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In 1919 the Governor of Alaska requested information from the U.S. Department of Interior, regarding names and biographies of persons involved in Alaska's development from 1867-1885. A list of names of Navel Officers and ships on which they served was provided by the Navy Department. The War Department provided military biographies on ninety-five officers serving in Alaska from 1867-1917. The typescript information provided during 1919-1920 is bound in one volume.

INVENTORY

NAVAL OFFICERS WHO SERVED IN ALASKA, 1867-1877

1867-1870

Captain H.G. Colby, (PC), U.S. Navy, retired. Vergennes, Vt.
Rear Admiral John E. Pillsbury, U.S. Navy, retired. 1755 Q St., Washington, D.C.
Rear Admiral Seaton Schroeder, U.S. Navy, retired. 1816 N. St., Washington, D.C.
Rear Admiral C.C. Todd, U.S. Navy, retired, Hotel Richmond, Washington, D.C.
Rear Admiral G.H. Cooke (t4C), U.S. Navy, retired. P.O. Box 364, Ridley Park, Pa.

1870-1877

Rear Admiral L.C. Logan, U.S. Navy, retired. Friendship Street, Jamestown, R.I.
Ensign Hamilton C. Perkins, U.S. Navy, resigned. Boston, Mass.
Commander George H. Read, (PC), U.S. Navy, retired. Great Barrington, Mass.
Rear Admiral W.H. Brownson, U.S. Navy, retired. c/o Riggs National Bank, Washington,
D.C.
Rear Admiral Harry Knox, U.S. Navy, retired. 61 Franklin St.,
Annapolis, Md.
Rear Admiral F.H. Delano, U.S. Navy, retired. Carvell Hall,
Annapolis, Md.
Rear Admiral G.W. Baird, U.S. Navy, retired. 1505 Rhode Island Ave., Washington,
D.C.
Rear Admiral D.D.V. Stuart, U.S. Navy, retired, 1734 Connecticut Ave., Washington,
D.C.:
Lieutenant J.A. Tobin, U.S. Navy, retired (EC). 123 Hope St.
Providence, R I.
Brigadier General P.C. Pope, U.S.M.C., retired. Milton, Mass.

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Rear Admiral J.M. Flint (MC), U.S. Navy, retired. Stoneleigh Court, Washington, D.C.
Rear Admiral Perry Garst, U.S. Navy, retired. Brandenton, Fla.
Major Richard Wallach, U.S.M.C., retired. 365 West End Ave. New York, New York.
Lieutenant Commander D.L. Wilson, U.S. Navy, retired. 1611 29th St., Washington, D.C.
Rear Admiral J.W. Ross (MC), U.S. Navy, retired. Pasadena, Calif.
Commander Lewis J. Clark, U.S. Navy, retired. 1213 Woodstock Ave., Anniston, Ala.
Rear Admiral E.K. Moore, U.S. Navy, retired. c/o U.S. Consul, Nice, France.
Rear Admiral Frederick Singer, U.S. Navy retired. Boston Club, New Orleans, La.
Captain A.C. Rhodes (MC), U.S. Navy, retired. Union League Club, 13 East 39th St., New
York, N.Y.

NAVAL VESSELS AND THEIR PERSONNEL, 1879-1881

ALASKA (2d.rate), 1879.

Captain, George Brown.
Lieutenant-Commander, B.P. Lamberton.
Lieutenants, James E. Craig, B.N. Manney, J.G. Eaton, E.B. Barry.
Master, W.E. Sewell.
Ensigns, James M. Helm, C.A. Corbin, F.B. Vinton, George M. Stoney, and Ridgely Hunt.
Surgeon, W.K. Van Reypen.
Assistant Surgeon, S.H. Griffith.
Paymaster, Charles F. Guild.
Chief Engineer, J.W. Thompson, Jr.

Passed Assistant Engineers, A.W. Morley and H.L. Slosson.
First Lieutenant Marines, Frank Scott.
Boatswain, John Burrows.
Gunner, John J. Walsh.
Carpenter, Gould Northup.
Sailmaker, John C. Chevalier.

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NAVAL VESSELS (continued)

ALASKA (2d.rate), 1880.

Captain, George Brown.
Lieutenant-Commander, C.H. Pendleton
Lieutenants, J.E. Craig, H.N. Manney, Joseph G. Eaton, and Edward B. Barry.
Master, William E. Sewell.
Ensigns, F.B. Vinton and Ridgely Hunt.
Cadet-Midshipmen, A.B. Clements, John B. Blish, Leigh O. Garrett, A.P. Menefee, and John A. Mudd.
Surgeon, William K. Van Reypen.
Assistant Surgeon, S.H. Griffith.
Paymaster, Charles F. Fuild.
Chief Engineer, James W. Thompson.
Passed Assistant Engineers, A.W. Morley, and Henry L. Slosson.
Cadet-Engineers, Edward O'C. Acker and John W. Annan.
First Lieutenant of Marines, Frank Scott.
Boatswain, J. Keating.
Gunner, William E. Webber.
Carpenter, Gould Northup.
Sailmaker, J.C. Chavalier.

JAMESTOWN (3d. rate), 1880.

Commander, Lester A. Beardslee.
Lieutenant-Commander, Charles H. Rockwell.
Lieutenants, F.M. Symonds, and E.P. McClellan.
Masters, G.C. Hanus and Frank Guertin.
Ensigns, J.O. Nicholson, N.R. Usher, E.M. Katz, James C. G4.1 lmore, and Henry tlinett.
Passed Assistant Surgeon, N. McP. Ferebee.
Passed Assistant Paymaster, James A. King.
First Lieutenant of Marines, H.G. Ellsworth.
Boatswain, Peter H. Smith.
Gunner. Charles Stuart.
Carpenter, Luther L. Martin.
Sailmaker, Thomas O. Fassett.

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JAMESTOWN (3d. rate), 1881

Commander, Henry Glass.
Lieutenant-Commander, Charles H. Rockwell.
Lieutenants, F.M. Symonds and E.P. McClellan.
Masters, G.C. Hanus and Frank Guertin.
Ensigns, J. O. Nicholson, N. R. Usher, J.J.C. Gilmore and H. Minett.
Midshipman, Selim E. Woodworth.
Passed Assistant Surgeon, N. McP. Ferebee, and David O. Lewis
Passed Assistant Paymaster, James A. Ring,
Second Lieutenant of Marines, G.R. Benson.
Boatswain, Peter H. Smith.
Gunner, Charles Stuart.
Carpenter, Luther L. Martin.
Sailmaker, Thomas O. Fassett.

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA ON ARMY OFFICERS IN COMMAND IN ALASKA, 1867-1917

Abercrombie, William P. (1900-1902; Copper River expedition, Port Valdez and Fort Liscum.)
Allen, Harvey A. (1871-1872; Sitka.)
Andrus, Frank B. (1903-1904; Skagway.)
Bancroft, Eugene A. (1876-1877; Sitka, Ft. Wrangell.)
Baylies, James. (1907; Ft. Davis, 1908; Ft. Wm. H. Seward, Treadwell.)
Bell, Edwin. (1898-1899; St. Michaels, Rampart City.)
Bennett, William C. (1912; Ft. Liscum.)
Bolton, Edwin B. (1906-1907; Ft. Gibbon.)
Borrowe, Wm. (1869-.1870; Ft. Wrangell, Sitka.)
Bradley, John J. (1913-1914; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
Brainard, David L. (1889, Dyea.)
Buck, William L. (1904-1905; Ft. St. Michael.)
Campbell, Joseph B. (1874-1876, Sitka.)
Carr, Daniel J. (1911-1913; Seattle, Wash., Washington and Alaska
Mil. Tel. and Cable system.)
Cecil, George R. (1908; Fort Gibbon, Fort St. Michael.)
Chrisman, Edward R. (1911-1912; Fort Gibbon.)
Curtis, Edwin S. (1869-1870; Ft. Kodiak.)
Dalton, Harry F. (1910-1911; Ft. St. Michael.)
Davis, Jefferson C. (1867-1868; Military District of Alaska, 1868-1870; Department of Alaska.)
Davison, Peter W. (1908-1909; Ft. Wm. H. Seward, 1909-190p., Ft. Egbert, 1915-1917;
Alaska Road Commission at Valdez, Juneau.)

Dennison, Wm. N. (1867-1870, Sitka.)
Dixon, Varien D. (1909-1911; Ft. St. Michael.)
Farnsworth, Charles S. (1899-1900; Ft. Gibbon, 1900-1901; Ft. Egbert, 1910-1911, Ft. Gibbon.)

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Frederick, Daniel A. (1908; Ft. Liscum.)
Funston, Frederick. (1903; inspecting posts in Alaska.)
Gardener, Cornelius. (1910-1912; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
Gerhardt, Charles. (1902-1904; Ft. Gibbon.)
Gowen, James B. (1906-1908; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
Greene, Henry A. 906-1908; Alaska.)
Guyer, George D. C(1910-1912; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
Giddings, Paul. (.1904-1905; Ft. Davis.)
Glenn, Edwin F. (1898; Alaska Exploring Expedition, 1899; Cook's Inlet Expedition.)
Halstead, Frank. (1908-1910; Ft. Liscum.)
Hanigan, Henry. (1909; Ft. Liscum, Ft. Egbert.)
Helmick, Eli A. (1906-1908, Fort Liscum.)
Jocelyn, Stephen P. (1875-1876; Fort Wrangell.)
Kennedy, Chase W. (1910-1912; Alaska.)

Kobbe, Ferdinand W. (1908-1910; Ft. St. Michael, Ft. Gibbon.)
Krebs, Jacob F. (1908-1910; Ft. Davis.)
Lee, Joel R. (1906-1907; Ft. Gibbon.)
Lenoir, Basil O. (1909-1911; Valdez.)
Loucks, Melville R. (1868-1870; Ft. Wrangell.)
McAndrew, James W. (1905-1906, 1914-1916; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
McClure, Charles. (1912-1913; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
McCoy, Frank B. (1914; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
McGilvray, John. (1865-1870; Cook's Inlet, Ft. Kodiak, Ft. Kenay.)
McGunnegie, George K. (1909; Mem. G.C.M., Alaska.)
Macklin, James E. (1904-1906; Ft. Liscum.)
Mast, James L. (1868-1870; Ft. Kodiak, St. George and St. Paul Islands.)
Maus, Marion P. (1910; inspection tour of Alaska,
Mendenhall, John. (1876-1877; Sitka.)
Morris, Arthur. (1876-1877; Sitka.)
Moon, Henry B. (1903-1907; Egbert.)
Nichols, Maury. (1904-1906; Ft. St. Michaels.)
Noble, Charles H. (1906; Fort Wm. H. Seward.)
Nolan, Robert M. (1917; Valdez-Wash. Alaska Military Cable and Telegraph system.)
Peirce, Charles H. (1868-1869; Ft. Tongass.)
Perkins, Frederick. (1902-1904; Ft. Egbert, Skagway.)
Pitcher, William L. (1902-1903; Skagway.)
Plummer, Edward H. (Sometime between 1901 and 1913; Alaska)
Randall, George M. (1897-1898; Ft. St. Michael.)
Ray, P. Henry. (1881-1883; Point Barrow, 1899-1900; Ft. Egbert.)
Reed, William L. (1912-1914; Ft. Davis.)

Reynolds, Alfred. (1908-1910; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
Richardson, Wilds P. (1900-1901; Department of Alaska, 1902-1904; Constructing
Quartermaster in Alaska, 1905; Skagway, 1905-1917; Alaska Road Commission.)
Ring, Franklin M. (1868-1870; Ft. Wrangell, Ft. Tongass.)
Rodney, George B. (1872-1874; Sitka.)

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Rucker, Louis H. (1897-1898; Alaskan Relief Expedition for Yukon Miners.)
Ruhlen, George. (1898; Alaska Relief Expedition, District of Lynn Canal.)
Sawyer, Charles N. (1912-1914; Ft. Wm. H. Seward.)
Smith, John H. (1867-1868; Ft. Tongass, Ft. Wrangell, 1870; Ft. Tongass.)
Stamper, Willson Y. (1905-1906; Ft. Wm. H. Seward, Ft. Gibbon.)
Stewart, George E. (1908-1910; Ft. St. Michael.)
Stewart, Joseph. (1872-1874; Ft. Sitka.)
Stokes, Marcus B. (1906-1098; Ft. St. Micheal.)
Terrett, Colville P. (1903-1904; Skagway.)
Thompson, Richard E. (1907-1911; Washington-Alaska Military Cable and Telegraph system.)
Threlkeld, Hansford L. (1912; Ft. St. Michael.)
Tidball, John C. (1868-1871; Sitka.)
Van Vliet, Robert C. (1907-1908; Ft. Liscom.)
Wade, Benjamin R. (1912-1913; Ft. St. Michael.)
Wheeler, Mark. (1910-1912; Ft. St. Michael.)
Welsh, William E. (1912-1914; Ft. Davis.)
Williams, Constant. (1905; inspecting posts in Alaska.)
Wilson, Eugene T. (1902; Ft. Liscom, 1902-1903, Trans Alaskan Military Road.)
Wilson, Richard H. (1902-1904; Ft. St. Michael.)
Woodbury, Thomas C. (1904-1906; Skagway, Ft. Wm, H. Seward.)
Wright, Walter K. (1899-1901; Ft. Egbert, Ft. Gibbon.)
Woodruff, Carle A. (1870; Ft. Kodiak.)

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ADDITION: (from MS 1977-02)

Beardslee, Lester Anthony
Coghlan, Joseph Bulloch (1885)
Emmons, George T.
Glass, Henry (1881)
Merriman, Edgar C. (1898-1903)