Cantor in his Spanish bull fight – an humorous play – but with some good music.
Diary 43, 1934 February 26-28	-26 th – Recd. telegram yesterday from Peratovich with instructions about his cannery troubles. Telegram to Allen, Seattle, asking for lease. -27 th – Recd. bound volume of Governors Reports – 1913-1917, from Delegate Dimond – which completes my bound set – wrote him my thanks. Busy with Peratovich case –etc. -28 th - Completed my Inc. Tax Statement & forwarded to Collector, Tacoma, Wash. Pd. Naghel for work on same \$7 ⁵⁰
Diary 43, 1934 March 1-3	-Mch. 1- Paying bills & office work.

	<p style="text-align: center;">-2-</p> <p>Same as above. Peratovich, of Klawock, Indian canneryman – came to me for aid in protection against one Robt. Lindenberger, fraud in securing lease of his property – no papers, they are coming from Allen, Seattle.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd-</p> <p>Peratovich papers arrived from Allen's office, Seattle, and acting with Peratovich (Hawksworth of the Indian office present) – P- employed Henry Roden, at my request, to assist in the case. They are to meet in the morning in Roden's office – he will read papers & study to [the] case in the meantime.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 March 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>Roden & Peratovich have gone over papers & considered the facts – They will go to Ketchikan on today's boat – telegram from Lindenberger's agent that he will be in K- tomorrow, on an effort to secure a compromise & settlement of controversy without suit. Roden will go with Peratovich, -he paid Henry \$50. for expenses.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5-</p> <p>Grace has read my Ms. Old Yukon Trails – for the correction of my tenses – and has a typist correcting the pages where I have sometimes wandered from the rules of grammar.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 March 6-9	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th – 7th –</p> <p>In the office – writing another half chapter from my Old Yukon Trails – descriptive of social life in Nome 1901-2.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th –</p> <p>Attended luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce – nothing important. As usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>D.B. Femmer called & requested me to prepare a letter addressed to the Northland Trans. Co. which is using his dock suggesting that they sign a definite lease for a period – he thinks possibly the Co is trying through Loss Bernard to get hold of another dock!</p>

Diary 43, 1934 March 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Wrote the letter for Femmer to the Northland Trans. Co about his lease – he signed it & put in the post office. Attended the Bar Assoc. meeting – the Gov. Atty. Genl. Auditor & Road Com. were present: a general discussion arose on the plan to be adopted by these members of the Territorial Legion Board about the plan to be adopted by them for the control of legions in the Ter. until the next Legislature should meet. No plan was suggested – much talk – until I suggested organizing under the same general plan provided in the Act of June 6, 1900, whereby the judge issued licenses to saloon Keepers: the Gov. seemed to think that was a good</p>
Diary 43, 1934 March 10-11	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>plan, though Mr. Si, Hellenthal very strongly opposed it. Most of the lawyers approved my suggestion, - otherwise no other plan liable to be practical was approved. A general agreement was to make the license merely nominal until the Legislature met and acted!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Letter from Darrell – he seems to be entirely satisfied with the way I put the Puyallup ranch into his hands to manage – and I certainly am – so that's that. I am disturbed, however, about what he says about his declining health. I hope it is not as bad as he seems to think it is, he said he would let me know after his physician examines him again.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 March 12-14	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>As usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">13th</p> <p>Sending out correspondence – one letter to Gov. Troy, urging his right & duty to exercise his prerogative of issuing pardons & reprises in proper cases. I intend to follow it up & try to get him to stand upon the law, for I am told the Department of Int. in Washington objects to the Governor exercising that power. I delivered a letter to his office laying the foundation for a contest on that matter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Much to my surprise Gov. Troy has said he would</p>

	pardon the man at Wrangell. I wrote to him about it yesterday
Diary 43, 1934 March 14	-14. continued. I will go and talk to him about it for I would not want him to depend upon my judgment & have the Atty General's office hold the other way – and there is a chance they would – so Ill talk to the Governor before I permit him to issue the pardon. While the SS. Yukon was in port today my old friend Grand Murdock called – among other things I talked to him about my "Daly Bench" mining claim on Ester creek Fairbanks, - he promises to write me about it!! He can guess better than I can what it is worth & that is what I want to know. Roden has just returned from Ketchikan in re. the Peratovich-Lindenberger case. He got it settled satisfactorily to our client.
Diary 43, 1934 March 15-16	-15 th – Engaged all day in examining the question of the power of the Governor of Alaska to grant pardons, etc. in offenses arising under the laws of Alaska. It's a hard nut to crack, and I have not broken its shell yet. -16- All day preparing Brief on the power of the Governor of Alaska to grant reprieve, pardons or to remit fines in the violations of the laws of the Territory. It is an interesting case, and I think I will be able to convince the Governor that he has the power suggested.
Diary 43, 1934 March 17-20	-17 th – St. Patricks day! The Bar Association lunch as usual. Working on Brief about power of the Governor to issue-grant pardon for offenses against the laws of the Territory. -18 th – Sunday – in office at work as usual. -19 th – Working on Brief – Power of Governor of Alaska to Pardon for offenses against the laws of the Territory. Have it blocked out, but must read it tomorrow for final typing. -20 th -

	Have finished writing my Brief in the matter of Pardons by the governor & will have it typed tomorrow.
Diary 43, 1934 March 21-22	-21 st – Finished my Brief in re Pardons by Governor of Alaska – typed. Wrote letters to Grant Murdock & Bob Henning about value of my Daly Bench on Ester Creek, Fbks. -22- Busy in office. Delivered my Brief to Gov. Troy who seemed to be greatly interested. I asked him to send the Brief to the Sec. of the Interior with a request that it be referred to the Atty. Genl. for decision whether the Gov had or had not power to issue pardons & reprieve for offenses against the laws of the Territory – to disapprove the opinion of the Atty Genl Daugherty & approve
Diary 43, 1934 March 22-24	22 the Act of the Legislature, Chap. 51. Sess. L. 1919, giving the Gov. power to grant pardons, etc. -23 rd – Drew \$500. of my Postal Savings for present expenditures – repairing my house – between the Presbyterian Church & the Bishop Apts. etc. Busy in the office – but little income! -24 th - Received telegram from Clerk of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, Obrien Clerk informing me <u>that I lost the Matheson appeal</u> : Well, the case is ended anyway – though we never did get a hearing on the surety bond!
Diary 43, 1934 March 25-28	-25 th – Sunday – reading, resting. -26 th – Wrote letter to the Fairbanks, Exploration Co. offering to sell my ¾ interest in the Daly Bench claim lying in the Forks between Ester & Eva creeks, for \$7,500. Mrs. Meriam A Patterson, of San Diego, Cal. owns the other ¼ and will sell on same basis. -27 th – I am having my house just behind the Presbyterian Church repainted: Busy in the office as usual. -28 th -

	Same as usual. Quigley from the Kantishna & others interior people on the
Diary 43, 1934 March 28	28 S.S. Victoria came in to see me today while the boat lay as[at] the wharf. Ralf Merrill – also – going back to his Valdez mines: Says he saw Uncle Joint Crouch a few days ago at Olympia – says Joint is now 91 years old – when he had his 90 th Birthday he got a telegram from President Hoover – congratulating him & wishing him recovery of his health – Joint was then sick in bed, & declared if the President of the U.S. wanted him to get well then he intended to do so & called for his clothes – it took his wife & two nurses to keep him in bed – though in 10 days he did get up – well. Joint & Hoovers uncle were partners at Oregon City - & Hoover was an employee & was very fond of Joint – Hoover was then a boy going to school there & working for his uncle & Joint.
Diary 43, 1934 March 29-30	-29 th – Finished my last chap. – “Social Life at Nome, 1901-1902,” for Old Yukon Trails. Dinner luncheon at Chamber of Commerce, Baileys Café. -30 th - Sent Delegate Dimond a copy of my Brief in re Governors power to grant pardons for offenses against the laws of the Territory, with request that the Atty. Genl. goes astray he introduce a bill making Sec. 1841, U.S. Rev. Stat. 1878 the law in Alaska. Had my new Chapter on the Social life in Nome in 1901-1902 typed, & will insert it as Chap. 26 in Old Yukon Trials.
Diary 43, 1934 March 30-31	30 continued. Called on O.D. Cochran, from Nome, at the Zynda hotel – he is here in the interest of his candidacy for the office of U.S. Dist. Judge in Alaska – Democrat – my call, however, was personal for he and I have been friends since my days as Judge in Nome – 1901-1902. He has the files of the early day newspapers – Nome Gold digger, etc. and promised to send them to me! for my Alaska

	Library. -31 st - My old Fort Gibbon friend, Bill Casey, has just returned from Seattle where he went to get surgical aid on account of Cancer on his ear – says a cure was successfully accomplished.
Diary 43, 1934 March 31	31 continued. Says he called & had a good visit with W.E. Priestly – who spent a year or so at Fairbanks & along the Yukon and other Alaska mines in 1909-11. see Bibliography of Alaskan Literature. Barr Assoc. luncheon – today. <u>Received copy of opinion in case of Matheson v National Surety Co. decided in U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals dismissing my appeal & offering the decision of Judge Harding against us. This ends all attempt to get a trial of the Final Act. in that case and closes the attempt to do so. The Surety Co. gains release by just wearing out the Estate by time & constant effort – to escape.</u>
Diary 43, 1934 April 1-3	Sunday. April 1, 1934. Heard the Glee Club U. of Wash. tonight at Capital Theater. It was a very good display for amateurs. -April 2- Paying bills. Have had my house on Franklin St. behind the Presbyterian Church fully & nicely repaired. Judge Alexander opened court again this afternoon – nothing to do. No jury. -3 rd - Election Day. I have about concluded that the adverse decision in the Matheson case is the end! we – my clients – have no money to carry the case further!
Diary 43, 1934 April 4-6	-4- Working on Petition for Rehearing in the Matheson case. -5- Same as yesterday. -6- Same as yesterday. Received a letter today from Chas. E. Bunnell, President of the College at Fairbanks inviting me to deliver the Commencement Address on May 21. He kindly

	urges the matter & I am inclined to accept. Mrs. Wickersham is a member of the Board of Regents & he insists, also, upon her attendance at a meeting that day – all our expenses will be paid.
Diary 43, 1934 April 7	-7- I sent Bunnell, Pres. College, Fairbanks, a telegram saying: “ <u>Will gladly deliver Commencement address May 21 stop title of address quote The Asio-American Migration route and the Extinct Animals of the Yukon Basin unquote Mrs. Wickersham will come with me. James Wickersham</u> ” The Juneau Bar Association at its luncheon today presented its president H.B. LeFevre, an inkstand, pen, etc. We had lots of good humor, a good lunch – big birthday cake for him & some flattering short speeches – of which I delivered the first one. The whole bar attended.
Diary 43, 1934 April 7-9	-7 – continued Grace sent Ruth Coffin, Seattle, her niece a telegram asking her to make application for position as music instructor. I talked to Grover Winn about it & he advised that course. -8 th – Sunday. Closing my labor in preparing a Petition & Brief in Rehearing in the Matheson case in the Circuit Court of Appeals – somewhat hopeless! -9 th - Finished my Petition for Rehearing in the Matheson case & the printer is setting it up. I am convinced & I hope the Circuit Court of Appeals will be – but do not feel confident on that point.
Diary 43, 1934 April 10-11	-10 th – Just received a letter from Darrell in which he reminds me that he was 52 years of age on April 2. How well I remember the day of his birth – in our home on North Grand Ave., Springfield, Ill. – he weighed 9 pounds! & Debbie and I were sure he was the finest boy baby in the world. And he was a source of pleasure to her as long as she lived & to me to this date. -11 th - Spent the day in reading & correcting proof on the

	Petition for rehearing in the Matheson case, but finally got it finished – though not a first class job at that.
Diary 43, 1934 April 12-14	-12 th – Attended the funeral of John E. Green, on of my few clients, and an old pioneer of Alaska – although he was not 50 years of age – a good man. Mailed 20 copies of Rehearing petition to U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals. -13 th – Sent fees to Clerk U.S. Ct. Ct. Appeals in Matheson case. Roden tells me Si. Hellenthal is not pleased with my Petition for Rehearing – thinks its dangerous. – I hope so. -14 th - I have concluded to file a Petition for Certiorari in the Supreme Court in case the Ct. Ct. of Appeals denies
Diary 43, 1934 April 14	-14 th cont - my Petition for Rehearing in the Matheson case: have looked it up & think I can reverse them on that writ. Ruth Coffin, Grace’s niece, has filed her application for music supervisor in the Juneau Schools, & I am doing what I can to assist her. Am getting photographic copies of maps of the Asio-American land bridge at Bering’s strait, for illustrating my Commencement Day address at the Fairbanks College on May 21 st . They will enable me to illustrate the situation there when the mammoth & other extinct animals occupied the region on the north coast of Siberia & Alaska in an interesting way.
Diary 43, 1934 April 15-16	-15- Sunday – reading at home. -16 th - My Petition for Rehearing in the Matheson case is due in the Ct. Ct. of Appeals in San Francisco on the 22 nd but the mail has not gone out of Juneau yet – it will probably go tonight & I fear I will have to make a telegraphic motion for an extension of my time about Wednesday night. Wrote to Darrell – told him about my proposed trip

	to Fairbanks to deliver the Com. Day address at the College etc. The Governor signed a reprieve & order Bouteager, Wrangell, released to away action on his application for pardon.
Diary 43, 1934 April 17-21	-17- I am preparing a map of the Asio-Alaskan continental land bridge for my Com. Day address at Fairbanks on May 21. Davidson of the Geological map division is assisting me in that work. Winter & Pond doing the photographic enlarging etc. -18 th – Same as yesterday. 19-20 th Same every day. Busy in office. -21 st - Letter from Darrell saying he will come to visit us in early July. Some important business matters from Chas. T. Peterson, attorney from Tacoma – mining case.
Diary 43, 1934 April 21-23	-21 continued Luncheon of Bar Association. -22- Sunday – long walk – reading about Alaska mammals. -23 rd - Working to straighten out the Hamblet case for Chas. T. Peterson – wrote him letter of information about the case & the lawyers! The mines in controversy are on the Thorne Arm – a few miles south of Ketchikan, and seem valuable, & better still it seems men with money are interested on our side of the case. I am anxious to keep Roden in the case with me & to get Paul out – who is no good in such or any important case.
Diary 43, 1934 April 24-26	-24 th – Primary Election Day. -25- A very small vote cast yesterday, though the Democrats cast the largest. The Republican vote is very small, and it looks as if the Indian precincts took more interest than the white precincts -& that Louis Paul may be nominated.

	-26 th - Ruth Coffin, Graces niece, put in her application for teacher of music and Art here in Juneau, but I am told that Raven, the Supt. is in favor of another applicant. It seems the Spokane friends of Raven, who run a commission bureau for furnishing teachers, upon
Diary 43, 1934 April 26-27	26 payment of a commission by the applicant – have persuaded Raven to assist them in placing a woman from New Mexico - & he consented to do so. Whether he gets a “cut” of the percentage is not known – but that’s that! -27 th - The school directors met today, but did not take up the matter of Ruth’s application. Winn seems very friendly to Ruth. Robertson not unfriendly. Winn told Raven he would not support his candidate – and it may result in ill feeling & the employment of a new applicant. At work on my Address for Commencement Day at the Fairbanks College – May 21.
Diary 43, 1934 April 28-30	-28 th – Nothing new about Ruth’s application. Working on my address. Lunch with Bar Association. -29 th – Sunday, working in the library on my Address for May 21 st . -30- Lockie McKinnon, at my request, called & talked with Grover Winn & Robertson, directors of Juneau schools, in favor of Ruth Coffin, whom he knows very well. Thinks they are favorable & will support her. Am to attend a dinner this evening with Grace – given by her & Mrs. Tupper & Mrs. Tilden, in compliment to Mifs Bouchette, a retiring teacher with whom they were associated for several years. She is now being transferred to Anchorage.
Diary 43, 1934 April 30- May 1	-30 th continued – While at dinner Mrs. Tupper told us as a surprise that she had just recd. today her contract from Fairbanks, - she is going back there to teach –

	<p>where she taught before for several years. The ladies were, of course, delighted, -May 1st 1934</p> <p>Judge Louis K. Pratt called. He is enroute home from a trip east – went through Panama Canal, - in Washington – New York, etc. visited his daughter in Arkansas – had his prostate gland removed in Seattle – “chaws terbacker” as usual – has had a hell of a time – did not find out about appointments of Alaska judges – etc. etc. 82 years old - & same as ever he was.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 2-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-2nd –</p> <p>Paid my bills for April</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd –</p> <p>Working in the office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Have today finished the last of my Address for Commencement Day at the Alaska Agri. College & School of Mines. Grace will type it for me. Subject: The Asio-American Migration Route – The land bridge from Siberia to Alaska and the Asiatic animals which crossed over it to America. I have taken much interest in the preparation of the map of the depths of Bering sea – Strait & adjacent Arctic Seas.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 6	<p style="text-align: center;">6th</p> <p>Have had my address typed and will send copy to Judge Bunnell, Pres. College Fairbanks on Tuesdays boat for printing. I really feel that it out to be re written before delivering it to the scholars – but I will not take the time – anyway, the second rewrite might not be any better – so I’ll let it go as it stands. Rainy Sunday. Received a letter from Frank. He wants me to send an engineer – mining – to the Phillippine islands with him to examine a wild cat prospect he saw there 27 years ago! Of course that is impossible & would be a foolish thing to do even if I felt like doing so – which I don’t.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">7th</p> <p>Finished my copy of my Address & sent it with accompanying letter to Judge Bunnell, Fairbanks</p>

	<p>as requested in his recent letter for use of Bunnell & newspaper, etc. Mailed letter tonight – boat going westward with mail – told Bunnell we would leave Juneau on next boat – May 15th – for Fairbanks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Studying matter of lease etc. and contract between Juneau Realty Co. (First National Bank) and Mrs. Bertha Rennan, of Los Angeles, involving payments etc. on Davis lease. Home Boarding House, Juneau – a pestiferous matter & no profit.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday – Find Mrs. Rennan owed the 1st National Bank in 1928 – the sum of \$9,900 – at 8% - Rents etc. have in 6 years paid in \$13,300. & she still owes \$6,748.!! In the meantime the property has brought in \$150⁰⁰ per month.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Busy on Rennan case – find the Juneau Realty Co. which holds (for the First Nat. Bank) title to the property has failed to comply with Alaska Statute & is dissolved, etc Also mistakes in their statements. They are getting ready to claim both the property & all her payments! Grace is giving a reception for Mrs.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 10-12	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>Tupper, school teacher who is going to Fairbanks to teach. We attended reception this evening to Bishop Rowe – at the Dean Rice residence. Busy in the office!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>Busy in the office. Reception to Mrs. Tupper tonight. – Quite a success – good crowd of Mrs. Tupper’s friends assembled - & gave her a very kind farewell.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Getting my affairs ready for my absence for 3 weeks on my trip to Fairbanks. Attended Juneau Bar Assoc. meeting – quiet.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 13-14	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th –</p> <p>During the week the application of Grace’s niece, Ruth Coffin, filed with Juneau School Board & she has been employed in music & art classes, & will</p>

	<p>be with us this winter. We are both very fond of her & will be glad to have her with us. We are getting ready for our journey to Fairbanks – will leave here on the SS. Yukon Tuesday morning. -14th -</p> <p>Busy in the office – some business but little money coming in. Have made arrangement for Henry Roden to assist me in several cases.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 15	<p>-15th - Tuesday <u>Leave Juneau today for Fairbanks.</u> Grace goes to attend the meeting of the Board of Regents of the Alaska Agri-College & School of Mines – of which she is a member by the appointment by Governor John W. Troy, while I go to deliver an Address at the Commencement Day exercises on May 21st. Steamer “Yukon” leaves here at about 4 o'clock for Seward – railroad from Seward to Fairbanks. We got room 115. Storey & wife on board – their son is one of the graduates B.D. Stewart – mining engineer on board going to Anchorage.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 16-17	<p>-16th – Wednesday Got to Yakutat bay – remained there an hour – had a good walk The son & daughter of Dickey who named Mt. McKinley on board – going to Knight Island to do assessment work & assaying in copper mines. Mike Sullivan – Big Mike – 6ft 4in. on board with his usual line of stories. -17th - Thursday Reached Cordova – we went to Vance’s Northern Hotel visited – met Harry Steel, Ed. Times. Dr. Chase took us out to see the new Airplane landing field.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 16	<p>-16th continued - The lady hostess asked me – compelled me to address the crowd in the reception room – on Alaska. I had to yield & began my talk – saying I would talk to them briefly about Alaska Elephants – She looked surprised & greeted my announcement with the inquiry – “Are they pink elephants?” – which raised a laugh & when I solemnly told her and the crowd about the mammoth, mastodon –</p>

	<p>big bison & horses, lions, etc. which once inhabited the Yukon basin. They gave me astonished attention & when I finished a brief resume</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 16-17	<p>16 of my address on the Asia-American route & the animals which reached America from Asia, they seemed well pleased & many assured me they had never heard the story before. -17th continued - We left Cordova at 7 o'clock & will reach Valdez about 12m. Valdez midnight – Judge Clegg came aboard, told me he had resigned as Judge & would return to Fairbanks as soon as his successor came to take his place – will resume the law practice in Fairbanks. Poor old Valdez looks like a worn out prospector!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 18	<p>-18th - The “Yukon” reached Seward before noon & we went to the Hotel Van Gilden for a rest until the train had filled with passengers etc. when we started for Anchorage – fine day – along Turnagain Arm. Arrived at Anchorage about 7 o'clock. The Kellers met us at the station – one hour for lunch – which we had with Mr. & Mrs. Keller, who had prepared a good one for us. Here we met Senator Bob Bragaw & spent a pleasant hour. Then boarded the train & reached <u>Curry</u> at 2 o'clock – a.m. where we spent the night – and had a good bed & rest.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 19	<p>-19th - The rules required a ten hour stop over before our train could proceed enroute to Fairbanks. Left Curry at 10 o'clock a.m. beautiful bright day. – big passenger crowd to Curry & good crowd from there to Fairbanks. Saw a big band of white mountain sheep on opposite bluffs before we reached Healy station where we had dinner – or lunch – Stopped at Nenana where we saw Mrs. St. George – Adams – whom I had known in Fairbanks for years as the wife of my friend St George – who came over the trail from Circle to the Tanana in the early spring of 1903! We</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>arrived in Fairbanks at 8 p.m. & were received by a group of friends. The depot was surrounded with many automobiles – a fine railroad depot, great coal bunkers – great concrete Engine house & outbuildings of the Fairbanks Exploration Co. mining plant – beautiful iron bridge across the Chena slough – wonderful concrete court house etc, 4 stories in height, fine architectural plan, best building in Alaska – superior in its architectural outlines to that in Juneau – real American civilization – fine new concrete school buildings – stood in place of the few rough cabins I saw when I first saw this place in April 1903.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>Andrew Nerland & his wife, Charlie Taylor & Eva, his wife. Nerland's son & wife – took us to a late & good dinner at the old Madel Restaurant. We took rooms at the Alaska Hotel. At Curry a letter from Judge Bunnell – Pres. Alaska Agri. College & School of Mines – was delivered to me giving me the outline of proceedings to be followed at the College – beginning tomorrow. My Nome friends – A. "Tony" Polet & other Nome people came with us on the train from Seward. they will fly from Fairbanks to Nome in the Airplane tomorrow, what a change since 1903, when we traveled only by dog teams in the region.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Sunday. Attended the ceremony of the dedication of the Eilson Memorial on the College campus. A procession of the College officials, scholars, etc. band, flag, Khaki clad soldiers, to the site. President Bunnell made short address & introduced me to make another: gave me a gaudily painted shovel & I turned the sod for the beginning of the Col Carl Ben Eilson Aeronautical building – a glorious day – fine view across the Tanana valley – from the beautiful white birch tree campus. A fine concourse of people, crowds of automobiles – the great concrete corner stone which I dedicated on July 4, 1915.</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FAIRBANKS, ALASKA MONDAY, MAY 20, 1934 The Fairbanks Daily News-Miner Commencement Held At College With Address By Wickersham Who Also Dedicated Eilson Site Ground Broken for Building That Will Honor Eminent Aviator MANY AT CEREMONY Dr. Bunnell Directs Exercises and Members of Faculty Attend</p> <p>With appropriate ceremonies ground was broken yesterday on the campus of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines for the building that will be erected to the memory of Col. Carl Ben Eielson, World War veteran and intrepid flier, who was the pioneer of aviation in the North who lost his life in a crash on Arctic Ice off the Siberian coast while engaged in aerial rescue work.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Address By Judge Wickersham</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham of Juneau, former United States jurist and later for many years Delegate in Congress from the Territory, delivered the dedicatory address and turned the first shovelful of earth. Dr. Charles E. Bunnell, president of the college directed the program of the day, introducing Judge Wickersham and ending the exercises with short remarks. Trustees of the educational institution, the faculty in caps and gowns, the Cadet Corps and Band, the rest of the student body and a large number of visitors from town were present.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Plane Flies Over Site</p> <p>The ceremonies which began at 2 o'clock were immediately preceded by a circling flight low over the memorial site by a Pacific Alaska Airways plane piloted by S.E. Robbins.</p> <p>Leading the procession from the College building were the student band Cadet corps. They were followed by Dr. Bunnell and Judge Wickersham,</p>
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	<p>trustees, members of the faculty, students and many visitors.</p> <p>The site of the memorial is a commanding plot of ground where the flag pole is now.</p> <p>Dr. Bunnell Directs Ceremonies</p> <p>Dr. Bunnell in introducing Judge Wickersham briefly reviewed the origin of the memorial undertaking and confidently predicted the completion of the structure in the not distant future.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, who as a member of Congress introduced the bill that appropriated the funds for establishment of the College, re-</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>called his first trip to Fairbanks by dog, team about 30 years ago. He told of his personal friendship for Col. Eielson and paid a glowing tribute to the sterling character, the undaunted courage and the unerring vision of the famous aviator.</p> <p>The speaker took occasion to refer to his participation in dedications of the first court of Justice in Fairbanks and of the college itself some years later. He commented on the fact that because of the pioneering of northern air trails by Col. Eielson, Fairbanks today is know as the principal as well as the largest airport in Alaska and recognized as the chief station on the aviation highway between the continents of North America and Asia.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Shovel Is Embellished</p> <p>The shovel used by Judge Wickersham was embellished with a representation of the Alaska flag, showing emblems of the Big Dipper and the North Star on the field of blue on the steel part of the instrument, and was gilded with gold on the handle.</p> <p>Actual work on the Memorial building will be started within the next two or three weeks.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MRS. WICKERSHAM IS FAIRBANKS VISITOR</p> <p>Mrs. James Wickersham, member of the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines, arrived in Fairbanks last</p>

	<p>Saturday, to participate in her official capacity in the commencement exercises at the Territory's institution of higher learning.</p> <p>Judge and Mrs. Wickersham are staying at the Alaska Hotel. They will leave on this week's southbound train on their return to their home in Juneau.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Monday May 21.</u></p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WICKERSHAM ADDRESS IS INSPIRING ELOQUENT COMMENCEMENT DAY ORATIONS REPLETE WITH ENCOURAGING FACTS FOR GRADUATES</p> <p>With intensely, interesting allusions to Alaska's geologic phases, with scholarly comments on early and recent events in her historic annals, with references, founded on profound knowledge, to her rich and varied resources, the address of Judge Wickersham at the commencement exercises this forenoon of the Alaska College of Agriculture and School of Mines, marshaled in review the signal opportuni-</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>ties offered in this wonderful Territory and must have imbued the young men and young women receiving scholastic degrees with the inspiration for great achievement.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Given Close Attention</p> <p>Judge Wickersham's eloquent address was given close attention by the large audience, which at the close manifested appreciation and admiration with prolonged applause. The address in full follows:</p> <p>In January 1902, the court took a recess to enable the clerks and attorneys at Nome to examine the dockets and arrange a list of cases for trial at the February term. Cape Prince of Wales, the most westerly point of North America, lying opposite to the East Cape of Asia, had long attracted my interest because of the old ford whence man and the great mammals of the Old</p>

	<p>World had crossed to the American continent. Furious Blizzards</p> <p>January is a month of furious blizzards in that region, and it maintained its savage character during the trip we made to that interesting northern outpost. We left Nome in the early part of the month assisted with a fine dog team and sled to carry our packs.</p> <p>MAROONED FOR THREE DAYS IN ESKIMO IGLOO</p> <p>The Tissue River winds buffeted us with tornado force; we were marooned for three days in an Eskimo igloo on the Port Clarence sandspit, while terrific sharp ice crystals and sand, made it impossible to travel. We employed an Eskimo to guide us around the headlands to York, and found the trail over the broken ice pack along the bluffs both difficult and dangerous. Eugene Sue's vivid description of the storms encountered on the same trail by the Wandering Jew seemed rather mild in comparison with those which assailed us. As we rounded the mountainous bluffs at the cape over ice ridges piled high against their walls we faced a north wind which drove us to seek safety behind ice hummocks until a favorable lull gave us time to advance behind another one.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 21	<p>21</p> <p>Thus dodging from one ice barrier to the shelter of another, we finally rounded the headland and reached the village at the cape.</p> <p>Visit Eskimo Village</p> <p>Upon our arrival at the ancient Eskimo village of Kingezan, built above the tides, on the sand dunes along the north side of the westerly cape of America, we were kindly welcomed at the hospitable home of Mr. William T. Lopp, the government agent in charge of the reindeer herds and educational work among the natives in that region. We visited the Eskimo igloo homes, presented large boxes of hard bread as a gift to the tribal Kosga-the men's underground clubhouse-where we were entertained later at formal tribal social functions consisting of ancient plays and</p>

	<p>dances. We spent ten days in interesting study of these gentle people and their mode of hyperborean life before we bid them and the Lopp family a regretful farewell and set out on our return to Nome and official renewal of the trials of mining cases.</p> <p>The ice rim was solidly attached to the shore for about a mile off the cape, and that I might study its movements closer at hand I went out where the floating field crushed, ground and eddied along the solid rim. To ascertain its rate of movement by the current I walked along the rim, keeping pace with the floating field as it pushed northward, and found by pacing that it ran into the Arctic at an average rate of one and a half to two miles per hour.</p> <p>Ascends Bleak Mountain</p> <p>I wished very much to reach the summit of the little mountain rising 2300 feet above the point of the cape, that I might get a better view over the surrounding region. On a Sunday morning came the first clear weather promising success in such an ascent. Soon after daylight in company with Mr. Lopp, as guide, and Mrs. Bernhardi, the school teacher, the ascent was begun over the snow fields, and at noon we stood on the summit, 2300 feet above the Arctic seas which surrounded us on three sides. It was a beautiful day, clear and cold, with not a cloud in the sky nor a fog on the sea. The widespread and magnificent view from the top of the peak over the land and waters covering the very center of the ancient land bridge well repaid us for the toil required to reach it. To the south Bering Sea lay quiet and white under its snow covered ice fields, to the limit of the horizon, through some dark lanes of water appeared in places. Upon this southern horizon King Island, with its queer Eskimo village on the steep mountain side, glowed in the winter sunshine like a dark pearl upon the bosom of an opalescent sea. Midway in Bering Strait, to the westward, rose the Diomed Islands, Big and Little, like gigantic stepping stones in the Asiatic-American continental ford, between which ran the international line separating Alaska from Siberia and Sunday from Saturday.</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">Look Over To Asia</p> <p>Beyond the Diamedes, somewhat to the right, 58 miles away, rose the bold but lonely mountain headland called the East Cape of Asia, its summit rising 2800 feet above sea level. From our perch on the Alaska mountain top it seemed in the distance to stand like a single mountain sentinel at the approach to the Asiatic continent, for it is surrounded by a low tundra country which could not be seen from our distant station. To the north the Eskimo village of Kingegan lay at the foot of the mountain mass on which we stood, its Eskimo caches showing faintly above the sand dunes in which their homes were buried. Beyond the village the waters of the Arctic Sea, covered with a field of floating ice, ex-</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>tended as far as the human eye could reach. To the east the tips of a queer mountain called Ears rose above the rolling hills lying in that direction, beyond which lay the shallows of Shishmaref Inlet and Kotzebue Sound.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Siberian Elephants</p> <p>The Big Diomedes Island, rising in mid channel in the strait, is the central point of the great land ridge, now sunk beneath the waters, land of Asia and America. Around the precipitous walls of the East Cape and the Diomedes Islands of today, once eddied and raced, not the tides of a shallow sea, but great herds of Siberian elephants, big horned bison and Mongolian ponies, enroute across a level plain leading to rich grass lands where now the shallows and shores of Kotzebue Sound yield their skeletal remains to the examination and study of curious men whose ancient ancestors may have chased them with spear and javelin. The waters of Bering Strait now cover that ancient grassy plain thirty fathoms-180 feet-deep, and the old cattle trails from Siberia to Alaska over its level surface are no longer in use.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mammoth Remains</p> <p>Otto Von Kotzebue, a Russian navigator, in his "A Voyage of Discovery into the South Sea and Bering Strait" London, 1821, p.220, gave an</p>

	<p>altogether too brief account of his first discovery of the mammoth and other extinct mammal skeletal remains in Alaska. Having passed through Bering Strait, discovered, surveyed and named Shishmaref Inlet, Chamisso Island, Kotzebue Sound and Escholtz Bay, on August 8, 1816, he landed on the shores of that bay and examined with much interest the great ice cliffs which he found there. He and the naturalists with him seemed more interested in the ice cliffs than in their talus slopes where they had fallen. He described them briefly in his narrative, where he said:</p> <p>"An indisputable proof that what we saw was real ice, is the quantity of mammoths' tusks and bones which were exposed to view by the melting, and among which I myself found a very fine tooth. We could not assign any reason for a strong smell, like that of burnt horn, which we perceived in this place."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Careful Examination Made</p> <p>A decade later Captain Beechey, in the English ship "Blossom," visited Kotzebue Sound, and the naturalists on his vessel made a more careful examination of the skeletal remains at Elephant Point, as Beechey named the spot where Kotzebue found his specimens in 1816. A greater number and variety of specimens of these tusks and bones were procured here by Beechey and taken by him to England, where they were submitted to Dr. Buckland, Professor</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FULL REPORT IS CONTAINED IN BEECHEY BOOK</p> <p>of Geology and Mineralogy at Oxford, for his examination and report. His very full report on these specimens will be found in Volume 2 of Beechey's Narrative, beginning at page 331, after which the specimens were deposited in the British Museum. Among the skeletal remains recovered from Elephant Point by Beechey and examined by Dr. Buckland, were the bones and tusks of the mammoth, the great horned ox, the bison, the musk ox, and the horse. Dr. Buckland's report was</p>
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	<p>the first one ever made upon these Alaska mammals, and thereafter attracted much attention in scientific circles. Similar and other remains from Elephant Point have been examined by many other scientists since that day, and have made it a classic deposit.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>Not all the skeletal remains found at Elephant Point, and in similar deposits in Alaska at a later date, are those of extinct animals. Many bones found in association with those of the mammoth and other extinct species are known to represent mammals now living under normal conditions in America—such as the musk-ox, caribou, horse, moose, the great brown bear, the big horn sheep, and some smaller animals such as the beaver. The remains of mammals now living found in association with those of the extinct species, do demonstrate, however, that both these associated animals lived at the same period.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Trappers Find Extinct Bones</p> <p>When the tireless and ever observing American trappers, traders and gold hunters began a systematic search for furs and placer gold in northern Alaska, they found the tusks and bones of both these extinct and living mammals scattered over the entire Yukon watershed and upon the Bering Sea and Arctic Ocean littorals. Keen-eyed geologists found them falling from caving banks, in the placer mines they examined, and along the stream beds and gravel bars, where they were pushed up by the forces of the spring ice rush.</p> <p>When the Yukon prospectors and miners began to dig shafts to bed rock, seeking placer gold, pushing out tunnels along the surface of the bed rock into the frozen muck and gravel beds deposited there by the erosion of ages and the forces of running water, they were amazed and often greatly annoyed at the medley of bones and tusks found in their underground workings. Great round mammoth tusks, six to ten feet long, weighing from 150 to more than 200 pounds, beautifully and symmetrically curved and as smooth as if polished by art, soon ceased to be</p>

	<p>interesting and became a burdensome expense to the poor, hard working miner. He was sometimes forced to thaw or dig extra large masses of muck or gravel deep into the earth, to rid his shaft, tunnel or mine from these unwelcome and worthless obstructions. Occasionally he was compelled to saw or cut them into pieces before he could hoist them with the windlass through his shaft to the surface where he threw them into the waste heap. A wide horned bison head was troublesome enough in such a place, fifty or more feet deep in a small prospecting shaft, but they were not so difficult to remove as the great semi-circular and heavy mammoth tusks. From the hundreds of specimens of these bones and tusks found deep in the placer mines it appeared to the tired workmen that the surface ground in Alaska had once supported great herds of these ancient beasts and that the mining claims were a veritable cemetery of their bones.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HERDS OF GREAT SIZE OCCURRED ALONG YUKON Herds Of Great Size</p> <p>Madison Grant, a trustworthy authority, writing upon the "Conditions of the Wild Life in Alaska," Smiths, Rep. 1909, speaking of the numbers of those animals which once roamed over the Yukon plains, said:</p> <p>"Bones of large extinct mammals, more or less fossilized, occur in abundance throughout the entire valley drained by the Yukon River from Dawson down, and in the valleys of the Colville and Porcupine Rivers, and in still greater abundance on the Seward Peninsula, that projection of Alaska which reaches to within 60 miles of Siberia. Throughout this enormous area remains of</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>the mammoth and bison occurred in such numbers as to indicate former herds of great size. We also find a smaller number of remains of horses, sheep, and at least two other species of musk ox, together with a deer closely related to our wapiti. Teeth of</p>

	<p>the mastodon, altogether very rare as compared with those of the mammoth, indicate the former existence of that animal. It is perfectly evident that in times comparatively recent, from a geological point of view, perhaps from ten to twenty-five thousand years ago, Alaska had a fauna of large mammals not altogether dissimilar to existing animals of North America and northern Asia. Bison skulls are quite common, and indicate an animal much larger but probably ancestral to our own living buffalo.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">"River-of-Bones"</p> <p>Alaska geological survey bulletin number 280, descriptive of the Rampart Creeks, 1906, page 35, thus lists the animals on one of these creeks, "In the gravels are many bones of bison, musk ox, mammoth, and horses." In bulletin 449, page 23, the survey in describing the streams discharging into Norton Sound, says: "Inglutalik River derives its name from the Eskimo words meaning "river of bones", in reference to the number of mastodon and other bones found in the terraces of gravels along its course." The survey further says on this subject in its bulletin number 84, page 266, 1892: "Teeth of the elephant, bones of bison antiques, and especially of the musk ox, are not rare on the tundra of the Yukon valley, whence specimens were brought by Dall in 1868. But the Kotle and Inglutalik Rivers have the reputation of affording these bones in extraordinary numbers. Along the Arctic coast east of Point Barrow, where the bones and ivory occur frozen into the clays, they are so common as to serve the Eskimo carvers for economic purposes. Last but by no means least important comes the discoveries of a mammoth tooth on the island of St. George of the Pribiloff group in 1836, vouched for by Veniaminoff (Anal. 1, p. 106), and of tusks and teeth on the island of Unalaska in 1801, according to the report of Dr. Stein."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Indicate Connection to Mainland</p> <p>In corroboration of that evidence of the presence of mammoth remains on the Pribiloff Islands is the latter evidence of Dr. F.A. Lucas, given while</p>
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	<p>serving as Secretary of the Biological Society of Washington, Nov. 5, 1898, quoted in Science, N.S. Vol. 8, No. 203, Nov. 18, 1898, page 718 as follows:</p> <p>"Mr. F.A. Lucas noted the occurrence of mammoth remains on the Pribiloff Islands, stating that Mr. R.E. Snodgrass and the party from Stanford University had in 1898 obtained two teeth of the mammoth and the bones of a bear, apparently distinct from the existing polar bear, from a lava cave on Bogoslov hill. He was of the opinion that possibly the presence of these bones in such a situation might indicate the comparatively recent connection of the island with the mainland."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mammoth Fat for Boats</p> <p>Dr. W.H. Dall, the dean of Alaska naturalists, reported 17th Ann. Geol. Rept., 1895-1896, that near the mouth of the Naknek River, on the north shore of the Alaska peninsula, the remains of a mammoth carcass, still retaining its forms, was found falling from a thawing bank, and underneath its organic debris, bones, etc., at the bottom, the scientific observer obtained quantities of its fat, which the natives used for greasing their boats. It had the consistency of hard tallow and contained numerous dried fibres. Pieces of this fat were pre-</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>sented to the National Museum where they are yet preserved.</p> <p>Some of these Yukon riverbank deposits are so recently opened and contain such a mass of the body remains of the animals that the caving banks where they exist are known as "stink banks." One of these on the Koyukuk River, known to the Geographic Dictionary of Alaska as the "Mastadon Bank," threw out such an offensive odor that it is said the river pilots were able to guide their boats through the river channels in the dark by the well known location of its miasmatic stench.</p> <p>But it is not necessary at this late date to quote particular witnesses to prove the existence of these animal remains in the great central plateau of Alaska, for a thousand miners and many gold mining dredges for thirty years have been throwing</p>

them out of the Yukon gravels, from the Klondike to Nome, in ever increasing numbers. Let it be assumed that every scientist in the world knows about their presence in great quantities in the Pleistocene gravels and the surface muck in northern Alaska.

Ice Covered 2/5 Of Alaska

A careful examination by our very efficient Alaska Geological survey of the areas covered by glaciers in Alaska at the time of their maximum spread, shows that the ice and its frontal debris covered approximately 255,000 square miles, or two fifths of the total area of the Territory. The glaciated areas included all of Southeastern Alaska, the whole of the great ox-bow bend within the peaks of St. Elias, Wrangell, Hayes, McKinley and Redoubt; all of the Alaska peninsula except the Bering Sea slope, and the higher parts of the Rocky Mountain or Endicott range lying midway between the Yukon River and the Polar Sea.

The non-glaciated regions in Alaska, never covered with ice, were within the general drainage areas of the Kuskokwim and Yukon Rivers, called the Central Plateau by Brooks in his "Geographic Provinces of Northwestern North America, 1904" and within the Bering Sea, Bering Strait and Arctic slope littorals-the latter region called the Anaktuvak Plateau, a part of the Arctic slope and great plains region on Dr. Brooks' maps. These great Alaska plains plateaus were entirely non-glaciated in Pleistocene days when the great mammals crossed from Asia into America, and this area covered approximately 335,000 square miles, or more than three fifths of the total land area of Alaska. During the deepest intensity of the glacial age in the northern part of North America, when a glacial blanket covered nearly the whole of British North America, and pushed its southern moraines as far south as the Ohio and Missouri Rivers, there were no glaciers or ice covering within any part of the Yukon basin, the Bering Sea littoral nor the Arctic slope plateau in Alaska, nor over any part of the shallow

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beds of Bering Sea or Strait, nor the Shallows along the Siberian shores of the Arctic Ocean from the Mackenzie River to the Taimyr Peninsula. while there may have been glaciers on the higher mountains of Siberia, there were none over any part of its immense grass covered northern plains extending from the Taimyr peninsula to the mouth of the Mackenzie River, nor thence along the

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nearby Rocky Mountain plains of Canada into the United States.

Immense Pasture Land

While two-fifths of Alaska were thus covered with glaciers or glacial drift, the Yukon drainage basin, the tundra country fronting Bering Sea from Bristol Bay to the Arctic Circle and the entire Arctic Slope, were connected parts of an immense pasture land, extending from the Taimyr peninsula and the New Siberian Islands to the Mckenzie River. These immense Arctic plains were covered with summer verdure, while evergreen forests filled the valleys as they do to this day in the Yukon basin. Millions of migrant birds nested upon tundra meadows, the moose browsed through the evergreen forests and fed at sedgey lakes, bands of caribou traveled along the moss covered ridges; white big horn sheep grazed near the safety of the crags; herds of musk ox fed on the mountain sides; and bands of hardy wild horses raced across the Yukon and Siberian plains. Herds of great horned bison grazed contentedly over wild prairies and trailed down from higher fields to slake their thirst at midday in the lowland streams. Lions, larger than their African cousins, stalked these pasture lands, sated their appetites on their flesh, and roared defiance at herds of elephants, as their kind do today on the plains of Africa.

In Rolling Hills

The picture of the Alaska mammoth, as it is restored by our highest scientific authorities, shows that extinct animal and its companions surrounded by typically glacial conditions. The skeletal

	<p>remains of these extinct giants found in the great Yukon basin and along the Bering Sea and in Siberia, are, however, not found in glaciated regions, but in the plains and rolling hills where there were always waving meadows of red-top grass and plenty of other herbage in the summer season, and forests of evergreen trees and smaller browse in well-protected valleys during the winter-far away from glaciers.</p> <p>In Collier's Reconnaissance of the Seward Peninsula, 1902, p. 26, the geological survey quotes with approval the statement of Dr. George M. Dawson, the eminent Canadian geologist who surveyed the Klondike region and examined the Yukon basin country, saying that: "Dr. Dawson states that mammoth remains are found only in the non-glaciated portions of Alaska and the Yukon district of Canada. He also finds evidence that during the time of the mammoth there was a land connection between Alaska and the coast of Siberia."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">South to Florida</p> <p>From their overcrowded Arctic pastures in Siberia the different species of Asiatic elephants and the bison spread eastwardly along the tundra plain of the Arctic slope to the Mackenzie River, and thence up the valley of that great stream. The herds in the central plateau, below the Arctic Circle, migrated toward the upper valley of the Yukon, from which the northern herds crossed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANIMALS HAD OPEN RANGE OF VAST EXTENT</p> <p>the low range of the mountains along the Porcupine river and joined those arriving along the Arctic slope, which gave the combined herds in the Mackenzie an open road to the plains plateau along the eastern slope of the main range of the Rocky</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>Mountains. These descended into the great Mississippi Valley drainage area below the Missouri River, and thence plodded on to New York and Atlantic shores as far south as Florida.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Fairbanks And Klondike</p> <p>Another branch of these mountain climbing giants from the central plateau of Alaska turned to the right and followed up the valley of the Yukon, filling the gold creeks of Circle, Forty Mile and the Klondike with tusks and bones; another main trail passed up the Tanana leaving their bones in great numbers in the gold creeks at Fairbanks and at every mining camp in that region. They united with the central plateau game trails at the Klondike; they traveled thence southward between the Rocky Mountain and the Coast range, and entered the United States through the Faser river basin and the Columbia River valley, thence passing on to the Mexican border and to the La Brae asphalt pits at Los Angeles, where their tusks and bones filled those classic deposits in great numbers.</p> <p>In Dr. Hornadays "Tales from Nature's Wonderlands" New York, 1926, p. 29, that very reliable student says of the extent of elephant migrations: "There were several species of mammoths, and they roamed over immense areas in Europe, Asia and North America, in fact, they inhabited nearly the whole of the more northern regions of those continents. In Europe they went down into Italy as far south as the Tiber. In Asia, in what is now Siberia, they fairly swarmed. In North America they inhabited western and central Alaska, the western half of Canada, practically all of the United States, and on down through central Mexico to the City of Mexico itself."</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Los Angeles Death Trap</p> <p>In chapter five of his "Tales," Dr. Hornaday describes a mythical migration of a pair of mammoth and a calf down the central plateau of Alaska to the La Brea asphalt pits at Los Angeles, and their loss in that death trap. In the notes on the Pleistocene fossils obtained from the La Brea pits, published by the Los Angeles museum, 1922, the following list of mammals is given, the skeletons having been found in the pits, evidently descended from ancestors reaching that region down the central plateau through Alaska: the</p>

mastodon, imperial elephant, mammoth, saber tooth tiger, large lion, dire wolf, big brown bear, camel, horse, ancient ox and the wide fronted bison.

It must be noted, however, that the camel and horse originated in North America, where they became extinct after the species had passed to the Old World (evidently over the land bridge at Bering Strait), where they were both perpetuated; they are now represented in the Americas by their Asiatic descendants.

Scientists are now agreed from a wide study of their skeletal remains found in natural cold storage in the Alaska surface soil and creek gravels, upon which we walk and work today, that herds of mammoth, mastodon, wide fronted bison, big horned sheep, the musk ox and horses, once roamed over the surface of these plains as we do today. They came upon these pasture lands as migrants, within recent geological time, then passed on over the game trails, marked by their bones, into the plains of the United States, and northern Mexico. They finally disappeared from all those trails and pastures before the beginning of historic days, leaving only their bones as proof that they once lived there in the flesh.

Where Did They Come From?

Where did these herds of migrating mammals come from, and how did they get into Alaska?

A good Alaska mammoth story is related by Frederick A. Lucas, an eminent authority on fossil American elephants, in the Smithsonian Reports, Vol. 54, p. 353, which is well worth reading, in which he also imparts valuable information of that and other Alaska mammals: "The exact birthplace of the mammoth is as uncertain," he says, "as that of many other great characters, but his earliest known resting place is in the Cromer forest beds of England, a country inhabited by him at the time when the German Ocean was dry land and Great Britain part of a peninsula. Her his remains are found today, while from the depths of the North Sea the hardy trawlers have dredged hundreds, aye, thousands, of mammoth teeth in company

with soles and turbot."
Remains In Europe
Similar evidence is given by Lull, Evolution of the Elephant, p. 13. that: "The oyster trawlers from the single village of Happisburg dredged from the Dogger Banks off the coast of Norfolk, England, 2,000 molar teeth, besides tusks and other mammoth remains, between the years 1820 and 1933. This indicates not only the great profusion of the mammoths of the Pleistocene but the existence of comparatively recent land connection between England and the continent." It is interesting to learn that these great mammalian herds of western Europe lived upon the sunken plains of the North Sea, where they probably perished in that tremendous cataclysm, but it is more important to be reliably informed that they lived in conjunction with Man in France and the surrounding countries at the same period. On this point Lull,

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and many other authorities, state that "In Europe not only have the bones of man and the mammoth been found intermingled in a way that implied strict contemporaneity, but still more the works of prehistoric artists. The fidelity with which the mammoth is drawn indicates that the artist must have seen the animal alive."
Cro-Magnon Dwellers
During the last century a careful examination of the caverns of France, and surrounding regions, has brought to light the now conceded proof that the ancient Cro-Magnon dwellers occupied these caverns and rock shelters during the presence of the great mammals in France. These natural artists painted and carved excellent representations of the mammoth, horses, reindeer, and other typical animals of that period upon their cavern walls. In addition to these permanent memorials of their acquaintance with these animals, by these early hunters, the refuse heaps before their cook shelters are shown to contain the broken bones of the great animals cast out from their feasts upon the animals themselves.
To what race or races of man the Piltdown,

Neanderthal and Cro-Magnon natives-the first men known to inhabit the lands of England, France and adjacent regions – in common with the mammoth, horse and bison – belonged, is not yet determined. Their artifacts, carvings and drawings, found in their caverns and kitchen-middens,

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suggest the beginning of Eskimo art-but the problem is yet unsolved.

Migrate Eastward

Anyway, one day the herds of mammals, crowding the plains of France, began their great migration eastward. It would be a tedious story to follow them over the long trail, though their bones mark its line into their next great permanent pasture lands in northern Siberia. Here their remains are again found in greatest abundance in the sunken lands of Siberia from the Taimyr Peninsula to Bering Strait.

The Mongoloid tribes living along the Arctic Ocean shores of Siberia have gathered mammoth ivory and the great bones of the extinct mammals which they found there in great abundance, for ages. These hyperborean people in Siberia had the same artistic quality possessed by early man in association with these animals in western Europe, which is yet exhibited in even higher degree by the Alaska Eskimo. It was not until the Russians overran and conquered Siberia, in recent centuries, and began their geographic surveys of its northern coasts in response to the impulse given to that work by Peter the Great, that the more cultivated nations of the world learned of the vast stores of the remains of those animals along its Arctic shores. Lull tells us that "immense quantities of fossil ivory have been exported from Siberia, there having been sold in the London market in a single year, averaging 150 pounds in weight. The total number of mammoths represented by the output of fossil ivory since the conquest of Siberia is not far from 40,000, not of course, a single herd but the accumulations of thousands of years."

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Tusk Hunter Discovers Islands

In 1770 a Russian tusk hunter wandering along the shores of Siberia, accidentally discovered the first of the New Siberian Islands, lying 27 miles off shore in the shallow Arctic Sea, between the Yana and Indigirka Rivers. On the first of these islands, named Liakhoff after the discoverer, he found a rich store of mammoth tusks. In relation to the mammoth ivory found in Siberia, north of the Arctic Circle, Hartwig, in *The Polar World*, London, 1881, says: "There hardly exists a more remarkable article of commerce than these remains of an extinct animal which, in spite of their antiquity, are still so fresh as to be used in turning. In north Siberia, along the Obi, the Jensei, the Lena, and their tributaries from lat. 58° to 70°, or along the shores of the Polar Ocean as far as the American side of Bering Strait, they are found imbedded in the frozen soil, or become exposed by the annual thawing and crumbling of the river banks. Dozens of tusks are frequently found together, but the most astonishing deposit occurs in the Lachow (Liakhow) Islands, where in some localities they are accumulated in such quantities as to form a considerable part of the soil."

Increase to Northward

Wrangell, later the Governor of Russian America (Alaska), surveyed the New Siberian Islands in 1820-23. In his *Narrative*, London, 1844, p. 500, he says of the report of his assistant who conducted the examination of those islands under his directions: "In quantity, however, these bones increase wonderfully to the northward, and as Sannikow expresses himself, the

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whole soil of the first of the Liakhow Islands appears to consist of them. For about eighty years the fur hunters have every year brought large cargoes from this island, but as yet there is no sensible diminution of the stock. The tusks on the islands are also much more fresh and white than

	<p>those of the continent. A sand-bank on the western side was most productive of all, and the fur hunters maintain, that when the sea recedes after a long continuance of easterly winds, a fresh supply of mammoth bones is always found to have been washed upon this bank, proceeding apparently from some vast store at the bottom of the sea.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Several Different Species</p> <p>Wrangell’s conclusion about the whole matter is: “Without entering in this place into any speculations concerning the manner in which these probably antediluvian remains came into their present situations, I would call attention to the remarkable fact that the teeth, tusks and bones, which are called by the general name of mammoth bones, but which probably belong to several different species of animals, are not distributed equally over Siberia, but form immense local accumulations, which become both richer and more extensive the further one advances to the north. They are found in the greatest abundance in New Siberia and the Liakhov Islands, as mentioned by Reschetnikow and Sannikow. Many hundred pood weight are collected there every year, whereas, on the continent they are much</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 21	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>scarcer, and are hardly ever met with in the southern part of Siberia.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Found in Siberian Mines</p> <p>A well known Fairbanks miner who lately returned from mining in Siberia, says the tusks, horns and bones of these big animals are found in the placer mines in Siberia in the same conditions and numbers as they are found in similar mines in the Yukon basin.</p> <p>The Siberian mammoth is without exception the best known of all prehistoric animals, for not only have its bones and teeth been found in immense numbers but several of its frozen carcasses have been found from time to time almost complete, -its hide, hair and even its viscera and muscles well preserved. One of these specimens was found near the mouth of the Lena River whence it was</p>

	<p>uncovered in 1806 and its skeleton now stands mounted in St. Petersburg.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Froze In Ice Shroud</p> <p>In 1901 another well preserved body was found at the Beresovka River, Siberia, 800 miles west of Bering Strait and sixty miles north of the Arctic Circle. This great animal had apparently been feeding when he slipped and fell into a deep water-cut ice-trench and landed at the bottom so wedged in that he could not climb out. Two of his legs were broken, masses of snow covered him and he quickly froze within his natural ice shroud. He had the last bite of browse in his mouth when he fell to his death-his stomach was full – later day scientists examined his last bite and his full stomach- his last supper consisted of grass and browse of the same kind that grows on the same hills today. Herz, who excavated this animal for the Russians, gave special attention to its hairy covering. It consisted of a thick wooly undercoat, yellowish brown in color, and an outer heavier mass of hair, varying from fawn to dark brown and black. The heavier hair on the chin, breast and shoulders was half a yard long. His coat was heavier and warmer than the one worn today by the musk ox, the moose and caribou living in the same climate: he ate the same kind of food these animals now eat, browsed on the same hills, and lived out the cold days of winter in the same valleys.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Is Vast Cemetery</p> <p>The northern parts of Siberia, from the Lena river to the East Cape of Asia, is one vast cemetery, filled with bones, teeth tusks and other skeletal remains of the proboscidian tribes which once lived there, and the groups of other large mammals which followed their leaders from Europe to the same cold storage burial grounds.</p> <p>The most interesting feature of the problem before us, however, is the study of the inter-continental land bridge which once spanned the seas between Asia and America, connecting the great mammal pastures of northeast Asia with those in Alaska. The seamen of Russia and England, and the United States Coast Survey,</p>
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	<p>plumbed the waters of northern Bering Sea, Bering Strait, and the adjacent Arctic Ocean from the mouth of the Mackenzie River to the Taimyr Peninsula, and found them to be mere widespread continental shore shallows.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Colored Yellow</p> <p>Herewith is an official Coast and Geodetic Survey map which shows the depth in fathoms of Bering Sea, the strait and the adjacent waters of the Arctic Ocean. The shallows shown on the chart from the shore line to the 30 fathom line-180 feet maximum, are colored yellow: the depth from 30 fathoms to 50-300 feet maximum, are in red: from 50 to 1000 fathoms, a maximum of 6000 feet, in green, and beyond that depth in blue out-</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>line, covering the great deep of Bering Sea at an average depth of 2000 fathoms, or 12,000 feet. Notice that shallows less than 30 fathoms-180 feet in depth exist across an area 1000 miles wide on a north-south line through Bering Strait.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Would Unite Asia, America</p> <p>The United States Geological Survey, in its study of this very question, says in its official bulletin number 84, 1892, p. 266, that: "I is quite certain that an elevation of the shores of Bering Sea and the continental shelf lying off them, if carried to 200 feet would unite Asia and America; if to 300 feet, would connect the eastern Aleutians as far as Umnak and the Pribiloff Islands with America and would lay bare an enormous level plain covering the northern half and most of the eastern third of the present area of Bering Sea. The diminished body of water which would be left in such a case, in connection with the prevalence of the northwest trade winds over this area, would give to this region such a dry climate as characterizes much of Siberia and the Yukon valley in Alaska." If Dr. Dall had extended his observations beyond Bering Strait, to include the adjacent shoals of the Arctic Sea, his conclusions would have had that much greater support upon equal facts.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Great Shallows</p> <p>One can get a better idea of the extreme</p>

	<p>shallows of this wide land bridge area by comparing their shoal depths with the height of well known buildings. The height of the Washington Monument in Washington, D.C., is 555 feet: that of the L.C. Smith Building, Seattle, is about 450 feet. If these two buildings were set on the bed of Bering Strait, the Washington Monument would rise 375 feet above the sea level, the L.C. Smith Building 270 feet above the same waters. These great shallows cover about 100,000 square miles, and when they stood above sea level connected Siberia and Alaska by a level grassy plain, similar in character to a vast tundra meadow-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIBILOFS WERE JOINED WITH MAINLAND</p> <p>land, with here and there streams and lakes upon whose banks grew evergreen forests, far away from the polar sea, affording pasturage and protection for the great animals which crossed over them from Siberia into Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Were Once Connected</p> <p>The existence of mammoth remains on the Unalaska and Pribilof Islands establishes the fact that those islands were connected with the American Continent when those animals reached the islands. Assuming those facts, both the yellow and red areas on the accompanying map show the limits of the Asio-American land bridge and the migration route which existed between Siberia and Alaska when the great mammals of Asia crossed their wide steppe-like sandy plains to Alaska, and passed thence onward over Alaska plateaus into British North America and the United States.</p> <p>Then, one day a cataclysmic quake shook the earth. Tidal waves swept the lowlands. The hundred Alaska Peninsula volcanoes, those of Japan, Kamchatka and eastern Siberia, on the isles of the sea, and the submarines of St. Michael, thundered and roared, broke the very foundations of the earth, and cast forth vast volumes of smoke, ashes and lava. The earth rocked and split asunder-the great Asio-</p>
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American land bridge was destroyed as its mid portion sank beneath the waves. A wide flood of angry waters rolled across the lowland meadows, the animals were drowned on the plains, and the ancient mammal trail between the two continents was broken by the shallow waters of Bering Sea, the strait, and those of the adjacent Polar Sea.

Became Extinct

Thereafter some disease, change of climate, overspecialization, or other cause yet unknown, brought about the extinction of the mammoth and his proboscidian relatives, both in the old and new worlds. Their hyperborean pastures knew them no more in the flesh, but their great tusks and bones on the surface of the very trails they trod in life, prove that they existed there geologically speaking, only yesterday. Other hardy species of Asiatic immigrants which followed their leaders over the great earth trail to America, yet survive and still inhabit the same ancient pastures where they once grazed in common with the extinct giants.

Many Crossed Bridge

Of the Asiatic mammals which crossed the land bridge into Alaska the mammoth, mastodon, the imperial elephant, and their American relatives, all became extinct. The native American horse and camel crossed the bridge in early life, perpetuated their kind in Asia: some of these joined the eastward migrating horde and returned to the land of their fathers, but both the original stock in America and the returning species from Asia became extinct in America, though not in Asia. The saber tooth tiger came with the great mammals from Asia into America, but became extinct in both the old and new worlds. The lion, *Felis Atrox*, followed the great herds from Asia through Alaska into the United States where he became extinct with the mammoth. The musk ox migrated into America from the original home in the old world where it became extinct, but it still survives in Arctic America.

List of Animals

The following list of old world animals crossed

into America and

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IN PRESENT

still survive in both their original Asiatic pastures and those in America:

- The reindeer – caribou
- The bison family.
- The big horned sheep.
- The white mountain sheep.
- The moose – old world elk.
- The wapiti-elk-European stag.
- The big brown bear.
- The dog, beaver, etc.

The mammoth, mastodon, horse, bison, and the carnivorous animals which followed and fed upon them, spread eastward from France, via Fairbanks to Florida. The farthest north college in America stands upon the hard beaten trail made by these migrating mammals after they crossed the Siberian-Alaska land bridge and pressed forward into mid-America. Their bones lie in the surface soil and gravels around these college buildings, and in the nearby gold mining creeks, now being excavated by enormous dredges. Herds of these giant migrants once stood upon the splendid college campus where graduates now pass, and gazed upon the magnificent scenery of snow covered mountains standing in sentinel array across the evergreen valley of the Tanana as we do today.

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College Wisely Collecting

This college, under the able leadership of its worthy president, has wisely begun the collection of the remains and artifacts of the St. Lawrence Island people, the first of whom may have seen those migrant herds pass over the wide meadowlands between Siberia and Alaska. It is the consensus of opinion among eminent scholars that ancient man came into America along that same route, possibly in company with the great animals. If their conclusion is well founded, somewhere in the non-glaciated Yukon-Alaska

basin, there may be found, in ancient caverns or gravels, the relics of those first Americans. That search ought never to be abandoned, for satisfactory proof of that fact has not yet been made elsewhere. Its production would establish a landmark in the study of the origin of man in the new world, and greatly enrich the college finding it. It is to be hoped this college may secure it through its study of the stores of fossil remains in Alaska.

No other American college is so well situated to secure the evidence of the migration of man and mammals from the old to the new world as yours. If that work is continued in the spirit in which it is begun, and that fossil wealth is gathered and stored in fireproof halls on this campus it will make this school one of the greatest museums of the world.

Stand In The Beginning

And, now, my dear friends, just a word to the young men and women who have this day been honored by honoring this school as graduates of its classes. Your diplomas have been signed by your teachers and the president of your alma mater: you are accredited to the world as worthy students: you stand at the beginning of your active life's work. Your parents and friends, and the officials of this college, wish you happiness and success in the various pursuits you may choose for your future labors. These must depend not upon what you have heretofore accomplished, but what you shall do hereafter. My only word of advice to you is carefully to select that pursuit in life in which you personally feel most interested, to cultivate a sense of freedom and initiative, and work-work-work.

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Degrees Are Presented To
20 Graduates by Trustee
John A. McIntosh
GIVE FINE PROGRAM
Instrumental And Vocal
Musical Numbers Are
Among Features

Degrees were conferred this forenoon on twenty

graduates of the Alaska College and School of Mines at the twelfth annual commencement of the institution.

The exercises were opened with an invocation by Rev. S.A. Eline, S.J. Musical numbers, consisting of a violin solo by Miss Virginia Brown and a vocal solo by James T. Hutchison, were given. The address of the day was delivered by Judge Wickersham.

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AIR TRAIL BLAZER
[photo of:]
Col. Carl Ben Eielson

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[commencement program]
The Twelfth Annual
COMMENCEMENT
of the
Alaska Agricultural College
and
School of Mines
Monday, May Twenty-First
Nineteen Hundred Thirty-Four

. . . GRADUATING . . .

BACHELOR OF ARTS

Charlotte E. Lynn	Arts and Letters
Frances Loretto Meals	Arts and Letters
Mary Uta Mikami	Arts and Letters
Aileen Marie Niemi	Arts and Letters
James Nichols Pendleton, Jr.	Arts and Letters
Eugene G. Moore	Arts and Letters

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Harry Martin Brandt	Chemistry
John Beaupre Dorsh	Geology and Mining
Joseph T. Flakne	Business Admin.
Charles Francis Herbert	Mining Engineering
James Webster Johnson	Agriculture
Everett Royal Johnson	General Science
Violet Rosalie Lundell,	Home Ec., Educ.
Kenneth Alfred McCarty	Agriculture

	<p>William Olin Agriculture Ruby Cara Olson Business Admin. William Aloysius O'Neil Geology and Mining Lois Marian Spencer Business Admin. Winston W. Spencer Geology and Mining Axel Lauridsen Svane General Science</p> <p>... PROGRAM ...</p> <p>PROCESSIONAL</p> <p>INVOCATION Rev. S. A. Eline, S.J. VIOLIN SOLO Miss Virginia Brown COMMENMENT ADDRESS Hon. James Wickersham VOCAL SOLO James T. Hutchison PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS John A. McIntosh ANNOUNCEMENTS President Bunnell BENEDICTION Rev. M.J. Kippenbrock</p> <p>RECESSIONAL</p> <p>-<u>May 22, 1934</u>- Mr. & Mrs. Charles E. Taylor (Charley & Eva) took Grace and me out to Ester</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 22	<p>-22nd continued-</p> <p>to look over my $\frac{3}{4}$ interest in the Daly Bench mining claim – between Eva creek & Ester Creeks. We found that the Fairbanks Exploration Co. is building its plant – its town – shops etc. about half a mile up the creek above my claim – that its power line crosses my land etc. It seems to me that my claim is of considerable value & I think they will buy it because (1) of its gold values, (2) and probably also because of its location with reference to their property. Went back to town & called on Mr. Earling, the F.E. Co's purchasing agent & had a talk with him about the price they would pay me for my $\frac{3}{4}$ interest in the Daly Bench. He suggested that I give his Co. an option to purchase my interest for \$5,000. after</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 22	<p>22</p> <p>giving them 3 months time to prospect it. I could not agree to that but I told him to go ahead &</p>

	<p>prospect - by drilling – and he could then make me a proposal to buy. Finally he agreed to that plan & I gave him oral permission to prospect the ground – he said it could be done by September – though I think they may have done the work already, for they have certainly prospected all around it. Told him I would write to Mrs. Patterson & advise her about the matter.</p> <p>In his letter sent to me by Judge Bunnell and recovered by me at Curry as we came in, he advised me that he would give a dinner tonight at the College dining room – but the particular purpose of the feast except that of social good cheer</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 22	<p>22</p> <p>was not mentioned. Forty four guests gathered at the function around the long L shaped table in the big dining room at 7:30. I was surprised when President Bunnell escorted Mrs. Wickersham & when Mrs. Hess, secry. of the Board of Trustees offered me her arm as escort – an official escort by the College highest officials – a dinner in honor of her first appearance as a member of the Board of Regents and of myself as the orator of the class of graduates. Judge Bunnell acted as to toastmaster – Judge E. Coke Hill, U.S. Dist. Judge, Mrs. Hess, Prof. Patty, dean & I were called upon to speak – we all spoke briefly – Mrs. Hess surprised me very much, for she delivered a somewhat lengthy and very interesting address.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 22	<p>22</p> <p>It was delivered extemporaneously, but with entire self possession – in good voice and without error or faltering. It was much the best address of the evening. In introducing me Judge Bunnell gave me full credit for originating the college idea, getting the bill through Congress, and organizing the local plan for building the school – laying the cornerstone etc. It appeared that the first year book of the College has just been printed & he asked all present to sign their names in the pages prepared – after which he made a public presentation of the book to me. Whereupon I made a short address of thanks. It was a very</p>

	agreeable function & I thoroughly enjoyed it – of course.
Diary 43, 1934 May 22	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>Grace was as much pleased as I was and we both feel highly honored, as the College evidently intended we should. WE had good weather – and were very kindly entertained by our friends while on our visit – by Andrew Nerland & his wife & by Charley & Eva Taylor. Charley was the husband of my sister May, until her death 6 or 7 years ago. he married Eva his present wife some 2 years ago. She is a very fine and capable woman - & I am particularly fond of her.</p> <p>I visited the new Court House – public building – it is not as large as the Juneau Public building – but much finer in its architectural appearance. It gave me a feeling of pride in the growth of the Tanana valley when I compared it</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 22-23	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>with the little wooden building I dedicated on the same spot of ground on <u>July 4, 1904</u>. – 30 years ago. We had rooms in the Alaska Hotel – Kept by Foster.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Wednesday 23rd May.</u></p> <p>We bade our friends goodbye and left on the 8³⁰ train on the Alaska R.R. for the Coast. A longshoreman's strike at Seattle, has tied up all the Alaska boats & I telegraphed from Nenana to Seward asking agent to reserve cabin on any boat going south so that we might get home before all boats are tied up!</p> <p>Lunch at Healy at noon – lodgings at Curry for the night. Saw many ptarmigan – in flocks – as we came over the Broad Pass.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 24	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday. 24 – May.</u></p> <p>We had beautiful views of mount M^cKinley & Foraker this morning after passing Talkeetna. Train stopped at Anchorage for an hour – a group of a half a dozen friends met me & took me up town to a restaurant – Bragaw, Roach, Thompson, J. Lindley, & others, to talk over the political situation. Mrs. Keller & some other ladies came with automobiles & took Mrs. Wickersham to Mrs.</p>

	Kellers where they had lunch & a social time. We arrived at Seward at 6 p.m. – tired and Hungry. Had rooms at the Van Gilder Hotel – boats not sure – but probable.
Diary 43, 1934 May 25-26	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday. May 25.</u></p> <p>Saw a moose from the train near Trail lake. We are glad to find that the <u>SS. Cordova</u> will be here on Sunday (27) & we have engaged passage on her to Juneau. She is slow but sure – Grace has found her bridge (cards) friends & is quite willing to rest, play & <u>sleep</u>.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Saturday. May 26th</u></p> <p>No settlement of the strike on the docks & we are in luck to have transportation home on the Cordova – which is reported due here tomorrow evening.</p> <p>The Seward Gateway has the following account of the College functions in todays paper.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> over.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 May 26-27	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">College Program Commencement Is Colorful Affair</p> <p>Hon. James Wickersham and Mrs. Wickersham, returning from Fairbanks where they were in attendance at the Commencement exercises of the Alaska College, and at the ceremonious groundbreaking for the Eielson Memorial building, speak of impressive ceremonies that greeted packed attendance.</p> <p>The ground-breaking was under the joint direction of the American Legion and President Charles E. Bunnell, the ceremony being featured with an address by Judge Wickersham. The former Delegate to Congress also turned the first shovel of earth. Other participants included members of the Board of Trustees, members of the American Legion, the College faculty, graduating seniors, the College military unit and the College unit.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PROGRAM PROCEEDS</p> <p>While there were 26 members of the senior class for 1934, only 20 received degrees at this time.</p>

	<p>From his observations Judge Wickersham feels that the mining enterprises about Fairbanks are well equipped with materials and supplies, and will not be seriously handicapped by temporary strike conditions. Work, it appeared him, was proceeding satisfactorily at the different locations, both preliminary and actual development.</p> <p>Judge and Mrs. Wickersham, who are guests at the Van Gilder hotel, will take passage on the SS Cordova Sunday for their home in Juneau.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th May</p> <p>Sunday – rainy – SS. Cordova will be in harbor about 8 o'clock. p.m. & will go out about 12m. Clearing up & looks like good voyage – Another train in from Anchorage with more passengers. I wrote a letter to Bunnell, Pres. College & sent him bill for our transportation etc. from Juneau to Fairbanks & return \$307.⁷⁵ <u>Sent my bill for \$307.⁰⁰ expenses to Fairbanks for self & Grace, back to Bunnell as per his agreement.</u></p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 28-29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th – May</p> <p>We anchored – wharf at Latouche for some hours & took on board a lot of junk machinery – landed at Valdez late in the evening – met a few friends – nothing new.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th - May</p> <p>Landed at Cordova wharf forenoon. We went up town & visited an hour then we sailed for home. Talked politics with Dr. Chase – nothing. Beautiful weather & a smooth sea. We were lucky to get the “Cordova” – a freighter – for we learn that owing to the ‘Longshoreman’s strike for higher wages, there may not be another boat north from Seattle for some weeks – we have a good room.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 May 30-31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-May 30th –</p> <p>Decoration Day – Beautiful day – calm sea. In the evening we held a Memorial Day service – music, signing etc. and I was called upon & made a short address – Very pleasant occasion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>We reached Juneau at 2 o'clock. p.m. & were very much pleased to get back home again. Found everything in good shape – especially the beds.</p>

	<p>Dr. Hedlicka, ethnologist from the Smithsonian Inst. in town – called by he was at Governor Troy's where he delivered an address on his work at Kodiak Island.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 1, 1934 -</p> <p>In the office at work answering accumulated mail. Dr. Hedlicka called – going to Kodiak island. Conference with Jim York about sending Oien & assistant with York to inspect the Mammoth Mining claims on Admiralty island. Dr. Dawes will go in with us on the expenses. Wrote full letter to Mrs. Mariam A. Patterson, San Diego, Cal. about my examination and the value etc. of Daly Bench claim on Ester Creek, Fairbanks, in which she owns a quarter interest with me. She is sick & my letter may encourage her – for it is optimistic.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 2-3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 2, 1934</p> <p>Preparing an Option to purchase four lode claims at the head of Fall creek – which empties into Young Bay, on the north & east side of Admiralty Island, proposed purchasers Jas. York & myself – but with us will be Dr. Dawes & Gus. Oien.</p> <p>Attended Bar Assoc. dinner.</p> <p>Grace is giving a dinner tonight to Mr. Emmons, from Tacoma and Mr. & Mrs. Hermann – the latter a relative of Emmons, whom Grace & I met on our voyage to Fairbanks & return.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-June 3rd -</p> <p>We had a nice evening with the Emmons & Hermanns last night. Working on Agreement-Option, for purchase of the Mammoth Lode Claims, Admiralty Island</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Have completed option-Agreement for purchase of the Mammoth Lode Mining claims on Admiralty Island & will send it on tonight's boat to Folger Johnson, U.S. Bank Building, Portland, Oregon, with instructions – he will send it to J.A. Stratton, Cambridge, Mass & to Lloyd G. Hill, Milltown, New Brunswick, for their signatures. If they sign & give us option Jim York, _____ Oien and Dr. Dawes & I will hold it – Dawes one third, I one third, Oien one sixth & Jim York one sixth. York & Oien will do the outside work Dr. Dawes & I the business end –</p>

	Dawes will furnish the money - & I the legal work.
Diary 43, 1934 June 5	-5 th - Mifs Bouchette, who has lived in our house this winter & taught school, Mrs. Tupper another school teacher friend, & other friends went south on Canadian boat – all American boats tied up by the Longshoremen's Strike. Meeting of Dr. Dawes, Oien, Jim York & I met in my office today and agreed on combining (as on last page) to locate additional claims adjacent to the Mammoth Claims on Admiralty Is. & take same interests in Option-Agreement from Johnson, Stratton & Hill, and put the project in shape for sale or exploration. Busy in the office. Paid my monthly bills.
Diary 43, 1934 June 6-9	-6 th - Busy in the office as usual. -7 th - Lunch with Chamber of Commerce. Short remarks on request about mining conditions in Fairbanks. Working on case of Paul v Bixby, <u>No. 3592A</u> , motion to quash service! -8 th - Same as yesterday – no boats or mail on account of Longshoreman Strike in Seattle and other Coast points. -9 th - Juneau Bar Assoc. – discussed power of Gov. of Alaska to grant pardons etc. for Territorial offenses - & letter from Sec. Int. to Gov. on that subject.
Diary 43, 1934 June 10-11	-10 th - Sunday – at home reading, etc. Preparing illustrations & fixing pages for insertion in Old Yukon Trails Ms. Longshoremans Strike settled but the crews on Alaska boats now strike for better wages etc. -11 th - As usual in the office. Price, U.S. Internal Rev. official in charge of examinations of Income tax matters interviewed me & also Grace in relation to our Income Tax statements for the year 1932.

	Al White called a meeting of Republicans to form a Club two weeks ago & they adjourned until tonight for permanent organization, Tonight
Diary 43, 1934 June 11	11 The adjourned meeting was held at Frank Fosters office & I attended. White failed to run the meeting & my friends elected Judge Le Fevre President, Ray Stevens Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Hermann, Chairman of the Womens bureau, & a member of the Publicity Com. & left the other two members to be appointed by Judge Le Fevre. What was started to be an unfriendly combination toward me has turned into a decidedly friendly one to me. I kept still only when opposed to & then carefully made my remarks impersonal and friendly & the meeting broke up with a decidedly friendly feeling towards the whole Republican crowd.
Diary 43, 1934 June 12	-12 th - As usual in the office. Getting York & Oien ready to go to Admiralty Is. to stake claims around & examine Mammoth Lode Claims. Served Motion to Quash the summons of plaintiff in case of Paul, Jr. v Bixby, et. al. but Paul informed me that Faulkner had appeared yesterday with general appearance for Bixby & filed demurrer. Saw Faulkner & he very penitently declared it was an error – that while he had filed the demurrer he had not been engaged by Bixby - & went to work at once to secure a withdrawal of his appearance – which on the facts he can probably do!
Diary 43, 1934 June 13	-13 th - Governor called me up & I went to see him – he had received a letter for the Attorney General in Wash. D.C. affirming the opinion of the Dept. of the Int. that the Governor has no authority to pardon any one in Alaska convicted of a misdemeanor – Assault & Battery – as denounced in the Criminal Code of 1899 - ! Have not read the opinion but will do so and report my views when the Gov. stenographer send me a copy, so that I can read it carefully and reach a conclusion. I do not hesitate to question the views of a Department clerk on an Alaska law point – they are generally wrong.

<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 13-17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th continued –</p> <p>The evening paper says Mrs. Hunt Hunt of Ketchikan has died today. Sent Senator Hunt a telegram of sympathy and condolence, for they have been my friends for 50 years. first at Hillhurst on the Gravelly Plains south of Tacoma and since 1900 in Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th – 15th –</p> <p>Nothing new in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th –</p> <p>Boats coming again – the Longshoremen have raised the strike so far as Alaska is concerned. Nothing new in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Am busy arranging the List of Illustrations in Old Yukon Trails.” hunting up some new – old ones.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 18-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>Busy in the office – Bixby telegraphed \$50⁰⁰!! Studying construction of Public Law 226. 73 Cong. on suspension of assessment law on mining claims – <u>very bad law!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Have brought my Ms. Old Yukon Trails to the office & will fit in my List of Illustrations here: I am securing some fine new pictures from Winter & Ponds old '97 & '98 negatives which they are just now renovating and copying.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>Jim York, Oien & Ralph Mize, who went to Admiralty Is. a week ago to prospect the Mammoth Lode claims, returned this evening. Oien & Mize reached the claims & brought back</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 20-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>some samples of the rock for assaying. York did not get to the claims – Oien came home with a swollen jaw – an ulcerated tooth. It rained on the boys all the time – day & night – they did not attempt to stake other claims – found a lake nearby half a mile long, & if the rock on assay is favorable the next trip will be in an airplane to the lake. Bad weather prevented better prospecting – but Oien reports the ledge 100 feet wide.</p> <p>Worked all day on illustrations for Ms.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p>

	<p>Working on arranging illustrations in Old Yukon Trails – a tedious job. As usual, also, in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Busy in the office as usual.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 23-24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 23rd –</p> <p>The Bar Assoc. took their annual out door lunch & picnic at Robertsons cabin on Auke Bay – some 20 of us went out – the Committee took the food & we had the meal in his big fine log cabin on the beach. It was a beautiful day – the roads were smooth & solid & we got great enjoyment from the adventure.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>Sunday – prepared list of illustrations During the day the following telegram surprised & shocked me:</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Tacoma, Wash. June 23, 1934</u></p> <p><u>James Wickersham, Juneau, Alaska</u> <u>Aunt Nan passed away tonight at 9 have had her taken to Buckley-King Mortuary. she had a stroke this</u></p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p><u>afternoon and never regained consciousness am awaiting your instructions. Harold W. Hanson.”</u> While I am greatly shocked at this sudden ending I am not much surprised for she has long been failing and in her peculiar temperament it was to be expected.</p> <p>I sent the following reply: “<u>Harold W. Hanson, Care Buckley-Kelly Mortuary, Tacoma, Wash.”</u> <u>Have my sister Nan buried in my lot Tacoma Cemetery next to my sister Clyde stop Consult with Winden of Tacoma Building & Loan Company and ask him to furnish reasonable funds and take charge of her estate.</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>James Wickersham”</u></p> <p>Nan is the oldest of my sisters & the</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 June 24-26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>last one to pass away. Clyde, May, Jennie & Nan, and the four brothers all living, of which I am the eldest.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>As usual in office – arranging illustrations for Old</p>

	<p>Yukon Trails</p> <p>-26-</p> <p>Same as yesterday – The Republican Club met tonight – Judge Le Fevre, Pres. nothing but talk. Bill Paul made his usual talk – for the Indians – said he (& they) were not agreed with the situation – he would not support the ticket, etc. the usual threats – wants to get promises – money – otherwise will go democratic – blackmail – wont stay bought – wholly dishonest & a grafter – he will betray the boys.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 June 27-29	<p>-27th –</p> <p>As usual in the office. Am to prepare option for Oien on the 10 Mietmen claims on Chichagof Island – Oien says the claims are very rich!</p> <p>-28th –</p> <p>Same as usual – working illustrations for Old Yukon Trails. Attended lunch at Chamber of Commerce – nothing.</p> <p>-29th -</p> <p>The Pacific Coast cities are dumb with a Longshoremens Strike – they cannot seem to agree on a settlement. Si Hellenthal appointed District Judge in 3rd Division – Valdez. And a man by the name of Morrison from Tennessee appointed Dist. Judge in Nome in Gore's place – <u>Home Rule!</u></p>
Diary 43, 1934 June 29- July 1	<p>-29th continued.</p> <p>Received \$308.⁵⁵ from Bunnell, our expense account for one trip to Fairbanks – money we spent – returned.</p> <p>-30th –</p> <p>Busy in office – attended Bar Association. Mr. Si. Hellenthal appointed District Judge for 3rd Div. given friendly reception!</p> <p>Attended reception at Gov. Troys residence to Secretary of Commerce, Daniel C. Roper, who came to Juneau today on the USS, "Shoshone enroute to westward points. Fairbanks & Seal Islands. Very friendly & I made an appointment to see him tomorrow on project of establishing a naval station at Kachemak Bay, Cook Inlet.</p> <p>-July 1st -</p> <p>Spent half an hour with maps talking to Sec.</p>

	<p>Roper, about Kachemak bay – he seemed interested – but the only result will be a friendly mind if it is brought up later by letter.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 1	<p>-July 1, continued.</p> <p>The small group at the Governor's last night to meet Sec. Roper. – by special invitation – were mostly Democrats & it seemed to me to be more of a political gathering than social, though Mrs. Alexander, the judges wife, sang several songs, and Willis Nowell, accompanied her with his violin. They are both excellent musicians, but Nowells fine playing on the violin was spoiled by the loud tones of Mrs. Alexanders song – and piano. Either, alone, would have been much more harmonious, and enjoyable. Also in attendance were the commanding officers of the U.S.S. Shoshone which carried the Secretary of Commerce to town & those of two U.S. Naval vessels – destroyers, which are visiting Alaska ports for cruise practice.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 2-3	<p>July 2-3rd</p> <p>Working in the office as usual.</p> <p>Saturday evening I was surprised to see Billy Paul, the Indian bass at the reception to Sec. Roper at Gov. Troys residence and today I am credibly informed he had dinner – or some meal on the U.S.S. Shoshone, as the guest of the Sec. who issued instructions to Bill. the Com. of Fisheries (Bureau under Sec. Roper) to allow Paul to take another valuable trap site in place of the one Jim Davis got away from him – a bribe to secure to vote of the 400 or 500 Indian votes at the Election this fall! Paul boasted of his success in the matter today to my next office door neighbor! Wonder if he can deliver the consideration?</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 4-5	<p>July 4th 1934.</p> <p>Much drunkenness last night.</p> <p>A noisy night & day. A general holiday, games, dances etc, but I worked in the office on illustrations on my Old Yukon Trails – Ms.</p> <p>WE got a letter from Darrell last nights mail saying he was leaving San Francisco on the 2nd & would be in Seattle today – leave there on the 7th enroute to Juneau – which pleased me very much.</p> <p>-5th -</p>

	Everything quiet today – but a lot of headaches reported! Working in the office as usual – nothing exciting except the organization of Unions and the strike of Longshoremen. Attended
Diary 43, 1934 July 5-8	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>Chamber of Commerce luncheon – nothing of importance, except a big cheap lot of food at too much per plate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th –</p> <p>As usual in the office – getting brief ready in my motion to quash service summons in the Bixby case, also writing letters too long overdue.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Lunch at the Bar Assoc. meeting – saying adieu to Judge Si Hellenthal – etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Working on illustrations in Old Yukon Trails – am having many photographs made – or recopied for that use.</p> <p>Letter from Harold W. Hanson, saying Nan left her little estate = \$1000 mtg etc. to Harry – am glad of it.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th –</p> <p>Hearing on motion to Quash service of summons in the Bixby case – also in the Hamblet case. A mother came to secure help to recover her 16 year old daughter who ran away and became a waitress in a Sitka “roadhouse” I took her to the U.S. Marshal who promised to telegraph to his deputy at Sitka to get her and send her home on the first boat!</p> <p>Mr. Norman Baufield enters H.L. Faulkner’s office to study law Aug. 1. – so Faulkner tells me – I gave F- a copy of the Compiled Laws of Alaska 1913 to present to M. Baufield – his first law book.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Darrell & Jane will reach Juneau this evening on the Canadian steamer & will stay with us a week or so.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 10-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th continued</p> <p>Recd. letter from Robt. C. Gardiner, asking me to write an article for publication in the Legion Edition of the Ketchikan Chronicle in Sept. at their annual</p>

	<p>conventions – replied promising to do so. Darrell & Jane arrived on the Princess Charlotte & we were all at home for the evening. It seemed good to visit with them, but Darrell thins economic situation in the states is bad.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">11th</p> <p>Attended Chamber of Commerce luncheon – Darrell was with me – introduced him as a “block of the old chip” – to many of my friends.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">12th</p> <p>Same as usual. Visiting with Darrell & Jane.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 13-14	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th –</p> <p>Darrell & Jane & Grace went with Mrs. De Vigne & a party of friends on a voyage to the Taku glacier – they say it was a glorious sunny day & a pleasant trip. Am finishing up my arrangement of list of illustrations in my Ms.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>The court signed my order sustaining my motion to quash the publication of summons in the Bixby case.</p> <p>Bar Assoc. gave a farewell lunch to Judge Si Hellenthal – talk-talk & beer!</p> <p>Darrel has read 1/3 of my Ms. & does not seem to think it will be interesting to the general readers! Says it very interesting to him – for family reasons.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 16	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Darrell tells me has a safe deposit Box in Crocker First National Bank No. 3586, his will, bank books, stock certificates etc. is in that box. We had lunch with Gov. Troy & family today. Gov. Troy, his two daughters, Bender[?], Darrell & Jane Grace & I. Darrell fears a general strike – and no end of trouble on the coast, may be revolution!</p> <p>General Strike in San Francisco. Agitators here threatening General Strike – Longshoremen, Miners, etc.</p> <p>We are laying in provisions!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 July 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>We had dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Walstein G. Smith (Ter. Treas) – Smith & Wife, their daughter Helen, Mifs Hellenthal, Darrell, Jane, Grace & I. It was a good dinner – pleasant & cheerful.</p> <p>Grace & Jane are given a luncheon & ladies</p>

	reception every day – our friends are showing Jane & Darrell many courtesies. -18 th - We attended the musical at the Presbyterian Church – Mifs Reep, <u>prima donna</u> , Willis Nowell, <u>violin</u> etc. and enjoyed it very much – a great crowd and fine music. Grace & Jane are invited out every afternoon. Jane complains of being worn out – Grace, too, is tired.
Diary 43, 1934 July 19	-19 th - We had a family dinner at the Gastineau restaurant this evening & then we went in a bunch and paid – made party calls – for Darrel & Jane leave on the Canadian boat tomorrow morning – early – for Seattle – where, if the Strike does not prevent it, they will start East – to Pennsylvania by their automobile – to visit Janes mother – Darrell has leave from the office until Jany 1 st – after 7 years close work in business with only annual leave of 2 weeks each year. We have greatly enjoyed their visit and Grace’s friends have been very kind in entertaining them.
Diary 43, 1934 July 20-21	-20 th - Darrell & Jane left us this morning on the Princess Louise for Seattle & the East – we were all up at 6 a.m. –a most gorgeous morning of Sunshine. Grace gave them a busy 10 days. -21 st - Today I drew an option-agreement between John Wagner and Gus. Oien, by which Oien secured an option on the Wagner mining claims & Wagner Hd. until Dec. 21, for the purchase or sale of the property at a fair price fixed in the agreement. It is a good agreement and Oien may be able to do something with the property. I assume that I am interested in it.
Diary 43, 1934 July 22-23	-22 nd - Sunday – resting & reading. I continue to get the Patoka Register, from my old home in Marion Co. Illinois & while all my boyhood friends are dead – it is a melancholy pleasure to read about their grand children & “Items” from all the surrounding places which I knew as a boy. -23 rd -

	Dick McArthur, Alaska, 1888 Yukon Min. and “Broken Leg” Davis, 1886 – Yukon River came in & spent the afternoon talking old Yukon times with me. Davis is 75 years old & McArthur 72 or 73 – Early day Circle City & Yukon valley generally. Davis is nearly deaf.
Diary 43, 1934 July 23-25	-23 rd - This was Grace’s Birthday, but she refuses to say which one. I have guessed it is her 62 or 63 rd ! -24 th - Nothing exciting in the office – nor in the town, beautiful weather – hot & dry – much like it is in the Middle States when a serious drought is giving the people much trouble for water – though we have plenty, & to spare. -25 th - Same as yesterday. Grace is out to the Auk bay cabin of the Holbrooks enjoying the hot summer days. We are to attend a dinner tonight at Judge Alexanders. <u>Later:</u> The dinner was to begin at 7 oclock p.m.
Diary 43, 1934 July 25	25 but the crowd of invited guests did not arrive until 8 oclock – when the host & his family began to carry around great trays of cocktails – also big and strong. There were 40 guests – every person in Juneau to whom the host & his family were indebted for social favors for the last year. The cocktails were so plentiful and dynamitic that within 40 minutes 40 guests were so gay and happy that one could not hear oneself think for the shrill noise of conversation. Then came a good big dinner – but the cocktails were so strong as almost to curb ones appetite for food. I suggested to Judge Alexander that if he would adopt a rule to open court with such cocktails he would have prompt attendance etc. I left soon after dinner – when the card games commenced! Grace came home later with a headache!
Diary 43, 1934 July 26-28	-26 th - Same as usual in the office, beautiful day. -27 th - A dozen American submarines anchored in Juneau harbor today & the town is full of sailors. The

	<p>weather is perfect - flogs are flying & the visitors are enjoying themselves. The Governor gave the officers a reception this afternoon but I did not attend for I mistook the hour thinking it was to take place tonight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>The Chamber of Commerce is giving a dinner at Bailey's to the officers of the fleet – Admiral Cole & his subordinates, & Col. Dusenbury, commander at the Chilkoot Barracks. I made the address of welcome – it was short.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 July 29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Yesterday at the luncheon to the Naval officers I asked Admiral Cole if I might call & talk to him about Kachemak Bay as a Naval base – he asked me to call this morning at 10 a.m. which I did – met him & five of his Captains & I told him about the Bay and its advantages, - the railroad, coal, water power, climate etc. They seemed greatly interested & discussed the matter of going in there with one or more of their vessels & examining it carefully. I took along my maps & only bothered them 15 minutes – but they seemed very much interested. It may do some good – anyway I did all that I could do!</p> <p>Yesterday afternoon an orderly brought an invitation to our house</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 July 29-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>inviting us to a reception 5 to 7, this evening on the "Bushnell" – we will go.</p> <p>A brilliant ward room filled with beautifully dressed women and gaily dressed naval officers, with lights, music by the fleet band, a stove of drinkables and good things to eat. it was a gorgeous scene – adorned everywhere by flags etc. Grace enjoyed it very much & I envied the young fellows who danced with the beautiful girls.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>The submarine fleet left our harbor this morning, but the first of the great airplanes sent out to follow along the coasts of Alaska to inspect & study its advantages or want of them, has arrived & in a couple of days more we will hear that crowd of American airmen.</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 July 31- August 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. John W. Jones, Supt. Juneau Young Hd. Co. is from Buckley – knew all my folks there. Recd. letter from Darrell – postmarked Spokane saying [?] stopping saying Aunt [?] died – July 17th.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pioneer Resident Passed Away Tues. Funeral Services for Mrs. Catherine Wickersham This Afternoon</p> <p>Mrs. Catherine Wickersham, who would have been 90 years old in October, passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lake France, Tuesday morning about 10:30 o'clock. Funeral services are being held this afternoon from the J.F. Jones Funeral Chapel with the Rev. W.O. Benadom officiating. Burial will be at the mausoleum at Sumner beside her husband who passed away a few years ago.</p> <p>Catherine Routt Wickersham was born October 29, 1844, at Charleston, Illinois. She was married to Thomas Wickersham July 24, 1867, at Centralia Illinois. In the company of her husband and family she came to Tacoma in 1884 and later moved to Buckley where she has since made her home.</p> <p>Surviving relatives are her daughter, Mrs. Lake France, two grandchildren, Harold France of Seattle and Mrs. Mildred L. Durham of Norfolk, Virginia, and five great grandchildren.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Aug 1st -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. The U.S. fleet of Airplanes in the harbor. Editor Heard, publisher of "The Miner", a mimeographic sheet issued by the A.J. "Miners Union" sued by Al. White for libel came in to see</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 August 1-3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>about defending him in a suit for \$10,000. damages for libel. Left his copy of Complaint & will come back to talk further tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Aug. 2, 1934</p> <p>Attended lunch at Chamber of Commerce given to</p>

	<p>Admiral & officers of U.S. Air fleet. Heard, editor The Miner came in – told him I would defend him in suit for damages by Al. White, for \$200, retainer & a reasonable amount of services thereafter. He took his papers & said he would come again! but did not contract positively. -3rd - Same as usual in the office. Heard, defendant in the libel case is trying to get another attorney who will not charge him a fee!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 4	<p>-4th - Attended Juneau Bar Assoc. – present Mifs Gertrude Hellenthal, an attorney at law from Chicago – sister to Hellenthal Bros. attorneys here in Juneau – Judge Si. Hellenthal, and also Mrs. Mildred recently admitted to the Bar here in Juneau. Writing to Newcomb Carlton, 27 East 72 St. N.Y. Pres. W.U. Tel. Co. sending him photographs of Burkley, Libby, Ketchum, Whympier & La Barge, officers of Russian Extension, Yukon river, 1865-6, and asking him for a copy of the W.U. Tel. Co map of the Yukon river – 1866-7. Also sending Mrs. Florence Heilig Force 700 Davis St. San Leandro Cal. copies of some pictures of her & her family of 1900 – at Fairbanks etc.</p>
Diary 43, 1934	<p>[inside back cover – clipping with picture of Sussex England] In Picturesque Arundel, Sussex, England We Visit Smiling Sussex In Sussex we move among scenes where William Penn, founder of Pennsylvania, lived; the downs and moors over which he roamed; stone-walled towns of the Barons redolent of all the glamour of history; wheatfields dotted with scarlet poppies and clover; and ancient inns, thatched and rafted, where the ale and cheese and afternoon tea with home-made bread and jam afford delicious refreshment. My first American ancestor – Thomas Wickersham – came from Bolney, in Sussex – Bought land from William Penn. came to Chester, Pennsylvania in the summer of 1700, settled on his land a mile N.E.</p>

	<p>of Kennett Square, Pa. & that was the American nest for all the Wickershams.</p>
Diary 43, 1934	<p>From Fairbanks News-Miner. Mch 5, 1935. [clipping] CORRESPONDENCE To the Ophir Subscriber who wished to know how Fairbanks was named. This city was named by Judge Wickersham, after Vice President Warren Fairbanks, during the time that “Teddy” Roosevelt was President. ELSIE PHILLIPS.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 5	<p>-August 5th 1934.- Sunday – The airplanes & attendant U.S. vessel, Admiral Johnson in command, gave reception to invited guests – of which Grace & I were included – but did not attend – one had to go down off the Government wharf into launches & out to the ship – then climb the ladder, etc. & I declined to make the journey. Anyway we attended the Governor’s reception to the Admiral & his officers & I also assisted in the Chamber of Commerce reception to them, so I am not open to criticism for not attending their reception though I would like to have done so & would except for the ladders.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 6-8	<p>-6th - As usual in the office – nothing unusual – got satisfactory judgment in the Satre case - & saved him about \$600. -7- Finished story about passage of the Act of Congress establishing the Alaska Agri. College & School of Mines for the Ketchikan Chronicle for publication in its Legionnaire edition in Dept. – written on their invitation. -8th - Roden is home from a weeks trip by airplane & I offered to take him into the Indian land case – provided I can get it arranged satisfactorily once more.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 9-10	<p>-9th - Senator Cutting of New Mexico called – while his</p>

	<p>boat was at the dock. He is going only as far westward as Seward. – he called in to bow & say he regretted he could not visit the Chamber of Commerce & also at the Governor’s Office. I am writing a letter to be read as the Sourdough Reunion at Tacoma on Sept. 16th – with a rough “pome” of three verses – rough tough stuff!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>At the request of Mifs Lulu M. Fairbanks Secretary of the Sourdough Reunion to be held in Tacoma, on August, 16, I have written her a letter to be read by</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>her at the meeting – with a “pome” “<u>Come back to Mother Yukon.</u>”</p> <p>There are rabbits in the Yukon willows, And grayling in her streams, There are moose and caribou a plenty To banish hunger’s dreams.</p> <p>There are berries on the hillsides, Flocks of grouse upon the burn. There’s a cabin on the Yukon Awaiting your return.</p> <p>There’s gold in a thousand creek beds, And mountains filled with ore. Old friends, and dogs and good trail sleds, As in youthful days of yore. Then quiet the land of the heavy yoke, Come back to the Yukon ‘s sway. There’s yet a chance for another full poke So back to the Yukon today.</p> <p>There’s a latch string at each cabin door. In the good old sourdough way. And all busted prospectors are as welcome As the summer flowers in May. There’s a grub pile in the corner, And its “help yourself” we say. So come back to Mother Yukon, And come, this time, to stay.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A Rabbit-Eater of ‘98</p> <p>Sent a copy of letter & poem to Dan Callahan at</p>

	<p>Pioneer’s Home, Sitka, and the editor of the News-Miner, Fairbanks, with request to read & publish.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 11-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>Bar Assoc. holds its Saturday lunch out at Faulkner’s “cabin” on the Auk Bay beach. A good dinner, beer & good eats – and a pleasant time. Nothing unusual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Sunday – Harry McCain, Republican candidate for Representative in the Legislature – telephone from Frank Foster & I went to his office & met Harry. Foster was drunk – but I had a good interview with Harry & will have meeting with him tomorrow. Foster’s idea is to get a contribution from Cannery Interests in support of the Rep. ticket – I think bad politics.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 13-14	<p style="text-align: center;">-13-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Am searching the title for the patented mining claims on Lemon Creek. Had Harry McCain & his wife, H.R. Shepard & his wife, Frank Foster & his wife, Mrs. Mildred Hermann and Judge LeFevre, for dinner at my house tonight – a political gathering. McCain, Shepard & Foster are candidates for Rep. in the Ter. Legislature. A pleasant evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>McCain, Foster & Shepard had a good political meeting at Douglas – Foster was drunk!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">-15th –</p> <p>Busy in the office. Al White is mad because the Republican candidates will not allow him to take charge of and Manage their campaign – but he brought suit ten days ago against Heard, the Sec. of the Miner’s Union – 600 members and it would injure instead of aiding the Republican ticket to permit him to appear as the head of the organization.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Attended lunch of Chamber of Commerce. Snell, in charge Alaska Railroad in the Chicago office & Harry C. McCain made short talks. Sent notes</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 16-17	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>of thanks to 25 persons in Tacoma who sent</p>

	<p>flowers to Nan's funeral, - to the pall bearers, etc. My sisters full name was Sarah Nancy Wickersham – she was named after her two grandmothers – Sarah Smith Wickersham – my father's mother & Nancy Sims McHaney – my mother's mother. She was born Christmas Day, 1859, was never married – schoolteacher.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Dr. Chase, Republican candidate for Ter. Treasurer, passed through Juneau last night & went on to Ketchikan, but McCain, Foster & Shepherd will hold a public rally tonight at the Coliseum Theater.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th continued</p> <p>Wrote a letter to R.J. (Bob) Peratovich. Indian canneryman & one of my clients, at Klawok, asking him to support Harry G. McCain for the legislature.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Attended the Rep. meeting at the Coliseum Theater last night. A very quiet affair, but Harry G. McCain put a little steam into the proceedings. A good house – people attentive, but Dr. Chase would have helped out if he had stopped off here & spoke – probably hesitated because this is Smith's home & he thought it just as well not to speak here for that reason.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 19-21	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Sunday – at home reading.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>In the office preparing papers in a divorce case – a bad one, too.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Working up information concurring "Corporate boundaries of Juneau." Preparing brief on creation of municipal corporations – Juneau particularly. Attended dinner at John Hellenthal's – a crowd of 45 of his friends – a good stiff cocktail & a much better diner – excused myself and went home when card playing began – Grace remained – she is a good player – I am not – they excused me gladly for poor players are a bore!</p>

Diary 43, 1934 August 22	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>An final investigation of the annexation of towntal [townstal] additions to Juneau came to the conclusion that the boundaries – corporation are made in accordance with the law. I will not make fight on the scheme of borrowing money through the N.I.R.A. – though I do not approve & will not vote to do so.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WILL A. STEEL DIES, SEATTLE</p> <p>Will A. Steele, aged 68, President of the Alaska Senate in 1929 and later, Secretary to Judge James Wickersham, when Delegate to Congress from Alaska, died in Seattle after a ten day illness, according to advices received here. He is survived by his brother, Harry G. Steel, publisher and owner of the Cordova Daily Times.</p> <p>Steel came to Alaska in the early days from Seattle where he worked on several newspapers, especially the old Seattle Telegraph. He was at Nome and Cordova and other points during his Alaska days but always made Seattle his permanent address.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 23-24	<p style="text-align: center;">-23d-</p> <p>Working on City limit of Indebtedness preparing to oppose a new bond issue for \$80,000.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>My 77th Birthday. I do not see any difference in myself from what I felt when I was 27 years of age – except that I know I am 77.</p> <p>Working to obtain facts & the law on my objections to the New Bond issue, - the first two unpaid – no sinking Fund, etc.</p> <p>Went to the Governor's office & presented my objections – he listened with much interest – but may not do anything because of the late hour, etc.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 August 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">24th continued.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[photograph of:] JUDGE JAMES WICKERSHAM</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham is today receiving congratulations from his many friends on the</p>

	<p>anniversary of his birthday. Judge Wickersham, a Progressive Republican, was born in Patoka, Illinois, seventy-seven years ago. His political career has been colorful, since his admittance to the bar in 1880. He was probate judge of Pierce County, Washington, 1884-1888, city attorney of Tacoma in 1894, member of the Washington House of Representatives in 1898; United States District Judge of the Fourth Division of Alaska, 1900-1907, and delegate to Congress from Alaska 1909-'21.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham said today the Eielson Memorial, for which he turned the first shovel of earth, is progressing rapidly on the campus of the Alaska College and School of Mines at Fairbanks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Aug 25 1934</p> <p>Copied this clipping from the Juneau Press of yesterday. Attended the Bar Assoc. lunch at Baileys Café. Have been studying Juneau financials & bond issue – they Council is putting the city too deeply in debt to suit me.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 August 26-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26-</p> <p>Sunday – reading & writing. Started an index to my Old Yukon Trails, - listening tonight to the Radio – its interesting but badly marred with static.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Answering delayed correspondence. Also buttonholing every man I know to vote against the proposed new bond issue of \$80,000. tomorrow. Had Dr. Chase candidate for Ter. Treas. on the Republican ticket up to dinner. I am amused at him – I want to help him but he wont be seen on the streets with me, or Al. White etc being opponents – he steers away from all of us & carries both[?] with him in that way!!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 August 27-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>- of course I am glad to stay out of his fight with Smith, the Ind. candidate though I intend to vote for Chase!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Special election on Juneau Bond issue today – the third issue of municipal bond – the first unpaid – principle debt mounting & I am opposing it – but it may carry as that.</p>

	<p><u>It did:</u> 190 votes for the issue and 67 against – out of a total of 800. or so, representing Juneau taxpayers!! Nobody cared – they were misled by the “Christmas tree” of a promise of 30% offered by the U.S. to go with the \$103,000. - \$80,000 by the City – a waste again!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 August 29-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>The Bar Association gave a dinner today in honor of “Tony” Dimond – Delegate from Alaska. – Gov. Troy came – also Second Asst. P.M. Genl. Harlee Branch and other eminent Democratic stump speakers! Young Tom Donohoe – from Cordova, also.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>At work as usual – studying the question of compelling the A.J. Gold Min. Co. to list its mining property within the city of Juneau for taxation. I has been allowed exemption for 21 years, now, on an exemption agreement made with City Officials in 1913! it extends yet to 1943 – if not set aside!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 August 31- September 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>As usual at work in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-September 1, 1934-</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Lunch with the Bar Association – paid my monthly bills.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2nd -</p> <p>Sunday reading & writing in library. Preparing final index to Old Yukon Trails.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Confidential talk with prominent man in relation to tangled finances. Advised him to stop, look & listen.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Grace’s niece, Ruth Coffin arrive in Juneau this morning – she teaches Art & Music in the Public schools this winter & will live with us.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 September 4-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>My “tangled finance” friend, acting upon my advice, quit his job this morning – but nothing more has been done so far as I am informed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Working on examining titles to some old mining claims for Jim York, etc. Many such old claims seem to be abandoned – probably escheated to</p>

	<p>the Territory – also after records in relation to exempt taxes in Juneau.</p> <p>Barragar came up to the house to talk his tangle over with me. “Talk” is his weakness for though I have advised him <u>not</u> to talk he told his son how to find the defalcation - & he did & will advise the Co. tomorrow.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 6	<p style="text-align: center;">Sept. 6th</p> <p>Jim York, Oien & the men who went with them 6 weeks ago to do assessment & other work on the “Comet” & other Berners Bay group for Trites & Co. returned two days ago & are preparing their reports etc. I have been preparing an Abstract of Title for Jim, Oien & self on the “Horrible” & “Mexican” mines located near where they were at work - & searching for the names of their owners. I find that the title to these two claims rested in one A. Neppach. of Portland, Or. under date of deed made June 16, 1910. Bk deeds Vol. 22. p. 430. & I have written to Nicolai, Portland this date to get to Neppach & see if he is alive & will give us an option on both claims.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>The Alaska Weekly bring the sad news of the final crossing of his last divide by my good friend – Bill McPhee, at S.F. on Aug. 22. Bill was a fine character and a typical frontiersman, - a good friend and a man of stud integrity. He was 84 years old & went from Juneau into the Yukon in 1886 – 48 years ago. Born in Nova Scotia in 1850.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8-</p> <p>Meeting of the Juneau Bar Association. Working with Jim York & Oien on getting location & values of Horrible group of mines in the Berner’s Bay region A tangled title.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday. -9th -</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RABBIT EATER OF '98 GREET GANG IN VERSE</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Judge Jim Wickersham Re- grets That Many Sourdoughs Have Been Bucking Bread Line in States</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">by LULU FAIRBANKS</p> <p>Loyal old Sourdough James Wickersham sent greetings to his old Sourdough friends at Tacoma. At the time of writing his mind was filled with thoughts of Charlie Peters, 76, a former bear-hunter of the Bering Sea region who had decided to return to the land of his youth by any means possible. The depression had got him down, so after SIXTY days of rowing he landed in Ketchikan and intends to go out into the hills where he can still get a cabin for shelter and food to eat without standing in a breadline or begging along the street. Expressing his sympathy for other Alaska pioneers who might be glad to eat rabbits again in a land where brave old men and women never lose hope, he was inspired to sent the following message:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COME BACK TO MOTHER YUKON</p> <p>There are rabbits in the Yukon willows, And grayling in her streams, There are moose and caribou a plenty To banish hunger’s dreams.</p> <p>There are berries on the hillsides, Flocks of grouse upon the burn. There’s a cabin on the Yukon Awaiting your return.</p> <p>There’s gold in a thousand creek beds, And mountains filled with ore. Old friends, and dogs and good trail sleds, As in youthful days of yore. Then quiet the land of the heavy yoke, Come back to the Yukon ‘s sway. There’s yet a chance for another full poke So back to the Yukon today.</p> <p>There’s a latch string at each cabin door. In the good old sourdough way. And all busted prospectors are as welcome As the summer flowers in May. There’s a grub pile in the corner, And its “help yourself” we say. So come back to Mother Yukon, And come, this time, to stay.</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">-A Rabbit-Eater of '98 -10th -</p> <p>Barragar is having trouble with his “tangled finances” with the Electric Light Co. – they are trying to make him give security & payment for his son charges, etc, but nothing done yet – he is in danger but “cocky.”</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 11-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>Election Day – Dimond, is the Democratic candidate for Congress, without Republican opposition. Henry Roden vs. Allen Shattuck, for Senator. I voted for Roden! who is Independent – no Republican candidate in the field! Also voted for Frank Foster & RH Shepherd & Harry McCain, for lower House.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Election of yesterday in doubt as to Roden & Shattuck, for senator, but all other Democratic candidates evidently elected. Am at work on Tax Case – Exemption of Alaska Juneau Gold M. Co. from taxation by Contract of Mch. 7, 1913.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 13-15	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th –</p> <p>The A.J. Tax Case is interesting – I am making a complete abstract of the facts & it shows how smoothly a Big Interest concern can over come the public interest.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p><u>Paid my Juneau taxes for ½ year - = \$117⁰⁰.</u> Preparing brief on the law in case City of Juneau, vs. A.J. Mining Co.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday in the office. Bar Assoc. lunch at Baileys. Wrote letter to Darrell – address 1740 Franklin St. San Francisco.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 16-21	<p style="text-align: center;">-16 – 21st .</p> <p>I have spent this week in studying the law questions involved in the case where the Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company claims to be exempt from taxation on its millsite inside the limits of Juneau. They base their exemption on a contract entered into between the Company and the Mayor and Council of Juneau, dated March 7, 1915. whereby the Mayor & council, by Resolution, gave</p>

	<p>them exemptions on their Millsite, power plant etc. situated on a tract of land just inside the city limits in consideration that the Company would build its millsite inside & not outside the city. – Exemption of all their Millsite etc. for 30 years. The property</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 16-21	<p style="text-align: center;">-16 – 21st .</p> <p>so exempted is of the fair value of One Million dollars – at 18 mills rate this amounts to \$18,000. per annum – in the last 20 years.-the people of the City lost that much in taxes, which compelled to pay it. The Company is making a profit of more than \$100,000 a month - \$1,200,000 per annum – and I think it ought to pay its proportionate share of city taxes! I have this day finished the form of a Complaint, and now hope to induce the Governor & Attorney General to allow me to bring the suit in the name of the Territory. <u>I offer to conduct the suit</u> but will expect a fair fee on the recovery.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 21-22	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p> <p>Have completed my complaint in the case of Juneau & Alaska Juneau Mining Co. & have it copied ready to submit to the Governor. The Attorney General has to sign it - & he is in the Hospital in Portland – having a major operation performed today.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Busy in the office – studying the case of Juneau v A.J. Gold Mining Co. tax case & other matters. Lunch with Bar Association. Late returns today give the victory in the election for Ter. Senator in this Division to Henry Roden, against Allen Shattuck!!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 23-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-23d-</p> <p>Sunday – Studying tax case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Wrote a nice long letter to Darrell – he sent me a Postal Card from Quebec, Canada, recd today, saying they were leaving that point for home – S.F.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Had an interview with Gov. Troy about suit of Juneau vs. the Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Co. about setting aside the contract of Mch. 7, 1913, by which the City gave the Co. 30 years exemption</p>

	from taxation on its property in the City limits for establishing its millsite & plant in the City limits!
Diary 43, 1934 September 25-26	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>It was evidently the first time he had heard about the matter & he wanted to consider it further – he was not very much inclined to approve the suit. -26th -</p> <p>I. Goldstein, mayor, come in the office to talk about the A.J. tax suit – he seems very favorable & wants the suit brought at once. The trouble about bringing it is that it must be approved and the Complaint signed by the Attorney General, J.G. Truitt- & he is in the hospital at Portland, Ore. have just had major operation performed & the papers must be sent to him for signature and approval – <u>if he will approve & sign!</u></p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Sent off to Atty. Genl. Truitt, at the Coffey Clinic, Portland, the prepared copy of my Petition for Manllams[?] in the Alaska Juneau case, for his signature – with a letter. Also wrote letters to Jas J. Crossley and S.M. Phelps, Portland attorney friends of mine asking them to call on him socially etc.</p> <p>Also sent letter to Fairbanks Exploration Company about selling my Daly Bench mining claim – referring to my agreement with Mr. Earling, their buyer, when I was in Fairbanks in May, and asking them to advise me about what they would do in relation to buying the claim.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 28	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>I have just conferred with Henry Roden Senator-elect for this division to the next Legislature, about (1) securing the Escheat of a large number of Patented Mining Claims whose owners – generally foreign Corporations, have long ago ceased to exist – the Foreign Corporations have ceased to exist by lapse of time, and refusal to keep up the corporate life, and when the corporations under the laws of the States of their organization have ceased to have corporate existence – but leaving property in Alaska, as if the owner had died without heirs, and (2) when individual owners have died</p>

	without heirs etc. & he advises that I talk
Diary 43, 1934 September 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>the situation over with Gov. Troy & star a movement to secure all such Escheated property to be ordered Escheated by the judgment of the caveats. We also discussed the matter of taxing the hundreds of patented Cannery Sites – amounting to many millions of dollars value – which for forty years have not been taxed for any purpose etc. Also a levy of taxes – license probably – upon the great gold & copper mines which yield huge profits to the alien stockholders – but pay nothing to the Territory, while they carry away all the profits of our Territorial resources.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 September 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>As usual at work in the office. Mifs Mary Jane Herrington, and her mother & brother are in Juneau - on the SS. Aleutian, enroute to Long Beach, California, where Mary Jane is to attend school. They live at Homer – Col. Crittenden is Mary Jane's grandfather – an old Kentucky horseman - & long one of my friends. They will tell me all about my 160 acre farm(?) near Homer. -30th -</p> <p>Sunday – At work on final copy of the Old Yukon Trails – also the index – It is getting on my nerves – <u>after several years – have worn it out.</u></p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 1-3	<p style="text-align: center;">-October 1st 1934</p> <p>Paying my monthly bills – OK Busy in the office as is usual. -Oct. 2nd -</p> <p>Have been searching the records in the Records Office to ascertain who owns a number of old-abandoned, patented mining claims around Douglas -& find many have been abandoned by the owners for many –(40) years. I intend to call them to the attention of the Governor & suggest that they ought to be escheated to the Territory!! -3rd -</p> <p>Same as yesterday – working on the old Bear's Nest Lode claim & adjoining claims at Treadwell – interesting.</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 October 4-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>At Chamber of Commerce Lunch today Elmer Recd. on of the earliest residents of Nome, now of Juneau, delivered a 10 minute talk on the Early Days at Nome – very good, too. He paid me a high compliment for my work at Nome in 1901-'2, in cleaning up after the Noyes-McKenzie gang.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>As usual in the office. Very much interested in examining the records relating to patented mining claims around Juneau and Berner's Bay – claims patented by the U.S. to persons & corporations who have apparently abandoned the property – the question is: Must the property escheat to the Territory?</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 October 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Recd a letter from Jim O'Neill, from 722 Seventh Ave. San Francisco, who attended Bill McPhee, until he died: he tells me he has a picture of myself and one of Bill & wishes me to have them. Wrote to him today & asked him to send them to me by Express. Also asked him for a photo, of Bill as a member of the First City Council of Nome – 1899, along with Tex Ricard & other members. Attended Bar Assoc. luncheon – Hellenthal, Roden & I appointed a Com. of the Assoc. to prepare a bill for Dimond to introduce in Congress for the formation of a Territorial Supreme Court.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 October 7-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th –</p> <p>Sunday – day in my library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th –</p> <p>Working on patented mining claims along the Douglas island shore – all ready for Escheated to the Territory – abandoned.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Invited to talk to Women's club, on 16th in relation to Alaska Day – 18th accepted. Have date with Gov. Troy tomorrow to discuss Escheat of abandoned mining claims in the Juneau district – hope to get his interest in employment. Working in office on Index to Old Yukon trails: Grace copying Father Jette's Ms about Nulato Massacre of 1851.</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 October 10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Octo. 10, 1934-</p> <p>Had a good conference with Gov. Troy & Auditor Boyle, about my examination of titles & Escheat of Abandoned Mining Claims, to which U.S. Patents have issued years ago, & where the patentees have died without heirs – or corporations to whom deeds were made by patentees – have become extinct. The Governor expressed a wish to have me take charge of all such cases for the Territory – but since the Attorney General must be interviewed & consulted the matter had to go over until he could be consulted. Boyle said Atty Genl would be home from Portland in 2 or 3 weeks!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 October 11-13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Oct. 11th</p> <p>In the office as usual. Enjoyed today with Dudley, surveyor, etc. in locating the geography of a lake on Berner's river, in which Jim York is interested as a power site – in his investigations with the owners of mining claims – etc. <u>Trites</u> who bought Berners Bay mines through Faulkner. York hopes to interest Trites in the power site etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>In the office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Bar Assoc. lunch – Hellenthal, Roden & I appointed a committee to prepare bill for creation of Ter. Supreme Court – for introduction in Congress by Dimond.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 October 14-16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p><u>Sunday</u>. The Womens Club has asked me to talk briefly at their meeting on Tuesday about the taking over the Territory from the Russians on Oct. 18, 1867. I am busy preparing an Index to Ms. Old Yukon Trails. I fear I am making it to diffuse - & long.</p> <p>Just invited to talk to the High School on Thursday 18th on Alaska day – consented to do so.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Address to the Womens Club at the regular meeting at the Bailey Café. Answering Correspondence.</p>

Diary 43, 1934 October 17	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Recd. letter from Fairbanks Exploration Co. refusing to buy my $\frac{3}{4}$ interest on Ester Creek "Daly Bench"- Same time the U.S. Income Tax expert came in with plan of raising my tax for 1932 – account of payment to me by U.S. of \$1500. for mileage travel between Alaska and Washington, D.C. On same mail, however I received check from L.C. Hess, Fairbanks, for \$100. on act. of income from an old forgotten mining interest I owned with him on one of the Fairbanks creeks. That will pay the deficiency in the Income Act but I am still in the red on the Ester Creeks claim! The Co. hope to get it later at their own price!! & will of course!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 17	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TALK ON ALASKA GOVERNMENT IS LUNCH FEATURE {Empire, Oct. 17 '34} James Wickersham Gave Interesting Speech at Club Affair</p> <p>American government was born in Alaska in a rude log cabin in Sitka, owned by an Irishman named Murphy, Judge Wickersham told members of the Juneau Women's Club and their guests at an elaborate Alaska Day luncheon held by the organization at Bailey's Café yesterday.</p> <p>Continuing, he told of the efforts of Murphy, one of the first American civilians to reach Sitka, to organize a city government and draft a suitable constitution for such government. That was in December, 1867, he said, less than two months after the formal transfer of the Territory to the United States. Their efforts were successful, he added, and received the approval of the military authorities in charge of American affairs in Alaska. A city council was organized and ordinances drafted for the protection and support of the people, and among the first things to receive attention was education. A school was established in January following, the first American school in</p>

	<p>Alaska, and for many years the only one, he said.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham has in his possession these first city ordinances, as well as the minutes kept by the first school board, and he extended a cordial invitation to women interested to view them in his library in his home. Yesterday he showed a copy of the petition signed by ninety-seven civilian residents of Sitka sixty-seven years ago, in which they asked the military authorities to permit the formation of a city government in Sitka.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hutchinson Aids Development</p> <p>What Murphy was to the formation of Government, Judge Wickersham said, a man by the name of Hutchinson was to the commercial development of Alaska. He, it was, who secured the option to purchase all the Russian trading posts and with the support of a group of San Francisco capitalists he formed the old Alaska Commercial Company, which extended its activities all along the Alaskan coast, finally acquiring a post at St. Michael, and starting, away back in the early eighties, the first river transportation company. Their small boats went up and down the Yukon, he said, and eventually they met with a group of men who came from the Treadwell mines, among whom was George Carmack, and through the joint efforts of the Alaska Commercial company and this group of miners, the Klondike gold fields were discovered.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Prefaced Talk</p> <p>Judge Wickersham prefaced this talk on the occupation of Alaska by the Americans with a brief resume on the influence exerted by Catharine the First, Empress of Russia, on colonization in Alaska. She was, he declared, to Vitus Bering and his associates what Queen Isabella of Spain was to Columbus without her help Alaska would have been a British province, a continuation of the Dominion of Canada. He paid tribute also to Baronoff, and Cherikoff, and the splendid work they did toward the establishment of a new Russia in America.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Forty Attended</p> <p>Approximately forty women were present for this</p>
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	<p>occasion, which was the first of a series of special occasion luncheons to be given this year by the Club. Music for the occasion was furnished by Mrs. Crystal Snow Jenne who sang two songs appropriate to the Alaska Day observance. The first of these, which was written by Mrs. Florence Clark McLaren of Skagway, has been suggested as the official song for the Alaska Federation of Women's Clubs, and an effort is now being made to have it adopted by the Federation. Mrs. Jenne's second number was an arrangement made by Mrs. Carol Beery Davis of two Tlinget melodies, called "Kusehani," an Indian word meaning sweetheart. Both these numbers were beautifully given by Mrs. Jenne, with Mrs. Davis accompanist, and received enthusiastic applause from all present.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 18-20	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>delivered an address on the 67th anniversary of the day when Alaska was transferred to the U.S. by Russia at Sitka – to the High School – 400 scholars – Hi, 6th & 7th – or 7th & 8th grades – present. Also attended Chamber of Commerce lunch & heard Father Kashaveroff deliver address on early fur trader voyages from Sikrig[?] to Aleutian islands etc. good address.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Long letter from Darrell – at home in S.F. As usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Lunch with Bar Assoc. letter from Dimond – about amendment to the laws relating to appeals in both civil & criminal cases.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 20-22	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>I have completed the Index to my Old Yukon Trails Ms. & hope to have it ready – rewritten to suit myself – to go out, like the dove from the Ark – to seek a publisher. I will, I think, send it to Darrell & let him do the work of sending out and receiving returns?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Sunday – at home reading - walking.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>I am preparing all the Ms. decisions on hand for the 8th Alaska Law Report – for transmittal to the West</p>

	<p>Pub. Co. St. Paul. There is not yet enough material – but I am sending it on so they can be working it up - & will send on the balance as soon as the courts send it to me.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 22-24	<p style="text-align: center;">-22d continued-</p> <p>For some months I have been assisting Jim York, prospector & miner, with mining projects in connection with Berners Bay – Kensington etc. mines, sold to Trites & others through York & my activities. We are now working up a power site plan for submission to the Trites and associates. We hope to get something for our efforts for they seem to us to be valuable to them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23 – 24-</p> <p>Working on final touches to the Ms. for the 8th Alaska Reports. In the past I did the work of preparing the syllabi etc. but they now ask that the opinions, with No. Attys, date etc be sent on to their editorial staff to do the work of arranging for publication.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 25	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>I have finished all the work I can do on the Ms. for the 8th Alaska Reports & will send it on by mail to the West Pub. Co. St Paul. Minn, for editorial work. I prepared the whole editorial work on Vol. 1 of that set of Reports, but the publication was not satisfactory – too many printers mistakes, and in the subsequent volumes I prepared most of the work of arranging & editorial work but now the Publishing Co. will do it all. I was never paid any money for gathering all data, arranging etc. never a cent – though I got credit by having my name on the books as editor. Now I am glad to have the Co do the work & I will do no more.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 26	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Sent Ms. for 8th Alaska Law Report to West Pub. Co. St. Paul, Minn. Ex \$3.⁸⁰ Insurance \$300⁰⁰</p> <p>A Mr. Price, U.S. Income Tax special Agent was in the office inquiring about how I expended the \$1500. allowed me by law for mileage etc. as Delegate to Congress in the year 1932. I called his particular attention (1) to the law of 1906 fixing that sum as mileage & other expenses for the Delegate & (2) to the fact that my income tax statement for</p>

	1932 was made in the office of the Sergeant at Arms, in the Capitol at Washington, by a Special Agent of their Bureau – who examined my data at the time & approved it & the account.
Diary 43, 1934 October 26-29	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>Mr. Price was satisfied from the strict examination of the figures I produced again for his inspection & left saying he would write out the facts & recommend that my statement he approved – <u>again!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>Navy Day – In the office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Sunday, worked all day on illustrations for Old Yukon Trails.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Went on Jim Yorks note for \$150⁰⁰ at the Behrends Bank – Jim is going down to Vancouver, B.C. to consult with Trites in relation to power etc. for the Kensington mines: I am backing him with the money etc. & am to have an interest ½ in scheme.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 30	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Jim O'Neill, 722 Seventh Street, San Francisco, Cal. wrote to me on Sep. 28, '34 saying he had an oil painting – one of Bill McPhee & one of myself and that Bill had instructed him before Bill died to send them to me – they arrived today. They are crayon, Bills is 30 x 36 in & mine 24 x 30 inches in size. Bills is a good picture – well done, mine is not so well done, but probably they are pretty good likenesses at that. The light effect on Bills is much better than on mine. They were made some 30 years ago in Fairbanks by a Mrs. C.E. Johnsson, a lady friend of Bills, which may account for his looking better than mine – anyway its an Alibi?</p>
Diary 43, 1934 October 31- November 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Preparing a letter to the Mayor & City Council asking them to do something about compelling the A.J.G.M.Co. to pay taxes equally with all other taxpayers in Juneau!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Nov 1st -</p> <p>Attended Chamber of Commerce lunch – Judge Alexander made a remarkable speech: first, he told</p>

	the assemblage what a bad man he had convicted & sentenced at Ketchikan – just a letter unethical. I thought for a judge to do, and 2 nd he assured us that the present financial depression in the U.S. was caused by the bankers! he did not blame the Republicans!!
Diary 43, 1934 November 2-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-Nov. 2-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Have completed my letter to the Mayor and City Council in relation to the alleged contract of 1913, exempting the A.J. Gold Min co. from <u>taxation for 30 years.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd-</p> <p>Paying monthly bills – they are not as high as formerly – we are doing better. Business in the office is showing better, too.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">4th</p> <p>Sunday – Working in library at home.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p><u>Delivered copy (5 pages) letter & statement in the matter of the claimed exemption from Taxation for 30 years of the Alaska Juneau Min. Co. to the</u></p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 5-6	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p><u>Mayor & City council this morning – suggesting that they get the A.J. Co. officials to waive their alleged contract for exemption & let the property be assessed equally with all other property in Juneau – or if the Co. will not waive tat the City Assessor be instructed to assess the property & let the Co. go into court & best the matter, & 3rd if neither will act that a Taxpayer bring a suit to list the exemption.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Am troubled with dizzy spells – seem to be located in my eyes – probably from smoking too many cigars – which give me much comfort – <u>Election day.</u></p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 6-8	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>in the States – Democratic, of course, for as Gov. Al Smith of New York says – “nobody wants to shout Santa Clause at Christmas time.” President Roosevelt is handing out billions of money from the U.S. Treasury – and naturally those who accept the gifts refrain from either “shooting” or sour criticising – they vote for Santa Clause & presents!</p>

	-7 th -	Same as usual in the Office. Suffering from a dizzy spell – Doctor DeVigne says its from my stomach, but sent me home to bed for the day.
	-8 th -	Same as yesterday though my dizzy spells are abating. Grace & I
Diary 43, 1934 November 8-9	8	attended a dinner party at the home of our neighbors, Mr. & Mrs. Newmarker – a good dinner – which I ate sparingly - & a card game which Grace enjoyed largely. Business in the office keeps me busy –but poor! Attended the Chamber of Commerce lunch – interested in Pegues and his new office Administrator of U.S. Housing Scheme – but I think its not practical!! although it will furnish a lot of “deserving Democrats” – like Pegues, with jobs!
	-9 th -	Same as usual in the office. Wrote Darrell a letter & answered business correspondence. Getting cases ready for court – to begin 13 th .
Diary 43, 1934 November 10	-10 th -	Saturday, bad day – taku wind and S.E. storm combined. Oien is at Sumdum – his engine out of order – gave Harry Sumdum money enough – last night – to buy oil – to go and tow his boat in to Juneau. Lawyers hold lunch out at Robertson’s cabin at Auk Bay – but I excused myself & will not go. Grace & Ruth entertained the school teachers & their beau’s tonight at our house! Davidson (Jack) will rearrange my Map of Alaska to show “Old Yukon Trails,” from Asia via Bering strait into Alaska on Brook’s map showing natural plateau between the Coast Range & the Rocky Mt range & also along the MacKenzie River valley - & Great Plains Plateau!
Diary 43, 1934 November 10	10	About 20 or more school teachers among them being Grace’s niece, Ruth, together with an equal number of their gentlemen friends, assembled at our house tonight – the party played cards, danced, had music – smoked and had a good,

		happy evening generally.-& got acquainted, for many were new comers to Juneau. Grace gave them a luncheon, etc. At 8 p.m. exactly – Mrs. Anna Strong, wife of former Governor Strong, gave a “talk,” before the microphone in Seattle – which came to us over the National Broadcasting Radio – in relation to her wide travels, etc. all over the world. In answer to questions she said the scenery in Alaska – mountains, glaciers, great rivers etc. Equally any she saw throughout her world wide travels!
Diary 43, 1934 November 11-14	-11 th -	Armistice day – Sunday. Nothing of importance – except the Radio concerts came in clear and good & were unusually interesting.
	-12 th -	Monday – made a holiday by all business houses closing – Prepared final draft of my Complaint in the case of Taxpayer v Juneau and the A.J. Mining Company.
	-13 th -	Same as usual in the office.
	14 th	Fritsche in the office daily – we are arranging to try his cases vs Porcupine Mining Co. he will remain here until trial takes place
Diary 43, 1934 November 15	-15-	Mr. Fritsche is a good typist & is assisting me in copying the old agreements between the City of Juneau & the A.J. Mining Co. of Mch 7, 1913, for Exemption of their property from taxation. We had him out to the house for dinner tonight & passed a pleasant evening talking mining, geology & the Migration of Asiatic animals – now extinct – across the Asio-American land bridge at Bering straits. He was greatly interested in my maps, & Commencement Day address at Fairbanks College last May. He expressed surprise – said he knew nothing about the facts etc.
Diary 43, 1934 November 16	-16-	Attended court – heard <u>Mrs. Mildred Hermann</u> and <u>Al. White</u> argue their first case in court – <u>the libel case of White v Heard</u> . They both did fairly well for

	<p>a first appearance in court as contesting lawyers. Mayor I. Goldstein called me up this evening and asked if I would object if he put off reading my letter addressed to the Mayor & Council until next week – said that he had given Metzgar, Supt. A.J. Mining Co a copy etc. and it had been sent to Phil. Bradley, Pres. A.J. Co. at San Francisco – no answer & they wanted his answer before any action was taken etc. I consented that it go over for another week!!</p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>Bar Association lunch at Baileys was interesting – we are preparing a bill to send to the Delegate from Alaska in relation to the organization of a Supreme Court in Alaska. –I offered copies of the bills I drew when last in Congress. –I am on the Committee – with Hellenthal & Roden - & offered my old bill as the model.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>At home in my library sorting pictures & hunting for others in the magazines of the Am. Mus. of Nat. Hist – N.Y. to illustrate my map showing routes & trails of migration of the mammoth & other Asiatic animals across Alaska into America including those extinct & living yet – in N.A. & particularly in the U.S. & Alaska.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 19	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Busy in the office – Saw the Atty. Genl. Smith today – he is in his office and looks well, though weak from his recent operation. As to the suit against the A.J. Mining Co. he, probably, will not permit me to bring the suit to compel the A.J.M. Co. to pay taxes – says a Taxpayer can bring it etc. etc. The Governor saw him & put a stop to his activity, notwithstanding the law gives him the authority! and, I think, makes it his duty to bring the suit. I may be compelled to get a taxpayer to act in his place - & perform his duties! since Too bad – he is such a coward.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 20-23	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>Court being in session I am busy in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p> <p>Getting settlement of Gorham's mortgage etc. trouble in his family.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd –</p> <p>Same as yesterday – am real busy these days in the office, more than usual. The Atty. Genl. has been instructed by the Governor not to assist in bringing suit against the A.J. Min. Co. for recovery of taxes made exempt.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd –</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wrote to Darrell</p> <p>Have succeeded in getting all of Gorham's creditors to settle with him for fifty cents on the dollar – except one – the Thomas Hardware Co. – who demand their pound of</p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 24	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>Court in session – getting Fritsche cases ready – Court will set cases. Criminal case have right-of-way, but there are few criminal trades, most of them go off on a plea of guilty - & a small sentence – the prosecuting attorney substitutes what he & the lawyer for the defense agree on – instead of the verdict of the jury & get the sentence fixed & then persuade the court to accept then agree verdict in stead of the jurys judgment, etc. etc, it is largely a matter of favoritism & liable to injustice by permitting a wrong doer who has the ear of the Dist. Atty. to escape just punishment.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 23-25	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>23rd copy from 2nd page back</u></p> <p>flush – so we have concluded to let them rest awhile. Fritsche, for whom I have several important cases involving the Porcupine Mining Co. is here & we are getting ready to try them at this term of court. Other business is better than for the year last past, and I am quite busy in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Sunday. Atty Genl. J.S. Truitt wrote me a letter today declining to bring the suit against the A.J. M. Co. or allow it to be brought in the name of the Territory! I must now get a tax payer to bring it as a plaintiff, & meet the prejudice of the Democratic machine – the Governor</p>
Diary 43, 1934 November 25-27	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>instructed Truitt not to bring it or allow the Territory to do so!! They are playing friends to the A.J.G.M. Co.: - but I intend to go ahead with the case provided – I can get a taxpayer to act as plaintiff.</p>

	-26 th -	Made Option – Agreement between John Wagner & Gus Oien, 90 days, for sale of Wagner's 18-20 Mining Claims – Loaned Gus Oien, trip to Seattle, \$10.00 Rewriting Petition for Mandamus in Taxpayer v A.J.G.M. Co. & City officials, in re Exemption of the A.J.C. for 30 years from taxation.
	-27 th -	Same as usual in the office &
Diary 43, 1934 November 28	-28 th -	am just in receipt of a demand from the Treas. Dept. Internal Revenue Service to pay an additional sum of \$106 ²⁸ Income Taxes – for 1932! This in addition to the sum I paid on the Act. prepared for me by their own Special Agent, in the Office of the Sergeant at Arms, House of Representatives, Washington D.C. who was specially stationed there by the Internal Revenue Service to prepare the Accounts of Congressmen – it is based on the recent interview by another agent of that Service, who came to my office here in Juneau - & demanded that I exhibit vouchers & data – all of which I had presented to the other agent in Washington in Feb. 1933, & then destroyed,
Diary 43, 1934 November 28-30	28	because it was, I thought, carried officially before the Special Agent, used to his entire satisfaction & its usefulness ended! Now after nearly two years & without it they disapprove things which the former agent, on good evidence approved, & boost my responsibility \$106 ²⁸ !! I may have to pay, of course, but only on a written explanation of protest. -Nov. 29 th 1934 Thanksgiving Day. We are to take dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Willis Nowell – who are both special friends of Grace's.
	-30 th -	Same as usual in the office. Court grinding along slowly. Criminal case have right of way this week.
Diary 43, 1934 December 1-3	December 1 st 1934	Busy in court today getting cases set for trial, etc Fritsche case set for Dec. 19 th .

	-2 nd -	Sunday: Wrote letter in protest of "adjustment" of my Income Tax Act – by raising it so that I have to pay \$106 ²⁷ - a very unjust raise!
	-3 rd -	<u>Mailed my "Protest" to Geo. C. Earley, Internal Rev. Agent, Seattle Division, against adjustment of my Income Tax, 1932, by which it was raised \$106.²⁸</u> Paid my November bills, rent of office etc. A younger man – tall, clear eyed, and evidently, a student and a worker, named Beers, wants to study law – he looks good to me.
Diary 43, 1934 December 4	-4 th -	Finally closed up the Gorham matters to their satisfaction, though the Thomas Hd. Co. stood out – Thomas is a "hard boiled" one. I think Ordway, photographer has worked out a good copy of the Brooks map of the Yukon and MacKenzie river plateaus – showing the roadway from Asia into America of the Mammoth & other Asiatic mammals, for me – I hope to get the Ms. off to a potential publisher immediately. The illustrations & maps have been troublesome. The mayor informs me that he has a letter from the A.J. Gold M. Co. in reply to mine asking the City officials to act, and that Both letters will be read before the City Council at its regular meeting on Friday.
Diary 43, 1934 December 6	-6 th -	Busy in the office. Mr. Nelson I. Beers, 25, from Connecticut, well educated & apparently a good young man has been in the office two or three times this week wishing to establish his right to study law, etc. Have this day agreed to take him in the office as a student. I do not agree to pay him anything for services in the office, which will not be regular & only when he has no other work – he is employed with the Road Commission – do not charge him any sum for tutelage – he is a gratuitous student - & I only promise to assist him in his studies for any assistance he may render in the office.

<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 7-8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Grace has some friends to dinner tonight. City council has promised to read my letter tonight about A.J.G.M. Co. exemption from City Taxes. Mr. Beers will begin his studies as student at law on Monday Dec. 10th.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Busy in the office & especially with the Fritsche case. The Alaska Press published my letter to the Mayor and City Council in its yesterday issue – in full and the City Council read it & the letter of the A.J. Mining Co. last night and referred the whole matter to the City Attorney. H.L. Faulkner, for report. The Empire will garble the matter in the interest of the A.J. tonight.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 8-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th continued.</p> <p>At the Bar Association there was much criticism of the Sale of liquor to Indians & I moved the matter be referred to a Committee of which R.F. Robertson should be chairman. It was carried & Faulkner & Dist. Atty. Holshheimer were appointed with Robertson on the committee. I refused to go on the Committee.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>The Empire published, last evening a long letter from Metzgar, Supt. of the A.J. Col. in which he appeals to the people of Juneau for sympathy etc. He does not attempt to defend the action of the city Council – on their <u>right</u> to grant his Co. Exemption</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>from Taxation, but only mistakes the facts & shows what a good thing it is to have the A.J. mine located in town etc. It is a mere restatement of the “boosting” statements contained in Jack Hellenthal’s proposal to the city council at the time the Co. obtained their exemption from taxation – it is not truthfully or cleverly done, and was evidently written by Hellenthal for his signature. The Empire does not copy my letter published in the Juneau Press on Dec. 7, - it is the usual one sided statement for the A.J. Co. to mislead the public again – and will do that, of course.</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 10-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>I am engaged in writing an answer to Metzgars letter of Saturday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Robertson today withdrew as the attorney for the defendant in the case of Fritsche v Porcupine Mining Co. which has been set for trial on the 19th. I filed it in court & the court will determine on Saturday what to do about trying the case. The defendants live in Chicago & may not be here – so what will the court do about the trial?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12-</p> <p>Roden, Fritsche & I brought up the matter of setting the Fritsche case</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>for trial soon before Judge Alexander & to my amazement it came out that Wright & his lawyers have been writing letters to the Judge & he to them etc. & that he has a deep impression from the back door correspondence that we are wicked & evidently trying to defraud the defendant etc, etc. Alexander & Robertson had a long private talk & the judges rooms – chambers - & when finally we got a chance to talk he set one case off until January 30th – & will then hear what they have to say etc. He refused to grant Roden a default in the Berry case where Wright - has made no defense & has none – but put the whole matter off until Jan 20 – looking for a ghost!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 13-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Busy in the office – Gass v Gass filed in court – service on dept. today.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday – Fritsche is very much discouraged and in fear that Judge Alexander is so prejudiced against him & his case that he will not get a fair hearing, etc. I, too, fear. I am informed that Faulkner, as City Attorney will report to the City Council tonight on the A.J. tax exemption matter!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Court in session – motion calendar. Paul objected to my appearance for my client Bixby – that I was not authorized to appear for other defendants etc.</p>

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Diary 43, 1934 December 15-17	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>sworn & testified that I had not appeared for any of the Defendants except Bixby, personally & as trustee – that I had been regularly employed by Bixby & paid an attorney fee etc. Court held sufficient & denied Pauls objection. I then called up my Motion to Strike the Default, for want of Notice etc. and court again held with me and ordered Default stricken – so that's that. -16th –</p> <p>Sunday – in library writing letters – heard band & singing of Christmas carols on the street. -17th -</p> <p>Fritsche will return to Seattle on the boat tonight. Sent a lot of Christmas presents - \$5⁰⁰ & box to</p>
Diary 43, 1934 December 17-20	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>Maude & Nellie – to Darrell & Jane. Wrote letter of sympathy and condolence to Mrs. Matel Olds – her husband Fred A. Olds passed away about Dec. 5th – my neighbors on C. St. for years. Prepared affidavit in Bixby case showing my authority. -18th –</p> <p>Busy with Bixby case & Paul! -19th –</p> <p>As usual in the office. -20th -</p> <p>Received a Christmas present from Darrell – a check for \$250⁰⁰! and I needed it, too, for collections are slow. Another divorce case today – which means another \$100⁰⁰</p>
Diary 43, 1934 December 21-22	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p> <p>Busy in the office. Attended School function last night – Ruth acted as choir master & did nicely. Plays usual amateurs school acts. -22nd - Saturday</p> <p>Faulkner, City Atty. made his report to the City Council last night on the matter of the A.J. Co. tax exemption made in 1913: He told them my statement of the law was correct – that the City officials in 1913 had no power to make the exemption – but, he repeated the agreements</p>

	made to the Council by Hellenthal in 1913 & repeated again last week by Metzgar – also evidently written by Hellenthal for Metzgar – full of
Diary 43, 1934 December 22	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>misstatements of fact & concluded that it was for the good of Juneau and ought to be carried out to the end. George A. Rice, councilman then offered a resolution – probably written by Hellenthal repeating the usual false statements – and approving the old Exemption, & it was adopted by a vote of all the council except Messerschmidt – who was no present! The Empire reporter telephoned to me this morning asking if I intended to bring a suit to mandamus – or compel the council to assess the A.J. Co. property – I answered saying that I had not seen the resolution of the Council & could not say until I had.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 December 23	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd - <u>Sunday</u></p> <p>Resolution of the Council introduced by Rice published in the Empire tonight – but not Faulkner letter or opinion saying they had no authority or power to grant exemptions. So far the propaganda is all with the A.J. Co. – but I'll wait my own soon, & then consider what next to do. Attended Presbyterian Church today & heard Ruth's choir sing Christmas sons & Cantata – it was good music & well conducted by Mrs. Davis at the organ & Ruth as the leader of the choir – Ruth is quite evidently a skillful music leader & choir manager.</p>
Diary 43, 1934 December 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-24-</p> <p>Working in the office as usual, but everybody filled with Christmas! Ruth & her choir members out singing Christmas carols – at the hospitals – churches & other places & finally came to our house late & had lunch. Beautiful clear cold weather – fine Christmas weather & everybody happy. We sent out stacks of Christmas cards & presents & received many. -25th -</p> <p>Christmas Day – a cloudless sky – snow on the mountains glistening like silver – a Merry Christmas. We had a dinner for a few friends - & Grace and Ruth (also I) are very happy. At dinner</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 25-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>we had Mr. & Mrs. Jack Davidson, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Waite, Mr. Nelson I Beer Ruth Coffin & Grace & myself. We had music & singing and an excellent turkey dinner – including a most excellent plum pudding sent to us by Mrs. Hermann.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Working in the office as usual. Grace & Ruth made photographs of Malcolm Faulkner & Jack Newmarker with Malcoms great white dog “<u>Taku</u>”.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27-</p> <p>Going over the pleadings in the case of Paul v Bixby, et. al. & find Paul or</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 27-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>someone has falsified the records in places – making up the facts to present to the court on hearing on Saturday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>In the office working on answer to the opposition in the A.J. Co. taxation case – exemption 30 years!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>Saturday Motion Docket called & I charged Paul with falsifying the pleadings, etc. He tried to deny it, of course, – the court held with me on another point and refused him default on his motion etc. He (Paul) is a shifty scamp.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Sunday – all day at home in the library – also worked on A.J. Co. exemption case.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Milder & trying to snow – but don’t. In the office as usual! Glory Be!! I got my Ms. Old Yukon Trails well bound up in a package and sent it to J.E. Erickson, Mgr. of Lowmann & Hanford Co. Seattle, today – with letters of instructions asking him to take charge of the plan of securing a publisher! The load is off my mind anyway, publisher or no publisher.</p> <p>Wrote a letter to Henning, city clerk asking for some information about the A.J. Co. exemption from taxation – which I cannot quite understand. Called and had</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1934 December 31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>a long talk with B.D. Stewart, who was Mayor in 1916, when the second agreement was made with the A.J. Co. about the water system which it had agreed to construct in connection with the city. He could not explain the item of \$7,122.79 which Valentine orally agreed in 1918 to pay the A.J. Co. in connection therewith, which makes me suspicious that the City was induced to pay the whole price for constructing the water supply mains etc. I intend to find out and for that purpose wrote to the city clerk & make me a copy of the items constituting the \$7,122.79 as shown by the city books. That item certainly was extra to the sum agreed on in the contract of 1916</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 January 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">January 1st 1935.</p> <p>A fine new years day – calm & quietly snowing – cleared off somewhat in the afternoon. Everyone seems happy and this day is generally enjoyable. Grace & Ruth & I called at the Masonic lodge rooms for a minute – had a glass of milk & the girls a light lunch – then we called at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Isadore Goldstein, mayor of Juneau. Mrs. G. is one of Graces bridge playing friends. Spent most of the day in my library – reading & making out statements of facts etc. in the A.J. Co. exemption from city taxation – it is an interesting story & I am going to find out all about it – the city got the worst of it!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 January 2-3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-2nd –</p> <p>Working in the office as usual. Mrs. Elsie E. Thompson, one of my friends, wants a divorce from her husband, another of my former friends – I have tried to persuade them not to bring the suit, but she is determined – so I will bring it. Working on the record in the matter of the A.J. Gold Mining Co.’s exemption from city taxation – for 30 years!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Paying bills for Deer, and working as usual in the office. Wrote a letter to Darrell & one to DeVere, & attended the Capitol Theater with Grace – last night – to see Eddie Cantor in his Roman play My eye sight is growing dim on account I do not</p>

	<p>enjoy the theater for that reason of removal of the lens from my right eye.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 January 3-4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>Received from McLush & sons, 22 Little Russell St. London, a fine copy of Voltaire's Charles XII. English Ed. 1733. ^{Sd} 524</p> <p>I want to see the Swedish side of the Wars with Peter the Great & Voltaire's opinion of Catherine I. Book Plate & signature of "William Tooke, July 30, 1823, London."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>V.A. Paine, former Commissioner in Juneau, lawyer, died at his fox ranch near Kake – his body came to Juneau this morning – his wife accompanied it, and burial will take place day after tomorrow – Sunday – Masonic cemetery. He lived in the Interior – Fairbanks, Valdez etc. Paine was not a brilliant lawyer but he was a student of birds and animals a good fox raiser – a jolly story teller – and interesting because of his wide information about wild Alaska animals.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 January 5-8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-5-</p> <p>At Bar Association meeting I drew & offered Resolution of regret on the death of Judge. V.A. Paine, adopted etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Sunday – attended Judge V.A. Paine's funeral, at the Carter's mortuary, Juneau.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FUNERAL SERVICES FOR JUDGE PAINE SUNDAY AFTERNOON</p> <p>The funeral services for Judge V.A. Paine will be held Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the C.W. Carter Mortuary, Dean C.E. Rice, of Trinity Cathedral, giving the eulogy.</p> <p>Active pallbearers will be Simpson J. MacKinnon, Dr. G.F. Freeburger, Garrett Norstrand, William Reck, Earl Cleveland and Arthur Fox.</p> <p>Honorary pallbearers are Gov. John W. Troy, Judge James Wickersham, Guy McNaughton, Judge William A. Holzheimer, Dr. L.P. Dawes and</p>

	<p>Henry Roden.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Brought divorce suit for Mrs. Elsie Thompson from H. Elliott Thompson</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Recd. Marshal's Deed for Grant, Guardian, Matheson Heirs, for 2 lots sold by Marshal – Lot 4. Blk. 8. Lot 8, Blk 4. Wrangell – informed Mrs. Patenaude has paid judgment against her lot \$172.⁰⁰? Marshall telegraphed for this money which is mine!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 January 9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Yesterday W.C. McMayburn, Harry Dickerson & J.C. Morris, come in with a request to prepare Articles of Incorporation for the Katzehin Gold Mining Co. –we talked the matter over at some length & they promised to come back today with other associates & agree together on the plan & Articles – which I have written out in pencil for their use.</p> <p>They came in later – Ray Stevens & Messerschmidt will not act on their board of directors & they are to have another meeting tomorrow evening.</p> <p>Called on Henning, City Clerk, about a statement of City with A.J. Co. for years 1913-1935 – says he will do it tomorrow!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 January 10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">January 10, 1935</p> <p>Meeting in my office tonight of the following men: David Housel, Harold L. Stabler, Dr. W.JB. McAuliffe, A.J. Dishaw, W.G. Harold, W.C. Mcmayburn and Harry Dickerson, who organized the Katzehin Gold Mining Company: A prepared copy of the Articles of Incorporation read & approval: David Housel selected President, Harold L. Stabler, Sec. & Treasurer, and David Housel, Dr. W.JB. McAuliffe, A.J. Dishaw, W.A.G. Harold and Harold L. Stabler, Bd. of Directors. I am to prepare Articles of Incorporation to be prepared of this date for signatures & to be signed tomorrow. Stabler kept minutes of the meeting.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 January 11-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Same as usual – prepared Articles of Incorporation for the incorporation of the Katzehin Gold Min. Co.</p>

	<p>now ready to sign.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12-</p> <p>Court in session, call of the Docket. Court settled the motion made by me to quash service on "partnership" in the Paul – Bixby case – held it bad & gave me to days to plead further. Attended Juneau Bar Association – nothing but lunch & a loud story by Grover Winn. Getting members of the Katzehin G.M. Co. to sign the Articles of Incorporation.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 January 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>A busy week in the office. Cannot get any reply from Henning, City Clerk, to my request for Act between City & A.J. Co. on act tax Exemptions etc. Got settlement of fees & costs in Matheson v Patenaude in judgment – received \$171²⁴. Spent two days at home with the flu – but O.K. Legislature in session. Hess, elected President of Senate, and Joe Hofman, Seward, Speaker House, both good men.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Saturday. Bar Assoc. members of Legislature Senator Frawley from Nome & Zeigler from Ketchikan present. Busy as usual in the office.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 January 20-21	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>Sunday. worked in library with pictures of Alaska – men & scenes, arranging for fastening in photo books. Taku wind storms – bad today!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Working in the office preparing Attorney Lien form myself covering costs etc. due from National Surety Co. in Matheson cases – trying to arrange for payment by Hellenthal & Hellenthal, Attys. who seem to have my costs etc. & wont pay!</p> <p>Saturday & today preparing articles of Incorporation for the Katzehin Gold M. Co. – also working on A.J. Co. tax exemption case. City Clerk says he has now finished complete act between A.J. Co. & City, for my use.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 January 22-23	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Henning, City Clerk brought me copy of the financial accounts between this city & the A.J. Co. covering the years 1913-1934, & they agree with very suppositions that the A.J. Co. paid no taxes</p>

	<p>on its milling plant etc. 29.06 acres during that period, & also payment was made by the City out of other taxes & cash – nearly \$20,000 for the mains etc. water supply – that city does not owe A.J. Co. & that the 30 year Exemption claimed by the A.J. Co. is illegal, ultra vires & void.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Same in office as yesterday. Sent Gus. Oien Arlington, Wash. form of Bill of Sale & asked him to sign & sell the "Tola" to me in payment for note for \$500. I signed for him at the Behrends Bank. Hope he does it.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 January 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>Attended Chamber of Commerce luncheon to Ter. Gov & Senators – some friendly talk – but nothing of interest. Songs by high school students – Ruth Coffin in charge, music by violin & piano – very good.</p> <p>Tonight attended reception to the members of the Legislature at the Governors mansion, good crowd – pleasant reception – music, dancing, refreshments. Met most of the members of the Legislature, agreeable time. Bad weather – Taku winds.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Interview with B.D. Stewart – mayor in 1916 when A.J. Co. 2nd agreement was made, etc. Explained situation to me – read copies of agreements – talked over facts – etc. Busy in the office – Tel. from Fritsche – coming on boat Sunday.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 January 26-27	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Working on A.J. Co. brief & letter. Mail in this evening – letter from Darrell containing check for \$24⁵⁰ act. bonds.</p> <p>Attended luncheon Bar Assoc: several members of the Legislature also attended. Nothing of importance: My clients August Fritsche in case vs. Wright came also, for trial next week.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Worked in the office all afternoon on the Brief & letter in the A.J. Co. tax case.</p> <p>Messrs Monarity, Wilcox & several other friends, from New York, here on the trial of an interesting law suit over film contracts with W.D. Gross. spent</p>

	the evening in my library – they seemed very much astonished at such a collection of books in relation to the history of Alaska.
Diary 43, 1935 January 28- February 1	-28 th – Worked in office on A.J. Co. tax case. Fritsche in the office – sent him & Beers up to the clerks office to copy a group of letters written by Wright, Pres. Porcupine Mining Co. to Judge Alexander, against Fritsche – contempt of court – libel etc. Febry 1. In the office every day – wrote to Darrell. Consulting with Fritsche – his case goes over until a present trial of Research case v Gross is ended – probably next week. Nothing new or out of the ordinary. This morning I delivered to the City Clerk the request of the agreement between the City & the A.J. Co. dated Sept. 16, 1916 for water system – it was in Roden's possession – he gave me permission to turn it in – had been
Diary 43, 1935 February 1	1 used as evidence in some law suits against the City & the A.J. Co. for damages by water on Front St. Also gave the City Clerk & City assessor a letter asking them if their records showed any levy, assessment etc. of taxes against the 29.06 acres where the A.J. Co. mill was – is located between Mch. 7, 1913 another date. Am also working on a statement of Facts & law on that case. I gave Mr. H.M. Wilcox, of New York a copy of my Bibliography. He is V.P. of Electrical Research Co. etc. I have received a letter today from Darrell suggesting that a guardian be appointed for my brother Harry as on mentally incompetent person, to look after his welfare and I am inclined to accede to his suggestions!
Diary 43, 1935 February 2-6	-Febry. 2 nd – In the office as usual. Attended call of the Motion docket & the Bar Assoc. lunch. Ruth out to dinner tonight at Mr. & Mrs. R.E. Robertsons. We had Mr. Moriarity & Mr. Reynolds of the lawyers attending a long drawn out trial in court – out to the house last night – a pleasant visit in the library. -Feb. 6 th -

	Dr. Bunnell is in town – called & talked to him about the History of Alaska. He is on his way east & will see the partners who may put up a fund for its preparation. He will take dinner with us Saturday evening & I will show him my “Ms” – Old Yukon Trials - & see what his reaction is to that!
Diary 43, 1935 February 7-8	-7 th – Same as usual in the office. A group of the Electrical Research experts, engineers, and lawyers – Mr. Wilcox & others called & spent an hour or so in my library. Called on Dr. C.E. Bunnell, President of the Agri. College, - he has the flu, but is up and around. He spoke to me about his interest in securing money from the Rockefeller Foundation to assist in writing a History of Alaska & said he was going to New York, Washington etc. and intends to make further effort to get that assistance while there. -8 th - The long drawn out case of Electrical Research Co. v Gross, is about concluded & Judge Alexander intends them to take up the Fritsche case – next week – he asked if we want a jury. I think we do not, but will consult with Roden.
Diary 43, 1935 February 9	-9 th - Working on A.J. Taxation case. We are to have some friends to dinner tonight, - Judge Bunnell, Henry O'Malley. After the party was over. We had a fine party – Bunnell, OMalley, the Robertsons, Commander Brown, U.S.N. & his wife, Wilcox and his New York crowd, Andrew Nerland, from Fairbanks, Jack & Mrs. Davidson, Mr. Fritsche, from Seattle, etc. Evidently some of the N.Y. crowd got some liquor & Jack Davidson mixed up the drinks – O.K. except that Moriarity, the attorney with Robertson in the Research case against Gross got sloppy drunk & I came near inviting him to go home but did not – any way it was a gay & a noisy party.
Diary 43, 1935 February 10	-10 th - Sunday – working in the office. Recd letter form the Lowman, Hanford Co. Seattle, saying that Erickson was not with them, but with

	the Macmillan Book Pub. Co. N.Y. – that they had sent my Ms. “Old Yukon Trails” on to Revell & Co. publishers but would see Erickson when he came north from S.F. this spring etc. I am disappointed at the unauthorized action of the Lowman Hanford Co. – my letter was addressed to Erickson & supposing him to be still with the Lowman & Hanford Co. in Seattle I addressed it in their care, - but I did not intend to mix up with the Co. in any way. I will write to the L.H. Co. to sent the matter on to Erickson – who is now, they say interested with the Macmillan Co. N.Y. Book publishers etc.
Diary 43, 1935 February 11	-11 th - After the party was over Saturday night I told Grace about Moriarity sitting at the Piano – in the presence of 20 of my friends – with his arm around Ruth & apparently in a state of sleepy intoxication, and my purpose was to call one of his friends guilty to get him out in the kitchen to drink some coffee – just then Ruth left the piano & stood up etc etc. I told Grace about it. I was angry, & she told Ruth - & they talked & then both of them criticised me – for defending her from such appearances – in my own house - & I was more angry. Then now I hear he is in love with Ruth & the story is getting more & more complicated. He was very friendly this morning when I met him in court! Meddle between a man & a woman - nevermore!
Diary 43, 1935 February 12	-12 th - I am greatly concerned about the action of Moriarity and Ruth Coffin. Grace now tells me that they are engaged to be married – that he has tried to persuade her to marry him now and go back to New York with him on the first boat – which goes south tomorrow: that he has refused to go but promises to marry him when school closes in June or July – and after she goes home to see her mother. He announces that he intends to stop off in Seattle and call on her mother – will get Mrs. Strong to go with him to see Ruths mother. Grace says he was once married – has a grown daughter, but supposes he has a divorce form a former wife, though she knows nothing.

Diary 43, 1935 February 12	12 about the other wife – whether she is dead or divorced! He does not come to see Ruth at our house but has her meet him down town. I told Grace to have him come to our house to see her for I think that less dangerous than clandestine meetings. They remained out last night quite late. I dont know how late nor where they were. Adding this to his actions the other night at our dinner leave me with less confidence than I had in him. Roden tells em he had been the attorney for the Research Company, for whom he has appeared here in the trial against Gross, for 20 years and seems to have the entire confidence of Wilcox and the other experts here from New York in that Company.
Diary 43, 1935 February 12	12 He may be all right – he may not – I do not know neither does Grace though she defends him strongly and does what she can to support his proposals to marry Ruth. Of course, I am not responsible for Ruths actions – she does not consult me & acts like one determined to go ahead with the matter at all costs. I will not aid the marriage, though I am powerless to protect her. I do not trust the man, though he may be honest and in every way a desirable husband. Wilcox, Mother called & finally Moriarity – I had told Ruth at the supper table if she wished to entertain Moriarity to have him come to the house - & not meet him down town – they met accordingly but went to the Lincoln ball dance!
Diary 43, 1935 February 13-14	-13 th - All the witnesses in the Electrical Research Co. v Gross, except Moriarity, went home last night. He remains until the jury decides the case – he is the attorney – one of them – for the plaintiff. The case went to the jury today. My Fritsche case will come on for trial tomorrow. -14 th - We, Roden & I, tried the case of Fritsche v Porcupine Mining Co. before Judge Alexander. The defendant made no appearances & we offered the evidence necessary to prove our case – <u>but the</u>

	Judge denied defendants depositions – they were not offered in evidence & I fear he will be so prejudiced by the many private letters he received through the mails from Wright – that he may deny us what we clearly proved.
Diary 43, 1935 February 15-16	-15 th – Worked in the office – nothing but growling over the Fritsche case, which judge Alexander hold up & we don't know what he is going to do with it. -16 th - Finished my statements about the A.J. Co. "Exemption" from city taxation statement today. Letter from Darrell – he has had an operation removing five of his front teeth on account of infection in his lower jaw – but operation successful etc. Am greatly disturbed about Judge Alexander's stand in the Fritsche case – he is violently prejudiced against Fritsche & we are at a loss to know just what to do about it. We may have to dismiss & begin a new suit – we don't know!
Diary 43, 1935 February 17-18	-17 th – We had dinner last night with Mr. & Mrs. Flory – a good dinner & a pleasant evening of talk. Judge Bunnell gave us an interesting account of "panning" or rather "serving" for Indian relics – arrows - & camp refuse on the frontal point of the bold hill – campus of the Alaska college, where they recovered specimens said to represent the same character of materials found in Mongol camps in Siberia etc. Working in the office drawing Finding of Facts in the Fritsche case. Roden & I hope to get Judge Alexander to sign Findings, Conclusions & Decrees in that case – though we anticipate trouble. -18- Dinner last night with Grover C. Winn & family – Dr. & Mrs. Simpson, Karl Thiele, Mr. , canneryman, Mrs. W & I made up the party – a good dinner & a pleasant evening. Working on Fritsche case.
Diary 43, 1935 February 19	-19 th - We are anticipating trouble with Judge Alexander in the Fritsche case. He has been greatly prejudiced against Fritsche by the personal letters

	– outside of the record he has received from Wright – from Chicago, & is inclined to decide the case against us, though the Porcupine Min. Co. – defendant (Wright, Pres) has not appeared & let the whole case go by default: We are preparing Findings of Fact & Conclusions of law to submit to him – which he may not approve if he fails it may destroy the rights of both parties, since the assessment work on 72 mining claims, amounting to nearly \$7,000. must be done before July 1, 1935! He is very ugly at Robertson, who withdrew from the defendants case & Roden & I & Fritsche, <u>also</u> .
Diary 43, 1935 February 20-23	-20- Working to get Fritsche case ready for court action etc. -21 st – Same as yesterday: Also beginning draft of a bill to escheat abandoned patented mining claims -22 nd – Same as usual in the office. -23 rd - Sunday. Worked in the office – prepared a form of Judgment in favor of plaintiff in Fritsche v Porcupine Mining Co. Mrs. Elsie Thompson typing my statement of 22 nd in re A.J. Tax matters – in re Exemption claim of A.J. Co. from City taxes! Letters from Darrell, Winden – etc. in relation to Income tax accounts for '35. Darrell also sent me \$180 ⁶⁴ from rents on ranch, 1934.
Diary 43, 1935 February 24-26	24 th – Presented final judgment form in Fritsche case to Judge Alexander this morning. Roden did some with two other cases against same defendant – the Porcupine Mining Co. – he sniffed & said nothing! -25 th – Busy in the office as usual. -26 th - Getting settlement of my rate at the Behrends Bank for \$500. on Oien's Act. purchase of the boat the "Tola" sold same to Edson – who will pay \$35000 cash & note for \$150. in 6 mo. with interest – banking at 8%. Waite will give his note for amount of bills. I will sign as surety & get the money from

	the bank & pay bills.
Diary 43, 1935 February 27	-27 th - I have spent two days in preparing a bill for Senator Roden. "An Act, to provide for the assessment, levy and collection of a real property tax upon abandoned, deserted & non-producing patented mining claims in Alaska, located and existing outside of an incorporated city or town." I had long ago called the attention of Governor Troy to the fact that several hundred(?) such claims existed between Ketchikan and Berners Bay & particularly around Douglas and Juneau and in his message to the present Legislature, Troy called the attention of the Legislature to them & recommended the passage of an Act to tax them & thus open the area to development – hence my labor.
Diary 43, 1935 February 27-28	27 th continued Got the Oien, Waite & Briggs note for \$500. in relation to the Gas boat "Tola," which I guaranteed at the Behrends Bank closed up today. M.C. Edson paid \$350. & gave his note due in 6 months for \$150. I transferred boat to him. Waite signed note at bank for \$49. ⁰⁰ account three liens on boat & pay the liens. This leaves two notes – 1 for \$150. ⁰⁰ bal. & one for \$49. ⁰⁰ due banks – which I indorsed! when these tow notes are paid that "sore finger" will be well! It does not pay to sign notes for friends. -28 th - Same as usual. Drew a bill for Roden, to make assessment of taxes where anyone (A.J. Co.) secures omission form tax levy.
Diary 43, 1935 March 1	March 1 st 1935. Jack & Si. Hellenthal called to explain why the Nat. Sec. Co. should not be held responsible for payment of costs in case decided in my favor (Matheson case), & why Si. should not pay the \$250. he promised to pay to Grant (Guardian) but the story does not convince me. Grace & I took dinner with Hon. L. C. Hess, Pres. Ter. Senate last night Also present Dr. & Mrs.

	DeVigne Guy & Mrs. McNaughton, Senator & Mrs. H. Ter. Treas. Walstein G. Smith & wife. We had a good dinner & a pleasant time senators were all old friends
Diary 43, 1935 March 2-3	-Mch. 2 nd - We had a dinner tonight for a few friends – Mr. & Mrs. Luther C. Hess. Dr. & Mrs. DeVigne, Mr. & Mrs. Bob. Bender, Mr. Luigo, of Fairbanks – members of Legislature – Mrs. Dorothy Morgan, Senator & Mrs. Frawley, from Nome, Mr. & Mrs. Phillips Prin. Juneau Schools, Ruth Grace & I. Cards for some – library for others. Grace gave us a fine dinner. Ruth music. -3 rd - Sunday. Spent part of the day with Roden & Fritsche at the office. Judge Alexander finally decided the Fritsche cases vs. Porcupine Mining Co. – yesterday – he divided the issues – gave us part & the other fellow part – not bad!
Diary 43, 1935 March 4	-4 th - Attended funeral of Phil Horan – janitor at office building – Valentine – where my office is located, Phil was a Catholic – mass for the repose of his soul. He was a good man – no family – no fortune. Working on securing results of Fritsche case – sale of mining property at Porcupine – Klehini river – Kluckwan, Haines. A troublesome job at this season of the year – cold – windy – stormy. Fritsche goes to Haines & Porcupine to manage things. August Fritsche in vs. Porcupine Min Co. left today for Haines to post notices of sale of Porcupine Min. claims on his judgment against the Co. Paid Henry Roden \$100- costs myself \$200. ⁰⁰ fees – myself & Roden.
Diary 43, 1935 March 5-9	-5 th - Same as usual in the office – busy. -6 th - Answering correspondence. -7 th - Telegram from Petersburg about the beating of a drunk man under arrest. Consulted Dist. Atty. asst. Folta & he promised to look into the matter. -8 th -

	<p>Telegram to Bert Elstad, reporting placed papers against Hans Wick. for beating up Holmwick, in hands of the U.S. Atty – who will visit Petersburg & make investigation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Finished A.J. tax exemption letter – will send to parties on Monday.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th continued</p> <p>Conference with Dr. Bunnell, Fairbanks College about writing history of Alaska. He is much interested & will try to get an appropriation from Carnegie or Rockefeller Foundation to pay expenses.</p> <p>During Conversation I told him I intended to will my Alaska library to University of Alaska – which pleased him greatly.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Sunday – but we were invited to dinner by Mr. & Mrs. J.J. Connors – he is U.S. Collector of Customs & they are fine friendly people. We had an excellent dinner & a good party – cards, talk etc. afterwards, Jack & Mrs. Hellenthal, Dr. & Mrs. Boyne, Judge & Mrs. Holzheimer, Henry O'Malley & Mrs. Kirk.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 11-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>As usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Finished letters to Gov. Troy & R.E. Robertson, President Chamber of Commerce with which I will send each of them a copy of my statement about the A.J. tax exemption graft.</p> <p>The Legislature has passed a Bill changing the name of the <u>Alaska Agricultural College & School of Mines</u>, to the "<u>University of Alaska</u>. The Governor arranged to sign the bill at 5 oclock this afternoon and has invited a group of those who are interested in the college to be present when he signs & to be photographed as a group with the Governor. All of those invited were there: Ordway made the</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 12	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>photograph: Present: Gov. Troy, Senator and <u>Mrs. Hess</u>; President, <u>Chas. E. Bunnell</u>; Joe Hofman, Speaker of the House, <u>Andrew Nerland</u>:</p>

	<p><u>Shonebeck</u>, of Anchorage; _____ <u>Legio</u>, of Fairbanks; etc.</p> <p>Delivered copies of my A.J. Co. tax statement, with individual letter, to the Governor & to Robertson, President of the Chamber of Commerce, this afternoon. Had a talk with the Governor who promises to read the statement as soon as the Legislature adjourns – tomorrow! Of course I do not think either the Governor or the Chamber of Com. will do more than speak kindly to me – & put the statement in a pigeon hole when I leave their offices!</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 14-15	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>Paid ½ my city taxes today. Other half due in September! Grace paid tax on the Bishop Apartments - = \$90⁰⁰ I paid \$117⁰⁰ = \$207⁰⁰ our total for the year will be \$414⁰⁰</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>The Twelfth Alaska Legislature adjourned sine die last night – the "SS Victoria waited at the dock & took most of its members away before midnight. Have offered to take Henry Roden in with me in any case started against the A.J. Co. on mandamus case to compel the officials of the City of Juneau to levy tax – to require payment of city taxes in "exemption" cases. Mrs. Hermann</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>called & talked politics – she told me the story about M^cSpadden, who was said to have been discharged by the A.J. Co. some 5 or 6 years ago for stealing supplies when he worked for the Co. but was soon after made wharfinger at the City Wharf, is a Legislator etc. good family, was home, etc. She is for him but repeated that story as one which might be brought against him. Mrs. Krause wants to run – Democrat. Gave Mrs. Hermann copy of my A.J. Tax statement to read – she will return it tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Thompson divorce case set for 19th 2 oclock Elstad from Petersburg here to get case started against Hans Wickersham – preparing papers so he can take them back with him on Monday.</p>

Diary 43, 1935 March 16-19	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA IS NOW AN ACTUALITY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Officials of Former College Witness Ceremony as Gov. Troy Signed Bill</p> <p>The Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines officially became the University of Alaska this week when before a group of prominent people, all identified with the institution, Gov. John W. Troy placed his signature to the bill changing the name of the College and creating the University of Alaska.</p> <p>Those present at the ceremony were Charles E. Bunnell, President of the University and head of the College since its beginning, in 1921; Judge James Wickersham, who introduced the first bill creating the College in Congress while he was Delegate from Alaska; Luther C. Hess, President of the Senate; J.S. Hofman, Speaker of the House; Mrs. Luther C. Hess, Mrs. James Wickersham, A.A. Shonbeck, Andrew Nerland and George A. Lingo, all members of the Board of Trustees of the institution.</p> <p>The bill was introduced in the Twelfth Legislative session by Representative Lingo from the Fourth division, who is a graduate of the University and president of the Alumni Association.</p> <p>Photographs of the ceremony were taken by Fred Ordway, in Gov. Troy's office showing him signing the bill at his desk with Mrs. Hess and Mrs. Wickersham seated and the others present standing in back. Both the pictures and the pen with which the bill was signed are to be taken by President Bunnell to Fairbanks and will be placed in the University Museum.</p> <p>Bar Association lunch at Baileys! Skeek brothers, Indians, from Petersburg are here to get me to assist them in the Estate of Knute Hestness & Ana Mason Hestness – both dead - & guardianship of Arnold, their 9 year old son. Am</p>
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	<p>preparing papers for them. -17th –</p> <p>Sunday. Preparing papers today for Skeek boys – Hestness case, & also for Bert Elstad – in Hans Wickersham case -18th –</p> <p>As usual in the office – gave Elstad papers in Wickersham case - & bill for \$50.⁰⁰ -19th -</p> <p>Recd. letter from Farrar & Rinehart, publisher, 232 Madison Ave. N.Y. saying</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 19	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>that Mr. H.M. Wilcox, one of the N.Y. group of witnesses here in Jan & Feby, in the case of Gross v Electrical Research Products, and who visited at our house, to whom I gave a copy of my Bibliography, had called on him – showed them the Biblio, & told them I was preparing an “Autobiography” of my experiences in locating the Alaska courts – 1900-1908, and asked me to send it to their Co. for inspection etc. They are the publishers of Rex Beach's books. Of course, I will comply with their request.</p> <p><u>Recd. letter from Jones, Sec. Tacoma Lodge No. 22 to A.M. saying record show that I joined that lodge June 7, 1884. from St. Paul lodge No. 500, Springfield Ill, and asking me for place & date of birth.</u></p> <p>Tried Thompson case – divorce for Elsie.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 20-21	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>My statement in the A.J. Tax case which I sent to the Chamber of Commerce was returned to me by that body with the statement that it was a matter for the City Council – a disputed question of law and the C. of C. was not interested! This determination was reached by the Executive com. the statement was not read! So that's that.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">March 21</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>The final business item was the reading of a letter from Judge James Wickersham protesting an alleged unfair tax exemption situation between the Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company and the City of Juneau.</p>

	<p>The Executive Board, on Tuesday, had returned Judge Wickersham's brief with the comment that the matter was not within the Chamber's province. The Board recommended that Judge Wickersham take the situation to the City Council – which he did several months ago-or to a group of taxpayers, as such. The Chamber upheld the Board's action.</p> <p>The C of C refused to take any action on my A.J. tax statement! How they cringe when the A.J. interests are involved! The returned letter has not yet reached me – I suspect Hellenthal has it – copying it for future use!! Later:</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 22	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>My letter to the Chamber of Commerce case to the office this afternoon with a polite letter referring it to the City Council. While the letter was prepared by the Ex. Com of the Chamber of Commerce, the motion was made in the public meeting to refer it to the City Council, by Faulkner, the City attorney, - to refer it to himself – what effrontery! McSpadden, candidate for Mayor against Goldstein, was in the office – he & his friends are considering a public meeting Tuesday evening, at the Uptown Theater & want me to address the meeting – I agreed to do so, & hope to get Faulkner to appear with me in a Joint Discussion of the A.J. Exemption and the Companys refusal, under Faulkners advice, to pay its city taxes on its exempt 29.06 acres where its mill stands!</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 23-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-23-</p> <p>Working yesterday & today on Brief in Hamblet v Peerless & Alaska Ketchikan Gold Min. Co. case to be tried in Ketchikan in April – 12th or later. Peterson telegraphed me to meet him there at that time prepared to try the case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>Working on Brief in Hamblet case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>Answering correspondence. M^cSpadden candidate for Mayor –vs Izzy Goldstein comes into see me – promises to support suit to attack A.J. Col. exemption from city taxation. I will vote for him – for he looks honest & talks in the way I like, but he</p>

	wont say what I want in public.
Diary 43, 1935 March 26-27	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Have finished my brief in Hamblet case. I am pasting Alaska photographs in books in my library in the evenings. Recd. demand from Collector of Customs at Tacoma to remit \$119.03 back tax on 1932 Income tax – its unfair for I paid my tax in 1933 – but will be forced to comply or be further taxed at 12% per annum!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>The city election (April 1) is more active than usual – Goldstein, present mayor is a candidate & is supported by the Empire & Jim Connors. M^cSpadden is a candidate – while Crozier & Boggan are candidates of the Labor Unions – all this is in the interest of Goldstein,</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 27-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th continued</p> <p>and may elect him by a minority vote for it seems a majority of the voters are opposed to him. It is a hard fight & I intend to vote for McSpadden, though I doubt if he will be elected. I gave his campaign committee \$10⁰⁰ for their case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Working on Hamblet case, received telegram from Chas. I. Peterson Hamblets leading counsel saying he will be in Ketchikan on the 8th of April ready for trial on the 12th.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Seward Day – Treaty of Cession by which Alaska was acquired from Russia, Mch 30, 1867.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 March 31- April 3	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st –</p> <p>Sunday – worked in library putting my photographs of Alaska scenes etc in books. Writing letters.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-April 1st 1935</p> <p>In the office as usual – nothing new.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-April 2nd –</p> <p>City Election day. There are 1998 registered voters – a fine day a good vote – much excitement. Also big air plane meet in the new field out near Mendenhall. The Pac. Alaska Airways big plane</p>

	<p>took off for Fairbanks. -4th - I. Goldstein reelected Mayor by 42 votes over M^cSpadden. I voted for M^cSpadden.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 4-5	<p>-4th - Same as usual – but I have a severe attack of cold – and stay at home. -5th - Dave Femmer, prop. of the Femmer wharf, is having trouble to keep the Northland SS. Co. from leaving his wharf & leasing the City Dock: He wishes me to appear for him before the City Council tonight & protect his interest: Later one Knight, representing the Northland Co. seems to be scared for he is scowring the town hunting for Femmer! The law does not give the City power to act as agent for the Northland Co. – which wishes to unload all its freight “at ships tackle” & get the city to do all the business of collecting freight, paying & hiring longshoremen etc. in short running the wharf business for the Co. & that the City cannot do – according to law.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 5-6	<p>-5th - Meeting of City Council. I presented the legal point & Femmer the personal – council “cocky” & I think of the Alaska SS. Co. could employ the city as Agent for several years the Northland Co. can lawfully do the same. Took the matter under advisement & will leave it to Faulkner again!! -6th - Bar Assoc. lunch. We discussed the bill for creation of a Ter. Supreme Court. Am suffering with hayfever in my nose. Will go to Ketchikan tomorrow on the Alaska – tomorrow or Monday, to attend court & try Hamblet mining case. Late this evening Femmer called me up & made a date tomorrow morning</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 6-7	<p>6 for an interview between us with Knight, representing the Northland Fer. Co. Said K- wished to have the proposal for the lease of the City wharf & the employment of the City as Agents, laid on the table. It seems K- is now convinced that there is so much doubt about the power of the</p>

	<p>City Council to accept the proposal made by him for the Northland Co. that the City act as the agent for the Co. that he prefers to withdraw & make arrangements with Femmer & wharf. -7th - Met Femmer & Knight at my office (Sunday) & I am to see Faulkner, City Atty. tomorrow morning & try and arrange withdrawal & tat the whole matter be laid on the table - & closed with the city, so he, Knight can conclude his agreement for lease of the Femmer dock! Sick with cold.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 8-9	<p>-8th - Nothing new in Femmer Dock matter. Am suffering with the ragged end of a bad cold, but will go to Ketchikan tonight on the “Alaska” -9th - Left Juneau last night at 8 p.m. Roden goes with me but will stop off at Petersburg. In Wrangell narrows this morning, bad birth on the boat & am tired and half sick. While our boat lay at the wharf at Wrangell I called on John G. Grant. He looks old & sick – so different from the bright red-faced Johnnie I have known for so many years. Called on other business men – the town looks good. We reached Ketchikan about 6 o'clock & I went to the “Ingersoll” hotel. Peterson & Lyle, attorney & clients are at the “Gilmore” hotel.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 9-10	<p>9 ready for trial in our mining case when the court will hear us. Judge Alexander also at “Gilmore.” I got a good room – 222” corner room – but my cold is worse – rather my cough – sent a telegram back to Roden not to come etc. -10th - I had another bad night with my cough – it is located in my bronchial tubes - & I whistle like a steam calliope – it’s a blank nuisance – but no pain – just a nuisance. Woke early & sent another telegram, after talk with Peterson last night, asking him to come for case looks doubtful to Peterson. Cough bad & called Dr. Ellis who says not bad, but gave me prescription to allay the irritation in my throat & quiet my cough. But he instructed me to</p>

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Diary 43, 1935 April 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>in bed all day & take medicine regularly Late this afternoon he (Peterson) called & informed me that he had made a settlement for our clients with the defendants!! We are to meet with them tomorrow morning & reduce the settlement to a written agreement. He seemed to be timid & I fear made the settlement on that basis, for I think & so told him yesterday, that we had a safe case – but, anyway, he settled it. Sometimes even a poor settlement is better than a fight when you are in doubt. I fear that my sickness last night may have influenced him – maybe not! In view of this aspect of the matter I will go hoe tomorrow afternoon on the SS. “Northwestern.” Hope they can pay me at least a fair part of fee.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 11	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MINE PROPERTY SUIT WILL BEGIN HERE TOMORROW Prospector Seeks to Recover Option Let 8 Years Ago, Not Paid For</p> <p>The mine litigation case, involving Thorne arm properties that have long been the subject of speculation here regarding the possibility of being developed to become paying ground and payroll producers for the Ketchikan district, is slated to start before Judge George F. Alexander in the district court at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.</p> <p>Suit is brought by Joseph Hamblet, local Indian prospector who located the involved group, seeking to invalidate an option he let in 1927 to the Alaska Ketchikan Mining company, owner of some 50 other claims.</p> <p>Hamblet, who claims that the company never paid for the involved property and has been holding and developing it on the option which has expired, is represented by Judge James Wickersham, former Alaskan delegate to congress and C.T.</p>

	<p>Peterson, a Tacoma attorney. A.H. Ziegler is pleading the case for the defense.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham arrived here from his home in Juneau last night.</p> <p>The property in question is considered one of the most promising in the district but has been avoided by interested capital seeking to invest, largely because it has continually been the center of legal difficulty.</p> <p>The claims Hamblet located are a strategic group, containing the water power site for future development and also have been the center of development activities that have taken an expenditure reputedly neighboring \$100,000.</p> <p>Tacoma capital is the principal behind the Alaska Ketchikan Mining company, the defense. This however is not to be confused with the fact that Mr. Peterson who is also from Tacoma is attorney for the plaintiff.</p> <p>Starting tomorrow, it is expected that the trial will last for three weeks.</p> <p>Case settled – too bad, for we had a good case, & could have won easily. We met in Zeigler's office & read the agreements & court entered the final judgment we agreed on. Sorry, now, that I sent for Roden – but in case of the trial he would have been of assistance for he knew the witnesses & surroundings.</p> <p>Peterson agreed to pay me \$400. in addition to \$100. paid for costs & expenses.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 12-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>We left Ketchikan last evening on the “Northwestern” I am still suffering with a bad cough – <u>influenza and cigars</u></p> <p>Roden will stop off at Petersburg – will send word by telegraph to Peterson that “sorry to miss you – send by mail.” etc which refers to the failure to meet me at the boat when I left Ketchikan & pay me the \$400⁰⁰ agreed on for my fee. A beautiful day at sea – sun – showers, snow! Reached home at 6 oclock - & how glad I was to get there. I love my Juneau home, & Grace is such a good home worker. I am still coughing – but much better than</p>

	when I went away. -13 th - office – correspondence etc. I am much pleased to have another letter from
Diary 43, 1935 April 13	13 Mr. Stanley M. Rinehart, of Farrar & Rinehart, publishers 232 Madison Ave. N.Y. saying “I am glad to know that you’ll send your Manuscript (Old Yukon Trails) to us for consideration.” I hope he wont be disappointed! Also another letter from Wilcox giving me the facts about his visit to these publishers to recommend <u>Me</u> rather than my <u>Ms</u> . In his letter Mr. Wilcox says: “Your letter of March 21 st was received today. I was so vastly impressed with the abundant material on Alaska in your library and was so interested in my conversations with you on the history of Alaska and on your own personal experiences that I took the liberty of calling on Mr. Stanley Rinehart soon after my return and apparently
Diary 43, 1935 April 13	13 imparted some of my enthusiasm to him. Farrar & Rinehart and Simon Schuster are about the only publishing firms in New York who are making any money today. XX The former are considered the leading publishers of books today due largely to their success with Anthony Adverse.” I am gratified of what I have done may result in bringing to the reading public some of the material which you have, and anything that I may have done here I feel is very small compared with the courtesy extended to all of us by you and Mrs. Wickersham during your stay in Juneau. If I can be of any help to you at any time I will consider it a privilege to have you call on me. With Kindest regards to Mrs. Wickersham & Ruth I am, sincerely yours, H.M. Wilcox
Diary 43, 1935 April 14-16	-14 th - Sunday. Wrote letter to Darrell & remained at home resting to cure up cold - & cough – getting better. -15 th - In office as usual, correspondence. -16 th -

	The SS. Alaska in from the south – filled with immigrants from the States going into the Matanuska & other Alaska points to settle(?) A. Young Wickersham going to Valdez Creek to work with his father – mining – called & talked. Seems to be a fine young fellow. The Government is putting on a Colonization Scheme for the Matanuska valley – hope it is good! Am writing letters to Winden, Tacoma, and Adoll B Englund, Enumclaw approving the settlement by Englund, Atty. of Nan’s Estate & caring for Harrys interest – but assuming no responsibility – too far away.
Diary 43, 1935 April 17-19	-17- Trying to get judgment & costs arranged so Si. Hellenthal will pay me the sum of \$250.00 he agreed to pay my clients for the Nat. Surety Co. in the Matheson case. Si. got the money from the Co. but refuses to pay it to my client as agreed upon – hold it against himself. -18 th - In the office as usual. <u>Prepared a new Will today & signed same in duplicate. Elsie E. Jensen and Nelson I Beers signed the same as subscribing witnesses. Revoked my former will etc.</u> -19 th - Same as usual in the office: Roden is at last, studying my brief & statement in the A.J. case & says he will assist me in presenting it to the court. I have written
Diary 43, 1935 April 19-21	19 to Winden, at Tacoma, and Englund lawyer at Enumclaw, to settle Nan’s estate & save what they can for Harry, but to make the Estate pay Nan’s debts & save Harold from expense in what he did in the matter. We had a dinner tonight at the Gastineau Hotel – Grace, Ruth & I, and enjoyed it – though I think Grace is a better cook than the hotel chef. -April 20 th 1935- The “North Sea,” a Northland SS. Co. boat made her first appearance at the Juneau dock this morning. She is a good looking craft – that Co. is growing like the Alaska SS. Co did years ago.

	-21 st - <u>Easter Sunday</u> The weatherman yesterday said " <u>Rain</u> "
Diary 43, 1935 April 21	21 but it did not rain – the sun shone brightly – the sky was blue, the ladies came out with new hats & bright garments – it was a glorious Easter Sunday. I attended Church with Grace – Ruth has charge of the Choir-music, and her Cantata was equal to the bright sun and blue sky. Ruth is an active, hard working girl, a fine musician – and has drilled the choir constantly & successfully! I especially enjoyed the Junior Choir – whose voices were even more sweet to my ear than those of the senior grade. The church was crowded – Rev. Glasse, Pres. minister seemed to be very pleased with the music – an hour long and perfectly timed – big choir.
Diary 43, 1935 April 22-23	-April 22 nd – 1935- "Jack and Peggy" Davidson came into the office this morning to tell my "goodbye." They are starting on the way back to Washington whence they came a year & a half ago to work in geological map making in the local office. They came to our home – where they had a room until Ruths arrival caused them to move. They were a newly married couple, happy and gay, & we enjoyed them very much. They now go back to their Washington home and office. They have been very popular among the young people here. -23 rd - As usual in the office: Learn that the Northland Trans. Co – now controlled by Gilbert Skinner, has arranged with the City of Juneau, to occupy the "City Dock" & leave the Femmer Dock: it is an illegal act!
Diary 43, 1935 April 24	-24 th - Femmer asks me to take up his fight against the Northland Trans. Co. to prevent the City form entering into a contract to act as the Agent for the Co. at the city dock. The Co. to dump all freight on the city dock, - the city, through its officials & employees, to act as <u>Agent</u> – to collect freight moneys, employ & pay longshoremen, and assume

	all obligations of every kind! Of course the city could lease the dock to the Co. but it seems clear to me that it cannot carry on the business of wharfinger and Agent under a contract with the Co. The final conclusion of the contract – under the guidance of Faulkner (City Atty, & attorney for the Co.) will be concluded at a special meeting of the city council tonight. I have asked Henry Roden & Beers to attend the meeting tonight & report the proceedings.
Diary 43, 1935 April 24-26	-24 continued Femmer asks me to give him an opinion & undertake the case – to enjoin the city if they make such an agreement, etc. -25 th – Same as yesterday: City council had a secret meeting last night & approved contract with Northern Trans. Co. to employ City as agent at City Dock. -26 th - Working on a law brief in the matter of the removal of the Northern Transportation Co. from Femmer's wharf to the City wharf. It is a political "job" in favor of the mayor and others who own property near the City Wharf – and the law points involved are very interesting. A suit may grow out of it.
Diary 43, 1935 April 27	-27 th My Ms. "Old Yukon Trails" came back at my request – from Erickson, and the Lowman-Hanford Book Store, Seattle, and I am to correct, etc. and send it to Farrar & Rinehart, 232 Madison Ave. N.Y. Mr. Wilcox, who visited with us in Jan. & Feb. with his associates representing Electrical Research Co. as witnesses in the suit vs. Gross, had the kindness on his return to N.Y. – his home – to call on Rinehart & do a "sales talk" in favor of my Ms. & Rinehart wrote to me asking me to send him the Ms. for examinations & publication if it came up to the necessary standard – so I must get it ready to go back on this boat on Monday.
Diary 43, 1935 April 28-29	-28 th – Sunday. Working in my library making some slight conclusions & writing a letter to Farrar & Rinehart – publishers 232 Madison Ave. N.Y about my Ms.

	<p><u>"Old Yukon Trails.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Finished corrections, etc. on Ms. & wrote letter to Stanley M. Rinehart, publisher 232 Madison Ave. N.Y. & put the Ms. letter etc. and a copy of my Bibliography in the express office directed to Rinehart. I sincerely hope he is kind hearted.</p> <p>My old Valdez friend Charlie Kramer mining engineer called this morning at my office, while his boat is at the wharf – talked to him again about ibex – straight horned sheep – he once told me existed</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 29	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>in the mountains along the copper river. He again assured me that such animals existed there – now reduced to probably a single band found only in the Wrangell mountains. He said they could be found & specimens obtained by some of his prospectors. I offered to pay \$50⁰⁰ for a head & he said he would put in another \$50. and try and get some of the prospectors to bring in one. He specially mentioned one big ram, well known as the "Crinkly Horn" – etc He is going south on today's boat but will soon return to the Copper river & will make an attempt to get one of these animals. He says they are called "<u>Crinkly Horns</u>"!!</p>
Diary 43, 1935 April 30- May 2	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. We have borrowed the contract which the City has recently made with the Northland Trans. Co. for acting as Agent for the Trans Co. at the City Dock. I think the contract is ultra vires and void for want of power on the part of the city.</p> <p>Ruth Coffin, Grace's Niece, went to Ketchikan yesterday in charge of the public school's group of musicians – to take part in a Territorial musical test.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May 1st 1935</p> <p>Working on brief in City Dock case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">May 2nd</p> <p>As usual in the office: Dog tripped me on street fell & hurt my side – but not seriously.</p>

Diary 43, 1935 May 3-6	<p style="text-align: center;">-May 3rd -</p> <p>Writing my complaint in the City Dock case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Attended Bar Association luncheon, Bailey Café.</p> <p>Finished my complaint in City dock case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Sunday – raining – reading in library</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Same as usual – wrote letter to Rinehart (Farrar & R) N.Y. suggesting that in view of the intense national interest in the attempt of the Roosevelt administration to colonize the Matanuska valley with Homesteaders a new – last – chap, be added to my Ms. Old Yukon Trails covering the project!</p>
Diary 43, 1935 May 7	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Having my complaint in City Dock case typed – so as to be ready for signatures if Femmer wishes to continue the matter! Roden seems to be indifferent to the matter, but I am determined to go through with it! Ruth came home today & says she and her chorus of school girls & boys had a fine time on their weeks trip to Ketchikan.</p> <p>Femmer called & we talked the matter of his suit over & he is wavering whether or not to bring the suit – will let me know in a day or two! He is scared.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 May 8	<p style="text-align: center;">-May 8th 1935 -</p> <p>Received following telegram today: <u>"Seattle, Wash. May 7th 1935"</u> <u>Honorable James Wickersham, Juneau, Alaska.</u> <u>I have the honor to advise you that upon the recommendation of the faculty with the individual members of the Board of Trustees concurring at the Annual Commencement of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines on May twenty this institution will confer upon you if you can be present the honorary Degree of Doctor of Laws. stop. Arrived from Washington this morning sailing Saturday stop Am hoping you and Mrs. Wickersham will be sailing north with me Better wire me Frye Hotel if you can attend Commencement May twenty.</u> <u>Charles E. Bunnell, President</u></p>

	D.B. Femmer finally determined to bring suit against the city of Juneau & the Northern
Diary 43, 1935 May 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>Transportation Co. to restrain the executions of a contract between the City and the Company, for the city employment of the city to carry on the business of wharfinger as the agent of the Co. Papers filed -& served on city – delivery to the clerk of certified copies of Comp. and Sum. I sent a night telegram to Judge Bunnell tonight in answer to his, saying that I could go with him to Fairbanks next Tuesday – but inquired if Grace’s trip was to be official – if not the depression would keep her at home!</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MISS COFFIN TO TELL C.C. OF FESTIVAL Instructor Who Went with Students to Ketchikan Honored Tomorrow</p> <p>To tell members about the recent trip of the Juneau High School singers to Ketchikan for the first annual Southeast Alaska Musical Festival, Miss Ruth Coffin, music instructor, will be the honored speaker at the Juneau Chamber of Commerce luncheon tomorrow noon at Bailey’s Café. Miss Coffin accompanied the group of ten young men and women who returned here yesterday from a successful appearance in the First City. Just what may come of this Music Festival, and what it may mean to Juneau are two topics which Miss Coffin may choose to discuss tomorrow. A second honored guest will be Dr. Cassius Carter, newly appointed physician at the Government Hospital who arrived here from the [end]</p>
Diary 43, 1935 May 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th –</p> <p>Attended meeting of the Chamber of Commerce at noon. Ruth Coffin, Grace’s niece, made a verbal report on the trip of the Juneau musician’s – school</p>

	<p>girls & boys – to Ketchikan last week. She talked for 15 minutes & made a good talk which seemed to please the members, & she was well applauded. Copy of Comp & Sum. sent to Harry McCain Ketchikan, for service on Arnold, agent of Northern Trans. Co.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Wrote to Darrell & sent him copy of Bunnells telegram asking me to go with him to Fairbanks to accept degree of Doctor of Laws etc. Do not mention it locally.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 May 11-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>Saturday. Bar Assoc. meeting, nothing new.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>Have prepared a few sentences & notes on the condition of Law & Government in Russian America prior to the Purchase of Alaska on Mch 30th 1867. It may be I will be called upon at Fairbanks for short address on the occasion of ceremony of receiving degree & these notes will suffice for that occasion.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Preparing to go to Fairbanks on trial tomorrow with President Bunnell & Dean Bolton, of the University of Washington – the latter will deliver the Commencement Day address at the College – the University of Alaska. Everything in the office ok. Grace will not go with me.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 May 14	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>Left Juneau today on the SS. Alaska, Grace got me already – but could not go with me, for the Bd of Trustees of the Univ. of Alaska does not meet until May 31 & June 1st when she will make the trip. Left at 1³⁰ President Bunnell is on the boat – he looks badly – having had a month of arthrytus (arthitrus) or however you spell it as Darrell says. From his appearance and symptoms it seems more like a stroke of paralysis than rheumatism as he calls it. Dean Batton, of the University of Washington, is with President Bunnell going to the Commencement at Fairbanks to deliver the Address to the class of graduates – as I did last year. Also “Cap” R.E. Lathrop, member of the Bd. of trustees of the Fairbanks College. Also my</p>

	friends Milo Kelly, of Wasilla, going home.
Diary 43, 1935 May 14	14 Also Charles Simonstead whom I have known since we first met in Valdez in 1904 and John one of the first locators on Ready Bullion & Ester Creek also in 1904. All my friends seem pleased to see me & I am certainly glad to be with them again. I have one of the best rooms on the boat and the weather is perfect as we go out into the Pacific tonight. As Judge Bunnell and I passed out the door on the way to get a cocktail before dinner I passed a handsomely dressed man who seemed to look like some one I knew – but I did not & did not of course speak to him. When he met Bunnell following me I heard his voice as he spoke to B- and quickly recognized him by his voice – it was “Cap” Lathrop – one of the Bd. of Trustees, who had jointed with all the other members of the Board in requesting Bunnell to confer the degree
Diary 43, 1935 May 14-16	14 of Doctor of Laws upon. I turned back & spoke to him & apologized by saying I did not at first recognize him. He seemed in a good humor & feely forgave my want of recognition & invited us to his handsome private apartment where he gave us the desired cocktail & afterward heated me in a friendly way. A beautiful night – a calm sea – but I did not enjoy my bed. -15 th – A beautiful clear day & a calm sea – with a north wind. At 8 oclock this evening we are in Prince William Sound. Had a splendid view of Cape St. Elias – good meals & rest. We will be in Cordova at 11 ³⁰ and I hope to sea some of my friends there. Will write a letter to Grace – it will go back on this boat. -16 th - Cordova to Valdez – Drier Bay &
Diary 43, 1935 May 16-18	16 Seward some time during the night. Met many old friends at Valdez & had many hours of pleasant talk with Milo Kelly & Chas. Simonstead!

	-17 th – Visited my friends at Seward this morning Joe Badger & Mike Sullivan & others. Train to Anchorage lunch there – saw Keller, Chas. Settlemier, Editor Anchorage Times & others. Reached Curry tonight late – tired and worn out. Judge Bunnell looks bad after his month in the hospital in Washington. -18 th - Train from Curry to Fairbanks. We saw ptarmigan on B Pass, cariboo and band of white mountain sheep on mountain sides above Healy.
Diary 43, 1935 May 18	18 band of caribou along side the railway on the Nenana below Healy, rabbits etc. We had lunch at Healy – met friends at Nenana & arrived in Fairbanks at 4 ³⁰ this evening. Took a room at the Nordale Hotel etc. Had a long, pleasant conversation with Mr. Heisley, member of Carstens Packing Co. – a fine man, on the train. He was greatly interested in the wide flat Tanana valley – thinks it fit for cattle raising!! Had dinner this evening with Charlie & Eva Taylor at their very comfortable home, me Dick Sundquists father from Candle, Kotzebue Sound, & many of my old friends. Fairbanks looks fine – a growing city. I am proud to be hailed as one of its founders – President Bunnell in answer to my inquiry as to what I shall do or say
Diary 43, 1935 May 18-20	18 in the function of receiving the degree of Doctor of Laws answered: Keep still and look wise – we will do the balance. Sunday – 19 th – Visited with friends & found many. Out to the college – had dinner with the College Faculty – examined the farm, hogs, cows etc. Later attended reception to the graduation class – 16 boys & girls. Mr. & Mrs. Hess – Clarks, and others present. Fitted for cap & gown & ready for tomorrow. Fairbanks looks prosperous. -20 th - Attended the Commencement day exercises at the Agri Col. & School of Mines today. Dean Bolton

	delivered a fine address, the graduating class etc. and I was given the
Diary 43, 1935 May 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, by President Bunnell – my only remark when it was concluded was “Thank you.”</p> <p>Visited the Eilson Memorial Building for which I moved the first sod last May. Only one story yet, but it is filled with the archaeological collection gathered by Giest, from St. Lawrence island. Received a telegram of congratulation from Grace, Ruth & Beers, & locally from hundreds of friends who give me much credit for the creation of the College. Judge Bunnell was exceedingly kind & gave me much attention. He had a severe spell of sickness while in Washington a month ago & shows the effects of his sickness yet. Spent the afternoon gathering data about the toll controversy over the Richardson Highway</p>
Diary 43, 1935 May 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>[commencement program]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Thirteenth Annual COMMENCEMENT of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines [seal of college] Monday, May Twentieth Nineteen Hundred Thirty-Five</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GRADUATING -----</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ROBERT ALLAN BOWMAN Bachelor of Science in Metallurgy EDITH LOUISE CLAUSEN Bachelor of Arts in Arts and Letters THOMAS OTTO GIVAN Bachelor of Science in Business Admin. FLORA JANE HARPER Bachelor of Science in Home Economics Educ. PATRICIA HAZEL HERING Bachelor of Science in General Science</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">JEAN C. HUNTER Bachelor of Science in Business Admin. HELEN ELIZABETH JUNES Bachelor of Science in Business Admin. AMELIA ELLEN KRAMER Bachelor of Arts in Arts and Letters ALICE SACHICO MIKAMI Bachelor of Science in Business Admin. MARY ELIZABETH SCHEFFLER Bachelor of Science in Business Admin. AGNES E. SCHLOSSER Bachelor of Arts in Arts and Letters EARL GUSTAV SCHULTZ Bachelor of Science in Mining Engineering IVAR SKARLAND Bachelor of Arts in Arts and Letters JAMES THEODORE STEWART Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering BRUCE IRA THOMAS Bachelor of Science in Mining Engineering</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PROGRAM ----- PROCESSIONAL</p> <p>INVOCATION Rev. S.A. Eline, S.J. VIOLIN SOLO Miss Virginia Brown COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS Dr. Frederick E. Bolton Dean Emeritus of the School of Education University of Washington VOCAL SOLO James T. Hutchison PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS Mrs. Luther C. Hess Secretary of the Board of Trustees CONFERRING HONORARY DEGREE Hon. James Wickersham, Doctor of Laws ANNOUNCEMENTS President Bunnell BENEDICTION Rev. John E. Youel RECESSIONAL</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DOCTOR OF LAWS DEGREE GIVEN JUDGE WICKERSHAM,</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">DIPLOMAS AND HONORS AWARDED TO STUDENTS</p> <p>Exercises comprising the thirteenth and last Commencement of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines were held in the College Gymnasium at 10 o'clock this morning. The institution, as President Charles E. Bunnell stated in his announcements at the end of the program, will assume July 1 by authority of the Territorial Legislature, its new name of University of Alaska.</p> <p>Chief features of the program today were the address of Dr. Frederick E. Bolton, Dean of the School of Education at the University of Washington, the conferring of the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws to Hon. James Wickersham formerly Alaska's Delegate to Congress and previously United States district judge, the awarding of diplomas to the graduates and the announcement of the Honors by President Bunnell.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham, formerly Alaska's Delegate to Congress and previously United States district judge, arrived in Fairbanks Saturday to attend the last commencement exercises of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines. He received today the first honorary degree of Doctor of Laws that the College has ever awarded.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, when a member of Congress introduced the bill that brought the College into existence, and on the 4th of July, 1915 delivered an address at the laying of the cornerstone of the College. Last year, he delivered the Commencement address.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Visiting my friends in Fairbanks today. Assisted truckmen & others interested in opposing freight tolls on the Richardson Highway. Called on Nash, local Supt. Alaska Road Commission who gave me all data he had in relation thereto – but on further inquiry I found the amount of freight transported by trucks over the Highway to be so small as to be negligible and not enough to justify bringing suit to restrain officials</p>

	<p>from collecting same. I prepared a telegram to Delegate Dimond for the truckmen setting out the facts etc. which they signed and forwarded to him. Called on Bob Bloom & many others. Invited to dinner at Chas. E. Taylors: Clarks, Judge Clegg, Johnsons & present – a very nice dinner.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 21-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Called on Mrs. McIntosh & her mother, had long talk with George Smith about my Ester Creek mining claim etc etc. Met young Libby, son of Daniel Libby, W.U. Tel man at Libbysville, R.A. in 1866, who sold me the "Esquimeaux" & pictures. He is working in the Fairbanks mines.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Invited to 7 a.m. breakfast at Hess'. Present Dean Patty & wife, of Fbks College, Dean Bolton, U. of W. Mr. & Mrs. Hess' & myself.</p> <p>Left Fairbanks at 8³⁰ a.m. on U.S. Ry. Dr. Bunnell met me at the College depot gave me a copy of "Denali" the college year book, autographed, and returned my copy of Russ Am Charter of 1844. Reached Curry Hotel for the night – we will go in the morning. Will be very glad to get home. I am tired of travel.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 23-24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">23rd</p> <p>Good nights rest at Curry & then on to Anchorage. Arthur Thompson, Cuddy & another friend met me at the depot & took Dean Bolton & me to the restaurant for lunch. I had the misfortune to lose my cane here, but at the train, when I just missed it I asked Arthur Thompson to find it and forward it to Juneau. The Matanuska farmers were drawing numbers for their lands at Palmer Station, but we did not come by there. Reached Seward at 6 p.m. the boat will reach there at 1 p.m. tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>A government vessel "St. Michael" brought the last group of Matanuska farmers in</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 24-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>during the night & they entrained & left for their Matanuska valley homes this morning. We left here at 1 p.m. for the south. Landed at Valdez – saw a lot of my friends & at Cordova at 10 p.m. & thence into the Gulf of Alaska.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>The sea is not rough but the boat rolls some though I do not miss a meal nor a cigar. Have written a long letter to Darrell & posted it on the boat. We will be "inside" at midnight & at Juneau at 9 a.m. I have, as usual gathered a bad cold, but I've taken all the boxes and bottles of cough medicine Grace put in my back - and it acted, and I will be well ahead when we reach Juneau in the morning.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 26-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Sunday – Crossed the Gulf of Alaska rather rough – but I got along without a touch of mal de mere.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>At Juneau at 8 a.m. Home never looked so good to me. I am tired by a nights rest will cure that.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Attending to correspondence etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Decoration Day – raining & bad. I am writing a short letter in answer to an attack on Alaska & especially the Matanuska valley colonization plans – to send to the Time magazine in which</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>Andrew Christensen, land grant for the Alaska Railroad published his attack – will be short. "<u>See Times for May 20th</u>" – for <u>Christensons letter</u>. "<u>Empire</u>" has short Article on my receiving degree at Fairbanks Agri Col. & Sch. of Mines</p> <p>[clipping] THE DAILY ALASKA EMPIRE, WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 1935 WICKERSHAM IS HOME FROM TRIP TO FAIRBANKS Honorary Degree in Law Received by Judge at University of Alaska [photo of Wickersham] JUDGE WICKERSHAM</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham, who introduced the bill creating the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines when Delegate to Congress from Alaska in 1915, returned this week from Fairbanks where he received an honorary degree in law at the Commencement Exercises of the College on May 20.</p> <p>The presentation of the degree was made by President Charles E. Bunnell following an address in which he told of the great interest Judge Wickersham had shown in the College from its beginning and of his long career in Alaska, as Judge of the Fourth Division for eight years and his years as Delegate to Congress.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Laid Cornerstone</p> <p>Judge Wickersham not only introduced the bill creating the College, but in 1917, following the passage of the bill in the Territorial Legislature which passed the original appropriation for the establishment of the institution, laid the cornerstone for the first building to be erected at College, Alaska.</p> <p>The commencement exercises this year, at which Dean Frederick E. Bolton, of the University of Washington made the address, were most impressive and diplomas were presented to sixteen graduates of the institution, Judge Wickersham said.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">New Name Popular</p> <p>Students and faculty members are enthusiastic about the change in the name of the College from</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 30-31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>[clipping continued] the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines to the University of Alaska, which will go into effect on June 1, Judge Wickersham said. The Board of Regents, of which Mrs. Wickersham is a member, is to meet at College on July 1, to formally organize under the new name.</p> <p>"I feel extremely flattered and pleased at having this honorary law degree conferred upon me and deeply appreciate the honor," Judge Wickersham said.</p> <p>The honorary degree conferred upon Judge</p>

	<p>Wickersham is the second to be presented by the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines, Col. James G. Steese, formerly head of the Alaska Road Commission, received an honorary degree at the Commencement Exercises in 1932.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham made the trip into Fairbanks by way of Seward and the Alaska Railroad, and was in the Interior only a few days between trains.</p> <p>One of Judge Wickersham's outstanding achievements during his years in Alaska has been the assembling of the most complete and valuable collections of books and historical data regarding the Territory which is privately owned. The collection, which contains many original and irreplaceable manuscripts of great historical importance, as well as books which are invaluable, is listed in the Bibliography on Alaska which he published several years ago.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>May 31, 1935</u></p> <p>Spent the day in closing up correspondence & sending out bills for money due to me for services as attorney etc. Sent draft to Donald W. Lyle, Tacoma for \$200 & letter to Winden for \$100⁰⁰ also local bill to Elsie Jensen Blythe (divorce) for balance of \$48⁷⁵. My trip to Fairbanks necessarily took the amount I had saved for this months bills, so I have to collect enough to pay them. I also wrote a nice letter of appreciation to Dr. A.S.W. Rosenbach, Phil. Penn.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 May 31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>in relation to his many articles in the Saturday Evening Post on early American books etc. and sent him, with my compliments, a copy of my Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, 1724-1924. I am also much pleased at the editorial in the Empire of yesterday, as follows:</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A FITTING HONOR.</p> <p>There is no honor like honor among one's friends and associates. Fame and recognition may come from afar, but when tribute is paid by one's own people and fellow citizens the most satisfying of human goals has been achieved.</p>

	<p>It is such a fine tribute that has been paid to Judge James Wickersham, a true and distinguished Alaskan, by the University of Alaska, the institution which he was instrumental in founding and to which he has devoted much of his time. It is fitting indeed that this school should present him with an honorary degree in law.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, when a Delegate to Congress from Alaska in 1915, introduced a bill creating the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines, the name of which was changed this year to the University of Alaska. It was he who laid the cornerstone for the first building on campus at Fairbanks, and through the years he has been one of the school's best and most loyal friends. During those eight years as Judge in the Fourth Division and his years as Delegate to Congress, Judge Wickersham always carried forward the cause of the College, and since he has retired from public life his efforts have been directed in its behalf.</p> <p>Residents of the Territory join in extending congratulations as his college confers upon him the honorary degree of law.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 1st -</p> <p>As usual in the office. Sending out bills to the few clients who may have money enough to pay. Fritsche of Porcupine Min. Co. will be here on northbound boat about Monday. I hope he has some, for I spent my spare cash on the trip to Fairbanks. At Bar Assoc. today Frank Foster put through a resolution favoring George Grigsby for appointment as District Judge in 4th Div. He and Georges supporters sent telegram to the Atty. Genl. U.S. endorsing George. I did not join, but enjoyed the amazement of Jack Hellenthal, Demo. Nat. Com. for Alaska at what was done. The Demo "machine" is strongly against George – for very good reasons & it embarrasses them badly.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 2-3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 2nd -</p> <p>Sunday worked in library – pasting Alaska photographs in albums.</p> <p>Also sent out copies of Empire clippings in the matter of my receipts of honorary doctor of Laws – one to Wilcox, N.Y. – Darrell etc.</p>

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	<p>Busy in the office – also sending out letters about Harry & his “contempt case” at Tacoma – sent to jail for 24 hours for telling an inquisitive judge who asked what had been done with my sisters Nan’s will that it was “none of his damn business!!”</p> <p>Wrote Darrell & woman from Pasadena that Edgar (brother) was sick & without money. Evidently I have both brothers on my hands – hard to manage them.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 June 4-6	-4 th -
	<p>RH Sargent, U.S. Geologist called with Mifs Fredericka De Laguna – ethnologist, who is enroute to the Yukon river looking for evidences of ancient man – interested in my Commencement Day Address of May 1934. Suggested that she meet Geoghegan at Fairbanks & Geist at the College etc. She is bright, intelligent, active & a worker!</p>
	-5 th -
	<p>Meeting of claim & stockholders of Katzehin G.M. Co. at Alaska Hotel – settled “scrap” & got them all to sign the same paper – seems O.K. again.</p> <p>Letter to Pros. Atty of Pierce Co. Wash. about Harry & Nan’s will.</p>
	-6 th -
	<p>As usual in the office. Mrs. Newmarker our neighbor injured in automobile accident.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 June 7-8	-7 th -
	<p>August Fritsche, of the Porcupine Min. Co. is here & we (Roden & I) are aiding him in untangling the many tangles in which he finds himself involved in that business.</p> <p>At home I am preparing a short story of the travels of John Bremner, the first white man to explore the Copper river & his subsequent prospecting trips as far as the Koyukuk river when he was killed by the Indians – at the request of the locators of the Bremner River gold mining company.</p>
	-8 th -
	<p>I have accepted an invitation to deliver a short address on Flag Day. June 14th at the Elks Hall – securing data on that subject. Am spending much time at</p>

Diary 43, 1935 June 8-9	8
	<p>meetings of the stockholders and affairs of the Katzehin Gold Mining Co. in securing a settlement and agreement with N.C. MacMayburn & other claim holders & the Company. Meeting today with the parties & they think they have finally agreed. The Co. engaged me to overlook and keep their records & agreements straight for the present until the Co. is on a way to do business in a lawful way etc.</p> <p>Grace became sick this morning and has a high fever – Dr. DeVigne think it is only a cold, but she seems</p>
	-9 th -
	<p>Grace still sick Dr. says not serious. Ruth is ready to go home to Seattle on the boat in the morning. We are very sorry to have her go, but her mother is sick.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 June 10	-10 th -
	<p>Grace and I are both sick – we groan in unison and take turns sitting on the down spout. I keep very quiet about my sickness & decline to let the Doctor even examine me – for my gripes and spewings result wholly from too much smoking! so I keep very still – mum</p> <p>Ruth left us this morning. I was sorry that neither of us would go to the boat with her. I woke up in time – but was then to sick to walk – from dizziness. Mifs Gardenier, a friend of Ruth’s went with her to the boat. I will be very happy when Grace gets up again – for things stop, short, when she quits.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 June 11-12	-11 th -
	<p>Grace & I were both sick today, she with intestinal “flue”, & I with a bad attack of stomach troubles coming, I think, from smoking too many cigars. I will swear off, - until I get well again!</p>
	-12 th -
	<p>Back in the office writing a short note on “The Flag” to be delivered Thursday evening at Flag Day exercises at the Elks Hall. Felt better but not smoking.</p> <p>Recd. today, from Darrell, int. on bonds \$24⁵⁰ from Winden, rents \$100⁰⁰ from C.T. Peterson, Atty.</p>

	<p>Tacoma, act Lyle case (with Roden) \$200⁰⁰. Grace very sick last night – up all night with her – good cold shower & feel fine, however, Judge Chapman, Tacoma, sent Harry to jail for contempt of court, for refusing to produce Nan’s will: Poor Harry – he is crazy & they ought not to confine him for his incompetent actions.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> FLAG DAY TO BE OBSERVED HERE FRIDAY EVENING James Wickersham Will Give Address at Patriotic Exercises by B.P.O.E. </p> <p>Flag Day Exercises, to which the public is invited, will be held at Elks Hall on Friday evening at 8 o’clock, it was announced today by C.H. MacSpadden, chairman of the B.P.O. Elks committee in charge of the patriotic observation.</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham will be the principal speaker of the evening, and a short patriotic concert will be played by the Juneau City Band. Preceding the Flag Day Exercises at the Elks’ Hall the Band will play a short program at Triangle Place, featuring patriotic selections.</p> <p>Those serving with Mr. MacSpadden on the committee are Frank H. Foster and Arthur Adams. It is expected that there will be a large turnout at the exercises.</p> <p>We were obliged to take Grace to the Hospital last night as her heart became affected by her disease and we feared her presence at home interfered with her rapid recovery. The doctor advises me tonight that while her symptoms are far from satisfactory she seems to be out of danger, and with a good rest and care she will soon recover. I have completed my address on “The Flag of the United States for delivery, tomorrow evening at the Flag day ceremonies at the Elks Hall, see clippings on next page.</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FLAG DAY.</p> <p>Taking cognizance of national Flag Day, the Juneau Elks are going to hold appropriate exercises tomorrow night in their hall to mark the occasion with Judge James Wickersham delivering the address.</p> <p>In these days of unrest and unsound doctrine aimed to befuddle the minds of our people, it is a good thing to arouse our nationalism with such observance as Flag Day. Under the Flag we are one people and when it is threatened we arise as one people in its defense. Some of us may harangue and follow foolish theories in some of our unoccupied moments but when our nation is in jeopardy we have never failed yet to rise to the occasion. And it is to build that patriotism stronger in the breasts of our rising generations and those who come to our shores from other countries, as well as to show respect to the Flag itself, that such ceremonies are held throughout the land.</p> <p>It commemorates the occasion of June 14, 1777, when the Flag of 13 stripes and 13 stars was authorized by the Continental Congress. Tradition also has it that it was on this date that Betsy Ross made a Stars and Stripes Flag from a pencil sketch supplied by George Washington but historians doubt its accuracy. However, it remains a beautiful tradition and has its place in Flag Day observance.</p> <p>I have written my address on the Flag and will have it typed and read it, for I will not otherwise be able to make it short which I wish to do.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> LARGE CROWD EXPECTED AT FLAG SERVICE City League Officials and Players to Take Part in Tomorrow’s Observance </p> <p>A large turnout of Juneau citizens is expected at the Flag Day ceremonies to be held at 8 o’clock</p>

	<p>tomorrow night in the Elks temple under the auspices of the Elks lodge, an occasion marking the anniversary of authorization of a flag of 13 stripes and 13 stars for the United States by the Continental Congress, June 14, 1777.</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham will deliver the principal address and a patriotic concert will be given by the Juneau City Band. President William A. Holzheimer, President of the City Baseball League, announced he had cancelled the ball game scheduled for tomorrow night between the Legion and the Moose and players from both teams as well as the Elks team will take part in the patriotic observance. C.H. MacSpadden, Elk player, is chairman of the affair and serving with him are Frank H. Foster and Arthur Adams.</p> <p>The exercises will be open to the public and everyone is invited to attend.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>Mrs. James Wickersham entered St. Ann's Hospital yesterday afternoon for medical care.</p> <p>Have just received a telegram from my friend H.M. Wilcox, New York, saying that Rinehart says he cannot publish my Ms. Old Yukon Trails & asking me to authorize him (Wilcox) to receive it & submit it to others. Of course I will do that & will send him a night letter telegram to that effect. Dr. DeVighne says Grace is better this morning. I saw her last night at the Hospital and she looked pretty sick & it is a relief to know that she is better today. <u>Later</u>, The ceremony</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 14-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>at the Elks Hall, in honor of the Flag, was well done by the Order: my 15 minute talk was well received & I am glad I took part in it.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NATION'S FLAG GIVEN HONORS AT ELK'S HALL Judge Wickersham Warns of Dangers to Consti-</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">tution in Address</p> <p>Using an editorial in The Empire in his prefacing remarks, Judge James Wickersham address more than 10 persons at Elks Hall last night as the B.P.O. Elks sponsored its annual observance of Flag Day.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham quoted an editorial from The Empire concerning the nation's flag, then read the Pledge of Allegiance. The next step in the development of his theme was to trace the history of the Flag through the United States Constitution, and even to protection given it by the Territorial Legislature.</p> <p>Declaring the American flag represented "the best government now or ever in the world," Judge Wickersham launched into a strong defense of the integral position of the Constitution. While he paid the Elks the credit for making a public move to honor the Flag each year, he said that there still were two agencies of danger in the nation which were threats to the flag.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Dangers Told</p> <p>"First, there is the inclusion of radical principles by those foreign to our American doctrines," the Judge said. "Then, there is the predatory influence in the acquisition of too much wealth by individuals."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham's final point centering around the premise that, only in times of extreme general emergency, should the Constitution be altered or amended.</p> <p>"The Constitution should never be changed for political purposes," he said. "The failure of prohibition is an example."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Receives Applause</p> <p>Judge Wickersham's address received much applause.</p> <p>He had been preceded on the program by traditional ritualistic services staged by the officials of the Juneau lodge of the order. M.E. Monagle presided as Exalted Ruler.</p> <p>A feature of this portion of the program was the reading of the history of the Flag by Martin Jorgensen. This portion of the service included the</p>
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	<p>presentation of the various flags which came before the present banner in the nation's growth. Mrs. G.E. Krause provided incidental music as each new flag was displayed.</p> <p>The Juneau City Band had a prominent part in the service, playing several military selections as well as the "Star Spangled Banner."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Dr. DeVighne tells me this morning that Grace is much better & is recovering her normal condition as fast as she lost it.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 1935 MAN REFUSES TO TAKE \$1,000 WILLED TO HIM</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Harry Wickersham of Orting {Buckley} Goes to Jail Rather Than File Bequest in His Favor</p> <p>TACOMA, June 3.- (AP) – A man who would rather go to jail than accept a bequest valued at \$1,000 was found in Tacoma today.</p> <p>He is Harry Wickersham, sixty-seven-year-old retired Orting business man, executor and only beneficiary in the will of his sister, Nan Wickersham, who died several months ago, leaving him an estate worth about \$1,000.</p> <p>Under the law an executor must file a will for probate within forty days after death, and last Tuesday Wickersham was before Superior Judge W.O. Chapman to explain why this was not done. He refused to answer any questions and was given twenty-four hours in jail for contempt of court.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SECOND OFFENSE CHARGED</p> <p>While serving his sentence a complaint was drawn charging him with failure to produce the will and he was held on this charge under \$1,000 bail. Today he was arraigned before Justice Joseph A. Mallery, but refused to plead either guilty or not guilty or to be sworn.</p> <p>Justice Mallery found him guilty and sentenced him to ten days in jail.</p> <p>Wickersham has given no explanation for his</p>
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	<p>failure to file the will for probate. Court officers are rather mystified by the fact that Wickersham is the sole beneficiary.</p> <p>I have written to the Dist. Atty. Tacoma, via Winden that Harry is incompetent mentally, but the letter did not arrive in time – or did no good.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 16-17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Sunday. <u>Grace is recovering rapidly & thinks she will be able to leave the Hospital by the middle of the week.</u> Dinner with the McKinnons this evening. Hugh Wade & wife (Madge Case) & Mrs. Donald McKinnon (Alice Case) & Mrs. McKinnon, Lockie's sister-in-law Lockie & Mrs. Lockie, & I – a fine dinner! A –"D" volume of the Ency. of American Biography – with my sketch & picture are in it – came to me this week. Grace bought it as my birthday present – Aug. 24th. A fine present!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Grace is much better & appears to be recovering her strength rapidly. I had her take oath of office as a member of the Board of Trustees of the University of Alaska, sent to her for that purpose by President Bunnell & placed</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 17-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>the papers in the mail to go to Fairbanks, when the first meeting of the Board will take place on June 30th & July 1st for the organization of the University and its change from the Alaska Agricultural College & School of Mines to the University. I wrote a letter and enclosed with the duplicate oaths advising President Bunnell of her ill health, but saying she would try to be present to assist in the organization of the University if her physician thought she could stand the trip. She thinks she can come home in a couple of days.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Grace is growing better all the time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>She wants to come home etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Grace is so far recovered that she wants</p>

<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>to leave the Hospital and come home. The doctor approves that course so this evening I took her home, where she seemed to be so contented & happy that I am sure it is a good thing to have done.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Grace seems to be improving in strength as fast as it disappeared when first attacked I am busy at the office, in spare hours compiling a story about John Bremner, who just ascended the Copper river in 1884 & passed the winter there & the next spring joined the Allen Military Expedition which explored the Copper river and the Tanana in 1885 – this for the miners who are opening up the gold mines on the Bremner river, a tributary of the Copper river!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 22-23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 22nd 1935 –</p> <p>The longest day of the year. The strike of the A.J. miners is coming to a crisis. The city council passed a <u>Resolution</u> calling for law & order & for enrollment of 500 men as special policemen to protect the miners who wished to go back to work on Monday or Tuesday! The radical element will probably take it quietly & thus the strike will fall to its end, with the loss to the laboring men of a months wages which they need so badly. Grace is slowly growing stronger.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Sunday – raining – at home reading.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24-</p> <p>My last of the week the Juneau city council passed a Resolution preparing for breaking the strike – the Army boat from Ft. William H Seward is at the dock with soldiers aboard. Notices that the miners who want to do so will go back to work on Monday – will be protected from the mob of radical strikers from the A.J. Mine etc.</p> <p>The scrap is now on – some heads skinned with police “billies” – tear gas thrown –etc. etc. the usual thing – the strike will break & men will go to work. Mayor Goldstein has caused the arrest of Heard, the head of the radical strikers, for <u>Libel</u> for statements made in the miners (strikers)</p>

	<p>newspaper etc. etc. etc. much talk, some fighting, but the towns people & more than ½ of the miners want the work to begin again!!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>The miners divided about the strike at the J.A. Mine – one half – the radicals are determined to strike & stand out until they get control of the hiring of all men – they insist on what they call a “closed shop” where the hiring of all men – miners – shall be managed by the Union – the other half want to return to work under former conditions. etc. and there are threats & the Governor & U.S. Officials are now trying to get the soldiers here from Chilkoot barracks to keep the pace & prevent local warfare while the mine can be filled with those who want to work & suppress disorders and force among them. Anything may happen in the way of local fighting – in the meantime idleness & threats of violence is the rule.</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 26-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Court fined Heard \$200 & jail sentence for four months – suspended sentence on good behavior: <u>Grace & I were married Thursday in 1927.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Congress recently passed Act allowing one sentenced or fine to make paupers oath after 30 days and be dismissed from service or fine. That gives Heard clearance after 30 days & he voluntarily went to jail.</p> <p>We are told, also, that the Governors application for troops from Chilkoot Barracks to preserve order etc. has been <u>denied</u>. Also that A.J. Co. will shut down the mines & when that happens this town is flat broke & all the business houses will have to close also – if they cannot pay their bills!!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 June 28-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Henry Roden informs me that he has almost secured a settlement of the A.J. strike – thinks he will succeed soon.</p> <p>My old Tacoma friend of early days, Mr. Samuel Perkins, called today. He is making a tour of Alaskan waters in his own fine yacht, and was apparently pleased to see me & talk an hour over our early association in Tacoma, when as his</p>

	<p>attorney I assisted him in arranging his tangled business affairs just as he was making his first Million dollars.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>The A.J. Strike looks bad. Bar Assoc. meeting.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Sunday – beautiful – nothing.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 July 1-3	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 1st 1935-</p> <p>The strike still on – town quiet, business dead.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2-</p> <p>Recd. a very nice letter from my friend H.M. Wilcox, (V.P. Electrical Research Products, Inc. fraud Western Electric Co). He has just gone to Los Angeles Cal. He has left Ms. “Old Yukon Trails” with Mr. Carl Rollins, of the Yale University Press for reading & consideration – thinks better chance than I had with Farrar & Rinehart – but if it fails with the Yale Un. Press, says he will gladly continue - & will submit it to a publisher in S.F. Cal. etc. I will write & thank him for his aid etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd-</p> <p>Everything quiet in the strike, but the A.J. Co. will attempt to open the mill & defy the strikers on 5th & we fear hostilities then. Business very quiet.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 July 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>[clipping] THE ALASKA WEEKLY FRIDAY, JUNE 28, 1935 A DOUBLE TOAST</p> <p>As a closing gesture as the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines approaches its transformation to the status of University, nothing could have been more fitting than the honor conferred upon Judge James Wickersham. We know of few men who combine more admirably the attributes of scholar and everyday citizen. The territory owes as much to his fighting qualities as it owes to his penchant for gathering historical data, his ability in the field of law and his sane judgment in the political arena-a combination of talents any one of which might have made him an outstanding citizen in any community. Alaskans everywhere and a host of friends not of Alaska congratulate him and commend the action of the Alaska College.</p>

	<p>Monday the Alaska College becomes the University of Alaska. With full respect for the exceptional faculty which has aided in building the scholastic standards of the College and the untiring efforts of the Trustees who have given of their time and ability, we feel that it may be said that the phenomenal growth of the school and the standing it has attained in the eyes of educators during its short thirteen years of existence may be credited more than to any other single source to the intellectual capacity, energy and dynamic personality of its president, Dr. Charles E. Bunnell-a true Alaska pioneer and an educator in far more than the strictly academic sense. We feel that we know Alaska sufficiently well to state that all Alaska joins with The Alaska Weekly on the eve of the birth of the University of Alaska in a toast to these tow men-Judge Wickersham and Dr. Bunnell . . . the one who, as Delegate to Congress, introduced the bill which resulted in the construction of the College and the other whose ability made it an outstanding educational institution . . . two men whom we like to imagine are typical of the spirit of Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-July 4th 1935-</p> <p>The boys are happy & making great noises with their firecrackers & bombs – etc. Beautiful day – noise of firecrackers, bombs & childrens voices – music, flags.</p> <p>Everything quiet. Working in the office.</p>
Diary 43, 1935 July 5-8	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 5-</p> <p>Striking. Miners went to work at the A.J. mine this morning – the strike is over for the present. I will not be surprised to see it flare up again as soon as the prosecution of the strikers who were arrested for Riot is ended.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th –</p> <p>Nothing new or exciting. In the office as usual. Bar Assoc. lunch at Baileys.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th –</p> <p>Sunday – beautiful day & Grace took her first walk since leaving the hospital. Just received a nice letter from the Lodge of B.P.O. Elks thanking me for my part in the Flag Day (June 14) exercises!</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Elsie Jensen Blythe paid me \$28⁰⁰ due of divorce & I paid my office rent for June. In the office as usual!</p>
<p>Diary 43, 1935 July 9-10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">July 9th – 1935.</p> <p>Working on preparation of Demand against Hellenthal Bros. Attys. for payment of costs & \$250. due me in the Mathison case vs. the National Surety Co. Inquired & found no copy of Thlinget & Haida Land Bill has been received by either the Bureau of Indian Affairs or the Governors office. Informed that W^m L. Paul, with copy of the House Bill – before passage by Senate is around collecting money from Indians!! May be that Senate amended bill – not yet signed by the President!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Same as yesterday in Mathison case. The clerks records and files are in a hopeless and chaotic condition – bad clerks help</p>