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TAILOR SHOPS

See cards on:

VALENTINE BLDG. (Joe the Tailor)
SEWARD BLDG. (F. Wolland - Merchant Tailor)

(Sam "Shabaldak" the Tailor)
(John Torvinen)
(Jack Fargher)

CASE & CO. (164 Front St.)

1894—MERCHANT TAILOR (Chas. Oswald—2nd street)
1913 adv. in papers: SHEARER & TORVINEN, Tailors
located in the Forrest Bldg.
7/15/1929  A.J. Mine buys Taku group of claims of Minard Mill, Arnot Hendrickson and the Goldsteins, etc.

7/26/1929  Many outboard craft being built for work on the Taku River--stampede. See card GOLD RUSH for more.

7/29/1929/8  U.S. Customs opens station on the Taku River to aid prospectors.

8/9/1929/3  Doc. DeVigne leases his Twin Glacier Lodge to Oscar Mangslov for one year.

8/13/1929  Lake (Dorothy) discovered in Taku Inlet today by Navy Mappers (Aerial)

9/17/1929  A.J. buys the Hill group of claims up Taku.

4/21/1930/2  "Jeanne" of United Trans. Co. on Taku River, Capt. Calkins, will make two trips a week up the river. Trials proved very successful.

5/12/1930/7  "Taku River" new river boat of the Taku Trading and Trans. Co. arr in Juneau Prince Rupert and goes up to the river. Another unit of the company the "Tahlton" will soon be coming North.

SEE CARDS ON 'L.H.SMITH' AND ALSO ON "STELLA MARIS" for
info. on Taku Lodge, etc.
5/11/1931 Capt. Wm. Strong's "Jeannie" moves from the Taku River to the Stikine for this season.
7/15/1931 Ontario firm option Taku mining groups. The Clearwater group on the Tulsequa River. (Polaris-Taku ?)
5/7/1932 See account of loss of Jack Koby's boat on Pt. Bishop. (SMALL CRAFT WRECKED)
6/13/1932 MV "Jeanne", Capt. Ed. E. Kalkins, arrived and will serve 5 small Canadian planes out of Tulsequa. She is 63.6' x 18.4' x 2.5' and is powered with two 150 h.p. gas. engines. Accomodations for 16 pass.
2/15/1936 VG. "Tally" towed "Alaskan" to Taku Inlet to rescue storm-bound party at Taku Lodge. The party will have to come out over the ice and one woman is known to be ill, etc. River frozen. Taku gale rages, and "Tally" unable to get in to ice so smaller boat is towed up as it could not buck the Inlet winds, etc.
5/27/1937 Foundation of Polaris-Taku Mill being built.
TAKU WIND, (FIRES DURING)

See SABIN'S MEN'S STORE
See HUGHES, L (Home)
See FERRYWAY ROOMS
10/16/1931/4  John Ketoorsky ("Russian John") the Tamale King, opened his tamale grotto at 337 Willoughby Ave. Previously operated the Central Cafe at Nenana. (Later discovered that his chicken tamales were sea-gull, etc)
TANNERY

D.A.Disp. 7/29/1911 The old building of the Alaska Pkg. Co. cannery which later became a tannery is being torn down and a small marine railway will be built by Frank Forrest.
TAXES (PROPERTY)

In Alaska towns.

1. Assessed valuations of all major Alaska towns in 1953. (Juneau 1-A; pp. 30)
2. $38-million assessment value adopted by council. (Juneau 9; pp. 17)

Emp. 5/5/1923/8 Ketchikan man, J. E. Johnston, named tax assessor for Juneau this year.

7/15/1939/8 Tax assessments sent out. First equalization in 10 years. Assessor Herb C. Redmen.

8/12 (12) 1939/8 Rate set at 18 mills. Juneau $7,111,080 and cars $133,000 more.

8/9/1941/3 Tax rate set at 17½ mills, lowest since 1918
Total assessed valuation (real and personal) $7,383,395
and cars $219,225. (Last year total was $7,252,745.
and autos $195,125.

8/8/1942/2 Mill rate set at 17½; Total $7,310,545.
8/29/1945 City sets 20 mill tax rate.
D.A. Disp. 1/10/1905 V.G. list of delinquent taxes in town.
J. Indep. 4/24/1955/10 V.G. list of delinquent taxes....
Emp. 8/4/1928/8 Tax rates set see 'City to Undertake Another Rock Fill'---to fill Shattuck Way (Thomas Hdwe.-Gastineau Grocery (Now J. Young toy dept.)) Has set tax rates 12½, 18½, 19¢, mills (Mills not cents) Ordinance 201 makes it possible for the city to tax at full valuation, although it is customary to tax only at a fraction of determined value.
2/28/1939/8 City tax set at 18 mills. ($4,711,821 real; $1,578,870 personal; $133,400 cars)
8/9/1939/8 Juneau city assessed at 7-million---the new Baranof Hotel at $452,000.
JUNEAU--TAXES

Irate Citizens Meet 20-Mill rate set, etc

Empire for Oct. 19, 1954  Headlines COUNCIL SETS 20-MILL LEVY.  Graff, Callahan, Stutte and Reichel vote for it;  Jorgensen and Ninnis, against.  (They want more)


Geo Kodzoff:  "Geo Getchell and one other old man did the police job themselves 20 yrs. ago."

Shabo: (C. G. man)  "You have salaries here of $600., as a chief in the C. G.  I only get $400. a month and I get along all right."
TAXES

Juneau City

10/17/1936/8  Taxes boosted by new buildings, etc. Value now; Real--$4,286,095; Personal $1,062,750; and Autos, $136,035. Total for 1936 is $5,484,880.

Have you ever had it so good---and had it taken away from you so fast?

Life must have been pretty tough in the old days when, if something cost too much---they did without it....

The Thing generally raised on City land is taxes.

We are afraid the government has forgotten where it put the hidden taxes...

About the only person going easy on the taxpayer's money these days is the taxpayer. He has to...

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT:  The Income tax....... CRITIC: One quick on the flaw....

NEUROTIC:  A person who has discovered the secret of perpetual emotion....
5/5/1947/8 Juneau tax assessments up from $10,704,495 last yr. to $11,654,577 this year. Felix Toner, assessor.

1/28/1949/2 The Alaska Net Incom Tax law is now law and retroactive to Jan. 1st this year.

6/15/1950/8 Mayor Hendrickson says revenue must increase if sales tax is beaten.

6/17/1950/6 Is Sales tax necessary. VG against it.

6/19/1950 Threat made that sales tax may be necessary by Mayor Hendrickson

6/19/1950/6 VG Copy of the Juneau City Sales Tax Ordinance

7/8/1950/6 City Council adopts 1% sales tax but no start date set yet.

8/7/1950/6 1% sales tax in effect as of 8/1/1950 in Juneau
TAXI CABS

9/4/1928/2 Chas. Miller will have two cabs at the New Pioneer Cigar Store stand and two more in the small stand next to the Nugget Shop.

5/6/1930/6 Jimmy Steel bought half interest in Berry's Taxi. Also Jim McClosky started a new cab service to be known as the Pioneer Cab Co.

9/28/1932/7 Yellow Cab comes to town. J.V. Hickey at Burfords Corner.

4/20/1934/8 Cardinal Cab Co. Sam Gazaloff and Wm. Falconer, begins service in Juneau.

4/27/1934/6 Mike Kosoff with two new Chevs. starts YOUR CAB CO. at Miners Recreation Parlors.

3/5/1935/2 Juneau has 9 operating Cab companies now!

Cardinal Cabs---Sam Gazaloff.

8/5/1935/7 Royal Blue Cab Co. buys out Owl Cabs.


10/31/1935 With the termination of the ferry "Teddy" today a temporary mail contract was given to J.V. Hickey and the Yellow Cab Co., to carry mail to Douglas.
6/22/1936/7 VG Taxi cabs set new cab rates. VG. Six cab companies 25¢ inside City.

6/25/1936/8 Checker Cab Co. is newest Co. and No. 7 in Juneau now.

10/8/1936/8 Wm. Poole sells Royal Blue Cab Co. to Fats Lee, Beulah Sund and Heinie McLeod.

3/24/1936--Checker Cab Co. reduces rates to 25¢ in City with corresponding reductions to Douglas, Auke Bay, etc. Owned by Emmett Thompson and has new V-8 Ford sedans. Drivers are Ole Scarbo, Chuck Dominy, Darrel Hart and Howard Mosher.

3/26/1939/2 (3rd sect.) Cab fares 25¢ anywhere in city for car full...

10/10/1942/2 Buela Lee and Heinie McLeod sell Royal Blue Cab Co. to Edward Poole

12/5/1944/6 Royal Blue Cabs sold by Buster Poole and wife to Bill (C.W.) Cady and Clyde Lockhart.

12/11/1944/3 Dave Femmer starts taxi service with a Buick, Chrysler and DeSoto.

12/18/1945/4 Bill Cady bought out Clyde Lockhart and is now sole owner of Royal Blue cabs.
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<td>Royal Blue cabs now have 2-way radios.</td>
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TAXI TROUBLES

Juneau, etc.

1. Bob Eide's taxi run-away. (NB 29; pp 4)
TAXPAYERS

Juneau civic group

7/27/1945  Permanent taxpayer group organizes; Hixson, Blanton, Goldstein, Nagel, Shattuck, Jim Larsen, Faulkner, Lewis, Sharpe, etc.

7/28/1945  Taxpayers take over City Council meeting.

7/30/1945  City Council votes to compromise on valuations.

8/3/1945  Taxpayers say "junk assessment!"
4/25/1933 Seward people protest shipping outside ties to Alaska Railroads. Burned them at Seward. Almost another "Boston tea party!"
TEAMSTERS UNION

See cards on BECK, DAVE
See card on Hoffa, James
Zusman, Nathan
Maloney, Thomas
8/17/1933  Tear gas used for the first time in Alaska at Ketchikan by Patrolman Karl Drager to stop a street brawl.
5/1/1945/3 Organized in Juneau today.

4/26/1946/2 Teen-age club (Pres. Denny Merritt) letter to paper telling why they think they need a club.

6/14/1947/4 Teen age Club is 1 year old today. Richard (Itchy) Davis is Pres.
Juneau to build new club. Spiral No. 12. pp 60.

Juneau club marks 10th yr. (NB 13; pp 48)

To move to old Moose Hallon Swede Hill (NB 29; pp 4)

Opens in new quarters. (NB 29; pp 6)
TELEPHONE COMPANYS  
Juneau

TOTEM (J.H.S.) advertises BACH & WEBSTER TEL. CO. in 1913 (Started 1893, etc.)

JUNEAU & DOUGLAS TEL. CO. gets 20 yr. franchise.  
11/18/1953 (N.B.-9; pp-46)  
New phone co. building being built: 7/30/1956  
(N.B.-22; pp-9)  

PICT. Info. new building: 9/12/56 (N.B-22;pp-12)
D.A. Disp. 1/12/1914 Some History of the Company.
D.A. Disp. 1/10/1915 pp. 3; Some information.

J.C.M.R. 6/20/1889 On Mon. June 17th, the work of running a telephone line from Juneau to the basin, was begun. A little over 4 miles and will connect the E.A.M & M.Co. mine with Supt. Depue's office in Juneau. When completed it will be the first telephone in Alaska—and therefore will become an historical even. (V.G. comments, such as 'few would have believed a few years ago that the Basin would be within talking distance of downtown Juneau, etc.

J.C.M.R. 7/11/1889 The telephone to the Basin was completed yesterday and is now in 'talking condition!"

ALASKA JOURNAL 7/29/1893 Telephones have arrived in Juneau for the line to Douglas...

ALASKA JOURNAL (9/2/1893 The lead-covered cable to Douglas, under water, for the telephone, is a failure. Fish bit though and shorted the wire. Soon as the big tides come, a pile-driver will be floated and the wire will be strung above the water!
ALASKA JOURNAL 4/22/1893 The telephone craze has hit Juneau---there are several private lines in use now.

ALASKA NEWS: 1/3/1895 Ed Webster has been putting in a telephone line and installing Eureka instruments. The wire has been strung across the Channel on piling and connects to Bach & Websters Store and the store at Treadwell. The central station is on the Juneau side at N.H. Bertram's Store. (The 11 phones then in use in Juneau, were listed in this issue)
Emp. 3/12/1915 Pete Johnson got contract to build new phone exchange bldg. at W. 2nd St. and Dixon, back of the Webster residence.

Emp. 4/20/1915 Orders placed for modern telephone equipment for J.*--D. Tel. Co. which Ed Webster and Frank Bach started in 1890 when they strung lines connecting their two homes.

Emp. 12/28/1915 The J-D. Telephone Co will install new equipment converting the old bell type to the modern electric drop system, said Mgr. Ed Webster. Done mid-Feb.
6/20/1931/2 J&D Telephone Co. acquire the Louis Levy lot on 2nd and Main and will build a whse. for their equip.

8/28/1937/7 Telephone Co. changing to new system. Now only your own phone will ring.

9/11/1937/8 Juneau-Douglas Telephone Co. changing to New board---will take about 8 days to finish and people are asked to be patient if there is a delay in reaching your party while the changeover is taking place.

9/8/1938/8 Phone line may be extended to Auke Bay.

3/9/1939/6 Long distance calls to States can now be made from any home phone in Juneau or Douglas-- begins Fri.

3/28/1940/3 Telephone Co. explains disrupted service in evening from 18:30 to 19:30. Due to KINY guessing game girls handle over 300 calls at that time.
1. Juneau to have local station. (Juneau 9; pp. 61)
2. Application for station completed (Juneau 9; pp. 63)
3. Emp. 3/7/1956 Juneau’s KINY-TV now on full power.
Televised testing being made in Jersey City.

Television for homes, talks, says inventor Philo T. Farnsworth of New York. To cost little more than radio.

Television not here yet, need more time. Experiments to continue...

Television experiments pushing ahead.

There will be a 'television' concert two nights next week. Mrs. Hank Harmon is in charge of the apparatus. Included in the program will be people dressed in costumes typifying life in different parts of the world.

Television concert success—held in the basement of auditorium of Northern Light Presby. Church.
TENNESSEE PLAN
(Statehood)

Emp. 1/31/1957 Bill introduced for $187,935.41 for the Alaska Statehood Comm. Specifies $54,000 for salaries for the three men sent to Wash. for two years. Also allots $43,000 for living allowances as per diem expense. To be paid by Territorial Director of Finance (Hugh J. Wade).

Actual salary for each of the three Tennessee Plan boys is $16,300 per year.

The rest of the appropriation to the Statehood Comm. includes $28,000 for secretarial salaries; $18,000 for travel expenses, and $20,500 for miscellaneous.

2/1/1957 K.D.N. Syd Charles can not understand what the 41% is for in the $187,035.41 for Tennessee plan boys.

2/6/1957--Rep. Ken Johnson (D- Anchorage) chairman of ways and means committee which rewrote the bill, pleaded for speedy passage... Says he would like to think they are going to eat!" (Gruening is 70 today)

Changes in new bill provide appropriation would expire on Mar. 31, 1959, and it would set per diem pay at $16 per day. Also set an annual salary at $9000 per year.
Original bill did not spell out the time element on how total of $54,000 in salaries and $43,000 in daily expenses were to be expended—totals which remain unchanged on the new bill.

See Juneau Indep. 2/10/1957 which I have saved intact. See Cabages and Kings also page 5 for George's version of the Plan.
JUNEAU TENNIS COURTS

Play fields, yards, etc.

Emp. 7/22/1921/8 Tennis courts to be built at 5th & Gold.
8/8/1932/2 Will move tennis court to build new Assembly Apts. J.E. Lanz, in 1920 instigated the first tennis court. B.M. Behrends donated the use of his vacant lot on 4th and Seward Sts. Later a private court was built on 5th and Gold.
3/29/1949 Juneau will get Territorial Building—possibly in the lot where the A.B. Hall and Fire hall are.
4/2/1949 City asked to donate A.B. Hall site to Territory.
12/7/1949 C of C. acts to provide site for new Territ. Building.
4/18/1950 $1,260,000 sum for new Territorial Bldg. Juneau people to vote.
4/21/1950 1104 to 29 for transfer of property to Territ. for new building.
5/19/1950 Palmer to sue if Territ. Bldg. starts in Juneau
5/20/1950 Marc. Jensen and Trevor Davis blast Palmer (VG)
10/17/1950 Territ. Bldg. may be cut in half—net $1,300,000
9/17/1928/5 School opens. 11 students enter under Mrs. Geo. Boylan, teacher.


6/20/1934 A.J. Mine offer to buy Thane holdings is refused by owners of Alaska Mining & Power Co. present owners.

10/19/1934 Thane property sold to Alaska Juneau Mine.

12/27/1934/6 Emil Gastonguay and wife leave Thane to make their home in the South.

12/17/1949 New Thane sawmill, Jack Martin and Norm Durocher, is now sawing valuable Alaska cedar.

7/13/1950 Early morning fire destroys Thane sawmill.
See card on SHEEP CREEK
D.A.Disp. 1/31/1915 Thane Mill is to start crushing ore about Feb. 15th.

Empire 10/21/1934 Propert of the Alaska Mining & Power Co. at Thane, was sold to the A.J.G.M.Co. The company has been furnishing power for Juneau since 1924 and also owned a large body of low-grade ore contiguous to the A.J. property.

EMPIRE: 3/11/1920 Denies story in Seattle-Alaska Dispatch that Perseverence and Thane Mills to close down!

FOR PULP MILL STORIES AND CLOSING DOWN FOR GOOD ETC. SEE CARD THIS FILE MARKED 'PULP MILLS'

Emp. 8/29/1921/8 Machinery of the Thane Mill will go to the Metals Exploration Co. of the old Comstock Mine at Virginia City, Nev...


Emp. 7/31/1922/8 Machinery sold to firm in Nevada.
Emp. 1/2/1923/8 Thane sure of paper mill says Faulkner. B.L. Thane also confident and Geo. Grigsby has money invested in the project.

Empire. 1/17/1923/8 N.W. Steel & Metal Products Inc. of Seattle has purchased the Thane Mill equipment and dismantling will start soon.

Emp. 1/29/1923 Thane paper mill project nearly ready.

Emp. 1/31/1923 Pulp mill at Thane is now certain.

Emp. 1/31/1923/8 XAM 50 men needed at once to dismantle the Thane Mill....

Emp. 2/16/1923/8 Argentine firm buys machinery from Thane.

Emp. 3/15/1923 Pulp machinery will soon be shipped to the Thane mill. Work will start on Pulp mill soon. 25 extra men were put on to get the milling machinery out so the pulp machinery can go in by Sept. 1. Abraham Goldberg is Pres of the Co.

Emp. 5/30/1923/3 The Thane store closed today. Stock went to Juneau merchants. Started in 1914 when milling operations began.

Emp. 8/23/1923 'Double' plant planned at Thane—pulp and fertilizer.

Emp. 9/11/1923/8 Thane Pulp project moving along nicely.
Emp. 10/3/1923 B.L. Thane confident the pulp mill will go through at Thane. Japanese interests looking into it.

Emp. 12/24/1924 Gastineau Mining Co. (Thane) sold to a Maine corporation, for $200,000.

Emp. 4/15/1925 Alaska Gastineau Mining Co. offices moved from Goldstein Bldg. to Thane.

Emp. 6/22/1926 Confident Thane to be site of paper industry.

Emp. 12/17/1926 Calif. interests say they will put in a 500 ton daily capacity pulp mill at Thane if power from Snettisham is feasible and if not then will put in their mill in Port Snettisham. Will employ 6000 people. etc.

Emp. 4/26/1927 (2" headlines) PAPER MILLS FOR JUNEAU!! Probably at Thane and power will come from Port Snettisham. V.G. B.F. Heintzleman elated, etc. Three large Pac. Coast newspapers---S.F. Chronicle, Los Angeles Time and Portland Orgonian, backers.

Emp. 4/28/1927 Plans for Paper Mill Ready Soon.....

Emp. 4/30/1927 U.S. Forest Service accepts pulp timber bids Zellerback Paper Co. for Ketch. dist. and the Cameron interests in the Juneau district.
Emp. 5/10/1927  Ten Million to be spent on Juneau pulp project. Gastineau G.M.Co. at Thane reported sold....
Emp. 5/12/1915  Thane mill was built by a Charlie Bruff.
THANE FIRES

See card on THANE CEDAR SAWMILL
Coloseum Theatre destroyed. 1/21/1946

CAPITOL THEATRE—6/30/1955 A fire, started by Bill Manthey’s crew, who were cutting with torches in the repair work of the First Natl Bank and burned through the walls igniting pile of rubbish. No damage. (N.B. 9; pp15)

OPERA HOUSE (HIXSON BUILDING) (WINN BUILDING)

LOUVRE THEATRE

PEERLESS SALOON & CONCERT HALL— (Movie machine)
D.A. Disp. 12/27/1911  A new theatre, the Juneau Moving Picture Theatre, opened Mon. Dec. 25th in the Franklin Annex Bldg. Mr. Tsamis and Mr. Spanose are owners and operators. Using General Film Co. pics. Prices of admission will be Kids 10¢ and adults 20¢. At present they will have phonograph accompaniment but will soon use illustrated songs.

See cards on following:
JUNEAU MOVING PICTURE THEATRE (Franklin Annex)
OPERA HOUSE
J.M. PITT’S SHOW HOUSE
GRAND SHOW HOUSE (W.D. Gross)
COLOSEUM THEATRE
PALACE THEATRE
See cards on CAPITOL THEATRE
UPTOWN THEATRE (Garside Bldg.)
ORPHEUM THEATRE
DREAM THEATRE (Perry Jackson)

File cards (4 x 6) in my JUNEAU Gen. Info. file
mention the following: under THEATRES
JUNEAU THEATRE
DREAM THEATRE (Opera House)
RINK THEATRE
LYRIC (Old RINK)--Hippodrome, etc.
Coloseum Theatre (VG history)
PALACE THEATRE
Emp. 12/17/1949 Jack Martin and Norman Durocher are now cutting Alaska cedar in their Thane sawmill.

Emp. 7/13/1950 An early morning fire completely destroyed the above sawmill....
JUNEAU THEATERS

Opera houses, etc.

D.A.Disp. 9/13/1914 mentions Juneau Theatre—-?????
D.A.Disp. 3/11/1915 pp, 4 Dream Theatre is mentioned.
D.A.Disp. 5/25/1915 pp, 5; Dream and Rink Theatres in Juneau and the Lyric in Douglas, have been consolidated. Owners are J.A.Crandell and Ed Armstrong.
D.A.Disp. 6/6/1915 pp 7; Barney Rocelle and Catherine Walsh leased the Juneau Opera House and will show the latest films.
D.A.Disp. 6/8/1915 pp 5; W.D.Gross again gets his 'white elephant', the skating rink, back. Says he will rent it out for dances, etc.
D.A.Disp. 7/23/1915 pp,5; Lyric, or old 'Rink Theatre' is closed up as of last night as far as picture shows go, says owner W.D.Gross.
D.A.Disp. 8/31/1915/ pp.6; 'Pinafore' is playing tonite at the Hippodrome (ex Rink Theatre) Mrs. L.P.Dawes, Mr. Harry Fisher, and others. V.G.
D.A.Disp. 9/4/1915 pp. 4; The Dream Theatre used to be the old Opera House.
NOTICE: In D.A. Disp. for Oct. 1915 and before, old actors and actresses pictured. V.G.

D.A. Disp. 6/18/1916 pp. 5 W.D. Gross is remodeling and changing the old Rink Bldg. into the Coloseum Theatre.

D.A. Disp. 7/23/1916 pp. 6 Gross' COLOSEUM theatre soon to have the only organ of its kind now in the North and the first pipe-organ in Alaska----There is only one like it now in Seattle. It will be installed by Frank Monroe an Alaska boy.

D.A. Disp. 7/30/1916 pp. 4 The COLOSEUM Theatre opened its doors last night for the first time. The feature was "Alias Jimmy Valentine". Ushers named, etc. V.G.

D.A. Disp. 7/28/1916 pp. 5 The first street water fountain to be installed in Juneau, stands in front of the new Coloseum Theatre. Put in by Mr. Gross.

D.A. Disp. 12/10/1916 New drama-photoplay house is nearing completion. The large lighted sign reads 'Palace'.

D.A. Disp. 12/16/1916 pp. 6 Palace Theatre is to open soon. Will be managed by Perry Jackson.
10/4/1934/4 Grand opening of Uptown Theatre tonight. Feature is 'Young & Beautiful' starring

11/22/1934/3 VG Show "Road to Ruin" at Uptown tonight. (Shows how modern, jazz crazy youth go wrong, etc.)

2/14/1935/8 W.D. Gross wins big lawsuit against electric co.

8/29/1935/2 Dave Dishaw, Dr. L.P. Dawes and Joe Kahler, plan to reopen Uptown Theatre. May build apartments on 2nd floor, etc.

1/14/1936/2 All equipment taken out of Uptown Theatre.

7/14/1937/8 Theatre suit settled today, out of court. Gross to assume management of the Coloseum here and at Ketchikan and B.F. Shearer management of the Capital and Revilla.

7/15/1937/3 W.D. Gross takes over show houses in Juneau, Petersburg and Ketchikan at midnight tonight. For four years and two months the shows have been operated by B.F. Shearer.

10/6/1937/ First showing of color film in Alaska at the Capitol tonight. Walter Wagners 'Vogues of 1938' VG.
11/7/1938/6 Hoonah boat "Mildred" owned by Ellis Key, exploded and burned in Pinta Cove at 08:30 yesterday. Nov. 6th. Key safe in Hoonah. Boat total loss.


11/10/1938 Work stops on new 20th Century bldg.


Coloseum Fire was on Jan. 20th, 1946.

4/12/1940/8 Gross schedules opening of new Theatre (20th Century on June 15th.

10/31/1940/5 Gross Theatre and apartments opens tonight. VG account of the history of the building.

11/1/1940/4 Gross opens new 20th Century Theatre on Halloween night.

4/3/1943 Gross case now 9 years old—settled out of court (Electrical Research)

2/21/1947/8 Mill Manthey's crane wrecking Coloseum bldg.
6/19/1947/8 and 6/20/1947/2 16 year old Owen Alvin of Haines electrocuted by a movie machine in Haines.

D.A. Disp. Oct. 27, 1899——Winn Bros to build new two-story building on corner of 2nd & Beward on spot now occupied by old Opera House and the other 50' x 100' lot adjacent. (Col Wm. Winn and James Winn) Will have two stories and basement. Basement and 1st story will of stone from the quarry back of the old Auke Village and bricks from Haines. To begin next May. Cost over $100,000.


D.A. Disp. 9/4/1915 Ashby and Endleman operate the Opera Bar
Here’s a simple way to convert from Celsius (Centigrade) to Fahrenheit: Double the Celsius figure, subtract one-tenth, then add 32. For example, 10° C equals 50° F. If you double 10, you get 20, subtracting one-tenth of 20 you have 18; add 32 and you get 50.

A one degree range C equals 1.8 F. Yet every degree Fahrenheit can be converted to an exact Celsius equivalent, even though some fractions may be required.

The Celsius scale was named for Andres Celsius, a Swedish astronomer who proposed it in 1742.

From Seattle P.I. 2/3/1963
THOMAS HARDWARE CO.

J.C. Thomas

See cards on LYLE'S HDWE. CO.
JUNEAU HDWE. CO.
J.P. JORGENSEN CO.

In 1929 and the early 1930's Harold L. Stabler was bookkeeper for Thomas. Joe Johnston was in the front as a clerk.

Emp. 11/22/1926/8 J.C. Thomas of Sitka will open a new Hardware store in the old JUNEAU HDWE. Co. bldg. He was here several years ago with Henry Shattuck in the Alaska Supply Co. before going to Sitka to run the hardware dept of the W.P. Mills Co. store.

9/22/1952 First remodeling of Thos. Hdwe. bldg. since 1897.
THOMPSON'S BOAT HOUSE  Glacier Highway

Totaled by fire; boat destroyed, etc. 11/28/1940
Emp. 3/26/1924/8 Title to tide lands remains in the Gov't. Indians have no vested rights...

Emp. 6/28/55 Bartlett Seeks Title to Tide Lands (1) lands beneath navigable waters, means (a) all lands within Alaska covered by non-tidal waters which were navigable under laws of the U.S. when sovereignty over Alaska was acquitted, (b) lands covered by tidal waters between mean high tide and three miles to sea from the point of ordinary low water, and (c) all filled in, made or reclaimed lands which were formerly land beneath navigable waters...

3/11/1948/8 VG Indians loose lawsuit in Juneau court on claims to tide lands.
Big tides in Alaska

11/4/1948/6 Big båow raises tides in Juneau area over 21'
N.C. Co shop flooded, etc.
TIDE LAND PROBLEMS

1. 1953 U.S. tideland laws stand. (Juneau 1-A; pp. 30)
2. City seeks control of tidelands. (Juneau 9; pp. 19)
3. Bartlett seeks title to tidelands. (Juneau 9; pp 36)
Alaska's tide lands are 'non alienable'—title still remains in the Government even if in use by private parties. Judge E. Coke Hill passed down this decision on a Ketchikan Indian tidal claim case.
D.A. Disp. 2/10/1902 Juneau time to be verified each trip of the str. "Cottage City". It will be taken from her most accurate chronometer by Juneau jewelers; the idea being to standardize time locally. Juneau will be exactly 60 minutes West of Seattle time.

D.A. Disp. 2/19/1902 Today with the arrival of the "Cottage City", Capt. Dave Wallace, for the first time in history the clocks of the three Juneau jewelers agree! (pp-4) When first proposed to unify time by the firing of a noon gun, the citizens declared it was 'frivolous' and 'designed to destroy the individuality of the townsmen!'

Emp. 5/21/1926 Ketchikan City Council adopts Pacific Std. time. Requests other S.E. Alaska towns to do same...

7/6/1939/5 Juneau Chamber of Commerce goes on record favoring change of Juneau time to Pacific Std. Time (Seattle)

7/7/1939 Local 203 opposes time change.

7/8/1939 Council defers action on plan to change time.

Spearheaded by Curtis Shattuck.

7/22/1939 Time change plan killed for the present. May be put on the April ballot.
8/24/1939  R.E. Robertson argues for Juneau time change in a fish-trap case in local courts.

8/26/1939/2 George W. Folta states that legally Juneau time should be determined on the 150th meridian or Anchorage time. Cites act passed by U.S. Congress in 1918 dividing the 48 States into 4 time zones and making a 5th zone of all of Alaska which at that time was placed legally on the 150th meridian. Legally, that law is still in effect. Folta says time standards change halfway between 15 degree lines—thus 120th or Seattle time ends at 127½. This would tend to put Juneau on 135th meridian time.

See card this file on TIME (Juneau)

3/2/1940 City to vote on changing clocks to Seattle time.
3/15/1940/3 All Juneau stores change their hours of business back to 08:00 to 17:00 (Was 09:00 to 18:00)
3/29/1940/3 VG letter by J.P. Anderson, opposing the time change.
4/3/1940 Voters endorse time change 753 for and 564 against
To take effect Apr. 30th.
4/13/1940/8 A.J. men vote to work sun time not Seattle time.
4/20/8 Juneau to set clocks ahead 23:00 Apr. 30th.
4/25/1940/3 Petersburg is asked to set clocks ahead. Wrangell and Ketchikan already have done so.
5/2/1940/3 Petersburg falls in line on time change.
5/9/1940/3 Outlying areas vote heavily against time change. But even if they don't like it they are expected to adopt the new Juneau standard for convenience.
5/13/1940/7 Sitka shoves clocks ahead to fall in line.
7/12/1940/2 Seiners claim time change confuses them...

See Daylight Saving Time
TIRE SLASHING

Young Biggs. Spiral No. 13; pp. 33 --34.
1. Above is proper spelling.
TINSMITHS
See card on SHEET METAL---TINSMITHS
Emp. 7/1/1935 A new deluxe Ford truck arrived for James Ramsey & Sons TOTEM GROCERY on Willoughby Ave.

12/21/1936/8 Nick J. Bavard bought Totem Grocery.

8/22/1933/8 THos. J. White sold his Totem Gro. to Mr. Wilbur Irving of Cordova.

4/30/1935/2 Jimmy Ramsey to reopen Totem Gro. tomorrow.
See cards on:

ALASKA TRANSFER CO. (Louie Lund)
BERRY TRANSFER CO. (1914--8/16)
A.H. HUMPHRIES (No. 111 Seward St.)

1894 ALONZO BRANT---Jobber & Teamster---Hauls
Mdse. 75¢ per ton; wood-75¢ per cord; and
coal $1.50 per ton from dock to store or home

All but RELIABLE TRANS, ORMES TRANS, & JUNEAU
TRANS. merge into CHILKAT FUEL, INC. 5/17/57

NORTHERN TRANSFER CO. Adv. in 1913 papers in
TRAFFIC

Juneau problems

See cards on AUTOS, etc. for much more on this subject.

12/18/1929/8 Traffic signal donated by Councilman E.J. Krause to be placed on the junction of Front & Franklin.

6/24/1930/6 Jay-walking to be stopped says Chief George A. Getchell. Has ordered yellow lines painted for cross walks, etc.

9/9/1935/4 Police drive on traffic violations. K. Junge taken off night shift and to be in charge of traffic.


7/18/1936 Police Chief Roy Hoffman says starting tomorrow only 1 hour parking will be allowed in all downtown parking areas.

11/21/1936 City Council opens fight against speeders.

5/3/1937 Chief Ralston says lights and brakes must be tested every 60 days!

5/19/1937/8 Ralston says speeding must stop...

6/16/1937/8 Another parking lot now ready—near the Juneau Hotel. Parking is major problem. There is already a
a parking lot on Main St. between 2nd and 3rd Sts.

Strollers 8/3/1921-- Traffic marker placed at busy intersection of Front & Franklin, with all traffic admonished to pass to the right of it.

8/27/1921---Ordinance on control of autos, drafted for consideration by City Council, sets 15 mph speed and 10 mph passing school areas.

5/28/1940/2 Ordinance says no parking over 24 hours on any Juneau street or alley.

3/10/1943/5 Rep. Frank H. Whaley has introduced a bill in Territ. House, which would require Alaska motorists to keep to the right! Unknown to most motorists, the last session (1941) of the Legislature, through an error, repealed the law ordering motorists to keep to the right and for the last two years they have been doing it on their own!
Driving your car gives you a chance to express your hatreds, says a Detroit psychologist who appraised 10,000 problem drivers in his traffic clinic. He says there is something wrong with a man who keeps blasting his horn the instant a light switches to green, who bullies his way through traffic, defies traffic laws and races you in a traffic-light getaway. Such drivers are selfish and egocentric. Among the problem drivers he studied at least 100 were certifiably insane, 850 feeble-minded and 1000 more had been in mental hospitals. Among the rest, many were psychoneurotic, impulsive, emotionally unstable, irresponsible, day-dreamers preoccupied by financial worries, marital conflicts or sex difficulties, and people with inferiority feelings.
Traffic Deaths

1. Gregory, Larry, Ketch. cab driver. (NB 13pl2)
2. Ridley, H. J. 21, and John, Fred, 23 killed Ketchikan. (NB 13; pp 31)
3. Gary Lee Chesley 24, is 6th traffic death in S.E. Alaska (all in Ketch.) this year so far. (NB 13; pp 40)
4. Inman, Mrs. Virginia. (NB 13; pp 49)
11/12/1936 Auto-trailers come out at National Automobile Show in N.W. Entitled 'Home Sweet Home on Wheels' etc.
Emp. 6/27/1921/3 Rehabilitation of Mt. Roberts trail is planned (Father Brown's trail)

Emp. 8/3/1921/8 Father Brown's Trail, built Aug. 13 to Sept. 11, 1906 will soon be rebuilt.

Emp. 7/24/1922/8 Crew begins work on Mt. Roberts trail---Will not follow the old Father Browns trail.
2/7/1951 Major train disasters and dates, losses, etc.

8/6/1941/3 James O. Orme forms Transfer Co. Will have office with Parson's Electric Co.

9/16/1947/2 Lee Lucas and Jack McDaniel buy Bodding Trans.

2/19/1952/4 Dave Reischb.S buys out Bud Brown in Ormes Trans.
Emp. 5/21/1924/6 Reliable Transfer moves to the Erickson Bldg. (between the Gastineau Hotel and the Juneau Music House)

Femmer Trans. sells out to Reliable--N.B. No. 10., pp. 51
TREADWELL FIRES

Gastineau Channel

D.A. Disp. 9/15/1916/4 House of Paul Kegel, bandmaster, burned to the ground at 23:00 last night. Located near the old Treadwell glory hole.
D.A. Disp. 4/21/1917 pp. 5; Treadwell earth settles a little. P.R. Bradley says no harm threatened---this has happened before in other mines.

D.A. Disp. 4/24/1917 Treadwell Mine caves in! V.G. full account

D.A. Disp. 5/26/1917 pp. 6; Weird story about Treadwell Glory Hole to be filled.....

Empire: 12/30/1919 pp. 2; The Treadwell Co. may process chrome ore...

Emp. 2/10/1923 Nels Anderson panned $370. in 3 pans of gravel he washed out on the tailings of the Ready Bullion Mine yesterday. Causes miniature 'rush'...

Emp. 3/24/1923 Douglas Mining Co. formed--to work the old property about a mile from Treadwell.

TREADWELL CAVE IN---V.G. pict. taken right after the cave-in pp. 33; A.S. July, 1955

Emp. 8/9/1928/3 A.J. buys all of Treadwell properties--power plants, foundary, etc. Effective Aug. 1. 1928.

4/21/1951/2 Cave-in just 34 years ago today.
TREADWELL MINES

VALDEZ NEWS 5/24/1902 VG. Story of religious fanatic, N.C. Jones, who was shot and killed in a tussle with Supt. Joseph McDonald of the Treadwell Mines. The man wanted him to close the mines on Sundays and came in to his office to force him to do so at the point of a gun! McDonald gained an advantage and got hold of the gun; in the ensuing battle the gun discharged and Jones was shot and killed. A coroner's jury declared it justifiable homicide!

For some VG info. etc. See card in 3 x 5 People file on FRENCH PETE ERUSSARD.

Some info on the cave-in 4/21/1917 (Spiral 15; pp 63)
1. See D.Id.News: 9/4/1901 for story of "256' Johnson" C.G. Johnson who fell that far in the Mine and was not hurt much.

2. D.A.Disp. 4/22/11 Wild Slav (Uick Groobich) from Treadwell Mines--Jailed. V.G.


4. D.A.Disp. 6/11/1912 Carbide lights replace candles in the Treadwell Mines. At present, ten boxes of 2240 candles, are used every day by the miners. Cost averages about $328. $3.25 per box.

5. D.A.Disp. 11/21/1912 says Pierre Erussard (French Pete) was the discoverer of the Treadwell Mines. He owned the Valentine corner on Front and Seward before Juneau was a town and sold out to Dick Willoughby who in 1889 sold to a W.T. Reed for $1000.

D.A.Disp. 4/4/1913 mentions a bad explosion on the 1100' level of the Alaska-Mexican Mine at Treadwell in 3/5/1910
D.A.Disp. 1/12/1902 Work on the Juneau-Treadwell railroad is to start in 90 days.

D.A.Disp. 2/12/1902 Big fire at Treadwell Mine---190 men laid off until repairs can be made.

D.A.Disp. 8/28/1903 Treadwell Mng. Co. to quit barging concentrates by tug. Last week the "Pilot", towing the "Potter", broke down in Taku Inlet and 'was at the mercy of the elements' until picked up by the "Rustler" and towed to Juneau.

D.A.Disp. 3/9/1917 pp.5; Martin Oleson was salvaging the coal which fell in the bay when the Treadwell dock collapsed.
TREADWELL MINE CAVE-IN

Apr. 21, 1917 at 23:30---between the 700 mill and No. 4 bunkhouse. The Treadwell Fire Hall and the Natatorium went into the cave-in. About 350 men were underground but all made safety.
1. Some history of "French Pete" (Juneau 1-A; pp. 13.)
TRESPASSING

See card on CHRIS RADMILOVICH
Emp. 6/6/1928 N.G. Nelson buys triangle lots on corner Front & Franklin from E.P. Pond and Mrs Elizabeth Decker. Plans to tear down the frame buildings and construct a new 4-story concrete bldg. (Race Drug Store, etc.)

See card on NELSON BLDG.
TROUT DERBYS
Juneau area


3/25/1941/3 Femmer's 2½ ton oil truck went through the Femmer dock and sunk in 10' of water today. Loaded with 240 gals. urel oil. Was parked and no one in it at time.
D.A. Disp. 11/21/1904 Capt Ross of the tug 'kicked Hell out of his Chief Eng.--Lavin, who had him arrested.'

See card on STAR TUG & BARGE. (STALEY's outfit 1956)
JUNEAU TUNNELS

D.A.Disp. 8/31/1915  Story of melting ice exposing an old prospect tunnel dug by Hohn G. Heid and Wm. Mc Clellan in 1886 on the upper side of Sheep Creek Basin. This is the first time the ice and snow has been off in 29 years.

D.ADispatch: May 6, 1909  City Council plans a ten by ten foot tunnel under courthouse hill from near the Winter & Pond Studio to Campbells place on (Willoughby) the flats. It will cost about $27.00 per foot or a total of about $4000.00 to drive the 210' tunnel.

5/22/1941/8  Tunnel idea killed by Council---will cost too much with new high taxes, etc.....

12/17/1941/6  Metcalf makes survey of proposed tunnel from head of Seward St. to Evergreen Bowl

2/17/1942/3  No bids on tunnel yet. To be 430' long and is to be a maximum depth of 80' from surface of ridge.
TWENTIETH CENTURY MARKET

See cards on following:
BURFORD'S CORNER
LEWIS BLDG.
IRVING'S WHING DING MKT.
FIRST NATIONAL BANK BLDG

12/17/1945 New 20th CENTURY MKT. opens tomorrow.
2/26/1948 Harold Bates sues Lester C. Fragner former partner in the 20th Century Mkt. for settlement of partnership.
TWO-FORTY SWEDE

See card on Wahldahl, Åiner.