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KIRBERGER----to become a Shakespearean actor, but changed his mind and came back to the North, to Wrangell. Started a partnership there in mild-curing and salmon canning then moved to Kake where he started a cannery and also his store, the Keku Trading Co. Will be remembered as a friend to the young people in the community.
12/16/1929/2  John E. Steward, Kake store-keeper, was found dead in his bed at Kake. His demise was investigated by E.L. Keithan, school teacher, and Bob "Crooked Nose Bob" Barclay. Natural causes.

4/10/1933/6  Kake people are building the town's first wharf and float. The story was carried in the town's weekly newspaper, the "Kake Weekly Progress" Vol.1.No.1. printed last Friday.

5/6/1940/2  Population 402 ---was 386 in 1930.

4/28/1947  Kake votes 141 to 4 for school district.

1/25/1950  The home of Peter Quick burns down and 3 kids perish. Ellen June 5, Peter Jr. 4 and Ray Ernest 3; Mrs. Quick and two other children were at a food sale
Emp. 10/2/1920/7 The auto road from the village to the Sanborn-Cutting Co. cannery has been completed.

Emp. 6/11/21/2 The wrecked gas-boat of Jimmy Matthews of Kake was found on Cape Bendel and it is assumed that he drowned near by.

Emp. 11/27/1922/8 Pat Berry was found dead, tied to the mast of his boat "Ukelele", and with a bullet hole in his head! His boat was found awash at Kake. It seems he had left Security Bay in a howling gale with his dog and in company of two other trollers. The other two put in behind Kekeu Islands and Berry made it to Kake. One of the other boats was skippered by Al Lindegard. He anchored off Gunnicks Creek flat and when the tide went out he went dry. Indians digging clams spoke to him and he said he was O.K and would float off next tide. During the night a shot was heard and come morning only the poles of the boat were above water and the grizzly discovery was subsequently made.

Emp. 11/29/1922/5 More on Berry----Investigators decide he died of drowning!!! ?????  V.G.
A Ford car was taken to Kake on the boat "Three Bros" and will be used as a taxi from Kake to the cannery by Peter Wilson, who also operates the movie theatre there.

Kake cannery tender "Phoenix II" capsized yesterday on the Tillamook Bar and all 4 of her crew were lost.

Kake wiped out by fire. 21 houses burned down. 92 homeless. Fire started in Jim Stewart's store about 16:00 with stiff Northerly wind blowing on 16th. Thurs. and went fast. (Had gas drums in back etc.)

C.G. "Unalga" Capt. R.C. Weightman steams to scene.

$50,000 loss at Kake---E. Kirberger who had store and large stock lost most---$30,000. Plans to rebuild.

E. Kirberger to open jewelry and fur store in Valentine Bldg. He has been in Alaska 30 years---since 1897, etc....

KAKE

Indian village

J. Indep. 6/10/1956 - Fire at Kake this week destroyed three houses and damaged a fourth. Seth Williams, Adam James and Mr. & Mrs. James Grant, all elderly, lost everything they had. The Ronald Bean home lost 2 rooms and was saved by a pot and pan brigade which included Ray Westfall and Wes Turner and other drivers who are building an extension to the cannery road on u to a little above the crab plant.

Eugene Dugaqua, 52, suicides. (NB 24; pp 15)

8/20/1952 Body of Harry Sumdun, Kake native fisherman, found floating near Port Protection. Lost in July near S. entrance to Rocky Pass with two other Kake men; Henry and Fred Mason.

11/14/1952/4 Kake is now an incorporated town. 1st class.
KAKE VILLAGE

1. Kake dock near finish.  (Juneau 1-A; pp. 31.)
KALINEN BAY
Kruzoff Island

Emp. 3/16/1922/6 Gas sch. "Rosario" wrecked in Kalinen Bay, Mar. 12th. She is a Seattle schooner of 24 gross; and 16 net; 40.6' x 12.9' The 5 men crew are all safe at Sitka.
KASAAN

Indian town---

D.ADisp. 11/22/1916 pp.6 Old Kasaan is set aside as a National Monument.

D.ADisp. 12/17/1916 pp.8 Old Kasaan is now a Natn'l. Mon.
D.A.Disp. 2/31/1916 pp. 7. Some info. on the oil field.


D.A.Disp. 10/30/1899 Petroleum discovered near Kayak Id.

Emp. 7/7/1921 Katalla wharf and whse burn. Fire started on tanker "Margaret" and spread to the plant of the Chilkat Oil Co. 3 crewmen were severely burned.
KATMAI (Mount)
Alaska volcano

Story of eruption Book 37 Page 61
Dispatch. June, 27, 1912 V.G. account of the eruption which occurred June 6, 1912.
See pp. 8, A.S. June, 1956 for good pict. and story of 1912 eruption.
I Have the bound edition of National Geographic on the VALLEY OF TEN THOUSAND SMOKES by Griggs.
1. D.A. Disp. 4/22/1911 says 'First cargo of copper from Interior Alaska reached Tacoma today on the "Northwestern" 1100 tons from the Kennecott Mines.

Emp. 8/11/1924/2 The large power plant at the Kennecott Mine was destroyed by fire last night. Loss $200,000.

Emp. 5/6/1935 Mine reopening—will hire 400 men...

Emp. 6/29/1935 4 carloads of newly mined copper from Kennecott and one of gold concentrates from the Nabesna arr. Cordova over the railroad. First in two years. The Kennecott employed 600 men at it's peak now has between 150 and 200 men employed.

2/12/1952/6 Eng. James A. Williams believes there is still plenty of copper left at Kennecott.
10/17/1932/2 Kennecott Mine closes down for the winter. Service on the Copper River & N.W. Railroad suspended.

5/7/1935 Kennecott to open in June on a limited scale says Supt E.J. Duggan. It was closed two years ago. 400 men will be put to work.

6/29/1935/8 Kennecott operating with 600 men. During production peak they shipped 130,000 tons a year, now plans only 1500 tons a month. First ore in two years ready for shipment at Cordova.

9/17/1936 Cordova (Copper River & N.W. RR) strike settled Kennecott Mine will remain open says Pres. ETT. Stannard

3/31/1937 Kennecott only good for two more years as no new ore bodies have been found in the entire area.

4/4/1938/6 Kennecott to abandon mines says Stannard. Can find no new ore bodies. Close late this year after the clean-up.
4/16/1936 Crew of 20 men off to Kensington to build roads etc. Went out on the "TrevaC" Capt. Ralph Reischel Crew will be in charge of Rex Early.

5/14/1937 Kensington Mining development stopped. Margin of return on investment is too low to continue.

11/11/1940/3 Kensington reopening looks good for this spring says Harry Townsend.
1. Waterfront scene; "Formost" in foreground. See page 34 in Nov. 1952 S.&S.

2. History of the town. Book 37; pages 13 to 17


D.A.Disp. 8/11/1914 Ketchikan in an uproar---local woman threatens to post names of all married men she has seen, including her hubby, entering restricted district in Ketch., in her window. (V.G.) There was only one name posted next day but she had the whole male population worried----they had several meetings and at one of these it was suggested that they make up a list of every man in town, including the preachers and post it on her window! (To cover for some of them)
D.A. Disp. 7/29/1915  Heat wave at Ketchikan too. First official death attributed directly to heat occurred at Loring, near Ketchikan yesterday—the temperature at Loring and also in Ketchikan was well over 105 degrees, many thermometers registering 110 degrees!

V.G. History—-picts. etc. complete—See PATHFINDER magazine in drawer next to Large envelope No. 21.

D.A. Disp. 8/2/1916 pp. 4/ J.C. McDonald, an L.A. tourist, fell off the Ketchikan Creek Bridge and was drowned in the foaming waters.

D.A. Disp. 8/22/1917/ Ketchikan wins fish market dispute from Prince Rupert, B.C. and fish will go to Alaskan city in the future...

D.A. Disp. 3/3/1899 New town about 30 miles from Ketchikan.

ALASKA MINER V.G. Origin and History of Ketchikan. page 5 for 12/30/1899

A.R.M. 5/5/1900 Ketchikan at this time was three diff. towns—Reyvilla, Ketchikan and Newtown.

D.A. Disp. 8/9/1900 Ketch. is 3rd. Alaska town to incorp. Has over 800 people and no school.
D.A.Disp. 8/23/1900 Dan Robinson the S.E. Alaska bad man, was shot down on the streets in Ketchikan today by U.S. Marshall Hasey. Good full account of the tragedy in the paper for 8/24/1900---The episode is tied in with the towns first election and incorporation.

D.A.Disp. 6/24/1901 Fourth of July celebration at Ketch. to include hand-drilling rock contest, steamship race, Indian canoe race, yacht race, and rowboat races besides base-ball games and foot races, etc.

SEE LOOSE PHAMPHLET 'PATHFINDER' IN A.T. Museum for a V.G. History of Ketchikan...

D.A.Disp. 6/4/1902 pp.3; Ketchikan Electric Co. to install dynamo this week and town will soon have lights.

D.A.Disp. 9/19/1903 Case of the K.Lite & Pwr. Co. vs the Citizen's Lite & Pwr. Co. dismissed---K.L & P. sold out.

D.A.Disp. 9/21/1903 Ketchikan to have a big smelter..

D.A.Disp. 7/13/1904 bad fire at 'Gravina' across from Ketch. destroys saw mill, etc..

COMPLETE VG HISTORY AND PICTS. IN PATHFINDER Aug. 1920.
(On my shelves)
K.D.N. 10/11/1954 Murder Case (Scott)
D.A.Disp. 9/18/1917 pp.4; Royal Hotel burns down at Ketch.
One known dead....
Empire: 12/26/1918 pp.2 Ketchikan passed an ordinance
that compells all business houses to have their side-
walks cleared of snow every day....Police will
notify them and the snow had better be cleared by noon!
Empire: 3/20/1919 An unknown Jap burned to death in the
Ketchikan jail at 06:00 today. He had been arrested at
04:00 It is believed he set the jail on fire. Said jail
was badly burned.
Empire: 4/10/1919 pp.8; The Ketchikan Progressive Miner,
Ketchikan's first newspaper, has been sold by J.E.Rivard
V.G. account.
Empire: 9/25/1919/pp 6; E.W.Parker and J.A.Talbot bought
the old Northland Dock at Ketchikan and the firm will
henceforth be known as 'Parker & Talbot'
Empire: 10/24/1919 The full story of the murder of Assist.
D. Atty. Ragan by Pat Shannahan---at Ketchikan, on Front
street and in front of the N.F.Zimmerman store. Full
details---V.G. (Zimmerman had been recently released
from Juneau jail on an insanity charge) More 10/29/19/5/
KETCHIKAN  M.N.  Dec. 30, 1954. City budget for 1955 approved by City Council. $647,380. This is $60,785 over last yr. Salary raises were approved as follows:

City Mgr. from $9240. last yr. to $10,000. in '55
City Clerk $400. per mo. to $400.00 per mo.
City Treasurer $120. " " " $125.00 " "
City Eng. 625. 650
Bldg. Ins. and fire marshal. $500.00 to $550.00 per mo.
Fire Dept. Capt. $420. per mo. to. $420.00 per mo.
Fire Dept. Lieut. 400. " " " 400.00 " "
Float Watchman 125 " " " 125.00 " "
Librarian From $4800. per year to $5000.00 this yr.

Empire: 7/12/1920/2 Fire damages Ketchikan Court House. 5/11/1922 Ketch. Commercial Club has subscribed funds to Roy Hones for a seaplane to be used in stream patrol work. This will be the first time this has been tried in Alaska. (B. of F. promises to charter him for awhile)

Empire: 9/27/1922/2 'Blind Ernie' Hyde, found dead in Ketchikan alley---old timer---knew his way around the streets unassisted--played piano. Bad moonshine cause of his death.
K.D.N. 1/25/1955  Old timer I.G. Pruell (Pruell) dies. V.G.
   Came to Wrangell before 1900 and then to Ketch. Li 1900
   Started his jewelry store in 1912 etc...
Emp. 3/29/1924  Revilla Hotel burns in Ketchikan.

K.D.N. 3/21/1955  The Ketchikan P.O. was established in April
   1892. The name was variously written KICHIKAN--
   Kitch-I-Kan, Katchikan, etc...
Emp. 7/27/1925/8  Real electrical storm at Ketch. today:
Emp. 2/12/1926  Fire at Ketchikan last night destroys the
   Pioneer and St. Geogge Hotels, Poodle Dog cafe etc. Bad.
Emp. 11/15/1926/8  Ketch. now has radio station (K.G.B.U.)
Emp. 11/17/1926/2  Ketch now has 12 miles road from Ward's
   Cove to Mountain Pt.
Emp. 1/21/1927/8  F.E. Ryus, well known Ketchikan druggist
   fell through a trap door in his store and was drowned.
Emp. 8/2/1927  Kids bonfire starts $50,000. fire at Ketch.
   today Two large apts. (Boulevard and the Franklin)
   and 3 autos etc. all burned. 16 families homeless...
   Joey Bolduc, Jr. nearly drowns. N.B. No. 10. pp. 61
ARSON. K.D.N. 5/16/1955  Chas. E. Barks arrested and has been charged with setting fire to his house on Buren St to defraud insurance Co. First attempt was on Apr. 12 this year and house was only partially destroyed. He is charged with setting fire to it a second time on Apr. 14, last and it burned to the ground.

LABOR DISPUTE——See K.D.N. 6/24/55 and 6/25/55 for jurisdictional dispute on docks at Ketch. (Scheumann & Johnson)

HISTORY. ——V.G. See ALASKA MINER 12/23/1899
11/14/1929/3 Wire netting for traps will be manufactured in Ketchikan. Will be made by W.F. Schlothan of the Northern Mach. Works and will be known as the Alaska Steel and Wire Co.

3/15/1930/8 Ketchikan Deputy U.S. Marshall Frank Sayers, drove off the dock (A.S.S. Co.) accidentally with his car—body recovered hours later by divers.

6/11/1930/3 Bids have been let to build the Ward's Cove road at Ketchikan.

10/3/1930 Heavy rain and gale of wind hit Ketchikan. Three houses and bridge washed out.

12/12/1930 Black Matt Berkovich shot and killed informer Phil Dohm, age 24, then took his own life in the Mint soft drink parlor and pool room.

1/16/1931/8 Bids on Thomas Basin boat harbor, postponed!

11/9/1931 Thomas Basin at Ketch. finished. Now has a 932' breakwater and depths to 10' at mean lower low. 28,300 cu. yds. of rock in the breakwater and 240,000 yds. were dredged out by P. Sd. B. & Dredge. 30,000. yds.
of which was pumped up to make a foundation for the new Federal Building.

12/28/1931 8 Station KGBU at Ketch, set on fire by someone who threw kerosene in the building on North Tongass Highway and set it on fire. Loss set at $8000.

1/4/1933/5 Bids have been let to build a 655' curb wall on the Thomas Basin fill breakwater.

9/27/1933 80% of Ketchikan voters favored acquisition of public utilities. Bond issue of $1,000,000. passes.

9/12/1935 8 Ketchikan to have a Fed. bldg.


12/14/1938 Ketchikan defeats $150,000 bond issue for 3rd time this year...

1/5/1940 Ketchikan population now 4601 up from 4260 in 1930—which included Nickyville, etc. There are now 741 more outside of Ketchikan City Limits and on roads.

PATHFINDER Aug. 1920—VG. History of town, etc. VG.

(I have this issue on my shelves)

KETCHIKAN ASSESSMENT


6/7/1956 (K.D.N.) Tax protest meeting tonight in the Elks Hall at 20:00. Steering committee to be formed to represent taxpayers in an organized protest of the re-assessment program.

K.D.N. 6/8/1956 Appraisal Program Protested. About 300 Ketch. taxpayers met at Elks Hall and approved a petition for presentation to the board of equalization protesting the 1956 property appraisal values as 'far above the present true market value and will seriously affect the economy of Ketchikan' and urged that they be completely revised to meet present day values.

In addition, the group overwhelmingly voted to throw out the entire 1956 appraisal program and start over again with the appraisals to be done by local men. List of names of steering committee given in paper.
KETCHIKAN CAR WRECKS

Deaths.


K.D.N. 6/7/1956  Roger W. Guelker, originally arrested and charged with a misdemeanor count of negligent driving, has been rearrested and charged by Assistant U.S. Atty. Lloyd L. Duggar with 2nd degree murder. Duggar charges that Guelker 'feloniously, purposely, maliciously and unlawfully' struck John P. (Jack) Gregson causing mortal wounds that caused his death 5 hours after the accident.

K.D.N. 6/15/1956---Gary Lee Chesley, 24, Pulp Mill worker, excessive speed, left N. Tongass road in Ward Cove, skidded 130' plunged 50' to water and is dead. 23:30 last night. Francis (Spike) Murphy attempted to get him out but unable to. This makes the fifth traffic death in Ketchikan this year. Chesley came from Prescott, Ariz. last Aug.
12/22/1936 Jim Burgan, 56, who has lived in Ketchikan since 1900, crashed through the waterfront railing with his car and was drowned today at Ketchikan.

8/21/1952 Annette Johnson, 14, killed in car wreck today.


See story of fire in Book 36; Page 27
See story of fire in Spruce Mills Book 30. Page 66
Story of strip fishermen and good picts. also picts of Clover Pass from the air. May ’52 Alaska Sportsman
## KETCHIKAN DEATHS

**All in Spiral Note Book 10.**

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Zelms, Fred, 94, German, Alaska 1882, went 'outside' and came back again in 1897 to Ketchikan and has resided there until going to Pioneers Home.

Ridley, Robert, 83, (K.D.N. 2/21/1956) died at Ketchikan today. Born in Old Metlakatla, B.C. 1873 and came to new Metlakatla with Father Duncan.
KETCHIKAN DOCKS

8/2/1946 75' of Nordby dock collapses and sinks "Gony" and damages "Redwing"
KETCHIKAN DOCTORS
8/14/1942/3 Dr. R.V. Ellis, 54, died at Ketch. Came 1920
K.D.N. 4/9/1955 Car crashes pole: Mrs. M.S. (Margaret) Hunter, hailed into court, drunken driving, car ran into power pole on South Stedman st. near Std. Oil 07:30 this morning. Green Plymouth. Husband and Florence Coldevin with her. Suffered only slight bruises. Released when she posted $200. bail....

K.D.N. 4/11/1955 Drunk driving case against Mrs. Hunter dismissed—lack of evidence....

K/D.N. 7/22/1955 Two coasties failed to make a corner at Wards Cove yesterday. Walter H. Wilhelm killed and John L. Murphy in hospital with multiple cuts and bruises. Early in the morning—-
KETCHIKAN DROWNINGS

Joey Bolduc, jr. nearly drowns—Note Book 10, pp. 61
Olofson, Geo. 24, drowns in Ward Lake while swimming shortly before noon today (KDN 6/30/56) Lee Tillotson, 15, a Boy Scout dove for and recovered body. Wife at Metlakatla—separated.
K.D.N. 4/16/55 John R. Harris, 32, sentenced in district court to 2 years in prison on negligent homicide charge. (Was driver of car in New Years Day drunken party in Ketchikan in which his brother was killed. The D.A. recommended clemency as Harris is sole support of aged Mother....

K.D.N. 4/21/1955 Darrell F. Brostrom, 25, sentenced in U.S. Comm. court, drunken & reckless driving. Hit Ford pickup of Chas. Barks at Mile 4 on North Tongass Hi-way, which was parked 14' off the road. Plead guilty and drew $250. fine, year in jail (suspended) and driver's license revoked for 2 years....

K.D.N. 4/26/1955 Stanley Overtain arrested last night by City Police, Drunken driving, no license, and driving through a stop light—He drew 30 days in jail, one yrs. revocation of license on drunken driving and fined $25. for no license and $10. more for going through stop lt.

D.D.N. 5/20/55--Bud Bitonti fined $100. suspension of license for one yr. and (10 days in jail—suspended) for drunken driving on Tongass Avenue yesterday morning.
Mrs. Eliza Little, 23, killed N.B. No. 10. | pp. 12

K.D.N. 5/23/1955 Egan Brostrom fined $250. in Comm. court drunken driving and disorderly conduct---also lost his drivers license, for pleasure driving, for one year. He was driver of car with 5 drunks in it and parked on N. Tongass Highway last month. Boisterous party.

K.D.N. 5/16/55 C.G. man, Don Wilderman, took ar of Bridenstine, pursued, caught, charged with 'joy-riding' and drew 30 days---suspended jail sentence is all....

K.D.N. 5/13/1955 Wayne Ballard, runs into a car which was trying to pull another from a ditch on Ward Cove road at 02:30 this morning. Ballard, 21 is a C.G. man.

K.D.N. 5/31/1955 Chas. Vick, 27, 1941 Dodge, 09:00 27th 8½ miles on N. Tongass. Drunk, driving and wrecked, cut.

E.D.N. 5/31/1955 Russel Seidler, 22, 1951 Stude. pick-up into power pole on Tongass Ave. Sat. 28th morning. Also drunk....

K.D.N. 6/22/1955 Fred Williams, 21, sentenced to serve 10 days in jail and drivers license revoked for one year. A 17 yr. old boy with him charged with drunkenness was released to Federal authorities.
Beaudrie, Geo. 52 of Wrangell killed by car.  
Hadman, Ballard Drives her car off road into Narrows  
Hamblet, Arnold B. Speeding etc.  
Linne, Bert A. Wrecks borrowed car.  
Vanderhoef, Dorothy Drives off road into Narrows  

K.D.N. 6/23/1955 Joe Alfred Gordon, 22, sentenced to 3 mos. jail sentence (suspended) for giving liquor to a minor...  
He ordered it from a cab driver and had it delivered to a 17 yr. old boy.  
K.D.N. 6/24/55 James Hennessey and Wm. Kahklen both charged with drunken driving. Cases to be heard  
K.D.N. 7/2/55 Mark Hult Renhard plead guilty of 17 counts of bad checks---sentenced to 365 days--suspended provided he makes satisfactory arrangements with all the parties concerned.  
K.D.N. 7/2/55 Wm. E. Kahklen--drunken driving. Fined $100. sentenced to 30 days in jail--suspended, and driver's license revoked one year; first month cannot drive for any purpose and rest of year not for pleasure driving.
K.D.N. 7/5/55 Robert B. Turner free on $1000 bail; charged with drunken driving.

K.D.N. 7/5/55 Four accused of drunken driving.

K.D.N. 7/21/55 One C.G. man, Walter H. Wilhelm, 30, killed, and John J. Murphy, seriously injured in car wreck at mile 21 on North Tongass at 02:43 today. Excessive rate of speed....

K.D.N. 2/6/1956 Chas. Rector wrecks 1941 Dodge coupe on N. Tongass road. Ran 210' on shoulder then plunged down 75' embankment; tide out, car total wreck. Rector, 32 is not seriously hurt... 5 mi. No. of Ketch. Sat. nite. 4th.
9/11/1931/3 McKay Marine ways burns down today.

5/28/1956 The Coloseum theatre, which burned today with (Sat. 26th) 11 other business firms, was originally built in 1932, remodeled after War II and will be rebuilt immediately says manager Sterling S. Strellmayer. Covered by insurance.

6/4/1941 Fire does $75,000 damage to A.S.S. Co. dock, Kubleys, Walker Drug, etc. and Hunts Book store at Ketch today at 10:00 hours. Undetermined origin and speedy.

4/8/1943 Three Coasties die in fire which destroyed the Young American Laundry down by Ketchikan Creek today. Many had to jump in the creek to escape the flames.

Ketchikan Spruce Mill Fire ALBUM 30 pp 66
The shingle mill in the 3300 block on North Tongass Ave., destroyed by fire. A work boat being built in the plant was also destroyed.

Fire gutted the 'old Chief Johnson' house in Ketchikan and damaged three adjoining buildings at 17:15 yesterday. All are on Totem Way. Mrs Louella Atkinson and her 4 children lost all their belongings.

Ketch. fire damage set at $600,000. Started on 2nd floor of Thunderbird Bowling Alley Blg. in a paint closet. Business' burned out completely are: Peter Pan fountain lunch; Martine's Dress Shop; Ketch. Meat Co. (Ed Schaffer) & Cold Storage Locker; Herb's Sporting Goods; Ralph's Liquor Store; Chapee Champion Shoe Store; Coon Brothers Portrait Studio; Bamboo Room Cocktail Lounge; Thunderbird Bowling Alley; Ann's Beauty Shop; Coloseum Theatre and Coloseum Barber Shop. Three other business' suffered heavy smoke and water damage---these were: Regan Hotel, Hamburger Heaven and Army & Navy Store. Started about 17:10 and lasted
five and one half hours.
Saved K. Daily News Mon. May 28, 1956 with story and photos of the fire. (On my shelves with other newspapers)

K.D.N. 5/29/1956  Fire started by two boys ages 14 and 15 who were smoking in back room off the Bowling Alley. Left cigarettes in small store room where 20 gallons of lacquer were stored.
KETCHIKAN FIRES

K.D.N. 6/6/1956  Talbot's whse. over 50% destroyed by fire which started about 04:30 this morning. Evidence points to fact that fire started on the outside of the building. Fire boat "City of Ketchikan" did good job.

K.D.N. 6/6/1956  Fire destroyed small house of Richard Smith, 74, at Mountain Pt. (Ice House Cove) yesterday afternoon. Smith uninjured. His trolling boat which was in a cradle near the house, also suffered damage.

K.D.N. 7/2/56--- Oil stove exp. causes fire which guts home of Iver X Henne on top of stairway opp. F.I.P. cannery on S. Tongass Highway today. Firemen fought blaze for two hours. Loss---$5000. and $500. cash.

K.D.N. 7/25/1956 (And Pict. of burning house) Fire destroyed house of F.D.Roxas at 638 Barney Way last evening. Owned by J.E. Johnson; Loss estimated at $5000. Family lost everything. Cause listed as overheated stove, but could have been set by youngsters playing with matches.

See FIRES (G.S.File) for story of Ferris Bldg. fire of Jan. 1, 1958 (See pict. in Spiral Note Book No. 35.)
8/14/1945/8 Big fire damages Ketch. Cold Storage Bldg and No. 1 and No. 2 warehouses to $70,000.

11/6/1946 Carl Lemke, 70, of Knudson's Cove (Ketchikan) dies of burns after saving 2 of 5 grandchildren from a fire which destroyed a home in Knudson's Cove.

7/30/1952 Std. Oil dock at Ketch. up in flames. Loss over $1-million.
KETCHIKAN—JULY 4th

K.D.N. 6/14/1956—To shoot off half-ton of fireworks on 4th
Will also have tugs, trollers and cabin cruiser races.
E. Indep. 4/24/1955  Ketch. Daily News and United Press to each pay own court costs. A Ketch. jury awarded $368.70 to each to offset counter claim of each. United Press had sued for $21,000.


Tobin asked $10,000. compensatory and $20,000 punitive damages.

Jury deliberated 19 hours. T.A. 'Tuck' Zaruba to be charged with perjury. It was testified that he and not Bowman wrote the letter...

K.D.N. 4/12/1955  J.P. Bowman and 'Tuck' Zaruba face perjury charges....
KETCHIKAN MURDERS

K.D.N. 12/1/1955  O'Toole found guilt of Murder in First Degree of Vernon Young. (Quite a yarn he told.)
12/11/1931 Two Ketch. underworld people, Jack Daly and Ethel Dempsey, found dead in an Apt. on Barney Way. Have evidently been dead since Dec. 6th, in what appeared to be a suicide pact.

1/30/1933 J.V. Hickey of Juneau charged with manslaughter at Ketchikan. One of his cabs driven by Robert Ballard ran over and killed a 6-year old boy.
Neg. No. 98 of the Hunt collection in the Ketchikan Public Library is a good pict. of Gov. Swineford and James Rice and shows them standing in front of their MINING JOURNAL the first newspaper published in Ketchikan. First issue came out 3/29/1904
KETCHIKAN PLANE WRECKS

Ellis Air. Pilot Elsworth Coulter 10/24/1944 See pp. 31
Note Book No. 10.
K.D.N. 6/9/1956 From the foregoing (See Ketch Water problems) one may come to the conclusion that we are against public ownership. Believe it or not, WE ARE, Barnum once said: "There's a sucker born every minute" Perhaps we could find one who would purchase this local extravagance. We could then use the money to pay on the city indebtedness and get back on an economy geared to a small fishing town.

Gazing into a somewhat blurred crystal ball, we predict that a private firm could take over the utilities, pay taxes to the city, pay dividends to the stockholders, and lower rates. Also under private enterprise electric users would have recourse to the courts under any rate raises. Do we have this under public ownership? We'll answer that—you take it and 'LIKE' it.

1/8/19386 Ketch. goes into garbage business—to buy Cord- ells trucks in two years.
1. Tour folder explaining operation, etc. (Env. No. 23)
2. Booklet printed by Ketchikan Chronicle (On shelf near copies of Alaska Sportsman Mags, etc.)
3. First Jap vessel to ever load pulp out of Alaska, was loading at Ketchikan Pulp Co. at Wards Cove 8/9/’54 Took 2700 tons. Named the "Eivan Maru"

See card on "Ketchikan Steamers" for names of vessels loading out pulp since mill started.

"Nordanger" loads out pulp. (NOTE BOOK No. 1. pp 60)
"Kosho Maru" " " " (NOTE BOOK No. 1. pp 59)
"Malaya" " " " (NOTE BOOK No. 1. pp 60)
"Arthur Friiborg" " " " (NOTE BOOK No. 1. pp 58)
"Risanger" " " " (NOTE BOOK No. 1. pp 58)
"Sea Comet II" " " " (NOTE BOOK No. 1. pp 59)
K.D.N. Mar. 2, 1956--- Two craft Unions victors in election... 33 workers in power-house voted 19 to 14 to affiliate with the International Union of Operating Engineers, local 320. The 17 maintenance electricians voted 10 to 7 to affiliate with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, local 1548. The 356 workers in the balance of the plant will remain with the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers Union. Vote was 254 to 86 for the Construction and General Laborers, local 1331. 96½% of the mill's workers cast votes in the NLRB election. Only 3 voted for no union at all.
Emp. 2/2/1955/3 Hith Alaska Pulp Costs Reviewed-----
Emp. 2/2/'55/6 (Editorial) Copied from K.D.News. V.G. blames longshoremen of Ketch. etc....
7/26/1951 Ketch. Pulp plant to get tax exemptions.
7/27/1951 Ketch. pulp mill contract signed. $400000,000 To be in Ward's Cove.
10/8/1952/8 Pulp mill disposal plan approved by Pollution Board.

“American Mail” loads pulp.  (NOTE BOOK No.1. pp 62)
“Arthur Friborg”    "    "  (NOTE BOOK No.1. pp 58)

Other foreign vessels load out.  (NOTE BOOK No.1. pp 59-60)

3/29/1951  Pulp site and road at Ketch. recommended by U.S.E.D.

4/29/1952  To start now on pulp plant at Ward’s Cove.

7/20/1954/10  Text of Gov. Heintzleman’s speech at the dedication of the Pulp mill
1. To be black-topped.  (Juneau 1-A; pp. 31.)
Ketchikan Schools

K.D.News. 12/1/1955 Kayni-Prince Rupert Tilt at 20:00 tonight will mark dedication of the new gym. International series...

8/9/1950 Three week old strike at K. Spruce mill is finally settled.
KETCHIKAN STORMS

I. Pict. of wind damage to old Einstoss cannery bldg. 4/26/1954 (Juneau 1-A; pp. 29)

Emr. 1/9/1928 Big S.E. gale at Ketch. does much damage to houses, floats, small craft, etc. 70 mile gale with extreme high tides. Power lines down etc.
KETCHIKAN TUGS

See card on "TONGASCEL" (NOTE BOOK No.1. pp 86)
KETCHIKAN TUNNEL

1. To be built. (Juneau 1-A; pp. 5.)
KETCHIKAN WATER PROBLEMS

K.D.N. 6/9/1956  After looking over the new water rate schedules we have come to the conclusion that 150" of rainfall per year is not enough. Water is becoming an expensive commodity, yes, even a luxury.

The new schedule will undoubtedly educate people in this city that water is a valuable resource, something to conserve and to be appreciated. The higher a commodity costs the more appreciation one usually shows for it. SEE MORE ON CARD HEADED 'KETCH. PUBLIC UTILITIES!

Getting back to water, if it becomes too expensive, one can always drink whiskey. We can vote for the drink part, but we don't know about the reactions if one has to use it to bathe in.
K.D.N. 6/6/55 June cooler and wetter than normal. 2.4 degrees below normal of 55.2. Two days, 10th and 22nd temp. went to 80 degrees. June highest on record was 96 degrees in 1913. Precipitation 2.85 more than normal of 6.33" but less than record 12.89 in 1951.
KILLISNOO
Alaska village

1. 10/23/’93 Rev. Ivan Soboleff leaves Sitka on old "City of Topeka" for Killisnoo. ALASKAN (Sitka)
2. 2/3/’94 Rev. Soboleff went to Sitka to attend the wedding of Vera Kashevaroff and John Larianoff and then to officiate 2/14/’94 at wedding of Iroida Herman and Ivan E. Bartrotsky
3. ALASKAN (Sitka) 6/8/’89. W.M. Ladd, David P Thompson and Richard Koehler, trustees for the Northwest Trading Co., have sold the Killisnoo Oil wks. to Mr. Sphun and he in turn recorded at deed turning the Co. over to the Alaska Oil & Guano Co.
5. ALASKAN (Sitka) 3/30/’95 'Kloch-he-Kish, a Copper River Indian chief who came to Killisnoo as a pass. on the "Francis Cutting" with two other natives, didn't eat on trip down, then at Killisnoo, believing that the white men were trying to starve him to death, took
a shot-gun and fired at the Mate, hitting him twice. He was in a critical condition. Mate was Harry Moose.

ALASKAN (Sitka) 3/21/’96 V.G. Killisnloo Indian court case.

FORT WRANGELL NEWS 8/31/98 "City of Topeka", Capt. Wm. Thompson 'brushed against rotten dock at Killisnloo and dumped many citizens in the bay when dock went down."

About Aug. 16th 1898.

DOUGLAS ID. NEWS. 'Killisnloo Kinks' about Killisnloo and the Soboleffs etc. V.G. see pages 4 and 5 of 7/25/1900; 8/15/1900; 9/26/1900; 10/17/1900; 10/24/1900; 11/7/1900; 12/12/1900; and 12/26/1900; there are others at the time too...


D.A.Disp. 4/22/1912 Evil Spirits Run Rampant at Killisnloo. (Kitty Scott----and Miss A. Babbitt, Gov't. teacher of Sanitation, etc.)

D.A.Disp. 2/2/1913 The launch "Santa Rita" Capt. Jimmy Cunnane left for Killisnloo (from Juneau) with Miss Jean V.Rankin, Dr. Sloan's nurse, to attend Mrs. Olga Soboleff who is very ill with pneumonia and dropsy. Sloan could not leave but Nurse has been thoroughly instructed.
D.A. Disp. 5/6/1913 Mrs. Olga Soboleff brought to Juneau on May, 4th on the "Pioneer"—is very ill and may not live long.

D.A. Disp. 5/12/1913 Mrs. Olga Soboleff dies—age 52

D.A. Disp. 2/25/1916 pp.4; Alaska Oil and Guano Co. was to pack herring and other food fish for market—no more oil or guano. Reorganized and is now the Alaska Fish Salting and By-Products Co. Incorporated by F.D. Keutner, Bryden H. Nicoll and Phillip G. Funche of Portland, Ore. (F.D. Keutner)

D.A. Disp. 10/7/1903 A Sitkah Bay Indian stabbed his squaw to death at Killisnoo on Oct. 2nd, last. His name is No-hoo.

Empire: 1/15/1919 pp.6 Killisnoo Indians are to press claims against the Government for the destruction of their village in 1882. V.G.
Empire: 11/15/1919 pp.8; Ex mayor of Killisnoo, Chief Samuel Johnson, qualifies for his (Master's papers) which will enable him to pack pass. and mail on his boat the "V.I.S. III". He is the first native ever to be duly licensed.

PATHFINDER June 1920 says in story of Lieut Frederick Schwatka, that Killisnoo was once the whaling station of the Northwest Trading Co. which also had a cannery at Pyramid Hbr. and of which cannery Carl Sphun was Supt...

6/9/1925 Killisnoo destroyed by fire. V.G. story. 30 buildings from, and including church, burn to ground. Herring plant saved. 250 natives homeless. Relief sent from Juneau.

6/11/1925 V.G. complete list of homeless from fire.
6/15/1925 Killisnoo not to be rebuilt. Move to Angoon.
6/20/1925 Gasoline drums stored under houses helped to burn down the village. Began when two Japs were burning brush, and fire got out of control in stiff N.W.
See card on JAMES BRIGHTMAN IN 3 x 5 file for some info.

5/12/1936/5 VG. Alaska Herring plant opened at Killisnoo 50 years ago. VG tells about shelling of Angoon, etc.

6/5/1923/5 VG list of Killisnoo small craft, etc.


5/14/1946/8 Body of a 25 year old native woman was found dead in the old Killisnoo graveyard. Mystery surrounds
An Indian woman, Mrs. Frank Maisel, of Tyee, landed a 102# king salmon, alone, in a 13' canoe. Hand trolling off Pt. Gardner. May be a record.

6/14/1939/2 Red king worth $6.34 (57#) brought in on packer "NuisanceII" Capt. Stanley Thompson.

102# king caught on hand gear in the Skeena River, B.C. 

Pict. of 94# king caught at Angoon 1955 (Juneau 1-A; pp. 1.)

See 3 x 5 files on FISHING--ALL TYPES (Record salmon)

8/7/1939/3 Big king salmon caught July 31st in Pt. Colpoys fish trap, had no spawn and can be called immature!

Dressed out it weighed 104#; 53½" long tip to tip; 38½" maximum girth. 17" tail spread. Red meat! Estimated at 120# in the round. Earl Ohmer procured the hide from the cannery for mounting---they had half the meat cut out before he got there.... There have been uncorroborate
reports of larger Kings caught in Alaska---in the Cook Inlet country and on the lower Yukon and Kuskokwim Rivers. Capt. Wm. Kohl sells of a 140# caught in Cooks Inlet.

2/19/1940/6 Packer "Elfin II" Capt. Ernie Swanson, here with 3000# of choice King salmon from Lisianski Inlet and Elfin Cove. This is the earliest load of Kings in many years to come to Juneau. Prices 15¢ and 10¢
Klawock is an Indian town.

K.D.N. 6/6/1956. Funeral service held for Leslie Carle, 18 of Klawock who was killed in a car wreck Sun. night, June, 3rd about 3 miles N. of Craig. He was alone and apparently was travelling at a high rate of speed. He just graduated from Sheldon-Jackson school at Sitka this spring.

12/23/1939/7 Census report Craig population now 501
Craig had pop. of 231 in 1930

12/23/1939/7 Census report for Klawock was 455 this yr. as compared to 437 in the 1930 census report.

1/22/1942 S.E. gale rips roof from Demert cannery at Klawock and does other damage. Full gale.

2/25/1942/6 Three young native boys drown when their boat capsizes on a trip from Craig to Klawock. They are Lincoln Peratrovich, Chas. Demmert Jr., & Reggie Chuck.
Klawock gets authority to incorporate. Will be first Indian community in Alaska to become fully organized.
KLONDYKE

Emp. 1/28/1928/7 Famous old Gold Hill Hotel at Grand Forks in the Klondyke, destroyed by fire.

BEAVER----Autumn 1956---pages 15 on. Machines to the Rescue! (VG. about fantastic snow machines for use in gold rush days in the Klondyke...) Diagrams too.
1/25/1933 Bob Henderson, 76, died. He, not Carmack, started the Klondyke gold rush, although Carmack gets the credit...
D.A. Disp. 3/2/1916 pp. 6; The Kodiak-Afognak mail boat is believed lost in a bad storm in Sawmill Bay on Kodiak Id. Lost on her were: Capt. John Pajoman, Mrs. Orloff, Sarah Larsen and Jess Robins.

Emp. 5/14/1923/7 Kodiak Island gets first automobiles---2 cars are on the "Adm. Watson" bound for there.

PICT. Old---pp. 17 A.S. May, 1956 also VG. aerial pict. same issue, modern times pp. 19

8/31/1939 Contract to build Kodiak Navy Base awarded to Siems, Spokand Co.; Johnson, Drake, Riper, Inc. of Minneapolis and P. Sd. B. and Dredge Co. on a joint contract and on a cost, plus fixed fee basis.

11/27/1939/8 VG. Says Kodiak not ridden with vice. Report that 60% sell whiskey to the other 40% is false.

7/19/1943/4 Fire destroys old Russian church at Kodiak at 22:15 Sat. night the 17th. Reputed to be the 2nd. oldest building in Alaska.
2/4/1944 Kodiak has big fire--Alaska only candy factory (Kodiak Bottling Works) burns. 204 sacks sugar and a years supply of chocolate.

3/4/1944 Kodiak was shelled today during firing at a towed target---4 hits were made on the town!


1/11/1952/6 1 ½-million fire at Kodiak. Theatre, Chief's Club, etc.
Kootznahoo

Alaska village

ALASKAN (Sitka) 3/28/’91 page 3; says coal was discovered on Admiralty Id.---55 miles N.E. of Killisnoo in the 'Kootznahoo Lagoon' (Inlet) When John G. Brady and James McCloskey left Sitka to locate a claim they found Joe Zuboff of Killisnoo and Walter Sepagen had already located on 160 acres in the area.

D.A. Disp. 9/18/1899 pp. 6 Harkrader's 'Admiralty Coal Mine' is now working...
8/1/1933 Store of V. Soboleff, who is vacationing in the States, was held up by 5 masked, armed men, who took $400.00 cash and a quantity of grub.
KOYUKUK  River and mining district.

See History of mining on the Koyukuk by H. Pringle pp. 14
PATHFINDER  Apr. 1921.
(Apparently only dates back to the 1898)
Emp. 9/3/1927/8  Two elk were put on Kru佐f Island last year and six more Olympic elk are currently on the S.S. "Queen" and will be put on the island.

Emp. 12/3/1927/2  Elk on Kru佐f found in bad condition. All but 2 have been taken to Sitka Exp. station and are being fed...
9/18/1928/2 The elk planted on Kruzof Island have moved off and were last seen in Fish Bay on Baranof Island.

1/10/1930/7 A big 4 year old bull Elk, is King of Kruzof Island and refuses to allow anyone to land on the shore.

Emp. 9/10/1921/6 The M.S. "Anvil" of the Kuskokwim Fishing & Trading Co. was in Juneau today and their power sch. "Ruby" was in Seattle.