

Diary 38, 1927-1928	<p>[Front cover]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Private Diary</u> of <u>James Wickersham</u> <u>July 6, 1927 to Oct 1, 1928</u></p> <p>Sister Jen's sickness & death pp. Aug 9th to April 6 pp <u>27-55</u>.</p> <p>Dr. S. Hall Young's death p.55 Geo. F. Reids death p. 130.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 6-8	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>July 6th 1927.</u></p> <p>Busy in office as usual. Have a bad cold - but recovering.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Same as usual. Busy in office. Mike Sullivan from Yakataga Oil fields in office. Preparing copies reports of Experts who have examined that field to send with letter to J.B. Harris, of Amarillo, Tex. with bottle oil, to get him interested in drilling there. He was formerly proprietor of Golden Gate hotel, Nome, when Mike & I boarded there.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Mail From Fairbanks. Judge Erwin, my</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>attorney there sends me his Act. for services in securing patents on my three mining claims on Cleary & Wolf Creeks & Ester bal. due Erwin 1204.23. <u>Am sending him check for that sum.</u> Also returning to him a letter & deeds from Harry Pratt asking me to deed the Exploration C. right of way across my L.L. Dis. Bench Claim for \$1⁰⁰! which I will not do! Asking Erwin to look into the matter. Yesterday I got a promise from Flory, Forest Service, to (give fair consideration for construction of Skagway Road to Nyes power house, & I will go to Skagway on the "<u>Alameda</u>" SS. tomorrow, to get people there to agree on route if possible.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 9	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Argued demurrer in Donaldson et. al. v Smith, Treas. Only point around was the right of taxpayer to bring the suit. Other questions decided by</p>

Diary 38, 1927 July 10	<p>Judge Reed on former case, so not argued. Hellenthal, appearing for Treas. would not argue question, but Rustgard, Atty Genl. did so, briefly, without the authorities. At Judge Reeds request I presented the law on the point of the Parties: Hellenthal then talked - but I think the court will sustain him on the point of the right of the taxpayer & the defendant on the other questions: Then I will appeal. Leave for Skagway tonight on "<u>Alameda</u>," and will return on same next Monday.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>SS. Alameda docked at Haines at Six a.m. Met Mrs. Snyder on dock and talked with her about trial of her divorce case. Promised to see Bruce Brown & see if he is competent to be a witness for her & notify her. The German cruiser lying in the stream off Haines. We arrived in Skagway at 8 a.m. Mr. Charles Nye met me with automobile. Took me up Skagway valley on north & west side to the end of his road and then back to Skagway and out along the old Brackett trail of 1898, now being repaired by the White Pass Co! as far as their new work extends -a mile or mile & half - we then walked the old trail for a</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>mile farther - examining- it carefully. Back to town to Nye's home - then we went to see Mr. Hahn, Mgr. White Pass, to talk over the Skagway road problems. The White Pass officials want a road up south side of valley to East fork of the river, and thence south to the Glaciers. They do <u>not</u> want any road up the north fork - because it parallels the White Pass Ry!! while Nye wants a road to his power and dam site, on the north Fork. Long conference between Hahn and Nye and finally out of their discussions and differences I prepared for them a proposed written compromise to which both agreed - to be reduced to the form of a public petition, signed by them</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>and the members of both factions, and presented to the Forest Service (U.S.) as a basis of its future</p>

	<p>action in road building in the Skagway valley. It is as follows, <u>Skagway, Alaska, July 19, 1927.</u> <u>Mr. C.H. Flory, District Forester, U.S. Dept of Agriculture, Juneau, Alaska.</u> <u>Dear Sir: We the undersigned residents of Skagway, Alaska favor the construction of a government wagon road up the Skagway valley, on the best and most practicable route to be located by Forest Service engineers, on a grade not to exceed twelve per cent, the road to be one project to extend from Skagway to both the Denver or S glacier, and so far up the North Fork of the Skagway River as the site of the home power company dam site. This proposed road building</u></p>				
Diary 38, 1927 July 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>program is one on which all parties at Skagway are united, and we earnestly and respectfully urge your favorable and early consideration of same.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Names</th> <th style="width: 50%; text-align: center;">Occupations</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="height: 20px;"></td> <td style="height: 20px;"></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Hahn had his daughter type the agreement from my rough pencil draft, and both he and Nye agreed to the proposed compromise, and both agreed to sign the petition and get their respective supporters to sign & thus end the feud which has divided Skagway for years. Nye and I both took it up with Mrs. Nye & she agreed to it also, and I hope now it meets with no opposition. After lunch with the Nyes I went over to see Mrs. Martha B. Keller, widow of Dr. Keller, long the owner & publisher of the "Skagway Alaskan"</p>	Names	Occupations		
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Diary 38, 1927 July 10-11	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>about the purchase of the files of that paper. She readily agreed to give me the files for preservation and will have a man box them for me & send them down on the boat to Juneau. I also bought a few Alaskan items from her, - the "<u>Boston-Alaskan</u>" "<u>Poems By Alaskans,</u>" etc. Also bought several old books from Jack Keller, remnants of a library owned by O.L. Dickenson, once Mgr. of White Pass. Visited with some of my friends briefly & "Alameda" left for Juneau at 6. p.m.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Reached Juneau this morning at 1³⁰ a.m.</p>				

	<p>Busy in office with correspondence. Wrote Darrell a nice letter and also asked him for a fuller statement of explosion of gas tank which destroyed my clients boat.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 12	<p style="text-align: center;">-12-</p> <p>Working in office as usual. Wrote C.H. Flory, Forester - letter about the Skagway road, announcing settlement of all quarrels about it. It seems that when Darrell came north in June (27th) Margaret Mulrooney saw his name in the Hotel arrivals & thinking it was me she wrote a note to the Hotel trying to get into communication with me. The note reached me today & I wrote her a note explaining the matter. My! Margaret is 41, weighs a hundred & forty, and has no husband & no family! How much better off Nellie is, even with all her troubles with Jesse Noble and W.F. Thompson - she at least has her children & is at last rid of both those scamps.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 13-15	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday in office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Busy in the office. Miss Jessup, my stenographer, copying pages of my Biblio. "Cook" and "La Perouse" for additions I have from Allen, Seattle. Law business better than income, but enough of that to keep things going.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Busy today with correspondence. Wrote to Morrison, Cong. Lib. sending him data about Cook & Le Perouse, so as to get full lists of various editions etc. Also to Sutherland about Skagway road - sent him copy of my letter to Flory - so he will understand facts about proposed compromise!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 July 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p><u>The Governor has given the editors wife a "job," in violation of the wish of the Alaskan legislature:</u> <u>"The Strollers Weekly, July 2, 1927"</u></p> <p>[clipping] WICKERSHAM FILES SUIT TO</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">“TRIM” GOVERNOR’S OFFICE</p> <p>To enjoin and restrain Territorial Treasurer W.G. Smith from paying of any money appropriated by the late Territorial legislature for additional salaries of the Secy to the Governor, janitor of the Gov’s home, contingent expenses of the Gov’s office, his traveling expenses, entertainment at the Executive Mansion, repairs and improvements on the same, amounting in all to \$7,890, James Wickersham filed suit in the Territorial Court on Tuesday of this week as representing himself, D.W. Hiskins and Eugene Wacker, the two latter of Ketchikan.</p> <p>A demurrer to the injunction was filed in the court yesterday morning by Attorney General John Rustgard and, as the court is now taking a recess until July 6, hearing on the demurrer will be on or soon after that date.</p> <p>If the office of the Governor of Alaska is not worth the pittance the Territory expends in connection with it, instead of attacking the inconsequential appropriations involved in the pittance, Judge Wickersham should carry his grievance before Congress and ask that the office be abolished entirely.</p> <p>[Wickersham interjects:] {Strollers memory is as poor as his patriotism:}</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">“Even fleas have smaller fleas which on them prey, And even these have smaller still to bit “em”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>In court this morning - motion calendar. Mike Sullivan goes out to Yakataga tonight on the SS. Watson: If J.B. Harris oil expert from Texas comes at Mikes invitation I am to go with him.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 July 17-18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Sunday - a beautiful day. Recd. a letter from Darrell telling me that my sister Jennie is dangerously ill - with Brights disease and probably a general breakdown. I wrote her a good letter, also one to Darrell and to Lucille Hunt, Beeville, Texas. I will go to Jen if it turns out she is as ill as Darrell thinks she is.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p>

	<p>Began another law suit today. My old friend Dr. S. Hall Young visited with me this afternoon - took dinner with me. He is on the SS Rogers with another Presbyterian tourist party. His new Autobiography will be out this fall - "<u>The Mushing Parson.</u>"</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 July 19-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19-</p> <p>Letter from Darrell saying Jen was regaining her strength and health: also sent me money to purchase another set of carving Knife & fork - which I did today. Also sent him a poke of gold nuggets I’ve carried around in my trunk for years with instructions to turn same into the U.S. mint & send me the value in money.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Working on Cobb Estate today - set for Saturday. Correspondence.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Same as usual in office. The “SS. Dorothy Alexander” at wharf - Judge Snell of Tacoma sick on boat - <u>called</u> & had visit with him, & met & the Craigs - also from Tacoma.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 July 2-23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Judge Snell was taken off the boat last night to the hospital - his wife and friends fear he is threatened with pneumonia - <u>he is 75 years old!</u> Called today & found him in high fever. Busy in office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23-</p> <p>Attended court today. Little done but got some satisfaction as the Dist. Atty confessed he thinks the law is with me in the dower case for Mrs. Cobb. Hearing in her Estate matter set for 28th. In my leisure time I am writing a brief study of the lives of Peter the Great & Catherine I as the “Ferdinand & Isabella” of Alaska.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 July 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24-</p> <p>Judge Snell is almost recovered from his sickness - had a long visit with him today (Sunday). Also a visit with Zeigler, attorney at Ketchikan, whom I am trying to persuade to gather a lot of the younger element of the Demo- party and nominate men of their own kind for public office in Alaska, and assist in driving the Federal Bureaucratic officials out of our Territorial Government. He promises well - he</p>

	is young & has a good army record, etc. and is really the brightest young Democrat in the Territory. I am also making the same talk to young Republicans.
Diary 38, 1927 July 25	-25- Recd. today boxes containing all the files of the "Skagway Alaskan" that Mrs. Keller, of Skagway, has left of that paper of pioneer days, and delivered them to Simpkins, the binder, who will dampen, arrange and take stock - keep a list of omissions - and give me a list of the papers remaining. I will have them bound - anyway this is all that's left of the paper. Loss Bernard has reply from Judge Bunnell, Pres. Agri. College, Fairbanks about printing my Bibliography. He seems agreeable to carrying out the provisions of Sec. 3. Chap. 58, Sess. Laws 1927, and I am to write to him about the details at once.
Diary 38, 1927 July 26	-26 th - <u>Wrote a letter to Judge Bunnell about publishing my Ms. Bibliography suggesting the terms as required by Sec. 3, Chap 85, Sess. Laws 1927, and sending him all the data that I now think he will need to determine his course of action in the matter. I recommended it to be published by the empire publishing Co. here in Juneau.</u> Recd. a very valuable and interesting letter from Darrell giving me a much needed explanation of the reasons why the Explosion occurred on a boat owned by one of my clients occurred when he was taking on gasoline at the Standard Oil Cos tanks - the explanation is "static electricity" and gives us a perfectly good theory upon
Diary 38, 1927 July 26	26 which to maintain our suit for damages against the Company. Attorney General Rustgard has just informed me, <u>sub rosa</u> , that Judge Reed has advised him that he will overrule the demurrer to my complaint in the Territorial Case, and sustain my view of the law!! This is the more surprising since he sustained the demurrer to the same items in the former case! If he does what the Attorney General says he will, it

	<u>will put the burden of appealing the case on the defendant, the Territorial Treasurer.</u> I am surprised (but of course pleased) with his change of front, for I knew & he knew that I knew, that such is the law of the case!
Diary 38, 1927 July 27-29	-27 th - Some new business coming in. Wrote to Darrell and thanked him for preparing a statement for me in the case of Baas v Standard Oil Co. which gives us a clear theory of the cause of the fire on Baas boat - static electricity. Also getting my Biblio. completed for publication as I now think Bunnell intends to publish it. Working generally. Reading up on Catherine I. of Russia! -28 th - Same as yesterday. Called and said "goodbye" to Judge & Mrs. Snell, & Mr. & Mrs. Craig of Tacoma. -29 th - Same as yesterday. X
Diary 38, 1927 July 30-31	-30 th - <u>Again</u> , I have finally completed my Ms. Bibliography of Alaskan Literature", 1724 - 1924. I really think, now, it <u>is</u> done - finished! Anyway it is ready to go to the printer - if Judge Bunnell is willing to make the agreement with me as per Sec. 3, of the Chap. 58, Sess Laws 1927 etc. Billy Bousch brought me a quart of cherries raised on his own cherry tree in his yard, - They are very good - ought to make better pies than for eating raw. -31 st - Took walk into Silver Bow Basin - resting & reading.
Diary 38, 1927 August 1	August 1 st 1927 Busy with law work in the office. This afternoon Mrs. Florence Heilig Force called me up on the telephone & I met her at a store. Her husband & three children were with her - they are <u>all</u> going for a 50 day hunt at the Kluane Lake - back of Whitehorse. Florence was a beautiful girl - in Eagle in 1900, in Fairbanks until she married Ray Force about 1906. They now live in Oakland, Cal. where Force has made a fortune in some

	manufacturing plant. Their children are beautiful & Florence retains her beauty to a remarkable degree - <u>they are a nice family.</u>
Diary 38, 1927 August 1-2	1 Received a telegram from Helen saying Jen is very sick: "Mother had a sinking spell last night but some better today. Doctor advises condition very serious. Wish you were here however use your own judgment about coming. Will wire you tomorrow. Answer care Olympic Hotel. Harold sends regards, etc. Helen H. McGovern." I will wait for next telegram. -2 nd - Judge Reed held with me today on the petition of Mrs. Emma Joy Cobb, for dower in the Chichagoff Mines & other property and also in the <u>Lynch</u> case at Ketchikan for claim of Indian woman to tide land. A busy day on other law cases, also. Nothing further from Helen about her mothers condition - so I assume she must be better. Will send an inquiring telegram to Helen.
Diary 38, 1927 August 3-4	-3 rd - Sent telegram to Helen for news of Jen's condition. Very busy in office. -4 th - Telegram from Harold saying Jen is in dangerous condition - No boat south till tomorrow night and no berth then -everything full. Hearing on Cobb estate today. The probate judge friendly to our contention but wants more evidence. Wrote to Mrs. Cobb & sent her copy decree in dower case, which will please her. Same to Mrs. Lynch, Indian case. Prepared an Amended Complaint in the case of Baas v Standard Oil Co. Roden & I have each worked on it.
Diary 38, 1927 August 5-6	-5- Short opinion in U.S. v Lynch, ejectment, holding Mrs. Lynch, Indian, has good cause of defense in Ketchikan case: This is a relief after several years contest. Mrs. L. is a Ketchikan Indian woman - & claims some tideland as such: The U.S. brought suit to put her off - <u>our defense is good.</u> -6 th -

	I am somewhat amused & more pleased that Judge Reed completely reversed himself today in the Territorial Case: He <u>overruled</u> the demurrer to my Complaint & held that my cause of Action was good against the items in the Territorial Appro. bill for the Govs Sec. & others was good & the action of the Legislature <u>ultra vires</u> and without authority; he held just the other way
Diary 38, 1927 August 6	6 <u>about these very items</u> in his long opinion in the first case, two months ago! He knew then that he was wrong, - what the Gov. will do in this change of the courts ruling I do not know. Anyway it supports my case & I am satisfied. J.E. Phillips and a miner by the name of Janeau, from 40 Mile came to call while the north bound boat was in port. P.- is a partner of my old friend Cole, Com. at 40 Mile. He took dinner with me & we talked of Eagle, etc. etc. Phillips tells me of an incident at Eagle years ago when some old miner from 40 Mile was complaining about the want of glasses - none in the country. Mrs. Wickersham tried hers on him - he could see! She gave them to him & he wore them till his death & Phillips says her fine gold frame glasses now hang on a rail in the miners cabin at Forty Mile.
Diary 38, 1927 August 6-7	6 The <u>Empire</u> has this in tonights issue: [clipping] DEMURRER NOT SUSTAINED BY COURT RULING Judge Reed Says Wickersham Complaint Is Sound -Case to Be Tried In an oral ruling delivered from the bench this morning, Judge T.M. Reed over-ruled the General demurrer filed by Attorney General Rustgard to the latest complaint in the Wickersham cases against Walstein G. Smith, Treasurer. The Treasurer was given 20 days in which to file an answer to the complaint. The demurrer was general in its nature, alleging

	<p>that the complaint filed on June 29, last, by Judge Wickersham for himself, Eugene Wacker and D.W. Hiskins, Ketchikan residents, did not contain facts sufficient to base an action against the Territorial Treasurer.</p> <p>The suit was begun on June 29, a few days after Judge Wickersham had withdrawn a largely similar action. The demurrer was filed July 1, and arguments were held twelve days later. The main question argued was the right of individual taxpayers to institute such actions. In overruling the demurrer today Judge Reed held that the complaint was legally sound. This, in effect, clears the way for eventual trial of the case on its merits after further pleadings are filed.</p> <p>Five items of the general appropriation measure passed by the late Alaska legislature are attacked in the present action. All of them are in the section covering the office of Governor, and include items for additional salary for Harry G. Watson, Secretary to the Governor, janitor and messenger service, traveling expenses of the Governor, entertainment of visitors and repairs to the Executive Mansion. In a memorandum opinion handed down in the original suit, filed by Judge Wickersham on May 6, Judge Reed held the first three were valid charges against the Territory and that the Legislature acted properly in making appropriations therefore. He declined to make any ruling on the last two items, saying it was not necessary to do so until such time arose as there were actual expenditures made from the funds appropriated.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sunday Aug. 7th</u></p> <p>Lockie McKinnon, Billy Bausch, Big Charley and I went out in Lockies automobile to the flats at mouth of Eagle River to pick berries! It was a glorious day of sunshine & we enjoyed it and the berry patches to the limit.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 August 8-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Dr. & Mrs. Miles, from Tacoma, came in on the SS. "Queen", and have just left my office. He tells me that <u>Jen</u>. cannot live long, and both advise me to go to her on the first boat. I have just engaged passage on the SS. "Charlotte," Canadian Pac.</p>

	<p>boat for tomorrow morning early. Just received a telegram from Harold saying his mother worse to come if possible. Have my ticket & arrangements made to go on the boat in the morning.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>On board the "Charlotte" at 5 a.m. & to bed - Seated at the Pursers table with a group of people from St. Louis. Raining tonight at Wrangell.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 August 9-10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>Mr. Lynch - John G. Grants father in law - will be 92 years old on Aug 24th - my own birthday. I bought a box of cigars from Johnnie - & left them with him for the old mans birthday present from me. I am very fond of the old man. I am reading "Westward Ho," by Kingsley.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>At Wrangell Ketchikan this morning early - at Prince Rupert this afternoon: <u>Raining</u>. There is a big crowd of Chamber of Commerce people from St. Louis on board. Bought a book and a tanned caribou skin (very small) at Mort Craigs curio store at Prince Rupert. Reading "<u>Westward Ho</u>."</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 August 11-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Crossed Queen Charlotte crossing at Alert Bay at 3 this afternoon. Visited the old Indian graveyard & old buildings. 27 years ago it was a live Indian town - today the houses are all of our type & the great frames of the old Indian houses look like decaying skeletons of long dead monsters. The rain has ceased & the sun is shining like summer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Vancouver at 8 a.m. I will leave the boat here and go on the train & thus get into Seattle at 2:15 p.m. while it will be 8:30 before the boat gets to Seattle. Leave at 9. a.m. - reached Seattle 2:15 - <u>Frye Hotel</u>.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 August 12-13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Telephoned the Providence Hospital. My sister is alive but very dangerously sick - Took dinner with Helen & Harold at their apartments in the "<u>Northcliffe</u>," Jen is afflicted with some form of Brights disease - bad Kidneys - which have</p>

	<p>poisoned her blood & she has but a poor chance for recovery.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Went up with Harold & Helen & saw Jennie - She knew me seems to be acquainted with the gravity of her sickness - spoke of her death as a settled fact - said she had made her will, and gave Harold request to give Nan assistance after her death.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 August 14	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Saw Jennie again today - she seems glad that I am here - but I can only stay with her for a few minutes - talking tires her quickly - the nurse says she is slowly growing weaker and that nothing but a miracle can keep her alive long. Poor Jen - with so much to live for, she is 47 years old. Took a long ride today with Harold & Helen - around the northern suburbs. Am reading "Siberia and the Exile System." by George Kennan. Wrote to Darrell last night, also to Barrett Willoughby - care Father Kashaverof, Juneau. She wants to prepare a biographical sketch of myself for one of the magazines - sorry I cannot see her.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 August 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Called & talked to West & Wheeler about rents due on Phinney Ave. lots, - On Allen, busy & did not see him & had long political talk with Ed. Russell & Senator Steel, who are just now getting out a special Ed. of the Cordova paper for Harry Steel. Dinner with Helen & Harold - <u>Jennie same.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Went over to Tacoma. Saw Hopping Winden & Harshberger -went over my business with them: Had lunch with them at Winthrop Hotel - Kiwanis & Chamber of Commerce joint meeting - heard Sec. of the Navy Wilbur talk - he made a good presentation of Naval matters - other speakers etc.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 August 16	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>Went out to State Hist. rooms & saw my books etc. and had good visit with Sec. Bonney. Back to Seattle. Consultation with Olts about the DeRoux Asbestos mines on north end of Admiralty Is. Long talk with our Senator Will Steel about political conditions in Alaska. My dear sister Jennie is growing steadily weaker and I fear the end is not</p>

	<p>far away. Received a letter from Lucile Hunt (Taylor), my niece, who wants to come - but she cannot change the result. She dearly loves Jennie, and is greatly distressed & writes to me for some comforting assurance but I cannot give it to her.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 August 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Attending to marry business errands here in Seattle. Bob Donaldson is still interested in the Harkrader Coal claim West & Wheeler paid me for rentals on Phinney Ave lots, etc. Jennie is failing rapidly.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p><u>Jennie died this morning at 3³⁰.</u> Mother, Debbie & now Jennie. I am now, indeed, an old and lonely man. Poor Jen - in half delirium she said to me, "I thought you would go next." She then shook her head as if perplexed and said to herself "Its queer, aint it?" And it is, for I am 23 years older than Jen: She is only 47, two years older than Darrell. I received a letter from</p>
Diary 38, 1927 August 18	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>him this morning - bless his good loyal heart. He is all that I have left that I can depend on. Harry was here when Jen passed away - but he is almost wholly incompetent. I had to give him money to go home on - he borrowed to get here on the car last night & Nan is worse. And in dealing with these I so depended on Jen - we divided the responsibilities and the expense - now it all falls on me. Really, though, I will be 70-years old next week (on the 24th) and am liable to be a burden myself in a few years. But Darrell has "money sense," and money, and a strong sense of thoughtfulness & love - so its all right!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 August 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th continued -</p> <p>Jen's funeral and burial will be at Tacoma on Saturday. I sent telegram to Darrell and Lucille.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Went over to Tacoma. Jennie's funeral will be field tomorrow at 3 o'clock p.m. Recd. telegram from Darrell asking me to get flowers for him & Jane, which I did. Got a beautiful wreath for him & another for myself. Put "Darrell & Jane's" card on</p>

	theirs and a card "Brother's, Nan & Lucille" on mine. Also ordered a flat wreath put on each of the four graves in my lot tomorrow - on Debbies & the boys, Clydes, Mothers and Fathers: Back to Seattle.
Diary 38, 1927 August 20	-20 th - Went over to Tacoma at noon. Ate my lunch alone in the old "Tacoma Hotel." Met the Editor of the Puyallup paper who came and sat at the table with me. We talked of Tacoma days 30 years ago when he was a cub reporter on the Tacoma Ledger. At 2:30 I took a taxi and drove to Buckley & Kings Mortuary Chapel on Tacoma Ave. & 2 nd St. where my dear sister Jennie's funeral was to be held. Nan, Harry & Frank, and all the Hanson family were present. After the funeral services - the chapel was crowded with the friends of the families & flowers covered her coffin - we drove to the
Diary 38, 1927 August 20	20 Tacoma cemetery. The family lot of Charles B. Hanson (Jen's husband) where he and Alice lay buried, was prepared for Jennies interment. The flowers from more than a hundred friends covered the graves, and surrounded by her families and friends poor Jennies body was lowered by the side of her husband and daughter, and we came away. As we drove into the cemetery the whole long line passed by the graves of my family, upon each of whose grave I had caused a beautiful wreath to be laid - of roses and other flowers. Some other friends, probably the Olds, had also placed a wreath upon the stone over the graves of Debbie & her sons.
Diary 38, 1927 August 20-21	20 Harry went in the automobile with Helen and Harold, but I insisted on riding in my own carriage & with Nan, and Frank and his wife. After the conclusion of the burial I went home with Harold & Helen - the house seemed empty without Jen - First Mother, then Debbie and now Jen! and I feel old and deserted, with only Darrell left, but he is a dear and loving son. -21 st -

	Sunday. Remained with Helen and Harold all night. Harold took me to Buckley and I visited Uncle Tom & Aunt Kate. This afternoon Harold & Helen drove me down to Sawyers
Diary 38, 1927 August 21	21 Lake where the Hanson family have a beautiful lodge - a large community house where they all meet on occasion - where we enjoyed a good dinner and a quiet visit, after which Harold and "Jack" McKinnon came with me to Seattle. They had a late dinner with me here at the Frye Hotel, and then they drove away. I am always pleased at the fine crowd of boys growing up in the families. There are eight of them including Harold, six of them acted as pall bearers at Jennies funeral. They are all from 18 to 22 years of age, are six feet tall, well educated and all well bred gentlemen.
Diary 38, 1927 August 22-23	-22- Over to Tacoma and got some books out of my library in the State Hist. Soc. rooms & back to Seattle. Saw Margaret Mulrooney - <u>Dome Creek girl</u> . -23 rd - Spent the day with attorneys arranging two cases pending - one in Tacoma from Alaska, the other in Ketchikan, from Seattle. Finished reading "Siberia, and the Exile System," by George Kennan. Also bought some Century Magazines, old ones, with his Siberial articles, for further reading. Am gathering data for an historical story. I will try to arrange to go home about Saturday morning. Helen called on phone and asked me to come & take dinner with them tomorrow.
Diary 38, 1927 August 24-25	<u>August 24th 1927.</u> <u>My 70th Birthday.</u> Examined for refit of eye glasses today by Dr. Bentley. My left eye is excellent & my right is good except for the loss of the lens. Went to Enumclaw on stage. Had a nice dinner with Harold & Helen - strawberry short cake. The McKinnons & Axel Hanson came over & spent the evening. -25 th - Went to Tacoma from Enumclaw - examined statements of my accounts Recd. check for \$250 ⁰⁰ ,

	back to Seattle - another visit to Dr. Bentley about my glasses.
Diary 38, 1927 August 25-26	-25 th continued- Conference with Van Orsdel, the engineering expert - I have been asked to assist him in the purchase of electric light plants at Ketchikan Wrangell & other towns in S.E. Alaska and will wait and go north with him next week - Wednesday or Saturday. Dinner with Margaret Mulrooney at the "Butler" & then called with her on her sister Mrs. Johnson - formerly of Iditarod & Fairbanks. -26 th - Busy day - found DeRoux, the Douglas island asbestos man - we called to see Stannard, but he was not in Seattle - in Alaska. I introduced him & his asbestos
Diary 38, 1927 August 26-27	26 "specimens" to Van Orsdel - Van Orsdel much interested. Sent telegram to Olts, at Ketchikan, about Deroux and Stannard, etc. Long talk with Will Steel, and Tommy" Watson, of Fairbanks, wanted to borrow \$25 ⁰⁰ & I suppose I will lend it to him! Went to "Pantages" to see a movie film - " <u>What Price Glory</u> " - a war scene - the hard boiled sergeants & the artillery fire were good - the rest mediocre to bad. -27 th - Nothing much today. Wrote a good long letter to Darrell. Went to 5 th Ave. theater - "Hula" a spectacular Hawaiian movie.
Diary 38, 1927 August 28-29	-28 th - Sunday. Slept till almost noon. Took a good walk & read " <u>We Must March</u> ," an Oregon historical romance by Honore Willsic Morrow. Wrote a letter to Jane and sent her a small tanned baby cariboo skin, which I purchased at Prince Rupert. -29 th - Called on Geo. T. Reid, Vice President N.P. Ry. in L.C. Smith Bldg. - who was my partner in law when

	I left Tacoma in 1900 for Alaska. George drew Debbies will & was one of the witnesses when it was probated this spring. Visited
Diary 38, 1927 August 29-30	29 with him & talked about Jennies death, etc. He is a fine man. Also called on Van Orsdel - also DeRoux, about mining matters etc. Van Orsdel went over to Tacoma this afternoon to see parties about buying electric light plants in Alaska. Harold and A.G. Hanson, and Lou Olson called - I promised them & Helen (who called on the telephone) that I would go up to Enumclaw Wednesday. Finished reading " <u>We Must March</u> ." -30 th - "Van Orsdal tells me this morning that Peterson has Telegraphed the capitalists who are seeking to buy the electric light plants in S.E. Alaska
Diary 38, 1927 August 30	30 his wish that I be engaged to assist in the work & made their Alaskan representative. I shall be glad of the work, and Van Orsdel is also pleased that it is probably I will assist him. This evenings boat brought Senator Willis, from Ohio, back from Alaska. I called with Will A. Steel, & Ed. Russell. He is at the Olympic Hotel. He went riding for 2 hours with us around Seattle. Russell went back after he had dinner and talked with him about political matters & seems to have stressed his (Russells) wish that I be permitted to engage in a cooperative way in doing
Diary 38, 1927 August 30	30 political work this next campaign in Alaska, & I fear, pressed my right to be recognized in some way as a future candidate for Governor. The Senator expressed his personal confidence in me and his friendship - and let it go at that. <u>Of course</u> , I am <u>not</u> and will <u>not become</u> a candidate for Governor or any other office, and am sorry Ed. talked it to the Senator. He leaves in the morning early for the East. Had Jim. Stevens to lunch: we talked politics & I assured him I would not be ever again a candidate for any office. He is also a booster for my future candidacy for Governor.

Diary 38, 1927 August 30-31	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>Stevens thinks he can find me a copy of the "<u>Sitka Times</u>," of 1869, and promised to give it to me if he can find it. Mrs. Bishop, of Juneau, was at the Hotel tonight & Russell & I took her to the Alaska boat which went out tonight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>The Post Intelligencer this morning has a long interview with Senator Willis, but the <u>piece de resistance</u> is the picture of Senator Will A. Steel, of Juneau, handing the Senator his mail & telegrams. It will create a panic in the Governors office and in that of the Empire, in Juneau, for they will figure out that we got to the Senator & his influence here in Seattle.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 August 31	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alaska's Friend</p> <p>[Photograph of Will A. Steel & Frank B. Willis] United States Senator Frank B. Willis of Ohio, chairman of the senate committee on Territory, arrived in Seattle yesterday from a month's tour of Alaska, thoroughly "sold" on America's Far North territory. Alaska Territorial Senator Will A. Steel (left) greeted him at the boat with a handful of letters and telegrams.-(Post-Intelligencer Photo)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AGRICULTURE TO LEAD, IS WILLIS' VIEW</p> <p>Wealth Of Mineral, Coals And Fish Surpassed By Soil Productivity, Says Ohio Senator</p> <p>Pennywise tourist boosters, over keen on ballyhooing the freakish wonders of Alaska, have unconsciously created a nation-wide false impression of that wonderful land that will have to be corrected if America's most valuable territory is to come into her own, declared Frank B. Willis, United States Senator from Ohio, and chairman of the senate committee on territories, upon his return here yesterday from a month's survey of "Seward's Folly."</p>

Diary 38, 1927 August 31	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>"Alaska is not a totem pole," he declared indignantly. "Neither is it a dog team, nor a glacier. Alaska is the greatest untouched storehouse the American people have today. Millions upon millions of tons of coal, billions in lumber, untold mineral resources that have scarce been scratched, oil and fish and furs, and above all else, her fertile valleys. That is the real Alaska of the future."</p> <p>PHYSICAL GIANT</p> <p>Senator Willis is a big man. He towers above the heads of people on the street and he takes the full half of a taxicab seat. He is rugged, tanned to an Indian brown, square chinned and vigorous. And when he talks of Alaska he seems to expand. His deep voice rumbles up like the roar of some Alaskan cataract. His eyes sparkle with the vision of the great land to be, when the waterfalls are harnessed, the mountain treasure houses tapped, the fertile valleys under plow. Truly he is a man to grasp the tremendous possibilities of America's richest and long neglected child.</p> <p>Alaska's first great need is roads, the senator declared, "Not paved boulevards for motor traffic, but work-day roads that will open up her vast hinterland. Wagon roads for the farmers, trails for the prospectors. That is the first thing I shall urge congress to help her do - build roads.</p> <p>GOLD IS THERE</p> <p>"She must tap and utilize her industrial possibilities. I have heard that Alaska's gold is gone. There was never a greater falsehood. The easy gold is getting scarce, perhaps, but the real yellow treasure is still there waiting science and skill to wrest it from the mountains. Her coal deposits are almost unbelievable, her timber limitless. Her fish, if properly conserved, a fortune in itself.</p> <p>"But it is in her agricultural lands that she is finally and indisputably richest. I saw wheat growing thirty bushels to the acre. Hay, potatoes, berries and fruit, the finest and best flavored I have tasted anywhere. And thousands upon thousands</p>
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	<p>of acres waiting for the plow. I tell you the rest of us, and Alaska herself, must wake up to the real value of that territory.”</p> <p>Oddly enough, Senator Willis declared, this otherwise neglected land leads the entire United States in commercial use of the airplane.</p> <p>KNOW THEIR PLANES</p> <p>“Population considered,” he said, “there are more airplanes in commercial use in Alaska than anywhere else in America. People there look upon them as the tried and practical transportation facility they are. Doctors fly to sick folks’ bedsides. Business men fly from town to town. A federal judge flies about his district to hold court. Alaska is really putting the airplane to work.</p> <p>“Another thing Alaska has that the bulk of the United States lacks is sea-mindedness. They use water transportation and know its value, and it may be that our merchant marine of the future will come out of the North.”</p> <p>Senator Willis was met at the boat by Territorial Senator Will A. Steel and a number of Seattle friends. He stayed last night at the Olympic, going for a drive in the evening with Judge James Wickersham of Alaska, and leaving on the Northern Pacific’s crack train, the North Coast Limited, this morning for his home.</p> <p>While the Senator is a personal friend of mine, he seems also to be very friendly to Gov. Parks! Ed Russell says he mentioned that Parks is very popular among the people of Alaska, and he spoke highly in regard to him.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September 1, 1927.</u></p> <p>Today’s P-I- carried this interesting item from Nome.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ANCHORAGE MAN SEEKS SENATE</p> <p>NOME, Alaska, Aug. 31.- (A.P.) -Territorial Senator Bartley Howard of Anchorage, today announced his candidacy for the Republican nomination as delegate to congress in 1928, to</p>

	<p>succeed Dan Sutherland of Juneau.</p> <p>“I have just completed an extensive tour of Alaska,” Howard said, before sailing form Nome of the steamer Victoria. “I am convinced that the people of the territory desire a change in the delegate to congress. The people believe that great results to Alaska could be obtained by a delegate in accord with the administration at Washington, a delegate who has consistent constructive policies and not one of continuous agitation and opposition. “If elected I will endeavor to carry on the constructive policy for the development of Alaska, which I believe I advocated as president of the territorial senate at the last session.”</p> <p>This means a strong fight against Dan’s renomination - the fight to be led by Gov. Parks, and his Bureaucratic supporters, the Seattle Cannery interests, who are to furnish the funds with which to buy up & control the Alaska press, and the Democratic organization - the Empire and other purchasable papers.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>Long talk yesterday afternoon with Judge Miller, Steel & ed. Russell & I agreed to get John W. Frame, Rep. Nat. Committeeman for Alaska, to send his proxy in blank to Miller, to be used by Senator Butler, Ch. of the Rep. Nat. Com. in locating the next Rep. Nat. Convention etc.</p> <p>I went to Enumclaw last night & visited with Helen & Harold, back this morning. Conference with Bob. Donaldson & associates & <u>made them a new option on my interest in the Harkrader coal claim.</u> Also with Van Orsdale about purchase of all electric light & Power plants in S.E. Alaska for an Eastern concern.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 1-2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>Had my hearing experted today - verdict of expert: <u>Everything normal.</u></p> <p>Bought my ticket to Ketchikan on the SS. “Yukon,” Harold and Helen called to say good bye to me.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-Sept. 2nd -</p> <p>Went over to Tacoma early, saw Chas. Peterson</p>

	<p>about purchase of public utilities in Alaska - he exhibited telegram from his Co. authorizing my employment as soon as they bought Alaskan Properties. Back to Seattle - dinner tonight with Judge Chas. Miller & wife: Ed Russell & wife, & Senator Steel present. Got Debbie's trunk from Enumclaw & will take it to Alaska with me. Her hats, & many of her things, pictures, etc. in it. Poor dear Debbie, how I miss her.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Sept. 3rd.</u></p> <p>Left Seattle this morning for Juneau.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Missionary [Photograph of Dr. Young] The Rev. Samuel Hall Young of Seattle, pioneer Alaska mission- ary, author and lecturer, who was killed yesterday when struck by an interurban train near Clarksburg, W.Va. MISSIONARY OF EARLY ALASKA DIES IN CRASH Dr. Samuel Hall Young, Seattle, Noted As Author, Lecturer, Automobile Accident Victim</p> <p>Dr. Samuel Hall Young of Seattle, eighty, one of the first missionaries to enter Alaska, and since noted as an author and lecturer, was fatally injured near Clarksburg, W.Va., when an automobile in which he was riding was struck by an interurban train. News of his death was received last night by Mrs. R.J. McChesney, his daughter, 715 Fifteenth Avenue North, with whom he had made his home for the last three years.</p> <p>Dr. Young died after he had finished what he considered his masterpiece as an author. He left Seattle August 23 to attend to final details of editing his latest book, "A Mushing Parson," telling of his early days in Alaska. The copy was in the hands of the Fleming H. Revell Company, New York publishers.</p> <p>WORKING ON MISSION</p>

	<p>He also was to aid in a plan of the Presbyterian Church, while in the East, to arrange financing of a Presbyterian mission in Sitka, to cost \$50,000, to be known as the Hall Young Memorial.</p> <p>Dr. Young was on the way to French Creek, near Clarksburg, to attend a reunion of French Creek pioneer descendants, when the accident occurred. The clergyman's ancestors were among the earliest settlers in Virginia.</p> <p>He was taken immediately to a hospital after the accident, but died within a few hours.</p> <p>MINISTER'S SON</p> <p>Dr. Young was born in Butler, Pa., September 12, 1847, the son of a minister. He attended the University of Wooster, Princeton Theological Seminary and the Western Theological Seminary and taught school in Michigan, West Virginia and Pennsylvania before he was ordained in 1878.</p> <p>As soon as he was ordained, Dr. Young went to Wrangell, Alaska, as a missionary and explorer, and spent ten years on the southeast coast. In 1879 and 1880 he and John Muir camped on the site of Juneau, the present capital, before Joe Juneau made the gold strike that established the city. With Muir he explored the glacier that now bears Muir's name.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>clipping continued] AWAY TEN YEARS</p> <p>Leaving Alaska in 1888, Dr. Young held pastorates in Long Beach, Calif.; Cedar Falls, Ia.; Caberty, Ill.; and Wooster, O. For ten years he remained away, then returned and established the First Presbyterian Church at Dawson. In 1901 he was named superintendent of all Presbyterian missions in Alaska.</p> <p>In 1913 he went to New York to become special representative for Alaska on the Presbyterian Board of Home Missions. Eight years later he went North again to gather material for a book. He spent much time in Alaska thereafter, coming to settle in Seattle from Juneau three years ago to make his home with his daughter.</p> <p>Dr. Young is survived by a nephew, Loyal Young</p>

	<p>of Rainier Valley; by his daughter, Mrs. McChesney, and three grandchildren, Dorothy, Grace and Helen Kleinschmidt, Mrs. McChesney's children by a former marriage.</p> <p><u>And now my dear friend is dead!</u> When I left Seattle this morning I bought the P-I but did not read it until we were long out - I will send Mrs. McChesney a telegram of my sorrow from Ketchikan. Dr. Young was a noble and a courageous character, beloved by the pioneers of Alaska. He was my friend I had none closer among the men in Alaska. He was a true Christian and a gallant gentleman. I feel his loss deeply.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 September 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Sunday. Crossed Queen Charlottes in the beautiful sunshine. Long talk with John P. Van Orsdal, industrial engineer, who is going to Ketchikan and other towns in S.E. Alaska to estimate the value of electric light & power plants for Foshay & Co. with a view to their purchase for these interests.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Reached Ketchikan. Saw McCain, Duggan, Hunt - but not Paul. Judge Reed will not arrive here until Wednesday, and there will be little done in court this week, so I will go on to Juneau, and come back.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 September 5-6	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>Sent a telegram of sympathy to Mrs. J.R. McChesney, Seattle, the daughter of Rev. S. Hall Young. Left K. this afternoon and reached Wrangell at 11 o'clock - saw John G. Grant and talked with him about Van Orsdal & the purchase of the Wrangell light & water plant. Van O. will come on to Wrangell on the boat this week & I am to go back there & meet him.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Home to Juneau this afternoon. Much mail, but nothing of great importance - except the Fairbanks Ex. Co. offers nearly \$2000. for my three mining claims on Cleary Creek! - which, of course, I will not accept.</p>

Diary 38, 1927 September 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Working in the office trying to catch up with back work, correspondence, etc. Paid the Behrends Bank my note for \$300. & interest today, & other bills. Will go back to Ketchikan on the SS. Aleutian about Friday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Gave most of this day to a visit from Barrett Willoughby, the author, who wished to talk to me about my experiences as a judge and Delegate in Alaska. She is a rapid talker & a pleasant person. Her mind works rapidly, and she is interested in all things Alaskan. She was interested also in my diaries, and in Alaska books & my Bibliography.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 September 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Worked all forenoon on correspondence. Miss Jessup informed me that she would quit me on Sept. 30th, & that she was leaving the Territory, etc. I gave her a strong letter of recommendation, paid her till Sept. 15, and then she will quit - unless I return home find work for her until the month's end. Left Juneau at noon on the SS. "Aleutian," for Ketchikan, court.</p> <p>Rain & much wind.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>We landed in Wrangell this forenoon, having rounded Cape Decision. Saw Van Orsdal, - about the purchase of Electric light Power Plants at Ketchikan & Wrangell. He is making progress.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 September 10-11	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>There were a lot of people from the interior, many of whom I knew. We visited & talked. Ketchikan at 7 o'clock this evening, and I am in Room 206, Ingersoll Hotel.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Sunday. Took a walk with Pete Gilmore, called on John W. Frame, had him to dinner. Afterward talked with him about Judge Chas. Miller, of Seattle. Told him it would be good politics and of assistance to Miller if he would give his proxy - in blank - to Miller to be sent to Senator Butler, Ch. of the Republican National Com. John is Rep. Nat.</p>

	Com. man from Alaska but contested by Geo. Sexton and not
Diary 38, 1927 September 11	11 yet accepted by the Nat. Com. Butler needs the proxy to assist him in securing votes for the location of the place of holding the next Nat. Rep. Convention, and it would do a good political stroke to send it to Butler for that - and other - use. Frame objected to giving it in blank - otherwise he was willing - and suggested that it would relieve him from criticism, as an elected official, of he gave it to me, and it I could keep it or do with it as I pleased. Of course I consented to accept the responsibility. I prepared the form and he will type it tonight and I can have it tomorrow. <u>Before Butler can use it, the Com. must seat Frame, and throw Sexton out!</u>
Diary 38, 1927 September 12	-12 th - John W. Frame, Rep. Nat. Committeeman for Alaska gave me his proxy today. He refused it give it in blank, but was willing to give it to me personally, since he thinks that will protect him in case of criticism. I informed him, and he was perfectly satisfied, that I intended to assign it <u>in blank</u> and send it to Miller, in Seattle, who will send it on to Butler, the Chairman of the Rep. Nat. Com. for his use in locating the next Convention. Attended court today, but there is little I can do. The court is trying criminal cases - no civil cases probably for two weeks. Will arrange mine tomorrow.
Diary 38, 1927 September 13	-13 th - Busy with prospective cases today - cases vs. the Standard Oil Co. for explosions on boats taking gasoline at the Co's docks and pipe lines. Attended court and listened to a criminal case -jury seems "hung." Olts has telegram from Duenkel - the Kennecott Copper Co. Expert, saying he will be in Juneau on he 19th to examine De Roux asbestos mine - Olts and I will go to Juneau on the "Evans" on the 16th to get matter in shape. Am getting Senator hunt in an amiable frame of mind - over the Paul letter - now I must get Paul & Hunt

	together if possible - & stop their political quarreling.
Diary 38, 1927 September 14-15	-14 th - Busy today with law matters. Began a suit for divorce! and preparing some other cases. Attended a meeting of the United Sons of Alaska tonight & made a talk in support of <u>Self Government</u> in Alaska - against the Bureaucratic System. Large & enthusiastic meeting and other speakers. -15 th - Got Scribner case settled - my way. Telegram from Winter S. Martin with case about steamer-gas boat "It." Will leave the case with Duggan & McCain. Arranging cases so I can go home & return in 3 weeks.
Diary 38, 1927 September 16	-16 th - Spent part of the day in court listening to the proceedings, which were not particularly interesting. The court is given over to the trial of liquor cases which ought to be heard in a police court. Judge Reed and George Grigsby clashed in the trial today - Grigsby is quick, vigorous, and impudent, but always with a keen humor. This afternoon am arranging matters so I can go home tomorrow for ten days - until the criminal cases are ended, when I must come back and try three civil cases in which I am interested. Must go home & look after matters with Van Orsdal & with Olts about the asbestos mine on Admiralty island.
Diary 38, 1927 September 17-19	-17 th - Doing nothing today except listening to a "bootlegging" case being tried before Judge Reid. The parties - mostly Indians - are from Craig - Am ready to go home on Queen. Paid my bills & left Ketchikan this afternoon - Midnight! at the wharf in Wrangell - saw John G. Grant & also W.D. Grant. -18 th - A beautiful fall day - Sunday- At Petersburg for an hour - early. At Juneau at 9 p.m. - to bed. -19 th - Working in the office. Olts & DeRoux working on Asbestos mine exploration. Van Orsdal here and

	Olts does not
Diary 38, 1927 September 19	19 seem to want him to go over and inspect asbestos - Van is determined to go - I am to blame for the "triangle" but Van is <u>not</u> here on that matter, and I will have to disclose the truth of his presence to appease Olts. Van got things fixed at Skagway and Sitka to buy the electric light & water utilities - but cannot make headway with Pullen here in Juneau, for the Electric Plant, nor with Mrs. Webster for the telephone plant. I tried this afternoon to get Roy Noland, Mrs. Websters son-in-law, to assist - but he is very much opposed to her selling, and I do not think it can be secured now. (next page)
Diary 38, 1927 September 19-20	19 <u>I made a reassignment of the Proxy of Frame, as Rep. Nat. Com. man today in blank and sent it on to Chas. H. Miller, Seattle, to be forwarded to chairman Butler. Miller intends to use it to advance his candidacy for Judge in this Division.</u> -20 th - Working in office - preparing finding & judgment in Grant, guardian v Walker, Russell & Patenaude, etc. etc. trying to catch up with back work. Van Orsdal busy trying to buy Juneau Telephone Company - Mrs. Webster reluctant to sell at any price. Kennecott Cop. Corp. expert here to inspect DeRoux asbestos.
Diary 38, 1927 September 21-22	-21 st - Working in office. Van Orsdal went South this morning early - to Petersburg and to Ketchikan where he may meet Charlie Peterson & Welch. Olts, DeRoux & the Kennecott expert went over to Admiralty Is. to examine the asbestos mine. Am preparing papers for judgment in Grant v. Patenaude, et all. -22 nd - Preparing papers, etc. in Scribner & Lessard cases, & writing letters to parties. Last evening one "Bill" Donemy - or some name of that kind - came in the office - <u>drunk</u> - and insisted

	on talking to me about his property
Diary 38, 1927 September 22	22 in asbestos mines adjoining those claimed by DeRoux. I told him I was DeRoux's attorney and not to talk - but he insisted. Told me about DeRoux's children at Atlin, etc. denounced DeRoux as a fraud etc, and that he had located mines adjoining DeRoux's, and intended to go and locate others. Said Oliver Drange and others were backing him. Made rough map showing his locations on both sides of DeRoux's claims. Went away saying he would come back this morning. He did - he still smelled like a distillery. He had another map - not very different from the one he drew last night. Went away saying he would
Diary 38, 1927 September 22	22 send Oliver Drange to see me. This afternoon De Roux & Olts came in the office and I prepared a supplemental agreement for them by which Olts gets an indefinite extension of his right to control the sale of the property - with a 15% interest in case of a sale by DeRoux or Olts, and a half interest in other claims to be located. I told Olts about the visit of "Bill" and he and DeRoux came back in the office and I repeated the facts about "Bill" to both, and strongly advised both of them to hasten their additional locations, and to be sure to make their locations strictly in compliance with the U.S. statutes.
Diary 38, 1927 September 22	22 After DeRoux went away Olts contracted with me to give me a full undivided one half interest in all he should acquire for my assistance and advice as a lawyer & in the control and sale or development of the mines. Looks like a good proposition, but the expert on examination gave little sign - which was not unexpected - they would not say much if it seems good - they are employed by the proposed purchaser and are not expected to "boost" the property. DeRoux will make a preliminary survey for a railroad from the mine to the beach & I am to advise him on that project, of course.

<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 23-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd –</p> <p>Working on correspondence in office. Trying to catch up with accounts and little writing in both of which I fell far behind in the last two months.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>A rainy Sunday— Wrote a nice long letter to Darrell - Told him particularly about my property interests in Alaska. The inventory in Debbies Estate gives him the list in Washington. Went out and had Chicken dinner with Judge and Mrs. Marshall, at their fox farm near Mendenhall glacier - she is an excellent cook!!</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26-</p> <p>Working in the office - finishing the correspondence - Nothing very new - except this from the evenings "<u>Empire</u>"</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PLACE SOUGHT BY WICKERSHAM IN CONVENTION Will File His Candidacy for Delegation to 1928 G.O.P. Convention</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham, former Delegate to Congress from Alaska, will be a candidate in the primary election next April for delegate to the Republican National Convention of 1928, it was made known here today.</p> <p>"I would like to go to the convention, and if my friends want me to go, I shall be very happy," said Judge Wickersham this morning. "I think that whoever is elected should attend the convention, and if I am chosen I intend to do so."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham said he believed that at this time Charles Evans Hughes is the strongest Presidential candidate in the Republican field.</p> <p>"However I think there is no doubt that if Coolidge were nominated he would accept it, and believe that he would have been nominated without question, if he said nothing, declared Judge Wickersham.</p>

	<p>Alaska is entitled to two delegates to the Republican National Convention, and two alternates are also elected. Judge Wickersham said that he did not know at this time who the other candidates to the convention would be.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 27-29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>At the court house attempting to secure a final judgment from the Probate Judge in the Cobb Estate - promises immediate consideration. Also filed motion to strike out parts of the Answer of the Treasurer of the Territory in the Territorial Case - to prevent the Legislature from creating a Bureaucratic Government!</p> <p>Am invited to dinner at the Kashaveroff's tomorrow evening at 5.³⁰.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Same as usual in office. The S.W. Alaska Fair opened today! Dinner with Dr & Mrs. Kashaveroff & daughters. Dr. Roberts, U.S. Agri. Dept. also present.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Same as usual in office. Went to see "<u>The Volga Boatman</u>." It was very interesting. Had a chill tonight - got wet & cold.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 September 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Mifs Virginia Jessop, my stenographer left me today - she will go to the States in a few days - she was an excellent stenographer - typist and secretary and I greatly regretted to have her leave.</p> <p>I am just beginning on the outline of a historical sketch of Catherine I - the second wife of Peter the Great, who gave Bering Peter's instructions for his first expedition, immediately after the death of the Czar - her husband, Peter. She was a serf girl - probably a bastard - ignorant and a slave - yet she became the Empress of Russia and the mother of other Empresses of Russia - an interesting woman.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 October 1-2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Oct. 1, 1927</u></p> <p>Same as usual in the office. My friend H.C. DeVighne gave me the first 18 Chapters of a copy of his historical novel - not yet named - to read & I have read these today. It is well written & <u>so far</u> is <u>quite interesting</u>. He shows imagination and a good descriptive writing - I will be interested in the</p>

	<p>remainder. It is a Sitkan romance in the days of the rule of Alexander Baranov, the great manager - the creator of that region.</p> <p>-Oct. 2.- Sunday.</p> <p>Had Wrd Bosch, my very dear friend, to dinner after which we talked late about his native land, <u>Latvia</u>, & Catherine I, and her early life as <u>serf</u> etc. in that land.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 3-4	<p>Oct. 3rd-</p> <p>Working in the office - nothing much. Some friends in to talk over politics.</p> <p>I have no news - am waiting for Atty. Genl. Rustgard to return from Fairbanks. He will bring the news about the situation to the westward - after which we must go to work - to organize!</p> <p>-4th -</p> <p>Nothing exciting today. I wrote a letter to the Professor of History, University of Dorpat, Estonia, asking for some information about the parentage and early life of Catherine I, the second wife of Peter the Great!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 5	<p>-5th -</p> <p>As usual in the office.</p> <p>Dinner tonight with Attorney General & Mrs. Rustgard - he gave me the political situation at Fairbanks and Anchorage, Seward, Valdez & Cordova. Our friends are organizing - especially Albrecht at Fairbanks - who seeks to get the Rep-Clubs to send him on to the meeting of the Nat. Rep. Com. in Dec. to fix place for holding the Nat. Convention! He assumes Frame's authority as the elected Rep. Nat. Committeeman is defunct & does not know that I sent Frames proxy forward through Judge Miller to Senator Butler, Chairman of the Nat. Com. Rustgard reports our friends in good spirits & active, our enemies the reverse.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 6-7	<p>-6th -</p> <p>Busy preparing new case against my old friend L.C. Patenaude to set aside deeds made by him & his wife to defraud the Matheson children etc. Am sorry Pat is acting badly - but its his greedy wife. Dinner tonight with Mr. & Mrs. Simpson McKinnon - she says fresh venison: It was a good dinner and a pleasant hour with "Sonny" - "<u>Shunny</u>."</p>

	<p>-7th -</p> <p>I will go to Ketchikan to attend court next Wednesday. Working on my cases for that term - preparing papers, etc. I am reading "Seven Seals of Sciences," by Mayer, and the "Idiot" by the Russian Dostoevsky. I also attended the</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 7-10	<p>7</p> <p>funeral of my friend Dr. Milholland today: He died suddenly out at Yakutat.</p> <p>-8th -</p> <p>Nothing out of the ordinary.</p> <p>-9th -</p> <p>Spent the day studying Catherine I. of Russia. <u>Dinner tonight with the McKinnon's</u>. Went to Church & heard Bishop Rowe preach a sermon. Dinner at the McKinnons: The Stocker's were there - recently returned from an European tour - about which they talked interestingly.</p> <p>-10th -</p> <p>Work as usual - correspondence.</p> <p>Wrote answer to invitation of D.E. Skinner, Seattle, to call & see him etc. It may mean business - anyway it was a friendly gesture.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 11-12	<p>-11th -</p> <p>Wrote a good letter to Darrell today. Commissioner Boyle finally decided the Cobb Estate matters today, so that I can now settle the Estate & close the case.</p> <p>Reading Mayer's Seven Seals of Science.</p> <p>Some business in the office all the time.</p> <p>-12th -</p> <p>Had an additional & supplemental inventory & appraisal made in the Cobb Estate today & filed in Probate Court. Court said he would enter decree for us on my return from Ketchikan. Got all matters ready - copy of papers, etc. & will go to Ketchikan on "<u>Alaska</u>" tonight.</p> <p>Left Juneau for Ketchikan on SS Alaska at 11 p.m.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 13-14	<p>-13th -</p> <p>A fierce gale around Cape Decision, & to Wrangell. Charlie Kramer, my old Valdez friend aboard - he tells me he has killed "straight horned sheep" - ibex (?), on the head of Robinson river near the head of the Chistochina river, about 1918. Met a Mr.</p>

	<p>Coleman Jonas, from Denver, Colorado. He has been hunting in the Kenai: also several old Alaskans from the interior & many other nice people.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Storm - "Southeasterly," as we call them, continues. We landed in Ketchikan 10:30 a.m. This afternoon tried small divorce case before Judge Reed - he entered judgment for us & Mrs. Wyatt paid me the bal of \$50.⁰⁰ due me on the case.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">-15-</p> <p>Took judgment in the case of the Matheson Heirs, by John G. Grant, guardian, against Walker, Russell & Patenaude, for \$4150.⁰⁰ & costs etc. As soon as I can get the transcript of judgment filed in Wrangell Recording office I will file the suit against the Patenaude to set aside fraudulent conveyances from Patenaude to his wife! Have all the papers ready for that suit. Reading the magazines etc. During odd moments.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Sunday: Spent forenoon talking with the Lynch's - Jennie & Billie - over the facts in the case of U.S. v Jennie Lurch, a case brought by the U.S. to eject Jennie (who is an Indian woman)</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 16	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>from a tract of tideland (250 square) in the town of Ketchikan. She formerly owned the adjacent upland & had rights therein on June 6, 1900, when the Act of Congress passed to extend the jurisdiction, etc. and to create three new District Courts in Alaska, <u>etc.</u> I was appointed judge in Alaska under that Act, & it also sought to protect Indian rights in occupied lands.</p> <p>Had dinner with W^m L. Paul & his nice family – after which we went to his office and laid plans for candidates for the spring primary election. We agreed, finally: We will support McCain, of Ketchikan, for Ter. Senator in this division, & Paul is to get some</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 16	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>arrangement by which Caswell will run for Alternate to Nat. Rep. Convention from this division. Cash</p>

	<p>Cole will withdraw from his candidacy for Delegate to the Convention & will be supported later for Territorial Treasurer, & Frank Aldrich will withdraw from candidacy for Rep. Nat. Committeeman & get a job as Dep. U.S. Marshal. We will support Albrecht, of Fairbanks for Rep. Nat. Committeeman, and whoever the 3rd Div. puts up as Del. to Nat. Con. & for Alternate. Many other matters were discussed - United effort of our friends & the elimination of troublesome candidates etc. Of course, Southerland, again. - Mostly bunk!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Worked today gathering evidence, talking to witnesses, examining records etc. in Dickenson case & Lynch case. Tonight was taken out to New Town by my friends & made talk of the United Sons of Alaska on preservation of the American form of government in Alaska. A good & enthusiastic audience. Am also invited to talk tomorrow night over the radio - <u>it is Alaska day.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Alaska Day - 50th Birthday of American occupancy of Alaska. Worked today on Dickenson case. She is a bad client -stubborn – etc.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 18	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>I am invited to talk on Alaska Day over the radio & also have just been requested to come to the Pioneers Meeting and assist in dedicating the <u>Alaska Flag</u>, which was adopted by the last Legislature.</p> <p><u>Later:</u> Made a 25 minute talk on Alaska over the radio to those who cared to listen in" over radio receivers within the range of this broadcasting station. Then went immediately to the Pioneer Hall where a large band of Pioneers honored me by permitting me to talk to them for 20 minutes - after which we had lunch. They had already given a large photograph of myself the</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 18	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>place of honor in their Hall! An interesting and an active day. <u>Three speeches in two evening on the general subject of an American form of government in Alaska!</u></p>

	<p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KETCHIKAN CHRONICLE, {Oct 18, 1927} ALASKA'S TRADE SETS HIGH MARK DURNING 60 YEARS UNDER UNCLE SAM</p> <p>[complete table of the values of Alaskan products such as Minerals, Fish, Fur & Timber given, for 1926 and 1867 to 1927] [added at the bottom in pencil: \$2000. for each Man, W. & C.]</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 19-20	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Spent the day preparing the evidence in the case of Dickenson v Stuart Corp: It was a fine sunny fall day. A great many persons seem to have heard my talk over the radio last night - they compliment me on the clearness of my voice!! but not one has mentioned the sentiment or principles enunciated!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Working on preparing cases for trial. Case ahead of us is slow in trial. Was asked by Rev. Falconer, of Presbyterian Church: delivered talk to his Indian congregation on citizenship!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 21	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Empanelled jury this forenoon in the Dickenson case, but the trial will not begin until Monday morning- 24th. W^m L. Paul, Indian lawyer and member of the last legislature seems to think he is quite a "boss" because of his supposed influence with the Indian voters, of whom there are about 600 in this Division. He has joined forces with Al. White, U.S. Marshal, & is attempting to control the selection of the Republican nominees for the spring primaries. Al. has given him three appointments in his force, & Paul is working with Al. to elect "Doc" Caswell as Delegate to the</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 21	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p>next Rep. Nat. Convention: Caswell announced his candidacy in the "Chronicle" this afternoon etc. The United Sons of Alaska do not seem to take</p>

	<p>kindly to Paul's assumed "boss rule" - and I fear there will be trouble for Paul at the next election. He is driving a great number of his best supporters away by his support of White candidates - and it may result in defeating Paul. That will be a matter of regret for it would greatly weaken our effort to get the "Controller Bill" passed by the next Legislature. I fear that Paul will drag down the pillars of the Temple - for nothing of importance to himself.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 22-23	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd –</p> <p>Preparing instructions to the jury in the case of Dickenson v Stuart Corp. to be tried beginning on Monday. Much poll talk - the United Sons of Alaska - are talking also about going over to Metlakatla to organize the Indians for the spring elections! They want me to go along and do the talking. Of course I am willing to go when the court will be through with my cases.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Sunday. but I've worked all day on the witnesses & instructions in the Dickenson case - a hard one! Dinner with the McCain's.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>Spent the day in trial of Dickenson v Stuart Corp & Brown. Its a hard case - the witnesses are slow & Judge Reed ugly and bitterly unjust in his actions and rulings. I am tired tonight, but ready to go on again in the morning.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Second day of the trail. We finished our case at noon & defense is putting in its evidence. We are already beaten in part of our case by the Statute of Limitations, but I hope to save the balance of our case - though its a close call. My clients have neglected the case too long. My client is also a Confounded Nuisance & too many people know it.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 26	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Another hard days trial. We are being pounded hard by a long line of Cannery witnesses - its a cannery case & they are sticking together like thieves & swearing to the best advantage. However Judge Reed gave us some aid by reversing his ruling of yesterday when he denied</p>

	<p>our offer of the notice of location of our tide land lot. He now permitted us to offer it in evidence and I got our map in much better shape - it gave us some hope of saving something from the almost a wreck.</p> <p>The judge intimated that he might not hear my Lynch case - which will be a disappointment, for we are ready</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 26	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>to submit our evidence in the case, and by the next term our witnesses may be scattered or dead. I think the case is in as good shape now as I will ever get it - & I want to try it soon. He says he is "worn out" - sick, and wants to go home. Anyway he does not seem to want to try my Lynch case! Personally, I think he hesitates to give the decision he thinks he ought, so wished to "side step" the case.</p> <p>I am conducting the Examination and X exam, of all witnesses in the Dickenson case - about a dozen today & fighting Judge Reed almost constantly on the admission of evidence, pro & con. He is aiding the other side, hard.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Concluded taking testimony this afternoon in the case of Dickenson v Stuart Corporation & Brown. Arguments to the jury are postponed until 1³⁰ tomorrow afternoon, to enable Judge Reed to prepare his instructions. He has "ridden" us hard and will instruct against us & I fear we will lose what we sued for. Still we got our evidence before the jury, with much difficulty.</p> <p>Mrs. D, herself is a strong willed old woman, and will not allow us to try her case to suit ourselves - she is impassible to control & prejudices the jury against her case. We cannot keep her quiet - and the jury see, our difficulty!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 28-29	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>We made our arguments today in the trial of Dickenson v Stuart Corp & Brown. They were not particularly effective or brilliant. Personally I was tired & the case itself has no spectacular features, so the arguments were rather flat. The jury visited the premises in dispute, and the court will read his</p>

	<p>instructions to them in the morning.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>The jury very promptly decided the case of Dickenson <u>against us!</u> Am going over to Metlakatla tonight with a boatload of United Sons of Alaska!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 29	<p style="text-align: center;">29th later.</p> <p>Went over to Metlakatla with John W. Frame, Forest J. Hunt, Ter. Senator, McCain, attorney, and 3 or 4 others. Started at 4³⁰ p.m. reached there at 7 oclock. We went to the Indian Movie Picture show - and after the show was over I was invited to address the audience by Rev. Edward Marsden - the Presbyterian <u>Indian</u> minister. Spoke on Citizenship & Good Government from the Indian standpoint. We then went to Marsden's house for a while - after which we were invited to attend a Mask Ball - conducted by the Indians. The Indian band played & about 40 couples of Indians paraded & danced. After the dance was over I was again invited to speak on</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>same subject - spoke ten minutes & then asked them to listen Frame, who spoke about the United Sons of Alaska, etc. Hunt and McCain also talked briefly on the same subjects - when, the dance being concluded, the Indian men formed a lodge of the United Sons.</p> <p>We remained on our boat all night at the Indian dock.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th (Sunday)-</p> <p>Reached Ketchikan early this morning from Metlakatla - when I sprang off our boat at the city floating dock. I miscalculated the distance, slipped and fell heavily on my left shoulder & have suffered with it all day. Prepared a contract for Olts &</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 30	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>DeRoux for organization of the Asbestos Mines on Admiralty Island, and they heard it read, approved it, and I have had it typed tonight for their signatures early in the morning - when DeRoux must leave for his home at Juneau-Douglas. <u>I am interested in the mines with Olts in equal shares.</u> Dinner tonight with Mrs. Olson - who formerly kept the Zynda Hotel & with whom Debbie & I lived for</p>

	<p>two or three years. Met a Mr. R.A. Brand, agent of the Union Oil Co. & had a long pleasant talk with him about moose, bear etc. He will come to see my locked moose horns when he comes to Juneau.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 31	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Got DeRoux & Olts to sign their agreements about the Admiralty Island Asbestos mines prospects, this morning. DeRoux talked about refusing to sign = apparently for the purpose of securing some more advances of money - but he finally did so. I gave him an order on Behrends Store, Juneau, for \$25. of groceries and Olts also paid him some amount - probably enough to pay his fare home on the boat. The court heard the case of U.S. v Radenbough - which involved part of the case of Jennie Lynch, my client, an Indian woman, whom the U.S. is also attempting to eject from the tidelands - from the so-called Indian reservation here in Ketchikan.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 October 31	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>Duggan & McCain, Atty's for Radenbough put Jennie Lynch on the witness stand, (at my request) and she got her case in <u>that</u> record - <u>the first record we have had</u>. She did it very well, but again Judge Reed is against Radenbough & will give a judgment of ouster against him, and tear down the improvements put up by him - on the Jennie Lynch property - the improvements which she purchased last Friday, at my suggestion. Still it makes a good record for her - but Judge Reed refuses to try her case. He thinks he must give the Radenbough - case to the Govt - because the officials demand it - he is a coward.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 November 1-2	<p style="text-align: center;">Nov. 1st 1927.</p> <p>Busy today preparing New Trail - motion for - in Dickenson case, & Petition for Injunction in Lynch case. Raining - will go north 4th. My bruised shoulder - hurt Sunday on jumping off the boat, has given me much pain, but is getting better. <u>Wrote to Darrell tonight.</u> -2nd -</p> <p>Dismissed the case of Cloudy v Ferguson - at Cloudy's suggestion & because F- has abandoned</p>

	<p>Co's land anyway. Filed petition in Lynch case & Judge Reed ordered cases & papers sent to Juneau & we can take them up then! Am about ready to go home.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 November 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Very busy today with some new cases. Ms. Dr. Dickenson paid me \$154.00 and will inform me later if she wishes her case appealed. I do not encourage her to do that, although I think it well worth while. Dinner tonight with Olsen family. -4th -</p> <p>Busy closing up my court cases. Cloudy paid me \$60.⁰⁰ & others some other sums. Dismissed case of Cloudy v Ferguson, at Cloudy's suggestion. Filed Petition for issuance of injunction in Lynch case. Judge Reed consented to take papers to Juneau and settle the rights of the Lynch's there after Nov. 15.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 November 5	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Left Ketchikan last night on the Admiral Rogers (the old "Spokane") and arrived at Wrangell at 2 a.m. Got John G. Grant to sign complaint in new case Matheson Heirs & Grant, v Patenaude & wife, to set aside deeds for fraud, etc. Left papers with Grant who will file them today, when judge Reed calls court in Wrangell on Naturalization matters. Proceeded on Rogers to Juneau. We rounded Cape Decision & on <u>around</u> to Petersburg, & here we arrived at 9 p.m. Called with William L. Paul, to see his mother & then to see Neil McGregor, who is threatened with criminal prosecution for misappropriating government funds.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 November 6	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Left Petersburg early this morning and reached Juneau this afternoon. Much mail - My lame arm still gives me pain, and I will have it examined tomorrow by Dr. Dawes. The "Bald Face Kid" - whom I saw in Nome in 1902, where he ran a stud poker game came on the Rogers from Ketchikan enroute to the Pioneer's Home, at Sitka. He gambled during the whole summer of his life - and now depends on charity in his old age - Most of that class of men in Alaska</p>

	are now poor, if alive. Another interesting letter from D.E. Skinner - think I must go to Seattle and see just what's on his mind.
Diary 38, 1927 November 7-8	-7 th - Attending to correspondence and belated matters in the office. -8 th - Writing political letters today to the westward: Lavery, Ross, Albrecht, Chase, and others Fairbanks & Cordova. Rustgard has printed the speech he delivered while on his trip to Fairbanks & other western points. He gives me credit for my work for Alaska, <u>etc.</u> and boosts the Controller Bill and declares strongly in favor of Home Rule, etc. It is a good speech and its publication ought to do much good in the coming campaign. Sent Darrell a copy. <u>Sent</u>
Diary 38, 1927 November 8	8 <u>D.E. Skinner a telegram saying I would come to Seattle to see him about the last week in November!</u> His letter, just received, says " <u>it would be an accommodation to me if you would kindly communicate to me the probable time when you will be here so I may be able to avail myself of the pleasure of meeting you</u> " etc. I do not know what he wishes to see me about, but it seems important enough to justify me in going down to see him, as I have other matters to go for also. I hope it may lead to some business, too, for he has large investments in canneries etc. in Alaska.
Diary 38, 1927 November 9	-9 th - Last night I sent D.E. Skinner, Seattle, a telegram in answer to his last letter, saying: "Have been absent from office for a month at Ketchikan <u>stop</u> court meets here November sixteenth <u>stop</u> Will be in Seattle about last week in November <u>stop</u> will that date suit your convenience <u>STOP</u> if not please suggest other date." Today I received an answer as follows: " <u>Latter part this month perfectly satisfactory stop before leaving however best telegraph ascertain whether my plans have changed unexpectedly.</u>

	D.E. Skinner." I am quite interested to know just what he has in his mind, and I intend to spend the expense of the trip to find out!
Diary 38, 1927 November 9-10	9 Also received in the last nights mail letter from Bunnell, Pres. Agri. College, with form of contract for printing my " <u>Bibliography!</u> " under the auspices and from the Appropriation made by the last Territorial Legislature. Judge B. seems inclined to want the Ms. published: Gave all correspondence and copies of my contract to Los. Bernard, mgr. Empire Printing Co. who is greatly interested in securing the printing contract. -10 th - Working in the office - some business, but found time to add some titles to Bibliography. All ready now for the printer as soon as I can get Bernard of the Empire Pub. Co. to act.
Diary 38, 1927 November 11	-11 th - As usual in the office: Since I now have no clerk I find I can do pretty good work with the typewriter, though I dislike to do it. It is beautiful weather these last three days - clear, cold and sunny. I have just finished reading a queer old book, "An Account of Livonia etc" London, 1701. I am trying to get a fair view of the times of the birth of Catherine I. of Russia, who was born a serf in Livonia, about that time. Have today urged Grover C. Winn lawyer, to become a candidate for the Legislature from Juneau, and promised to support him actively if he will do so. Grover's one besetting sin is laziness; he is of good talents otherwise.
Diary 38, 1927 November 12	-12 th - Working in the office as usual. Attending, also, to securing final decree in the Cobb estate. Senator Bartley Howard, who killed the Controller Bill, our effort at the last session of the Alaska Legislature to secure home Rule principles established in that body, is here interviewing voters in the support of his candidacy for Delegate to Congress against Dan Sutherland. He now says "I am for the People," etc. etc. but has so far made

	no public announcement of his principles or platform. The poor ass doesn't seem to know what he is for, or who, or why!
Diary 38, 1927 November 13-14	-13 th – Sunday. A beautiful clear Sunday. Joe, Deringer & other friends came to call while the SS Watson was at the dock on her southbound voyage. -14 th - Making up the matter of publishing my Ms. "Bibliography", with Los Bernard of the "Empire" - Left Ms. with Gov's Sec. for use of printers who put in bids, etc. Henry Roden is back from Europe & we had a long consultation tonight about various cases in which we are both jointly interested. The Baas case & others against the Standard Oil Co. for negligent explosions which they have caused, etc.
Diary 38, 1927 November 15-18	-15 th – Rather a lazy day though I worked as usual in the office, and read two old Alaskan books that I have just received from bookstore in Portland. -16 th – Busy today writing letters to my correspondents - on the typewriter. I am not expert on this machine and do the work slowly & slovenly! The court called a trial jury today for the term beginning next Monday. -17 th – Same as yesterday. -18 th - As usual - working in the office. Typing papers in cases for tomorrow.
Diary 38, 1927 November 19	-19 th - A busy day in court - arguing the motion to strike parts of the Answer in the case of Wickersham, Wacker & Hooker?? v. Smith, Terry. Treas; in my present case to establish the principles of Territorial Government vs. Bureaucracy. - & other cases. Henry Roden will try two cases - small cases - for me before the jury, while I go to Seattle next week to find out just what Mr. D.E. Skinner has in his mind - what he wishes me to come to Seattle to talk to him about. Am also interested in

	getting settlement of Simpson v Pond -a hard case for my client, but in which I have
Diary 38, 1927 November 19	19 been able by courage to get the opponent to think we can make a victory for him so expensive that he is willing to do my client real justice - instead of taking the <u>pound of flesh nearest the heart</u> . I am getting my cases in shape to that my clients will be cared for in <u>spite</u> of Judge Reeds <u>spite</u> . He has had his front teeth - probably all of them removed, and it makes him look old, severe & very queer! Long conference tonight with Pond & Winter in trying to reach a basis for a compromise of the suit against them by Goldstein & Belle Simpson. I think I can work it out!
Diary 38, 1927 November 20-22	-20 th – Sunday – Worked in office - wrote to Darrell, good walk - quiet day. -21 st – Very busy in office & with cases - trying to settle Goldstein v Pond. Telegram to Skinner saying I would be in Seattle Nov. 28, etc. Fire this evening in Winn building next door to my office - confined to the Winn Bldg. -22.- Recd. telegram from D.E. Skinner saying it will be satisfactory to meet me in Seattle on Monday 28 th . Am getting ready & will go on the "Alaska" at midnight. Rapidly closing up my business.
Diary 38, 1927 November 22	-22. continued - Judge Boyle is weakened on the Cobb Estate - he now makes an order to me to pay Mrs. Cobb what is hers in the Estate - and holds the Cobb part for further consideration!! Have met Mrs. Victoria Williams (formerly "Vicy. Demers, of Buckley) - she is engaged in selling "beauty parlor" merchandise: Her father resides in Fairbanks. Asked her to dinner with me at Mrs. Hooker's tonight. She seems to be a good, bright and active business woman. Conference with Winter and Pond - they are not in accord about

	settling the Goldstein suit - <u>Winter is right.</u>
Diary 38, 1927 November 23	-23 rd - <u>Trip To Seattle.</u> Left Juneau this morning about 4 a.m. - on SS. "Alaska." They gave me a poor room. The Juneau agent is not friendly & gets even that way. Judge Bunnell, of Agri. College is aboard going to Washington, to get Hatch, Purnell & other Acts of Congress extended to Alaska - giving aid to Agri. Colleges, etc. Ed. Jesson is also on board - Knew Ed. at Eagle in 1900 & Fairbanks in 1904, etc. Many other acquaintances etc. Debbie died one year ago!
Diary 38, 1927 November 24	-24 th - Thanksgiving Day: We left Ketchikan early this morning. Dixons Entrance. There are many miners & fishermen on the boat & much gambling - but no drinking liquor so far as I can see. The gambling is for small stakes - everyone is quiet & well dressed - they dance every evening to the music of a mechanical piano in the forward observation room, and everybody is sane - safe and sober! Just the opposite of the early days when there was a saloon for the sale of intoxicants on board - it is a demonstration of the benefit of a National Prohibition Law! An excellent Turkey Dinner!
Diary 38, 1927 November 25-26	-25 th - Crossed Queen Charlottes Sound - passed through Seymour Narrows this evening; and if nothing happens we will be in Seattle tomorrow morning Have just read an interesting Article in this Thursday's <u>Saturday Evening Post</u> on the "McGuffey's Readers, Ray's Arithmetic and Pinneo's Grammar - which were the school books I studied in Patoka school fifty years (and more) ago! -26 th - We came to the Seattle wharf this morning at 8 o'clock - room at Frye Hotel.

	Had Senator Will Steel, Ed Russell,
Diary 38, 1927 November 26	26 and Chas. H. Miller to lunch, after which we talked Alaskan politics - though none of us knew anything of special interest. The Frame proxy to me as Rep. Nat. Committeeman from Alaska was sent by Miller to Sutherland, & by him to Butler, Ch. of the Nat. Rep. Comtt. & Miller things it may result in some good to him in his effort to be appointed <u>Judge at Juneau.</u> Had a long talk with Ed. Jesson and Jack Mihalsik, about our adjoining placer claims on Ester Creek - they are seeking a purchaser for the whole creek. Went to the theater tonight to see "Beau Geste." Telephoned to Harold & he will come down to dinner with me tomorrow.
Diary 38, 1927 November 27	-27 th - Sunday. Harold came down from Enumclaw and took lunch with me, after which we took a long automobile ride - in his car. Harold is a fine fellow, and I enjoyed his visit greatly. Senator Will Steel came & invited me to dinner with him, in the hotel restaurant. I also enjoyed both his dinner and his visit - we talked politics etc. I saw Capt. Jas. V. Davis, at the Savoy. He is a witness In the case of Bowersox v Behrends Bank, set for trial in Juneau, on Dec. 14: Sent a telegram to my client in Albany, Or. that he will go with us to Juneau as witness if his transportation can be paid!
Diary 38, 1927 November 28	-28 th - Had conference with D.L. Skinner today. He wants Congress to pass an Act giving the Bureau of Fisheries power to lease trap sites to Cannerymen - for five years! and asked me if I would to Washington and assist Sutherland in passing such a bill! I told him I would think it over and talk to him about it gain tomorrow. Invited Senator Will Steel to dinner tonight & talked the matter over with him quite fully. He is favorable to the matter, but agrees with me that first the people of Alaska must be informed - at least in a General way - & their consent so far be obtained by interviews etc. that

	they will support the idea and not fight it & Sutherland if he supports the bill. (over)
Diary 38, 1927 November 28	28 th – continued. I think Bob. Heckman is in Seattle & I intend to try to see him in the morning and talk it over with him also, after which I will talk with Skinner again. I do not think, however, that I will go to Washington - but suggest sending W ^m L. Paul, of Ketchikan - for what seems to be good & sufficient reasons to me. If I shall conclude to support the plan I can really do more for it in Alaska than I can in Washington & Paul ought to be bound over to keep the peace. - & for that purpose ought to go to Washington - at least first, to assure Dan that the Indians & fishermen will be satisfied with the plan!!
Diary 38, 1927 November 29	-29 th - Telephoned Heckman this morning & he said he had an appointment with Skinner at 11 oclock, but would come & see me at 1 ³⁰ . He did, and told me that he said to Skinner it was a mistake to ask me to go to Washington now, - that I ought to begin the work of informing the public in Alaska, and especially to get Paul straight especially on the herring issue first. He advised Skinner to let me manage the matter in my own way, etc. As a matter of fact and common sense he told Skinner exactly what I had determined to tell him & Skinner agreed to it. I am to see Skinner again tomorrow. Otherwise a busy day.
Diary 38, 1927 November 30	-30 th - Saw Skinner today at noon and he employed me to assist in securing needed legislation to prevent canneries from "jumping" each others trap sites in Alaska. Asked me what I thought I ought to be paid etc. and I promised to consult with Heckman and advise him tomorrow. Visited Mr. & Mrs. Heckman tonight at their rooms in the "Spring" Apts. and he thought I should ask \$1000. a month & expenses, - which is agreeable to me. I was greatly shocked today at seeing a big scare head on the noon papers announcing the death of George T. Reid - he studied law with me in

Diary 38, 1927 November 30	30 Tacoma, and was my law partner in 1900 when I was appointed Judge in Alaska. I left all my business with him for nearly ten years thereafter - and I really felt as if another member of my family had passed away. I found myself standing before the glaring headlines, on the street, with the tears running down my cheeks. He was a fine manly man, and I deeply regret his death. Mr. Sox of the firm of Hewitt & Sox, Attorneys, from Albany, Oregon, came over to see me today about case of Bowersox v Behrends Bank: We completed arrangements about witnesses, etc. and I will try the case in Juneau.
Diary 38, 1927 November 30	30 Bob Donaldson to talk about Harkrader coal & I consented to extend time to begin work. Many other business matters. [clipping] GEORGE T. REID, VICE PRESIDENT OF N.P., IS DEAD Western Counsel for Rail- way, Former Superior Judge and Lawmaker, Succumbs Suddenly. GEORGE THOMAS REID, vice president and General western counsel for the Northern Pacific Railway and one of the best known railway executives in the West, died suddenly this morning at his home in The Wilsonian, University district. Death was caused by heart disease. Judge Reid's death came as a great shock to his associates and friends. He was at his office until after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was invited to a dinner at the Rainier Club in honor of Presidents Ralph Budd of the Great Northern and Charles Donnelly of the Northern Pacific last night, but declined because of pains in his chest, which he attributed to indigestion. He grew worse at 4 o'clock this morning and though treated by The Wilsonian house physician, died an hour later. No plans have been made for the funeral.

	<p>Tribute was paid Judge Reid today by President Donnelly.</p> <p>“For the past fifteen years Judge Reid has been in general charge of executive questions on the western end of the system as well as of the western law department,” said the Northern Pacific executive.</p> <p>“The Northern Pacific Railway Company had no more faithful officer. He was a man of the highest character, strong, able, earnest and sincere. He had a wide circle of friends throughout the Pacific Northwest to whom the news of his death will come as a profound shock. To his fellow officers of the Northern Pacific it brings a feeling of grief as well.”</p> <p>Mr. Reid was born in Etna Green, Ind., April 2, 1871, living there until 1877, when he moved with his family to Warsaw, Ind. He was educated in the public schools of Warsaw, being graduated from the high school of that city in 1888. He later worked for a short time on his father’s ranch, leaving to come to the Northwest, where he obtained his first employment in Tacoma as a clerk in the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company. He remained there three years.</p> <p>Studied Law at Night.</p> <p>During this time Mr. Reid studied law at night. He passed his examinations for the bar and was admitted to practice, following which he resigned from the telegraph company and became a law partner of James Wickersham, later delegate in Congress from Alaska.</p> <p>This law association continued for three years, when Mr. Wickersham was elected city attorney of Tacoma and Mr. Reid entered professional relations with William J. Meade under the name of Reid & Meade.</p> <p>This firm continued in active practice until 1903, when it was dissolved and Mr. Reid started his practice alone. In 1904 he was elected to the State House of Representatives from Pierce County and served through the sessions of 1905 and 1907, becoming a power in the organization of his branch of the Legislature.</p> <p>He was appointed deputy prosecuting attorney</p>
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	<p>by Charles O. Bates and served for one year, or until January, 1906, when he was named as divisional counsel for the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway t</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 November 30- December 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>take charge of the condemnation proceedings of that road, which was constructing the North Bank system.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Appointed to Bench.</p> <p>He continued in this capacity until January 1, 1907. In July, 1907, Gov. Albert E. Meade appointed Mr. Reid to the Superior Court bench of Pierce County, and he continued on the bench until October 1, 1908, when he resigned to accept the position as division counsel for the Northern Pacific Railway at Tacoma. May 23, 1912, he was appointed assistant to the President of the system and western counsel, which position he held until 1921 when he was appointed vice president and western counsel, which position he held at the time of his death.</p> <p>He came to Seattle in April, 1922, when the Northern Pacific headquarters were removed from Tacoma.</p> <p>In addition to his official capacity with the Northern Pacific, Judge Reid was president of the North Yakima & Valley Railway Company and vice president of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railway.</p> <p>Mr. Reid was married June 21, 1898, to Neva E. Cornelius of Cornelius, Ore. He is survived by Mrs. Reid, a daughter, Susanna; a brother, W.C. Reid, counsel for the Santa Fe in New Mexico; his father, John M. Reid of Dexter, N.M., and an uncle, Robert t. Reid of Seattle.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DEATH OF JUDGE REID DEPLORED BY CHAMBER</p> <p>In the death today of Judge George T. Reid, vice president and western counsel of the Northern Pacific Railroad, Seattle and the Seattle Chamber of Commerce lost one of the leading citizens of the Northwest, a man with great breadth of vision, a</p>

	<p>natural leader, and an outstanding factor in the progress of this section, said Nathan Eckstein, acting president of the Chamber of Commerce.</p> <p>Added to the profound regret expressed by Mr. Eckstein, trustees of the chamber and other associates of Judge Reid voiced their grief and sympathy to the chamber upon learning of his unexpected death this morning.</p> <p>Judge Reid had been active in the work of the national affairs and public carries committees of the Chamber of Commerce since he came to Seattle in the spring of 1922. He was chairman of the national affairs committee and a member of the chamber's board of trustees.</p> <p>"Judge Reid had an unusually fine mind, taking a broad, humanitarian view of those projects which came before him," said Mr. Eckstein. "That was one of his outstanding characteristics, making him invaluable in dealing with any questions which came before him in his chamber work, whether they related to the immediate community, the Northwest or the nation.</p> <p>"He had both mental and physical qualifications for leadership. His advice and leadership will be keenly missed in counsels of the chamber. He was a sincere friend of Seattle and the Northwest country, and their champion." -Dec 1st-</p> <p>Saw Skinner just before noon - after a talk about everything else he sent for a Mr. Friely - Supt. of a Cannery Co. & I then stated that I would act as their attorney in securing needed legislation etc. for the sum of \$7500, and in case of success in putting over</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 December 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>the bill in question & 7500 more, my expenses to be paid in any event. They said they would send for R.J. (Bob) Heckman & one other of the Committee & determine the matter. This afternoon I went to Tacoma. Saw Harsberger - about Debbies Estate. He had already sent me a copy of the Final decree & a balance of \$565⁰⁰. His charges and fees amounted to \$600⁰⁰ - which I assured him was a reasonable amount. Talked</p>

	<p>with Winden, about my act - am behind about \$200 - but that will be met & covered in 2 months - when the whole estate matter will be finally concluded.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 December 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>Also called and had a talk with Charlie Peterson, atty. for Foshay & Co who are purchasing public utilities in Ketchikan, Wrangell, Juneau, etc. He read me his recommendation to his principals urging my employment as their Alaska representative etc. Said he was coming to Ketchikan in 10 days & would telegraph to me.</p> <p>I wanted to go Buckley, but could not: I did go out to the Tacoma Cemetery, and put flowers on Debbies & the boys grave & on my Mother & Father & Clydes graves. Our lot in the cemetery has perpetual care, and is kept beautiful. Back to Seattle tonight.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 December 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Dec. 2nd -</p> <p>Harshberger came over early this morning & we went to the Dexter Horton Nat. Bank, where he delivered me my half of the bonds = \$5000. and deposited Darrells half = \$5000. Mine were deposited in my own name & H- deposited the balance in Darrell's name. I signed a receipt to Harshberger & thus closed up Debbies estate. Harshberger had sent me a copy of the Final Order to Juneau = I sent flowers to the funeral of Mrs. Webster - Mrs. Parsons mother, and also To Geo. T. Reids. Attended George's funeral at 1 p.m. A great crowd and masses of flowers.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1927 December 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Dec. 2. continued.</u></p> <p>Conference with Mr. E.D. Skinner in his office & we completed our arrangement for service in fisher matters. He paid me \$2500. on Act. and wrote me a letter stating his understanding of our agreement. Later I had a conference with Mr. O'Malley, Sup. Alaska, U.S. Bureau of Fisheries, who showed me his map of closed waters in S.E. Alaska, and promised to send me copy of his new regulations from Washington D.C. where he goes tomorrow. Had Senator W.A. Steel, Harold N. Hanson (my nephew) and Jack McKinnon to dinner with me tonight.</p>

Diary 38, 1927 December 2	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>2nd continued.</u></p> <p>Paid Capt. J.N. Davis \$75⁰⁰ to pay his transportation to Juneau as witness in Bowersox v. Behrends Bank case, set for Dec. 14th. Got my ticket on SS. Yukon & will go home in the morning.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JUDGE REID.</p> <p>People in this part of the world, and throughout America generally, long ago left behind them the notion that men in the leadership of public service corporations were necessarily public enemies. But while we have generally come to realize that most men so placed are good citizens, responsive to public opinion and zealous for public welfare, there are still not many who attain such a place in public confidence as was held by the late George T. Reid.</p> <p>Judge Reid belonged much to the people of Washington before he entered the service of the railroad corporation, which continued to the time of his death. He was one of us; first of all and always a good citizen. In this respect his corporation connections made no difference. He served his company faithfully and well, but in this service he found no occasion for change in his relations with his friends and neighbors or in his regard for the interests of his state.</p> <p>The company to which Judge Reid gave sound advice and sagacious leadership will miss him, but no more than he will be missed by the people in all walks of life who had come into contact with him, officially and personally, and who had learned to appreciate his many fine and manly qualities.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 December 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">-Dec. 3rd-</p> <p>Left Seattle at 9 a.m. on S.S. "Alaska." About 75 passengers, and among them are Bishop Crimont, and Los Bernard, of the Empire, for Juneau U.S. Dep. Marshal Stazer & wife and Ed. Kennedy, assistant, from Anchorage, Taylor, & family, from Cordova, and the usual list of younger Alaskans for various points. Foggy in port, but as the day passed it became clear and beautiful weather. A fine day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p>

	<p>Crossed Queen Charlottes crossing this morning 9 - 11. Millbank this afternoon. Talking politics with Staser, Kennedy, Taylor & others -& fish legislation.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 December 5-6	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Ketchikan this morning. Called on John W. Frame & had him to breakfast with me. Talked over political situation with him - also Duggan & McCain, and Senator Hunt. Things political are quiet here, but satisfactory.</p> <p>Gave Frame \$10⁰⁰ aid on his new paper, the U.S.A. Bulletin. Called to see W^m F. Paul but he is in Petersburg enroute to Juneau. At Wrangell at 10³⁰ nothing of importance.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Reached Juneau at 2 p.m. Much mail - recd. balance from F.M. Harshberger, Admr. Debbies Estate = \$567³⁷ - also Final Order of Distribution, etc. Office warm.</p>
Diary 38, 1927 December 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Worked in office - Dinner with Atty. Genl. & Mrs. Rustgard at their residence on Chicken Ridge. This evenings paper announces the death of Dan Sutherland's mother, aged 84 yrs. in Philadelphia. Am writing him a-letter of sympathy.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>As usual in the office. Very busy with my correspondence - especially political letters to the distant points in the Territory. I intend to do all I can to secure the nomination of men to the next Legislature who will support the creation of an American form of Government in Alaska!</p>
Diary 38, 1927 December 9	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. "Doc." Caswell, deputy marshal, came in to tell me about his trip to Fairbanks with a prisoner, during which time he worked politics for his candidacy for Delegate to the Rep. Nat. Convention.</p> <p>Chase wrote me a letter saying Caswell was working his campaign - claimed that the Native Brotherhood - Paul's Indian Convention at Angoon, two weeks ago - had endorsed him for the office,</p>

	and he is claiming to be running as my mate and friend. I have just sent a copy of Chase's letter to Sutherland & told him the situation. Caswell & Aldrich are being put forward by White, U.S. Marshal & the court House & Federal crowds.
Diary 38, 1927 December 10	-10- Recd. telegram from Chas. E. Peterson, Atty. Tacoma, saying his brother was leaving Tacoma today on the SS. "Northwestern," for Ketchikan and asking me to meet him there -about the 13 th . This is the consummation, evidently, of the purchase of the Ketchikan Electric Light & Power Co. the Cold Storage Co. etc. by Foshay & Co. for whom Peterson appears. It may also mean my employment as their local attorney in Alaska for they intend to purchase the public utilities in Wrangell, Petersburg, Juneau, Skagway, and other Alaskan towns. Also received telegram from W ^m L.
Diary 38, 1927 December 10-12	10 Paul saying he will come to Juneau the first of the week: this in answer to my telegram of yesterday asking him to come. -11 th - Sunday. It snowed last night one foot in depth. This morning it is clear and rather warm - a glorious winter day. Invited Mr. & Mrs. John Rustgard to dinner with me at the Gastineau - she seemed delighted. -12 th - Telegraphic reports today say that the SS. "Northwestern" coming from Seattle was wrecked at Cape Mudge - no lives lost -- that the SS. "Alameda" took
Diary 38, 1927 December 12	12 all passengers off & is taking them back to Seattle. My witnesses in Bowersox case were on board, and also Peterson, coming to Ketchikan to take over the Ketchikan L. & P. Co. for Foshay - whom Charles Peterson - atty. telegraphed me to meet. Must apply for continuance of trial of Bowersox v Behrends Bank case till witnesses reach here about next Sunday. <u>Busy in office.</u> I think now I will take the SS. "Alaska" tomorrow

	evening and go to Ketchikan where I can confer with Peterson while the boat from the South lies there & then come back to Juneau with my witnesses in the Bowersox case.
Diary 38, 1927 December 13-15	-13 th - Prepared Option, etc. Gene Owens to D. McBride of Ladysmith, B.C. for big company. Leave tonight on Alaska for trip to Ketchikan to meet Peterson in re Ketchikan L. & P. Co. properties - sold Foshay & Co. Got Bowersox case postponed until next Monday - act. wreck "Northwestern" with witnesses. -14 th - Left Juneau last night in heavy snow storm - cold and uncomfortable boat. Dense snow storm nearly all day, and slow trip. -15 th - Met Mrs. Nerland and some other.
Diary 38, 1927 December 15	15 Fairbanks people on board the "Alaska," and had good visit with them. Arrived in Ketchikan this morning at 10 a.m. Snow on the ground here and bad weather. Recd. telegram from Albrecht, of Fairbanks, who got off the "Alaska" at Juneau last night - night before last - as I got on the boat. He telegraphed from Juneau - is very anxious to have Republicans in S.E. Alaska, organize Div. Club for poll work - some of us here think it better to permit the people at the primary election to choose our candidates etc. Another telegram from Charles Peterson, atty, Tacoma, asking me
Diary 38, 1927 December 15-16	15 to meet his brother & others here in Ketchikan, in the matter of the purchase by Foshay & Co of Electric Light & Power Co. I will answer saying am waiting. -16 th - Telegram to C. Peterson, Tacoma, saying am waiting for his brother in Foshay matter. Bought 2 fine marten skins, tanned, and sent them as Christmas present to Jane, at S.F. Paid \$100. for the two. They are beautiful skins and I hope they please her.

	Concluded my conference with W ^m J. Paul. and he will go to Seattle on the 21st boat - the first one south bound to confer with Mr. D.E. Skinner about controlling fish trap sites.
Diary 38, 1927 December 16	16 Gave Paul a letter of introduction to Skinner – also loaned him \$75 ⁰⁰ to pay his fare etc. and sent Skinner & Heckman telegrams that he is coming. Democratic divisional convention in Ketchikan yesterday & today. The paper (Chronicle) gives no news - just lists of delegates - most of whom did not attend, but no report on the proceedings or nominations - if any. Troy ran the matter - on the secret caucus plan - and the “dear people” will not know just what did take place. Dinner this evening with Mrs. Olson - the last one, too, for I have no desire for a partner.
Diary 38, 1927 December 17	-17 th - The “Alameda” will not be here until 5 p.m. Conference over politics with McCain and others. “Alameda” in and Gilbert Peterson - Charley Petersens brother - came, with letters to me from Bates & Peterson, Attys for Foshay & Co. to assist in hunting up titles etc. Have informed Gilbert that I must go back to try the Dobbins - Behrends Bank case, and he suggests that while there I examine the records in the Recorders office & in the Secretary of the Territory’s office for needed information, which I will do, of course. My witnesses in Bowersox vs. Behrends, Dobbins, et. al. are on
Diary 38, 1927 December 17-18	17 the “Alameda”, so I can go on with that case promptly. I will then return here to assist Peterson. We left Ketchikan at midnight. -18 th - At Wrangell early this morning - we came through the “Narrows,” but did not stop at Petersburg. A man by the name of Howard Kappler, from Fairbanks introduced himself and asked me for a royalty lease on my Bench Claim off the right limit of Discovery Claim on Wolf Creek - he is the man that Guy B. Erwin mentioned in that connection, and liking his appearance I have made a tentative

	agreement to lease him the claim
Diary 38, 1927 December 18-19	18 - 10% up to a dollar per foot bedrock, 15% if between \$1.00 & \$1.25, 25% if between 1.25 & 1.50 & 33 1/3 if above \$1.50. He will talk the matter over with Erwin - I told him I had an offer of sale & that if I could get \$2500. I would sell & not lease. -19 th - Trial case of Bowersox v Behrends Bank - Henry Roden is acting with me & Robertson & Faulkner for the defendants. <u>Slow</u> . Bob Donaldson is here - he will go out to the Harkrader Coal Mines in a day or two to prospect it for development. I am interested with him in attempting to put the Coal <u>over</u> conference this evening with Major Albrecht Winn & others on political organization. Albrecht seems to be all right.
Diary 38, 1927 December 20-21	-20 th - Trial of Bowersox v Behrends Bank. A busy day - I am suffering with a cold & Henry Roden is trying the case by examining the witnesses etc. We got our case in & deft. begins his defense tomorrow. Bob Donaldson is busy hunting up information about Harkrader Coal Mine. Goodmundson Jensen gave him all the info he had, etc. -21 st - Finished taking evidence before jury in Bowersox v Behrends Bank case. Judge Reed will instruct jury tomorrow & Roden will finish case for me.
Diary 38, 1927 December 21-22	21 I will go to Ketchikan tonight on the SS. “Rodgers,” to assist Peterson in examining title in Foshays purchase of Light & Water plant, etc. I have already examined the records in Juneau today. -22 nd - Left Juneau last night on SS. “Admiral Rogers.” In Petersburg early this morning - Wrangell at noon. W.D. Grant, Patenaudes agent, told me that the

	deeds from Patenaude to his wife - given some years ago, were in anticipation of his death at that time - <u>no consideration</u> - etc. Before we came to Wrangell I wrote an editorial in favor of licensing trap sites, with
Diary 38, 1927 December 22-23	22 a head "Attention Mr. Sutherland." and left it with J.G. Grant with request that he get it printed in next weeks issue of the Sentinel; he promised to secure its printing. Arrived in Ketchikan at 9. p.m. received a telegram from Roden saying " <u>Verdict for defendant</u> ," - against us. I am greatly disappointed & so were Bowersox & Hawkins - who are on the boat with me - going home. We made a perfectly good case, but the jury decided for the home man. -23 rd - Worked all day on Abstracts with Peterson - for Foshay & Co.
Diary 38, 1927 December 24-25	-24 th - Worked all day - till 11 oclock tonight on abstracts, opinions, certificates etc. comparing records - for Foshay & Co. in the matter of purchase of Citizens L. P. & Water Co. etc. Trying to get him off south tomorrow on SS. Alameda - option expires Jany. 15 th & we are in a hurry to get papers - abstracts etc. ready for them - too much of a hurry to do good work - but Peterson is crowding the matter, rather than stay over here another week. -25- Though it is Sunday & Christmas we worked all day & until midnight
Diary 38, 1927 December 25	25 on completing abstracts, certificates & opinions. Peterson & his stenographer - pretty Mrs. Larson, must go on the SS. " <u>Alameda</u> " - due from the north tonight - but it is snowing - & she will probably be late. Anyway we finished at 11:20 p.m. and still no boat. I had dinner with the Olsons & the Ryus - both families seem greatly pleased that Betty & Jack are soon to be married. I will now go home on the SS. " <u>Alaska</u> " in the morning - three of the experts in the Foshay force will go to Juneau to

	begin work on the purchase of the water plant, etc. there. It is snowing & storming badly & boats bound to be late.
Diary 38, 1927 December 26	-26 th - Peterson & Mrs. Larson, stenographer Foshay Co. left early this morning on " <u>Alameda</u> " for Tacoma. Two of the expert accountants also went south & three are going to Juneau. Had political conference with Frame, Wacker, Duggan, McCain & others - Frame is fighting Sutherland and Paul, and thinks he ought to control the United Sons of Alaska - <u>he will finally support the democratic ticket</u> - <u>and especially Geo. Grigsby</u> . Had dinner last night with the Olson's and the Ryus'; Betty & Jack were the center of interest - they are to be married this spring.
Diary 38, 1927 December 26	-26 th cont- Left Ketchikan on the " <u>Alaska</u> " this evening at 5. p.m. in a snowstorm coming from the North Pole - very cold & heavy north wind. Lynn Smith U.S. Marshal Fairbanks on board and a few others - including <u>Jack McCord</u> . He is going out to his N.Y. ranch on Sitkadalik Is. south shore of Kodiak Is. to extend the farm & feed the foxes & sheep. Jack & "Doc" Council are both having "a time" - two girls & many bottles. Jack is strong on girls & "doc" on the bottles. Mr. Howard Lusch , the Seattle partner with Bob Donaldson in the Harkrader Coal mine project on Admiralty Is. is also on board & very much interested. He seems to
Diary 38, 1927 December 26	26 talk O.K. and may be he is - Bob seems to think so, and I hope so. -27 th - A bad wind from the north - we had to round Decision, and the wind was worse on Chatham St. - all the way to Juneau. There, however, it was quiet. Long talk with Lynn Smith about politics and he assured me of his undivided support etc. Lynn is very dangerously affected with <u>angina pectoris</u> or some form of heart disease which may carry him off suddenly and soon, but he is cheerful and hopeful. Juneau at 7 ³⁰ . Cold but quiet. Many Christmas Cards. Room warm and I hope for a

	good sleep.
Diary 38, 1927 December 28-29	-28 th - Donaldson & Lurch in to talk over Harkrader Coal project. They have a boat chartered and will go over to Salmon Bay, Kootznahoo Inlet, as soon as the weather moderates to look over the situation and will prospect the Harkrader shaft at once. Busy answering correspondence. The experts (4 of them) are here for Foshay Co. examining the Properties of the Water Co. -29- Same as usual in the office. Donaldson & Lurch to dinner with me, & they & Foshay experts passed the evening in my office. Cold & windy.
Diary 38, 1927 December 30	-30 th - Some days ago I received a letter from Hon. Clarence F. Buck, of Chicago, asking about my inclination to support Gov. Lowden for President: Wrote to him today saying I was not unfriendly but declined to make any promises, etc. Busy answering my correspondence - I do it slowly - hope to have a stenographer next week. <u>Am</u> reading the new racy political scandal " <u>The Presidents Daughter</u> " - by Nan Britton, the story of President Hardings secret amours with the author by whom he is declared to have a child - <u>the Presidents Daughter.</u> "
Diary 38, 1927 December 31	-31 st - Got out a lot of mail today - 600 circulars, "A New Years Program for Alaska" - a poll circular which I am sending widely over the Territory - I sent 200 to Nome, separate envelopes, and 200 package to Bob Lavery Fairbanks, and 200 package to Dr. Chase, Cordova with instruction to put in envelopes and mail to people -in their divisions. The four men who are here exporting the Water Plant for Foshay & Co. spent the evening at my office & assisted me in mailing the circulars! see next page
Diary 38, 1927 December 31	31 [copy of Wickersham's circular]

	<p style="text-align: center;">A NEW YEAR'S PROGRAM FOR ALASKA.</p> <p>Alaska is a Territory, an embryo State. It is in its early formative period, in its infancy under the tutelage of the congress of the United States. Some day, in the near future, when its permanent population of American citizens shall have increased to 250,000; when its great natural resources of land and sea shall have been largely located and developed by its inhabitants sufficiently to demonstrate to the world that we are capable of maintaining agriculture, manufacturing and trade and managing our own domestic business affairs successfully; when the present un-American system of Federal Bureaucratic control of our local government is changed by our local legislature, and the American citizens, resident in Alaska, shall have resumed their rightful control over their own domestic affairs; when we have evolved and soundly established an American form of free government upon the principles of the Declaration of Independence and the constitution of the United States, then, and not before, will the Territory of Alaska be raised to the dignity and power of a free and sovereign American State in the Union. Alaska's New Years programme then, should be:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Securing a permanent population of 250,000 free America citizens within our borders: 2. The development by Alaskans of Alaskan agriculture, mining, fishing and trade, to the point where these industries will support its permanent population and their government: 3. The recapture of all those autocratic powers over our domestic affairs which our Territorial legislature in the last decade have illegally transferred to, and bestowed upon, the Federal Bureaus in Alaska. 4. The establishment by the citizens of Alaska of a free American local government, responsible to the people of Alaska, on the basis of the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States, in pursuance of the powers granted to us in the Organic Act of 1912, passed by our American Congress for that purpose. If each American
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	<p>citizen resident in Alaska, man and woman - for a bad government oppresses the home first - will be come an active politician, so far, at least, as to take personal interest in the form of government which is slowly but surely crystallizing over us in the Territory, he and she will be doing a patriotic duty very similar to that done by our Revolutionary fathers and mothers from 1776 to 1787 when our National Constitution was finally adopted.</p> <p>Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, with a quickening of your patriotic appreciation of the Constitutional Government of the United States, with its many advantages in peace, safety, prosperity and happiness to our citizens in comparison with bureaucratic governments where ever they have appeared.</p> <p>I remain very truly, <u>James Wickersham.</u></p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 1</p>	<p><u>January 1st 1928.</u></p> <p>A beautiful clear, cold day. We have had these days - with much wind from the north and east - for some two weeks or more.</p> <p>Got up at noon. Had a bad fall last night and jarred me very badly. A hot bath and exercise helped but I am stiff and sore yet.</p> <p>Received in this mornings mail a very quaint and interesting letter from Prof. A.R. Cederberg, of 4 Lugitanov, Dorpat, Esthonia, in answer to one I wrote to the University there on Oct. 4th asking for information about the lineage and place of birth of Catherine I, - Peter the Great's second wife. He says that "her</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 1</p>	<p>1</p> <p><u>lineage is yet in a dense fog: it is not known if she was a Swede or Finlander or perhaps from the Baltic provinces (German, Esthonian, Let or Polish). That her father would have been a Livonian by name Samuel Skawronski, is doubtful, I see. The fact that her near parentage has borne this name later does not prove that it has been her or their name of lineage," etc.</u> He seems to be quite as much in the dark about her parentage and early life as I am. He thinks, however, that it is "fully proved that she was married to a Swedish</p>

	<p><u>soldier, the Sergeant of the Livonian flag of nobility Johan Kruse."</u> The American</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 1</p>	<p>1</p> <p>encyclopedias and other authorities do not agree about her place of birth, her parentage, etc. and I am declined to follow the historical data about these matters found in "<u>A New History of the Life and Reign of the Czar Peter the Great,"</u> etc. London, 1740, by John Banks.</p> <p>Mrs. Bishop took dinner with me - at Mrs. Hookers - a big crowd & a good dinner.</p> <p>Attended reception in afternoon given by the Masonic Lodge to all visiting Masons. - Good crowd, singing, smoking, etc.</p> <p>Clear & cold.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 2-3</p>	<p>-2nd -</p> <p>Mifs Mary Kashaveroff began work for me today as stenographer.</p> <p>-3rd -</p> <p><u>Bob. Donaldson & Howard Lurch left for the Harkrader coal mines in Kootznahoo inlet today on the little gas boat "Jazz," to examine the coal deposits there: if they come up to expectations they will take hold of the prospecting and development of the mine with a view of extracting the coal for the market.</u> I am working today on 7th Alaska Reports.</p> <p>Got the experts for Foshay Co. to examine the Nelson water works today - it had been overlook completely.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 3-4</p>	<p>3rd continued.</p> <p>The four young men here for Foshay Co. spent the evening with me in the office - they were greatly interested in my Bibliography of Alaskan Literature & many rare Alaskan books and historical matters & seemed to enjoy the evening as much as I did.</p> <p>-4th -</p> <p>The Wrangell Sentinel evidently printed my editorial on "jumping trap sites" for the paper at Petersburg edited by Louis F. Paul has an editorial half criticizing the Wrangell paper, etc. Paul does not, fortunately, denounce the proposed law controlling traps by licenses - but comes near</p>

	doing so: I wrote W ^m . Paul, about the matter yesterday, asking if I could
Diary 38, 1928 January 4-6	4 write a similar editorial in support of a trap site license law to be published in his "Fisherman," and asked him to telegraph his consent. Of course he has not yet received my letter. It is raining tonight & winter & snows are melting and it is growing warmer. Busy in the office as usual. -5 th - Busy finishing correspondence, etc. -6 th - Began work today on syllabi on 7 th Alaska Reports. All cases in and I will finish it promptly - if I can. Wrote to Ms. Cobb - sent her full statement & copy of probate judges final order - took out my fees, etc.
Diary 38, 1928 January 7	-7 th - Working on 7 th Alaska Reports. On call of motion calendar this morning I enquired of Judge Reed when I might expect a ruling on the demurrer I made to the Answer of Defts. in the case of Wickersham, et. al. v Smith, Treasurer, he said he would decide it before he goes to Ketchikan next week. I am informed it will be against me but I do not care what he decides <u>so that he does it</u> . He may say something like he did in the first case which will be of some advantage - anyway I can appeal if I do not like it. Sutherland has introduced a bill in the House of Rep. limiting the time
Diary 38, 1928 January 7-8	7 that an official may hold office when his term has expired - <u>Reeds Case</u> . I shall go to see the movie picture "Kavilina" made by Rossmate at Point Barrow - tonight. I have just read " <u>Revelry</u> ," Samuel Hopkins Adams, a portrayal of inside graft in the Harding administration. Its about as bad as "The Presidents Daughter" by Nan Britton - Poor Harding - he did make a mess of his administration.

	-8 th - Received a telegram from W ^m F. Paul saying he would assist me in the matter of procuring amendment to the fishery laws licensing <u>trap sites</u> .
Diary 38, 1928 January 8-9	8 th continued. I have worked all day on a Statement in the matter of licensing fish trap sites - I will have it printed for circulation when finished - after it is approved by Mr. W ^m L. Paul. -9 th - Donaldson & Lerch are back from their first prospecting trip to the Harkrader Coal Mine at Salmon Bay, Kootznahoo Inlet, and are greatly pleased & even excited over the same. They say that all the statements which I and Jensen & others made to them about it are fully borne out from surface indications. They picked up a sack
Diary 38, 1928 January 9	9 of coal lying around the pit mouth and declare it is excellent coal though it has been exposed on the surface for many years. The cribbing in the old Harkrader shaft is in good shape but his old houses (log huts) are fallen and his old machinery rusted & ruined. They declare their intention to go to work immediately to open the shaft & make closer examination of the coal veins, and will get out coal as fast as it is possible for them to do so. They invited me to dinner with them tonight and are highly pleased with the outlook: They want the Company organized at once!
Diary 38, 1928 January 10	-10 th - Busy in the office - but am swamped with work, and doing too many hours. Donaldson & lurch are anxious to get the corporation organized for their Harkrader coal mine. We have worked on it tonight: The corporation is to be called " <u>Admiralty Island Coal Co</u> " capital stock \$150,000, of which \$100,000. is to be common stock & \$50,000. is to be preferred stock. Donaldson is to be President & General Manager, Lerch is to be Secretary & Treasurer & for the present I am to be Vice Pres. & we three the first Board of Directors.

<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 11-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>Wrote the Articles of Incorporation of Admiralty Island Coal Company, today. Donaldson & Lerch have read it and think it is satisfactory but I am having Donaldson read it carefully in comparison with questions which arose in his experience at the Healey River Coal Mines, near Nenana, where he organized & worked mines for a time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Have invited Atty Genl. Rustgard & five men from Anchorage (who are here playing tenpins with the Juneau & Ketchikan Clubs) to dinner tonight R.S. Bragaw, Lyle Larson, McDonald Ostrom, Thompson. Bowling Team, Anchorage we had a fine interesting dinner.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 13-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th –</p> <p>Working in office on 7th Alaska. Received telegram from the Cordova Divisional Republicans Club saying Club endorsed me for Delegate to the Nat. Convention, also Chase, and Phinn for legislature etc. Sent the club telegram tonight thanking them & promising if elected they would go to the convention and work for the best interests of Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>A busy day - and week - both in court and in the office. Have finished the preparation of the Articles of Incorporation for the Admiralty Island Coal Co - being</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 14-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>Donaldson, Lerch and myself. Will finish By Laws etc. next week - I am not going to Ketchikan until about next Wednesday. Have also worked hard on 7th Alaska Reports & will have it done & sent away to the printer Monday or Tuesday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>In this mornings mail I have a letter from Dan Sutherland, Delegate to Congress, informing me that Curry, Ch. of the Com. on Ter. House Representatives has introduced a Bill, <u>sent in and approved by the Dept. of the Interior, Secretary Work</u>, which reads as follows, after the merely formal heading: -</p>

<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p><u>"be it enacted, etc.</u> <u>"That neither section 1855 of the rev. Stat (U.S. C. 1645, par. 1457) nor any other act of Congress shall be construed to prevent payments for clerk hire, office rent and other expenses of executive offices of the Territory of Alaska, including additional compensation, not to exceed \$2,000. per annum, to the Secretary of the Territory, under appropriations heretofore or hereafter made by the Legislature of Alaska for said purposes."</u> Sutherland has prepared for Senator Willis, Ch. of the Senate Com. on Territories a memorandum in opposition to the</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 15-17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>Bill, which has also been sent to him for introduction by the Sec of Int. Work. Sutherlands memo is a good answer in opposition. <u>Governor parks has been in Washington, in attendance on Sec. Work, and I assume that he is responsible for the preparation and introduction of the bill!!!</u> And this, also, may account for the delay in Judge Reeds action on the demurrer in my case to enjoin the payment of the moneys by the Ter. Treas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17-</p> <p><u>I finally finished the Ms for the 7th Alaska reports today and sent it off to the West Publishing Company, St. Paul, Minn. by express.</u></p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17th continued.</p> <p>My brother-in-law, Charles E. Taylor, who is now acting U.S. Attorney at Nome, & Mayor Albrecht, from Fairbanks are on the steamship tonight going back north. Charley will go to Fairbanks on the Railroad & <u>fly by aeroplane from there to Nome!!</u> Had them & Donaldson & Lerch to dinner with me, & greatly enjoyed their visit. I also wrote a letter & argument to Delegate Sutherland tonight against the passage of the proposed Act of Congress quoted in full on page 178 - 2 pages back. I sent him the necessary data which [he] sent for so that he can present my views to the Committees.</p>

Diary 38, 1928 January 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Business in office closed. Filed my candidacy for Delegate to the Rep. Nat. Con. also Dr. Chase's today. Will go to Ketchikan on boat this evening. Sent telegram to Dr. Chase notifying him that I had filed both our Declarations of Candidacy. Have the Admiralty Is. Coal Co. papers finished & Articles will be filed tomorrow - the men are most enthusiastic & I hope for a good mine.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Left Juneau last night - got a good room. At Petersburg this morning - called & talked with McGregor. Between Petersburg wrote stipulation</p>
Diary 38, 1928 January 19-20	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>in case of Grant, guardian v Patenaude & Paul & I got our clients to sign at Wrangell. Also interview there with Harvie about Wheeler v Harvie - not in good shape for want of witnesses. Arrived in Ketchikan at 11:30 and room at the Gilmore.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Attended court this forenoon - nothing there of any interest. This afternoon I prepared the form of Act to amend Sec. 8 of the fishery law of Alaska of June 6, 1924, so amending as to add phrases providing for leasing or licensing trap sites in Alaska. Called on Mrs. Olsen & family. Nothing much.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 January 21	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>W^m L. Paul & I went over my form of a Bill to amend the Fishery laws of the U.S. to provide for leasing or licensing trap sites & agreed on a final form. He will go down to Seattle on the "Alaska" on next trip and submit the matter to our clients & lay out plans to get the bill introduced in Congress & passed. I will send a letter along & try & get the matter going as quickly as possible. Bought a copy of Doctor S. Hall Youngs new book today, title "Hall Young of Alaska" an autobiography of the Mushing Parson. It is beautifully printed & illustrated. <u>Revell & Co. N.Y.</u></p>

Diary 38, 1928 January 22-23	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Sunday- a beautiful day but chilly. Took a long walk, wrote a letter to Jane & read.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Busy writing a communication to be printed in Pauls paper, "<u>The Alaska Fisherman</u>," in relation to trap sites. Mrs. Hunt & her committee have arranged for me to talk to the Womens Club tomorrow evening. I attended the Choral Club meeting tonight & heard some good music:</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JAMES WICKERSHAM TO SPEAK HERE TOMORROW {23rd}</p> <p>James Wickersham, of Juneau, former delegate to congress from Alaska, will deliver a lecture tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the Eagles hall, according to announcement made today. The topic selected by Mr. Wickersham is, "The Pioneer Women of Alaska from the Russian Empress Who Outfitted Bering's Expedition to the Woman's Club of Ketchikan." The talk will be made under the auspices of the women's auxiliary of the Pioneers of Alaska. No admission will be charged.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">X</p>
Diary 38, 1928 January 24	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>Am reading "<u>Hall Young of Alaska</u>," the autobiography written by my friend Rev. S. Hall Young, & published just after his death. I am greatly pleased with the book & intend to give it a "boost" tonight in my talk to the Womans Club. Had a good audience but I am not satisfied with my talk. It seemed to me that I was not interested - or interesting though many of my auditors seemed to be pleased with the talk.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WICKERSHAM TO SPEAK TONIGHT AT EAGLES' HALL {24}</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham will lecture tonight at 8 o'clock at Eagle's hall. His subject will be the</p>

	<p>history of the part that women have played in the making of Alaska, from the time of that Russian empress who authorized and aided Bering in his early explorations down to the present.</p> <p>For many years Judge Wickersham has been gathering historical data, so that an interesting talk may be anticipated.</p> <p>Those in charge of the meeting announce that it is not only for women but also for men that the lecture has been arranged. It will be free and everybody is invited.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Have prepared the final draft of the bill to license trap sites in Alaskan fisheries & Paul has approved it. I have also prepared a letter & Paul has promised to print both my letter & copy of the bill in the Alaska Fisherman so the public may have full notice of its contents. Only by this way can we probably get Sutherland to support it in Congress. Busy also in other matters. <u>Sent Skinner, Seattle, copy of my letter & the proposed fish trap bill.</u></p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AUDIENCE IS APPRECIATIVE OVER ADDRESS</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham made an interesting address before an appreciate audience in Eagles hall last evening on the subject of "Pioneer Women of Alaska."</p> <p>The speaker was introduced by Mrs. Forrest J. Hunt in a few well chosen words.</p> <p>The judge began with a review of "Catherine," wife of Peter the Great of Russia, who financed the first expedition to Alaska, giving much interesting historical data, and then told of the work done by the pioneer women of Alaska, as well as elsewhere. He emphasized their importance in all kinds of reformation work and painted a picture of the possibilities of the future under their directing hand.</p> <p>The audience showed its appreciation by hearty applause.</p>

<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Have spent most of this day trying to keep Duggan from "bolting" the Republicans ticket: He demands that he be put on the ticket by Paul & threatens that he will run independently if it is not done. I suggested to him & McCain that they put Olts on and push Benolken off - B. is a "squaw man" - married to an Indian woman, & they object to both Paul & B- being on the ticket. Made but little progress so far - though McCain says he will support Olts: One J. Steward, mining broker, wants Olts to give him an option on De Roux asbestos claims etc. We promise to consider & advise him.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 27-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Got matters ready & left Ketchikan tonight for Juneau. Lynch case will await my return last of next week.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>We are at Wrangell this morning early and remained there till noon.</p> <p>At Mr. Pauls suggestion I got W.D. Grant & P.C. (Pete) McCormick together & had them settle who should act as Alternate on the Rep. ticket at the primary - McCormick was willing to be a candidate for Alternate but I insisted that he be the candidate for the House - & that Grant run for Alternate. After something of a protest from McCormick</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 January 28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>he agreed finally & signed the Declaration for the House & then I secured Grants consent to stand for Alternate Delegate to the Rep. Nat. Convention with me & everything closed satisfactory. They gave me their Declarations & I am to file them in Juneau Monday.</p> <p>Our boat at Petersburg at 4. p.m. Saw Louis J. Paul, & arranged to have my letter to "<u>Alaska Fisherman</u>" & the tentative Bill for licensing trap sites printed in this weeks issue. I am to pay for its printing as an advertisement. Also talked with the McGregors about his trial for alleged embezzlement of Govt. funds. Leave here tonight at midnight. Beautiful spring day.</p>

Diary 38, 1928 January 29-30	-29 th - Sunday. the "Rogers" docked in Juneau at 8:30 this morning. Am very tired - good bath - & a good sleep in my own bed in the Zynda. Big lot of mail - hut noting of great importance. Dinner at Gastineau with Lerch & Donaldson - who are busily engaged in looking up machinery for Harkrader Coal mine - they are very enthusiastic. -30 th - Working on correspondence. Filed declarations of candidacy for P.C. McCormack, Wrangell, & W.D. Grant. McCormack for Lower House Legislature & Grant for Alternate Delegate to <u>Nat. Con.</u>
Diary 38, 1928 January 31	-31 st - The Bolshevik element has been threatening for a long time to take possession of the Greek Orthodox churches in Alaska, and their Bishop has now appointed one Sokolof, long a resident of Sitka and Juneau, as the minister here. He has filed his credentials in the Records office here in Juneau, and Father Kashaveroff is very much afraid they contemplate some immediate action in that effort. He has talked to me today about it & wants my assistance in case the effort is made. I have advised him to put padlocks on the church doors & keep the keys in his house so they cannot gain possession
Diary 38, 1928 January 31	31 except through court proceedings. I have, of course, advised him that if the true officials of the real church act in the matter it may succeed, but that I think we can defeat the effort of the Bolshevik element to get possession. Have this day prepared & sent to Olts, at Ketchikan, an option for his signature, for the sale of our interests in the Admiralty Is. Asbestos claims. DeRoux will probably object, but the attempt to sell will bring the matter to an issue and settle our rights in the claims, which I think are good as to certain large interests in the whole property.
Diary 38, 1928 February 1	February 1 st , 1928 Spent most of the day in getting the Admiralty Island Coal Co. in shape.

	We held a meeting of the Board of Directors & also Stockholders. Lerch proposed assigning the Application, Permit & Lease of 2273+ acres of public coal land to the Co. & taking \$60,000 common stock - agreed to. I proposed selling my interest in the Harkrader Coal Claim for \$15,000 common stock & \$7,500 preferred stock, also agreed to. I dictated the minutes of the meetings of the Bd. of Directors & the Stock holders, & got every thing properly arranged to date.
Diary 38, 1928 February 2-3	-Feb. 2 nd - Answering correspondents & aiding my friends to get the Rep. nominees in shape for the primaries. All declarations of candidacy must be filed on or before Feb. 7th and some of them are slow in coming in. We held the first meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ad. Is. Coal Co. yesterday & are getting the Minutes typed & ready for signatures, etc. -Feb. 3 rd - Got minutes of Ad. Is. Coal Co. typed & all signed up today. Everything is satisfactory & our respective interests settled. Working to finish correspondence for I am going to Ketchikan & Seattle on Sunday.
Diary 38, 1928 February 4-5	-4 th - Closing office for trip to Seattle. Left Juneau on SS. "Alameda" - late at night. Poor room as usual. -5 th - <u>Sunday</u> At Petersburg this forenoon. Saw Louis F. Paul & got 1/2 doz copies Fisherman with my letter & tentative bill printed therein - a pretty good job of country printing. Ketchikan at 10 ³⁰ p.m. Telephoned Judge Reed & after some delay he agreed to continue trial of U.S.A. v Lunch, et. al. On account of my eyesight - Roden assisted me.
Diary 38, 1928 February 5	5 [clipping] The Alaska Fisherman Wickersham Offers Draft New

Fisheries Law

Editor Alaska Fisherman:

Nature and Dan Sutherland and William L. Paul and Henry O'Malley, sometimes acting together, and sometimes not, have finally won a partial Victory for conservation in the fight to protect and preserve the fisheries of Alaska. The Act of Congress of Juneau 18, 1926, together with the new Rules and Regulations of Dec 12, 1927, make a step in the right direction, and recognize for the first time the rights of the resident Alaska fishermen.

There is still, however, the fight between the trap owners. Those who have lost trap sites are said to be planning to "jump" some of the best sites remaining by getting on the ground first. The War Department has issued Rules and Regulations to remedy the suit brought about by Judge Reed's decision that the first man on the ground will hold it, though what authority the War Department has over the fisheries in Alaska is not understood. The trap men contend that so long as their business is recognized as legal by the law, they ought to be entitled to protection from other trap men. The whole matter has now resolved itself into a scrap between the trap men. The only interest left for the public in the matter is to protect the trap sites so that no private title can be obtained by any of the trap men to these advantageous fishing stations. It is to the public interest that there shall be no private title acquired by any trap owner to the sites which cannot be shaken off promptly if necessary to protect the fisheries from destruction.

It would be far better if the Territorial Legislature had control of the situation, but it has not. The trap sites are a "no man's land" between the contending trapmen, and the strongest of them controls. For the preservation of the public right, to prevent private title, to preserve order between the warring trap men, to compel them to pay a license fee and to recognize the rights of the public, it is necessary to amend the law to that extent.

In view of this chaotic situation and at the

suggestion of friends of the Alaskan fisheries, the following draft of a tentative bill has been prepared and is sent to you herewith with the request that it be printed in your paper for general information. If the reader has any suggestion either in opposition to the general idea in the proposed bill as a whole, or of amendment which will better protect the public interest in Alaskan fisheries, let them be heard, so the suggested bill may be further amended to protect the interest of the public, if necessary.

Very truly yours,
JAMES WICKERSHAM.

Diary 38, 1928
February 5-7

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[copy of Wickersham's Bill]

AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION
OF THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF
JUNE 6, 1924 ENTITLED "AN
ACT FOR THE PROTEC-
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IES OF ALASKA, AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES"

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 8 of the Act of Congress of June 6, 1924, entitled "An Act for the protection of the fisheries of Alaska, and for other purposes," is amended so that it will read as follows:

"Section 8. Nothing in this Act contained, nor any powers herein conferred upon the Secretary of Commerce, shall abrogate or curtail the powers granted the Territorial Legislature of Alaska to impose taxes or licenses, nor limit or curtail any powers granted the Territorial Legislature of Alaska by the Act of Congress approved August 24, 1912 "To create a legislative assembly in the Territory of Alaska, to confer legislative power thereon, and for other purposes;" (a) that the Secretary of Commerce is hereby authorized to license fishing for salmon with traps, on sites suitable therefore in the coastal waters of Alaska, where the same are now authorized to be located by law, by any person, association, firm or corporation, subject to the laws of the United States and the terms, limitations and restrictions hereinafter mentioned; (b) that no license shall be issued for any period longer than four years, and may be renewed from time to time for any period not to exceed a term of four years, provided that the right is hereby reserved by the United States to revoke the said license and all rights granted thereby or claimed thereunder, at the end of any year after that in which the license is issued, upon thirty days notice given by the United States to the said licensee of its intention so to revoke the said license; (c) and thereupon the licensee shall vacate the said trap

site and remove its trap and other property therefrom within thirty days after the last day of the year in which such notice was served; (d) that an annual license fee shall be paid by the licensee for the use and occupation of every such trap site, in addition to his or its other licenses and taxes, of fifty dollars for every fifty thousand salmon caught in said trap; (e) trap sites shall be considered to be abandoned by the licensee and shall be open to be licensed to another person, association, firm or corporation upon failure of the licensee or his assignee to operate or to use the trap site described in the license for the season or some part thereof during the year; or by failure to pay the annual license fee in full during the year for which the license was issued; (f) that in issuing trap site licenses under this Act the Secretary of Commerce shall give any person, association, firm or corporation who was in the actual and bona fide use and occupation of any trap site, operating a trap thereon during the season of 1927, the preference of right to have and receive a license thereon and the use and occupation of said trap site under this Act; (g) that any license issued and any trap site leased to any licensee under the provisions of this

	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>Act and other laws of the United States may be bought, sold, assigned, mortgaged or otherwise transferred by the holder thereof, subject always to the provisions of this Act and other laws of the United States and the rules and regulations issued by the Secretary of Commerce thereunder; (h) in event any fish trap covered by a license is prohibited from fishing, by any regulations of the Secretary of Commerce and such area is again open to fishing, the last licensee shall have the first right to reoccupy the said site subject to the provisions of this Act if the said licensee shall apply therefore within ninety days after the same shall have been thrown open; (i) nothing in this Act shall be construed to limit, curtail or restrict the right, power and authority of the Secretary of Commerce to change or modify any regulation or restriction now authorized to be imposed upon the fishing industry by law, or to promulgate any rule or regulation in aid of the protection and conservation thereof; (j) that the Secretary of Commerce is hereby authorized and required to make and enforce rules and regulations to prevent traps, piles and other structures erected in the coastal waters of Alaska from becoming or remaining a menace to navigation, at the expense of the person, association, firm or corporation erecting the same; and (k) nothing in this Act or in any license issued under its provisions shall be held to prevent Congress from amending, modifying or repealing this Act and revoking all licenses and rights held or claimed thereunder.”</p> <p>Millbank Sound. Pacific Waves. -7th-</p> <p>Crossed Queen Charlottes early this mooning - Seymour Narrows about noon - making slow time so as to reach Seattle at 7 a.m. tomorrow. Rev. <u>Dimitry Hotovisky</u>, Russian Orthodox minister from Belchofsky on board; also Mr. & Mrs. J C. Lowe</p>
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<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>from Nushagak (Dillingham P.O.) also Sol. Warren & C.F. Miller from Nome. Sam Magids from Kotzebue, L. Lundblad from Seward, & L. Calvert from Seattle, but interested in fishing at Bristol Bay - a rather interesting crowd. Hotovisky, is a round faced Cossack, the Russian priest, trader & fisherman at Belchofsky - a vigorous man physically mentally. He talked Russian books about Alaska with me, promised if I would write to him about them & send him a list he would go through the library at Unalaska & elsewhere in that region and send me what he could find. The Lowe's are traders at Dillingham.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>Sol Warren is 74 years old - and was a scout with Howard & Miles in the Nez Perce war in 1877, etc. He has been in the mining & oil camps of Alaska. Sold out to Polet, at Nome, & came to Fairbanks by airplane with Wien. He tells me how they were forced to land the plane in the deep snow on the Yukon river etc. They had four persons in the plane, Wien, the flyer, Warren, Miller & a sick woman. Warren & the woman were both sick. He described how the plane was obliged to circle around in the deep snow - the snow flying like it was coming out of a railroad snow plow - but finally the plane rose out of the clouds of snow & <u>flew</u>. Miller, too, is a character -a furbuyer,</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>who travels from the Mackenzie river to Point Barrow & along the Arctic plains & rivers, gathering furs & ivory carvings etc. He has a marvelous memory! Quotes Shakespeare, Scott, Ingersoll & other great authors by the hour - verbatim. Magids is a fur trader & curio buyer - a Russian Jew - but a remarkable character, bright eyes & shrewd. The Jewish characteristics predominate while Lundblad is a poet - a Swedish fisherman who writes rough fisherfolk poetry. Not always grammatical, but roughly poetical. Calvert is a young man - full of business - precise and clearly in person.</p>

Diary 38, 1928 February 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>There are also half a dozen young men on board who saw service in the war - most of them - in aviation. They talk war, aviation, automobiles, etc. Lundblad read me his long poem. Miller quoted the classics to me for an hour. Sol Warren told me his experiences in the Nez Perce war of fifty years ago, etc. etc. & I gave Calvert a copy of the Alaska Fisherman containing my letter & bill to settle the trap site troubles in Alaska, so each of us had some satisfaction!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>We landed in Seattle this morning about 8 o'clock - & I went to the Frye & had breakfast. As usual I caught a violent cold on the boat.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 February 8-9	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>Was invited to the meeting of the Mining Com. of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce - in reception of Lt. Ben Eilson, the Alaska flyer. He made a good talk, one of his flyers also - & I was asked to talk - which I did for ten minutes. Was asked to come to Olympic Hotel to confer with Eilson - this evening but had to decline on account of my cold - which grew worse after I had a Turkish bath and rub - Am "dozing" & will go to bed early.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9-</p> <p>Met Mr. E.D. Skinner this forenoon & he seemed entirely pleased with the tentative bill I prepared for trap site matter</p>
Diary 38, 1928 February 9	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>in Alaska, though he and his associates had gone over it carefully & wished to suggest one or two minor amendments. This afternoon we met in his office: He & his son, Gilbert; Buschman (August) & Freely & his attorney, my friend Allen. After more than an hours reading & explaining the whole thing was reduced to four small & immaterial amendments, which they thought made the text clearer, & which I accepted smilingly because they really made no change in my bill. Really I am greatly pleased that I got my draft so near to their ideas & wishes. They then wanted me to go to Washington to get it introduced & passed, but I suggested that W^m L. Paul ought</p>

Diary 38, 1928 February 9	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>go that Sutherland would rather have Pauls ideas on fishery matters than mine, and that I could do more & better work in Alaska if criticisms arose, than Paul, but Paul could do more to give Dan confidence in Washington in the matter than I. That Dan depended politically, more on Paul in Alaskan fishery politics, etc. They gave way and asked me to telegraph to Paul to come on first boat & attend to that part of the effort. This I did tonight as follows: <u>"Come by first boat prepared to go east in connection with fishery matter stop important act promptly stop advise me by return telegraph your determination and come Frye Hotel."</u></p>
Diary 38, 1928 February 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Long consultation with my oculist, Dr. Bentley. He tells me the cataract on my left eye may give me trouble, and that I ought now to be thankful for the operation by removal of my cataract-covered lens in my right eye. Attended a luncheon, by special invitation - at Olympic Hotel, to Lt. Eilson. Speeches, of course, and I was again asked to talk, which I did for 15 minutes on the advantages of aviation in Alaska. Also subscribed \$100⁰⁰ to Eielson's Alaska corporation - it may assist some!! S.H. Stevens, "Big Steve" - promised me the first Vol of the Nome paper. Harold came to see me, will come again Sunday evening.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 February 11-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Recd. answer from telegram to Paul <u>"Will leave Tuesday on Mary being first boat."</u> Busy today with small matters. Attended Alaska-Yukon Pioneers ball - just looked on and met many old friends. Wrote to Darrell.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Sunday. Slept late - street car ride to Ballard - read Harper's Magazine. To Enumclaw tonight with Harold.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Went to Buckley - visited with Harry, Uncle Tom & Aunt Kate, saw Aunt Lizzy Cruse (Mothers sister) called on Maud & Willie - back to Enumclaw. Visited the mills</p>

Diary 38, 1928 February 13	13 with Harold & Uncle A.G. and Harold brought me back to Seattle. Went with Will A Steel to 26 th Ann. Young Mens Republican Club Banquet of Lincolns Birthday celebration & heard Governor Hartley of Wash. & Gov. Morrow of Kentucky talk on Lincoln. It was a splendid banquet. From what Will Steel tells me I think he and Larry may get the contract for printing my Bibliography. He also says if they get it the work of both printing & binding may be done here in Seattle & a better job done than if it were done in Alaska. Well, I hope so!
Diary 38, 1928 February 14-15	-14 th – Got my new eye glasses today. Long visit with Ed. Russell & other friends. Took Dorothy Goddard & Marie Donovan - two Juneau girls & particular friends of Debbies - to the Olympic Hotel new dining room for dinner & then to Pantages Theater. -15 th - Over to Tacoma - nothing done. Mr. E.D. Skinner engagement for tomorrow - wants to see Paul, as he (Skinner) is going away for weeks. Dinner tonight with Mrs. Leech. Telegram form Mike Sullivan - wants \$75 ⁰⁰ by telegraph in Denver!
Diary 38, 1928 February 16-17	-16 th – Conference this forenoon: D.E. Skinner, Freely & Mr. Alden & I - Skinner is going away for a month & we arranged to have Paul go to Washington. He will be here about Saturday morning. Sent Mike Sullivan \$75 ⁰⁰ to Denver, Col. by telegraph. <u>Went over to Tacoma and made out my income tax statement.</u> Will Steel took dinner with me - Conference with Harvie about witnesses in Seattle in Wheeler v Harvie. <u>Paid my 1927 income tax = \$30⁰⁰.</u> -17 th - Gathering important evidence in the case of Wheeler v Harvie, with Harvies assistance.

	Waiting for Paul to arrive.
Diary 38, 1928 February 18	-18 th - Conference with Harvie and Cline about facts in case of Wheeler v Harvie W ^m L. Paul came from Ketchikan on steamer last night. Had meeting with him & Friely, August Buschman & their attorney Ed. W. Allen, & completed arrangements for Paul to go to Washington D.C. on tomorrow mornings train, to support the trap site bill. Lunch with Friely & Paul at Arctic Club. Had Paul & Will Steel to dinner, and Paul & I attended Alaska night at the Press Club. Saw many old Alaskans and looked on at games of old mining days - played with "bunk" money. Dance Hall scenes etc. etc.
Diary 38, 1928 February 19-20	-19 th – Sunday. Went to Enumclaw with Jack McKinnon - one of the Hanson "cousins" - Harold took me out to the community (Hansons) house at their original homestead on Lake Sawyer - where I met most of the family & had late dinner. Back to Enumclaw & called on the others - except "A.G." & his wife - she was in Tacoma. -20 th - Went down to Tacoma by autobus early this morning. Out to State Hist. Soc. saw Bonney & sent four big boxes of Alaskan newspapers over to Smith, Librarian, University of
Diary 38, 1928 February 20	20 Washington for storage. Went to the Olds & called & was invited to and remained for lunch. Went over my finances with Winden (Hopping & Co), who also drove me out to the Valley ranch. It looks fine. Made arrangement for my taxes - recorded deed from my sister Jennie, as executer of Mothers estate - to Harry & asked Winden to pay his taxes out of my funds. Back to Seattle. Letter from Donaldson who reports progress of Harkrader coal mine project. Says he is securing sale of \$5000. preferred stock, etc. etc.
Diary 38, 1928 February 21-22	-21 st – Busy on many small matters today - getting

	<p>certified copies records for Harvie in case of Wheeler v Harvie, <u>etc.</u> Nothing of importance. -22nd -</p> <p>Went over to the Tacoma Cemetery, placed flowers on family graves - a beautiful warm spring day - robins, & spring birds. Back to Seattle - Harold came to dinner with me. Being a holiday could do nothing in the way of business. At Orpheum Theater - tonight. A beautiful house but a bum play.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Yukon Pioneers To Hold Dance Friday</p> <p>Alaska Yukon Pioneers will hold a dance and entertainment under auspices of the newly elected officers in their lodgeroom, 1923-1/2 First Ave, on Friday evening. All members of the Yukon Pioneers, Ladies of the Golden North, and those eligible to either of the lodges have been invited to attend.</p> <p>James Wickersham will talk on Alaska as part of the program. The committee has announced that there will be no charge for the affair.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Went out to Providence Hospital this forenoon and called on Mrs. Anna Anderson - Harolds aunt Anna - She is suffering with some disease of the shoulder bones - but is getting better. Hunted up Classel who has some copies of early Nome newspapers - found his address & office - but not himself - tomorrow. Mrs. Handsaker (who guarded the girl who blackmailed me in 1888) called me up today & made an engagement to see me here at the Hotel tomorrow at 11 a.m.!! Went to Pantages Theater tonight to see the Duncan sisters! but was not thrilled.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>No word from Charlie Peterson. Freily, of the Nakat Packing Co. received a telegram from W^m L. Paul, Washington D.C. saying Dan was inclined to be against the bill for settling the trap site question! I am not surprised, though</p>

	<p>he may support it by silence later. Mrs. Hunsaker came to see me, just to talk & say that she was sorry, etc. Attended social evening of the Alaska-Yukon Pioneers & Ladies of the Golden North - fine programme. I talked 10 minutes & met many of my old friends - both men & women. Bought a new spring overcoat today - nothing important.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Nothing much today except to talk to some Alaskans. A Mr. Pierce, formerly of 40 Mile took lunch with me. Went to 45th Avenue Theater with Mrs. Ettinger, one of my Tacoma-Washington acquaintances. <u>Evidently Paul is at least playing politics - witness this dispatch from Washington. This is a beautiful alibi - in case of a political accusation!</u></p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Coolidge Asked To Extend Time For Fishing in Alaska</p> <p>By Associated Press WASHINGTON, Saturday, Feb. 25.-Fishing regulations in Alaskan waters were discussed today with President Coolidge by William L. Paul, an Alaskan lawyer. Mr. Paul contended that the time limit on Alaskan fishing was unduly restrictive, and suggested an additional ten days for the natives.</p> <p>Wrote Darrell a letter. <u>The Alaska Weekly</u> - just out - has a good cut of my picture & short biographical sketch - see next page.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Sunday – slept late & visited around.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1928</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ONE OF ALASKA'S OUTSTANDING CITIZENS [photograph of Judge James Wickersham]</p>

	<p>Judge James Wickersham went to Alaska as district judge for the newly created Third Judicial Division, with headquarters at Eagle, on the Yukon River. With the rapid growth of Fairbanks, the judicial headquarters were moved to that place. For a period of eight years, Judge Wickersham served on the bench, resigning to become delegate to congress from the big northern territory. In this high position he served from 1908 to 1920. He is now engaged in the practice of law in Juneau, the capital city. Judge Wickersham, now in the city, will speak at the Alaska-Yukon Pioneer smoker tonight at their lodge rooms.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 February 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ADMIRALTY ISLAND COAL CO. FORMED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Harkrader Coal Property and Recently Acquired Govern- ment Coal Land in Vicin- ity Forms Asset</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DONALDSON IS IN CHARGE Under Harkrader Ownership Shaft Had Been Sunk to Depth of 180 Feet on Seven- Foot Vein of Bituminous Coal – Roosevelt's With- drawal Order of 1906 Stop- ped Development Until Now</p> <p>In the early days, along in 1903-4-5 and 6, there was a small settlement on Admiralty Island, near Juneau, the male inhabitants being engaged, in a primitive way, in the mining of coal, outcrops of which had been found. Then came an executive order from the hands of President Roosevelt, issued in 1906, withdrawing all the coal and oil lands in Alaska. The inhabitants were thereupon ordered to cease forthwith from mining any more coal on the island, and left for other parts. All but one, a sturdy old pioneer named George Harkrader. He had uncovered a seven-foot vein of bituminous coal and was engaged in sinking a shaft on it when the harsh order came. But</p>

	<p>Harkrader kept right on with the shaft until a dept of 180 feet had been attained. Eventually, in 1913, to be exact, Harkrader succeeded in getting a government patent to 132 acres of coal land on Admiralty Island, taking in the ground where his mine was located.</p> <p>Then Harkrader sickened and died, leaving the coal property to his brother, who lived in Oklahoma. Years wore on and the coal property, certainly a very fine coal prospect, was left in an undeveloped state.</p> <p>Not long ago, Judge James Wickersham purchases an undivided one-half interest in the property from the brother and secured an option on the remaining half interest.</p> <p>Then Robert Donaldson, oldtime Fairbanks mining man, at one time owner-of the Healy River coal property, came into the picture. Donaldson was born and raised in the city of Nanaimo, British Columbia, a great coal mining town, and knows about everything there is to know about coal.</p> <p>When Judge Wickersham learned that Donaldson had severed his connections in Fairbanks and was foot loose, and knowing of his extended experience in the coal mining business, he sent for him to come to Juneau and make an examination of the Harkrader proposition.</p> <p>Donaldson was impressed with the big possibilities of the fine coal prospect, and in company with Howard H. Lurch, who had accompanied him North, located 2,273 acres of government coal land immediately contiguous to the showing. In the meantime Judge Wickersham took up the option on-the remaining half interest.</p> <p>And thus the Admiralty Island Coal Company was born, the Wickersham, Donaldson and Lurch coal equities on Admiralty Island forming the asset on which the company is based. Officers of the company are: President, Robert Donaldson, and secretary-treasurer, Howard H. Lurch; directors, Donaldson, Lurch, John Reck, Wallace George and James Wickersham.</p> <p>Development work is now under way under the direction of Mr. Donaldson.</p>
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	{Alaska Weekly Feb. 24 th }
Diary 38, 1928 February 27	-27 th - Made my reservation for Saturday boat. Had Jim. Stevens to dinner tonight, & we talked four hours & I enjoyed it. He has promised me a copy of the Alaska Times - of 1868 - if we can find it!! He framed it & hung it in the Arctic Club some years ago & some one stole it! The joke is to find the paper! It is hanging on the wall of a rich home here in Seattle - probably of an officer of the Club of that date & I am to try to find it. I think Ed. W. Allen knows where it is to be found and I am going to try to get him to give me the information as to its location & then Jim will do the rest.
Diary 38, 1928 February 28	-28 th - Allen will make a personal effort to locate Stevens copy of the "Alaska Times", & secure its return if it happens to be Stevens paper! I visited the University of Washington today with Allen at noon - and had lunch with Smith, Librarian. We talked about my library - and I saw my files of newspapers etc. Friely, canneryman told me Paul was making trouble in Washington - I sent Paul a telegram asking for a report on conditions. This is election day in Seattle & there is great interest.
Diary 38, 1928 February 29- March 1	-29 th - Conference with Freily, canneryman, & we attempted to get Paul, in Washington on the Telephone - but did not. Went out to Allens tonight for dinner & a browse among his Alaskan books. Had Carl Johansen and Jack Cavanaugh, old Eagle City friends, & Jim Stevens and Gene Allen, Alaskans to lunch today. We had a good old fashioned visit. Nice letter tonight from Darrell. March 1 st . Paul has made a fool of himself in Washington! We got the news today that instead of cultivating a friendly OMalley when he got there he went over his head, with the aid

Diary 38, 1928 March 1	1 of Senator Curtis & presented his grievances to the President in such a way as to make OMalley furious. D.E. Skinner telephoned his son here today giving him copies of telegrams etc. in Confirmation & Pauls friends -Friely & others who are putting up for Pauls expenses to Washington are sore and bitterly disappointed - for OMalley is now abusing & threatening the canners! We are to have a meeting tomorrow to determine what to do. I had a telephone talk with Paul this afternoon & he suggested - or inquired if I thought he ought to come home! I had written him a letter but will not
Diary 38, 1928 March 1-2	1 mail it until after tomorrows meeting. I fear he has done more harm than we can repair. Took dinner tonight with Mr. & Mrs. Chas. H. Miller - Will Steel also present. -2 nd - It is evident that Paul can do no more good - but may do more harm - so at the suggestion of young Skinner & Freili I answered his telegram of this morning by consenting that he come home as soon as he pleased. Told him also I would go to Juneau on tomorrow mornings boat. Arranged with Skinner to keep me posted - agreed I might go home
Diary 38, 1928 March 2	2 for two weeks anyway - They do not, of course, hold me responsible for Pauls want of judgment - & they agreed that their friends would introduce the trap site bill etc. but I am to be in readiness to support it. I leave everything in good shape & with all parties friendly. Skinner had telephone talk with his father, who is in California, and things are not as bad act. Paul, as they feared. I explained to him that I must go home for two weeks anyway and could come back then if needed, though I feel I can do as much good there as in Seattle - or may be in Wash. D.C. Leave on SS. "Yukon" in the morning.
Diary 38, 1928 March 2-3	2 I bought good oak office chair & had it shipped home on my boat. Had good talk with Friele about

	<p>pulp cartons (boxes) for use in packing salmon. He sent me several samples in cardboard & asked me to talk to Lass, of the Speel River pulp mill about manufacturing them for the Alaska Canners - <u>which I will do.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>We left Seattle this morning at 9.⁰⁰ SS. "Yukon." A beautiful sunny day, north wind. Tonight we are in Seymour Narrows waiting for the tide. The boat is crowded - many of my friends - old Alaskans, etc. Ralph Merrill is aboard returning to his Prince William Sd. prospect.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Sunday. Queen Charlottes - to Millbank. Everything quiet - except that Dr. Ellis, of Ketchikan accidentally fell down the steep stairs in the smoking room. At first it was feared he was seriously injured but he is slowly coming back & another Doctor, on board says he is in no danger.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>We are in Boca de Quadra at 9 a.m. delivering some passengers & freight to the Booth - N.W. cannery. It is a beautiful deep harbor - it is snowing and we are at the cannery wharf. Ketchikan about 2 oclock, p.m. I am having a good visit with</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 5-7	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>Ralph Merrill, George Miller, an old prospector from the Yukon river, and Dominick Viette, of LaTouche - all friends & Fairbanks men in the past. In Ketchikan during the afternoon. Visited with Duggan & McCain, Senator Hunt, & many others. Nothing important.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>At Petersburg - called on newspapers & was consulted by two men on business matters. Left at 3 oclock for Juneau: arrived in Juneau at 11³⁰ p.m. in violent "Taku wind" & went to my room in <u>Zynda.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Busy at work on mail at</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 7	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>office. Donaldson and Lerch both met me at the wharf last</p>

	<p>night, and came to the office early today to report their efforts on Harkrader coal mine project. They have added John Reck & Wallis George to the Board of Directors & secured subscriptions to the capital stock from them and a dozen other businessmen of \$500. each, or so far \$7,000. They are promised \$10,000, and are very much elated over the flattering support given to the Company by men who are all well acquainted with the prospects at Harkrader. It now looks like a successful affair.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 8-9	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Busy attending to correspondence.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Received a letter from Arthur H Clark, publisher, Cleveland, Ohio, saying my Ms. "Old Yukon Trails" is good, but wont pay a profit to the publisher. He says: "I have read every word of the manuscript myself. The manuscript is a very interesting one. I should like to publish it. The only thing that has kept me back is that I fear lack of support and too limited a market," etc. I wrote today asking him to return it for additional chapters & promised to return it to him if he wishes to publish</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>it within a year. I also told him about my Bibliography & the Seventh. Vol. of Alaska Law Reports.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Working on correspondence & preparing papers in tax case. Sent my bill to Mr. D.E. Skinner for expenses on trips to Ketchikan & Seattle in re. trap site locations. Geo. Simpkins - binder - delivered 89 volumes of Skagway Alaskan - 1 Vol. Wrangel News, 4 vols. Daily Capital - bound for the library - will sent them to the U. of W for safe keeping. Dinner tonight with the McKinnon's. Attended the "Days of 98," - gathering of pioneers -last night & tonight at "<u>A.B. Hall</u>"</p>

Diary 38, 1928 March 11-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> Sunday - snowing - but warm. Spent the day reading. Nat. Hist. Vol 27, Journal of the Am. Mus. of Nat. Hist. <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> Correspondence & general matters. Monthly meeting of the Board of Directors of the Admiralty Island Coal Co. held in my office. Donaldson authorized to go to Seattle & secure - buy -needed mining tools & machinery. Went to the movie show last night to see the Parade - a war picture. It was a wonderful moving picture of the late World War - a spectacular exhibition – accompanied by Mrs. Bishop.
Diary 38, 1928 March 13	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> Preparing interrogations in Wheeler v Harvie, for Harvie, to be taken by deposition in Seattle. I am amused at Donaldson & Lerch - they are highly excited & pleased at the friendly feeling exhibited in Juneau in favor of the project for coal mining on the Harkrader & adjoining coal lands! They talk of nothing else, and feel that the project is already a success! Well, I hope it turns out that way but so little work has been done yet that I do not intend to <u>spend</u> any of my interest until more is done. Busy in office all the time.
Diary 38, 1928 March 14	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> Prepared papers in probate of the Estate of David Crockett Liles, a homesteader who recently died near Homer Spit on the north shore of Kachemak Bay. A committee of two members of the Juneau Womens Club called on me today & informed me they were authorized to ask me to prepare the data for a brief historical and geographic account of Alaska, etc. I asked them to give me some standard of their wants taken from some State - as a guide, but did not promise anything until I could see just what they had in mind. In the most recent catalogue of the Aldine Book Co. of 1873, 61 st St.

Diary 38, 1928 March 14-15	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> Brooklyn, N.Y. I found these items: [clipping] 5. ALASKA Railroad, Construction of the. Hearings in the House of Rep. Wash., 1921 \$2.00 6. ----- Wickersham. James., The Alaska Railway Bill, Wash., 1914. \$3.00 7. ---Coolidge, Calvin, The Alaska Railroad. Large broadside. Wash., 1925. \$2.50 7a. --- Communication from, with Supplemental estimates for the Alaska R.R. Wash., 1925. \$1.50 The item under my name is my speech on the Alaska Railway Bill, delivered in Congress on Jany. 14, 1914. <p style="text-align: center;">-15-</p> Same as yesterday - very busy. Changed rooms in the Zynda. Am now back in the best S. corner room - front, on the fifth floor, which Debbie had for several years. Got my money out of old note given by Knipple, McGrew & Davis for Hyder case = one thousand (\$1000) dollars by telegraph - from J.H. Hall - I suppose Hall charge up the full amt. but I am satisfied.
Diary 38, 1928 March 16	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> Recd. a letter from Tom Jensen, Clerk Dist. Court, Nome, asking me to say whom I would vote for if elected a Delegate to the Rep. Nat. Convention: I answered saying that I could not now say, but must wait till I knew who would be the real competitors, etc. I wrote a nice letter for it seems to come from the Nome Rep. Club, & ended by asking them to send me a list of the members of the Club with their preferences! Sent a copy of Jensens letter and my reply to Charles E. Taylor, my brother-in-law and now the Asst. Dist. Atty at Nome, to Lynn Smith, Fairbanks, to Dr. Chase, Cordova, and one to Sutherland - Tom may not be on the square & these men will be wise & others.

<p>Diary 38, 1928 March 17-18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>Have now caught up with my correspondence for which I am glad. Things going ok in the office. <u>The Admiralty Island Coal Co. today received a telegram from Sutherland saying the Sec. of Interior had just signed the coal permit applied for by the company.</u> The affairs of the Co. are moving along very satisfactorily!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Sunday. Breakfast with Rustgard. Wrote long letter to Darrell. Walk. Dinner with Mrs. Bishop who is a good cook & seems to think the way to a man's heart is through his stomach - not new but sometimes it works - & sometimes it does not.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 March 19-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Same as usual in office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. I was surprised today. I was down at Winter & Ponds photography store and Pond rather hesitatingly said, "Judge I suppose I can congratulate you - I hear you are to be married." I looked at him in astonishment and said "No, you are mistaken: I have no intention to do anything of the kind. I am 70 years old"! Judging from his remarks that the report is being circulated that I am to be married to Mrs. B. I will be more careful and keep away from company for I do not want to embarrass the lady - nor myself. This damn</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 March 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>town must have something to talk about though, but I do not care to be talked about in that way - & do not want to bring talk of that kind upon Mrs. B. It may embarrass her too, so I will stay at home, and not be so friendly.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Have caught up, at last, with my correspondence. Recd. telegram from Sutherland today and in my answer I urged him to have 5000 copies of the proceedings of the House on Mch 5th in relation to the effort of Gov. Parks to emasculate our Organic Act, which was defeated by Sutherland, printed and sent to the people of Alaska. It will be</p>

	<p>excellent campaigning document & do much good in the Territory.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 March 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd –</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Dan this morning saying he had already had 3000 copies of the proceedings of the House of Mch. 5th printed & ford. to Alaska. Bartley Howard will speak at the Coliseum Theater between acts one night soon! <u>If by any unlucky accident he should beat Dan in the primary I will do what I can to defeat him at the election!</u> I though in my judgment there is no danger of his doing so. Sent two huge boxes of the 88 vols. of <u>Skagway Alaskan</u> to my collection of Alaska newspapers at University of Washington at Seattle, today! Am making</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 March 22-23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p><u>arrangements to have Mary Kashaverof translate the Biography of Baranov into English for me.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Sent check to <u>Otto Lange</u>, bookseller, <u>Florence, Italy</u>, in the sum of 450 francs (Swiss) equal to \$87.¹⁷ for copy 4 vols Du Halde, Hist. of China, 1735, the first edition, containing Berings report to the Russian govt. on his first voyage, of 1728, wherein he discovered St. Lawrence Island, part of Alaska. The book is interesting for it contains the first printed story about any point of Alaska. It is the French edition. I have the Eng. Ed. of 1737.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 March 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>This day received letter from Judge Bunnell, Pres. Alaska Agri. College and Sch. of Mines letter dated Mch 15, 1928, saying: "My dear Mr. Wickersham. As of course you understand I have awarded the contract for printing the Bibliography to H.S. Steel, of Cordova. In view of the fact that we will thus secure Six hundred additional copies I have decided to extend the date of delivery to August 1. I have signed the contract with you and enclose a copy of same. I am requiring Mr. Steel to give a bond in the sum of \$5000.00, and by this mail am sending a form contract for him to execute. I realize that it would</p>

	be much more convenient for you to have the printing done in Juneau, but Mr. Steel, as it
Diary 38, 1928 March 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>appears to me, is entitled to the contract. I sincerely hope that he will do a good job and that the reading of the manuscript will not entail too much work on your part: I know it is a big job. I am also enclosing a Foreword of one page which I trust will meet with your approval.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Very truly yours, "Charles L. Bunnell, President"</p> <p>I have written him a very friendly letter approving the contract and all he has done, and am also sending copies etc. to Will A. Steel. Seattle, who will attend to the publication of the book for Harry. In his foreword Judge Bunnell speaks highly of my services, etc. and altogether the matter is very satisfactory to me. And, now, for the printing with as few errors as possible!</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 25-26	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Sunday - a long day between two short weeks - Took a walk, dinner at the Gastineau Cafe - alone. Am arranging my notes with a view of studying a first history of Alaska. Mary Kashevarof insists that she can translate good enough to turn Baranov's Biography into English.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26-</p> <p>Court in session today - Judge Reed called me to his desk privately & said he intended to decide the Territorial Case soon! I asked him if he would like to examine the Com. Rept. by Curry in favor of the attempt to cure the want of authority & he said he would so I sent that & the Congressional Record of Mch 5th to him.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 26-28	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th continued.</p> <p>Attended the theater - the "Coliseum" - to hear music by the University of Washington Glee Club - It was good.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Working on law matters for court. Nothing of importance. Grant Murdock, from Dan Creek, & Capt. Langley from the Kuskokwim river in while their boat was lying at the wharf. Also my</p>

	<p>friend Troseth[?], from Fairbanks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>This is confidential - but funny: When Donaldson & Lerch came here to start the project of the Admiralty Is. Coal Co. they impressed the town as rich men, with plenty of money to put the mine into operation, etc. and many of the business men fell over</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>themselves to get into the scheme with \$500. apiece: among them John Reck, Pres. of the 1st Nat. Bank. The boys worked that idea by taking in about a dozen, most of whom paid in a hundred dollars each, and gave their notes for the balance due in 30 or 60 days. Donaldson went to Seattle and bought about \$1300. worth of machinery and supplies, and gave check on Recks bank - and has thus created an over-draft of about \$600. He now suggests to Reck that the Bank make them a loan of \$1000. on short time, with these notes attached as security - until they are paid - but Reck declined to do it! Evidently Reck expected them to</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p><u>deposit</u> a considerable sum of <u>outside</u> money - and is disappointed at their failure to do so! The boys are now "rustling" to <u>collect</u> on the notes! Of course I am not obligated in any way - and I have no doubt the boys will fix it satisfactorily in a day or two. - but "it is not always gold that glitters"! Attended court today - call of the motion docket - nothing but small matters.</p> <p>Marshal White called my attention to notice from Dept. Justice. saying Charlie Taylor, my brother-in-law died December 31st! Since he took dinner with me on Jan. 17, I am sure some mistake has been made but I sent a night letter to U.S. Marshal, Nome, asking fin for info.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Chas. E. Taylor denying he was dead! Wrote letter to Sutherland and sent him copies of Dept. statement, my telegram to Charlie & his answer, and asked Dan to go to the Dept. and get matter corrected, etc.</p>

	-30 th -
	<p>Donaldson & Lerch are getting their matters straightened out in good shape. A little set back seems to make them more active and energetic. They will make it go o.k. Am writing some on history. Wrote to Henry W. Elliott, Seattle, to make me a sketch picture showing the L.C. Smith bldg. & Washington monument sitting on the bottom of Berings strait - to show its depth - by comparison with the buildings.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 March 31	-31 st -
	<p><u>Radio reports that Senator Willis of Ohio died suddenly last night - or yesterday at Atlantic City! I am very sorry, for he was a good friend to Alaska.</u> His death will demoralize the primary election contest in Ohio, and may result in Hoover carrying the delegates. Dinner tonight at Wynne Goddards - Dr & Mrs. DeVighne & her sister, Mrs. Terhune & 3 children, & I. It was a fine dinner & I sat and smoked & listened to the women talk while they worked - crocheting etc. We talked & had a pleasant evening. (I have no glasses-).</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 1-2	Sunday – April 1 st 1928.
	<p>A beautiful clear bright sunny day. Loafed - called at Hospital & visited my friend Billie Bosch who has been confined there for more than a month - an operation. Nothing to do but read a book on "Climate"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">April 2nd</p> <p><u>Darrell's Birthday</u> - he was born Springfield, Illinois, in 1882 - 46 years ago: How proud we were that day - his mother & I. He was our first born. Received a nice letter from him this morning and am writing him one tonight. Busy as usual in the office. Mary Kashaveroff showed me a beautiful diamond ring on her finger & asked for a day off. I fear that I shall lose her though she declared she would continue translating for me.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 3	April 3 rd 1928.
	<p>The Admiralty Is. Coal Co. has the notes of Harry Lucas, dated Mch 29, due in 90 days \$300</p>

	<p>Dr. Council & Dr. Borland, " " " " " " " \$450. Cash Cole, " " 28 " " " " \$450. C.E. Krause, " " " " " " " \$500 C.P. Jenne, " " " " " " " \$250 John Spickett, " " " " " " " \$500 Wallis George, " " " " " " " \$400 \$2900</p> <p>The Co. needs \$1500. & has made its note for that amount to the First Nat Bank, with Bob Donaldson: <u>and I have endorsed it</u> - for 90 days: these notes being attached as security & proceeds of same to be used in paying the \$1500. This puts the Co in possession of enough money to go ahead with business for 2 months.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 4-5	-April 4 th -
	<p>Busy in office today. Wrote letter to Will A. Steel about colors of binding my Bibliography. Begun a new suit in court - filed tomorrow etc. etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-April 5th -</p> <p>Donaldson & Lerch go to open the Harkrader shaft & pump it out today - with a complete & new outfit of tools and machinery. Bob feels that success <u>must</u> attend their efforts and I hope so. They have everything they want - men, tools, etc.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DONALDSON TAKING CREW TO ISLAND TO BEGIN COAL MINING</p> <p>Robert Donaldson, President and General Manager of the Admiralty Island Coal Company, will leave for the company's property at Killisnoo Inlet, tomorrow on the Argo with a crew of eight men and the supplies and equipment to establish a camp preliminary to installing the mining equipment and the beginning of mine operations. Evan Jones, who will be Superintendent of the company and have charge of installing the equipment and mine operations, will leave Seward for Juneau April 14, and assume his work with the Admiralty Island concern, according to Mr. Donaldson. Mr. Jones has already severed his connection with the Healy River Coal Company at</p>

	<p>Suntrana.</p> <p>The Admiralty Island Coal Company has chartered the motorboat Argo from Dr. H. Vance, and will use it as a tender for the mine and to tow coal barges to Juneau. Dr. Vance purchased the craft from Frank Bongard in February. She is regarded as adequate for the work she is intended to do.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 6	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Just as I feared Mary Kashaveroff will leave my office & marry a Mr. Webber. And then today a tall young fellow came into the office looking for a job. He says he was born & raised in North Dakota, spent two years in the University of Indiana, but his family moving to Texas he went there & graduated from the University of Texas. He was admitted to the bar there & came to Alaska to grow up with the country. He wants employment, so I have employed him & agreed to pay him Seventy five (\$75.00) dollars per month to start on & a raise whenever he proves that he is worth it: His name is L.M. Sullivan. Busy as usual in the office.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 7	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>I am amused - Mrs. Smith, Treas. wife, & he invited me to dinner this evening and when I got there I found my co-guest was Mrs. Bishop! and no one else - just us four. Really there seems to be a conspiracy to persuade me that it is expected!! On the other hand the Empire tonight records the death this week at Fairbanks of my friends, William Kenyon and Alois Fredericks. Kenyon was 70 & Alois recorded at 59 - but I think he was older. Both were in Fairbanks in the early days & both my fast friends. I am sorry but the last great adventure comes to all - some sooner & some later.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 8-9	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>A fine day - and Sunday Am to have dinner with Atty Genl John Rustgard at the restaurant. Mrs. R. is visiting in the east. <u>Letter on afternoon boat from Will A. Steel, Seattle, saying they are printing my Bibliography & that he is sending copy of proofs sheets etc.</u> <u>Will get these in the morning!</u></p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>No boat & no profs of printing Bibliography today. At work as usual in the office. Went to theater & saw a fine movie presentation of "Ben-hur."</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Boat in today & received the first gulleys of proof of my Bibliography. Read it with the assistance of my new office clerk Leroy M. Sullivan, and wrote letter to Will A. Steel, Seattle, to whom I am returning it on tonights boat. Also received return of my Ms. "Old Yukon Trails" from Arthur H. Clark & Co. Cleveland, Ohio. I intend to lay this aside until I can get time to write two more chapters when I will look around for some plan to get it published, also my 7th Alaska Law Reports ought to be printed within another month.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 11	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Recd. from Arthur H. Clark (who writes from 4623 Melbourne Ave., Hollywood, Cal) a letter about Ms. "Old Yukon Trails" which pleased me very much, though he returned to me - <u>received mss. & illustrations in the same mail. I feel sure he will finally publish this Ms!</u> Also recd. more proofs of Bibliography- from Will Steel - title page etc. It looks good to me & I am glad to see some definite final action for the preservation of my years of work on that Ms. Of course I will not make any profit on all my work & expenditures - but I am pleased to leave behind me a monument of this kind, anyway.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 April 12-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Working in the office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Same as usual in office. Yesterday and today I have written an opinion for a Mr. Herbert Carmichael, of Victoria B.C. on the matter of a non-resident British subject - a resident of Victoria B.C. to hold title to mining claims in Alaska. I advise him that he cannot lawfully hold such titles - but that an Alaskan Corporation can and that he may own the stock of such a corporation! Drew a Will today for my friend Dr. Geo. L. Barton</p>

	-14 th - Nothing unusual. Gene Owens, from Sumdum, pioneer in the Yukon valley in 1888 in the office this evening - talking about early miners etc.
Diary 38, 1928 April 14-15	-14 th - As usual in the office. -15 th - Judge Reid does not decide the Territorial case, though he frequently refers to it & promises a decision soon. In the meantime his political friends continue to draw Territorial funds illegally!! Sunday - a long walk - beautiful day - am gathering material for Introduction Chapter on Natural History of the Tundra Regions of Siberia and Alaska. Gene Owens, of Sumdum, crossed the Dyea divide in 1888 - he talked with me tonight for an hour about it - & I made many notes of facts.
Diary 38, 1928 April 16-18	-16 th - Recd. letter from Lerch & Donaldson at Harkrader Coal Mine - the machinery has arrived - they are clearing & ready to set. up, & seem to be very sanguine and happy. They are using scattered coal left by mining 20 years ago & say it burns well etc. -17 th - As usual in the office. -18 th - Same as usual in office. Mr. E.D. Skinner paid me \$1250 ⁰⁰ & my expenses act. \$449 ⁸⁵ deposited in Dexter Horton Nat. Bk. Seattle. Recd. letter from Petty Olsen today asking me to lend her \$100. she needs it to assist her & her young man in getting married. I sent it by todays mail.
Diary 38, 1928 April 19-20	-19 th - Same as usual in the office. Judge Reed still in the hospital - jury in a criminal case - evidence all in - was excused until Monday. Evan Jones came last night from the westward - saw him today - he will go to Harkrader on the first boat to lay out the coal mine for Donaldson & Lerch. -20 th - Judge Reed is still sick and in the hospital.

	Same as usual in the office. Recd. telegram from Clerk Court Valdez saying Judge Hill overruled my motion to stake in the case of Goldstein vs Pond. I will now file a demurrer to the Complaint.
Diary 38, 1928 April 21-22	-21 st - Recd a telegram this morning as follows. "Seattle April 21, 1928 "Judge James Wickersham, Juneau. Captain Wilkins and Ben Eilson arrived safely at Spitzbergen. Raab brothers and Errion[?], by Edward Bensen." They crossed the Arctic from Point Barrow. I had a fine chicken dinner with the McKinnons this evening. I wrote the Preface for my new venture - School History of Alaska. I intend to keep at it until it is finished!
	-22d- Sunday. Read & rested - walked & had dinner at Gastineau Hotel with Mrs. Bishop!
Diary 38, 1928 April 23	-23d- Am receiving much political literature from Ketchikan. Hunt & John Frame are out in printed attacks against Paul and I fear they will defeat him. Marshal White & his deputies are running a political campaign - they are distributing literature & using the Govt. Dept. Justice boat & U.S. Dept. marshals to do it with. Am amused: some time today they found out that Sinclair, a convicted prisoner, had escaped from jail - had sawed off the bars in the steel cage & the outer window & squeezed out & disappeared. If they had given as much attention to their business as to Caswells campaign he would not have escaped!!
Diary 38, 1928 April 23	23 [clipping] TO HAVE COAL ON MARKET IN NEXT 30 DAYS Development of Admiralty Island Coal. Co. Property Exceeding Hopes

	<p>That the Admiralty Island Coal Company will have coal on the market in Juneau within thirty days is the word that Robert B. Donaldson, President and General Manager of the company, sent to Juneau by Howard H. Lerch, its Secretary and Treasurer, who arrived in Juneau on the Argo at 4:30 o'clock this morning. The marketable coal within the next thirty days will be limited in quantity and will come from the development work. Mr. Donaldson said the stope is practically pumped out and the coal is seven feet in thickness.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Camp Established</p> <p>The camp at the coal mine has been established, said Mr. Lerch, and ready to receive the development crew that will be taken out on the return trip of the Argo.</p> <p>In addition to the seven-foot vein of coal that is in the stope, Mr. Donaldson wrote there are many other promising outcroppings on the property of the company.</p> <p>Evan Jones, who has a record as a coal mine operator and superintendent in Alaska extending over a period of eleven years, and the reputation of being second to none in his profession in Alaska, and who will be Superintendent and in full charge of operations, will leave here Wednesday on the Argo. With him will go D.E. Roberts and several other men. This will give the new company a developing crew of ten men to start with, and in the development work coal will be taken out and placed on the market.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">To Bring In Coal</p> <p>"I expect to bring several tons of coal to Juneau on the next trip of the Argo in a week or ten days," said Mr. Lerch today.</p> <p>The coal in the Admiralty Island Coal Company's property lies on a layer of fire clay, according to Donaldson and Mr. Lerch, and Mr. Jones says that makes a fine condition for mining. Mr. Lerch says the timber in the mine, installed 26 years ago, was discovered to be in perfect condition when the stope was pumped. Apparently it has been preserved by the water and other covering.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Are Enthusiastic</p>
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	<p>Mr. Lerch and Mr. Jones are enthusiastic over the outlook for the property, and believe without any question they will have a real coal mine operating within a short time. The outlook and the progress of development is exceeding the hopes of the company's management.</p> <p>Mr. Lerch said they left the property on Admiralty yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock and arrived in Juneau 13-1/2 hours later, burning only 90 gallons of fuel, increasing confidence in the Argo.</p> <p>The Empire tonight does not mention that Sinclair escaped from Marshal Whites jail - he & the Empire are working together in politics for tomorrow & it might hurt them politically to mention it!!!</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 April 24-25</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">-24th -</p> <p><u>Election Day - Primary!</u> I remained in my office as usual & only went to the polls and voted early. Tonights returns show that Sutherland, Rustgard & Grover C. Winn & I carried Juneau & vicinity by good big majorities. Caswell and Gardner also, though Chase, Paul, & the balance of our combination is running well up - but not high. Nothing from the outside precincts.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-25th -</p> <p>Some few outside figures. Dan ran well in Ketchikan & will be nominated in the Territory at large by a big vote. I sent him a telegram last night telling him so. Later returns</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 April 25</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">25</p> <p>will elect Dr. Chase, also, for which I am very glad. We worked together. I hope we carry the Legislature also, and can get the Controllor Bill, for organizing a real Territorial Government, passed. Wrote to Darrell & sent him the papers giving details of the election. Admiralty Island Coal Co's boat in and bring good reports. It will go back in the morning taking along Evans Jones, the new Superintendent. We are anxious to get the mine rightly planned & opened for working. Will Steel got here yesterday in time to vote & I recd more proofs of Biblio.</p>

<p>Diary 38, 1928 April 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>As the reports come in the majorities for our Rep-n organization continue to grow. The following is Latest summary: [clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">RESULTS OF CONTESTS IN PRIMARY ELECTION</p> <p>The following are the figures in the Republican contests in the four divisions of Alaska as received by the Empire up to 2 o'clock this afternoon: Delegate-</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Sutherland 3,740 Howard 1,777</p> <p>Attorney General-</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Rustgard 3,703 Waller 1,351</p> <p>National Committeeman-</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Lathrop 2,476 Albrecht 1,836 Aldrich 995</p> <p>Delegates Natl. Con.-</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">Wickersham 3,259 Chase 2,408 Caswell 1,697 Gelles 1,326 Pratt 729</p> <p>Am sending Darrell the paper so he can figure out the details. Busy in the office these days - & happy to succeed so well in the elections. Send Sutherland another telegram tonight.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 April 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Busy as usual in the office. Our majorities are growing slowly as the returns continue to come in. Dans will be about what they were two years ago. Rustgards & mine a little less - owing, in my case, to the fact that I had five men in the contest to divide with - but yet large and highly satisfactory. Sent a telegram of congratulation last night to Dr. Chase asking him to write to me and outline plans for Kansas City. Wrote a group of letters to Boston Public Library, Am. Antiq. Soc. Worcester Mss. & Yale University, about photostat copies of the Alaska Times - which</p>

	<p>hope to secure from these libraries.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 April 28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Judge Reed came down from the hospital this forenoon for an hour to hear the Motion Docket - he called me to the bar and told me quietly - that he intended to decide the Territorial Case for me, but was not able to write an opinion – after a moments discussion he said he would wait a few days & he might be able to write the opinion! If I had been satisfied just to have the favorable Order entered he would probably have done that - but I hope he will write a good opinion & thus clear the law questions for the benefit of the public and the next Legislature - if it is done right it will be a great public benefit.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 April 29-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Lay abed till 11 a.m. Worked in afternoon on gathering data etc. for History of Alaska. Dinner with Mrs. Bishop - the Smiths were present & we had a good dinner & a pleasant evening talking.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Busy in office as usual. Correspondence. <u>Judge Thomas M. Reed died this evening at the hospital in Juneau.</u> I appointed him Commissioner at Nome in the winter of 1901-1902. He was appointed District Judge in Alaska Div. No. 1. October 1, 1921. Already candidates are thick as fleas in S.F.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>May 1, 1928.</u></p> <p>May 1, 1928 Charlie Joynts wife and daughter (3 yrs) arrived on the SS. Alaska today, with Mrs. Vicky Demers Williams. We got her to go to the Hospital, but she is half insane & was back at the Hotel Gastineau in an hour. This afternoon we got her to Dr. De Vighne's office & persuaded her to go back to the Hospital! Mrs. W. is worn out & anxious to get her settled. I will have the hospital bills to pay! Will A. Steel on board going south - he promised to get corrections - typographical - made in proof sheets of my</p>

	Bibliography. Notice from West Pub. Co. that Vol. 7, Alaska Reports issued & two copies sent to me.
Diary 38, 1928 May 2	-May 2 nd - As usual in the office. I received two volumes of the 7 th Alaska Reports this morning. I am greatly pleased with the books, but I begin to feel that I am acting unethically in permitting the West Pub. Co. to hold me out as the doer of all the work in its preparation & I wrote and told them so today. It is a fine book - the best of all those issued but I did not do the best work - it was done by to West Pub. Co's editorial force! Attended a meeting of the Juneau Bar Association last night. We appointed Com. to prepare Resolutions on the death of Judge Reed, another to get flowers etc. we all put in a years dues \$2 ⁵⁰ .
Diary 38, 1928 May 3-4	-3 rd - As usual in the office: I am gathering data for Intro-Chap. Hist. Alaska, on Climate, etc. Henry Roden and some other attorneys urge me to be a candidate Judge - but I cannot bring myself to go into a struggle of that kind. Henry & Grover Winn say they are going to send a telegram tonight to Dan Sutherland & see what comes back. -4 th - Busy as usual in the office. Recd telegram from Sutherland asking me to send him a copy of my letter to Sec. Lane in 1921 denouncing his mismanagement in the construction of the Alaska Railroad. Attended <u>Judge Reeds funeral today.</u>
Diary 38, 1928 May 5-6	-5 th - Nothing new. rainy day. Am reading " <u>Trader Horn,</u> " -writing on my introductory Chapter on Climate & Nature Hist. of Alaska. Judge Reeds body went south by <u>SS. Alice</u> this morning. Mrs. Reed & daughter went also. -6 th - Henry Roden brought Sutherlands answer to the telegram which Henry sent him about the Judgeship. Dan talked to the Atty Genl & Appointment Clerk – they said no hurry, & he said Rustgard & I both & others were being considered

	etc. <u>but no hurry!</u> I <u>guess</u> they are waiting until after the Rep. Nat. Convention is held at Kansas City, before deciding on the matter!! <u>I do not expect appointment.</u>
Diary 38, 1928 May 7-8	-7 th - Same as usual in the office. -8 th - Same as usual in the office. Mrs. Joynt & daughter have been in the hospital for several days - Dr. DeVigne says she is much better & able to travel and she will go on to Seattle. Telegram from Mrs. Williams there says she will meet her when the Aleutian come to Seattle. I am going to Wrangell to take the depositions in Patenaude case & will be on same boat with her that far. Had dinner with Mrs. B- this evening. Aleutian due at 8. p.m. <u>Judge Lomen</u> came in this afternoon from Seattle on "Alaska" & will hold court here - probably for the summer! Left for Wrangell on the Aleutian at 9 p.m.
Diary 38, 1928 May 9-11	-9 th - Reached Wrangell at 1 ³⁰ today. Mrs. Joynt & baby on board - looking well and happy - enroute to Seattle. Am at the Grant Hotel. Sent telegram to Paul, at Ketchikan telling him to come at once. He will probably not reach here till 11 th . -10 th - Waiting patiently for SS. Alameda with W ^m L Paul, attorney for Patenaude. Came late today. -11 th - We began taking testimony of Patenaude & wife at 2 p.m. today - concluded at 6 p.m. We were lucky enough to find a stenographer in SS. Office, but she was very slow & thus held us back etc. Depositions satisfactory to us.
Diary 38, 1928 May 12	-12 th - Boat = SS "Evans" due at 11 ³⁰ . There is the usual small crowd of prospectors going into the Cassiar mining country this spring up the Stikine River, on Sid Barrington's boats. Charley Spann, Craig and one or two other old Fairbanks miners are here ready to go - they have

	<p>"claims" in there & are following the lure as bravely as they did in the Tanana 25 & thirty years ago! Have been trying to help a young fellow here get his wages from Berger, the Stikine flats farmer - but he is so miserably stubborn that we do not get him to pay. I am leaving the matter so the young fellow can "carry on" when he gets the accounts written out. The "Evans" came in afternoon & we</p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 12	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>are enroute home. Wrangell Narrows was interesting with dredges, boats & crews doing U.S. improvement of waterways through it course. Arrived in Petersburg about 6 oclock. Busy with McGregor who must go at once to Juneau to prepare his defense for embezzlement of U.S. govt. funds while he was Deputy U.S. Marshal etc. I am one of his attorneys, and aiding him in consulting witnesses. His wife is our best witness - he is only technically guilty - if at all, & I am going to do what I can for him on account, also, of his wife and children. W^m. L. Paul, came to Petersburg -his mother met him at the wharf - she is a fine character - a large portly woman with strong mind & character.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 13	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Arrived home this morning and found Lurch here from Harkrader, full of enthusiasm about the mine. Recd. a long letter from Donaldson assuring me that the coal is there and telling me how well they are doing. He and Evans Jones. Supt. both seem to think it has the making of a <u>real</u> coal mine. I find that Lerch brought over 50 sacks of the coal and has been giving it as much publicity as possible. It has been placed on display in 3 store windows on Front street. Lerch talked about their success at the meeting of the Chamber of Commerce & gave out a long interview which the Empire published. He is certain it is sure to make a great coal mine, & the public seems to agree!</p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 13	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COAL SHIPMENT</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">ARRIVES HERE FROM HARKRADER H.H. Lerch Comes with the Argo and 50 Sacks of Good, Hard Coal</p> <p>Howard H. Lerch, Secretary- Treasurer of the Admiralty Island Coal Company, arrived from the company's mine at Harkrader yesterday with a quantity of coal on the company's motor boat Argo, Capt. Ed McDougall. Today the coal has been placed on exhibition in various Juneau houses- including the Thomas Hardware Company; the Juneau-Young Hardware Company, Goldsteins Emporium, the Gastineau Hotel, Rhodes' Café, George M. Simpkins Company, the First National Bank and the Empire Printing Company.</p> <p>The shipment of coal consisted of 50 sacks, weighing 5,248 pounds, nearly 105 pounds to the sack and a lump 3 feet long, 2 feet wide and 10 inches thick, weighing about 175 pounds. The lump is on display at the Thomas Hardware Company.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hard Coal</p> <p>The coal is very hard, and, consequently, extra heavy, average 15 pounds to the sack heavier than the British Columbia or Puget Sound average. Evans Jones, the coal expert who recently became superintendent of the Admiralty Island Coal Company, says it is the best burning coal he has seen.</p> <p>Mr. Lerch, who will open an office in Juneau immediately for the Admiralty Island Coal Company, said this morning that the coal received was taken out during development work, but that within GO days coal will be taken out regularly for the market at the rate of 100 tons a day. It will then be placed on the market in Juneau and elsewhere in Southeast Alaska. "This is Southeast Alaska's, and Juneau's, coal mine," said Mr. Lerch, "and we wish to make it serve Southeast Alaska and Juneau."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">First Five Sacks Sold</p> <p>The first five sacks of coal taken out by the company was sold to Dan P. Mumbrue, of the U.S.</p>
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Public Surveys Department, "Mr. Mumbroe said the Government ought to be the first customer of Southeast Alaska's only coal mine," said Mr. Lerch, "so he made the purchase."

Mr. Lerch is enthusiastic about the manner in which Mr. Jones has taken hold of operations at the mine and over his confidence in the value and workability of the mine. He says Mr. Jones, who is an expert on coal mining and coal, is very favorably impressed with the outlook for the development of a successful mine.

Superintendent Jones, who is in charge of operations, has not only been making plans for development of the veins that have been discovered, but he has been prospecting and has located three additional coal beds, according to Mr. Lerch.

Writing of the situation at the mine, Robert S. Donaldson General Manager of the company, says the development work is progressing favorably. The stope is being extended to a further depth of 480 feet, which will make the total depth 580 feet. At this depth it is the intention of the company to turn gangways east and west on the coal bed, and at every 50 feet interval to turn rooms. When this development is completed the company will be in position to assume a steady production of not less than 100 tons of coal a day. During the interval a small quantity of coal recovered from the development work will be place on the market.

To Install New Machinery

It is the intention of the company, says Mr. Donaldson, to install machinery as soon as larger production can be accomplished so the coal may be washed and graded into lump, nut, pea and mine-run grades.

At the present time ten men are employed at the mine, and this number will be increased as the work progresses. It is the intention of the company to use two shifts on the work of driving deeper into the coal measures.

The discovery of the indications of new coal beds encourage the company to believe that the lands

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upon which they are centering their efforts contain many workable measures of high grade bituminous coal.

Mr. Jones thinks that mining conditions are most favorable as the walls of the coal measures are ideal for successful mining with a minimum of expensive timbering.

Alaska Coal Featured

Coal from "Juneau's own coal mine," located in Kootznahoo Inlet at Harkrader, was featured at today's luncheon. Samples of this coal were placed about the table and made a favorable impression.

The marketing of this product will begin in about 60 days when the company will be in position to produce 100 tons daily, said Howard H. Lerch, Secretary Treasurer of the company. Considerable development work must be started. "We are here to serve and here to stay. We hope to do Juneau a lot of good," said Mr. Lerch.

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WELCOME ANNOUNCEMENT.

The good reports given out by the management of the Admiralty Island Coal Company are heartening. If the coal and opportunity to mine it are as good as these coal operators believe they are another important industry will soon be under way in this vicinity. We say that advisedly for there is every evidence that the new coal mining company is competently organized and there is not a doubt but that there is a market at hand for a good little coal mine.

A mine producing 7,000 or 8,000 tons of coal a month and employing 100 men would be a significant addition to the industrial activity of this section of Alaska. If the coal is in the property as the managers hope and believe it to be, development will not stop. It will continue to grow as the market for its product grows.

Mr. Donaldson, Mr. Lerch, Mr. Jones and the others who are directing the affairs of the Admiralty Island Coal Company have the well wishes of this

	<p>community. It is their plan to have their main offices in Juneau and the people here will look upon their enterprise as a local institution.</p> <p>Spent the evening with Mrs. Bishop. <u>I am getting the habit - & like it!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>As usual in the office. Telegraphic dispatches this afternoon <u>say the President appointed Edgar J. Adams of Oregon as Judge in this Division</u> to succeed Judge Reed. Well I am not sure we will not get a better set of officials if appointed by the Senator from Oregon as if they were appointed by an appointment clerk in the Dept. of Justice.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 15-17	<p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Charles J. Peterson, Tacoma, saying Foshay & Co. have bought the Ketchikan Electric Light & Power Co. property & asking me to come there in ten days and assist in completing details, <u>etc.</u> Finished brief in Goldstein v Pond, on demurrer to Complaint, and am sending it out to Judge Hill at Valdez</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Working all day on McGregor case. Had Mr. & Mrs. Smith & Mrs. Bishop to dinner at the Gastineau Café. Good dinner & pleasant evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Spent the day on the McGregor case. Its a hard case & the facts are against us on technical points.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Trial of Neil C. McGregor, for fraud in public accounts, <u>etc.</u> Roden is examining the witnesses while I am preparing the instructions, <u>etc.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Second day of trial of U.S. v McGregor. They have made a hard case against him - and have rested. We will go on with our case Monday morning. The Bar Association gave a banquet to Judge Lomen tonight at the Forget-me-not Tea Rooms.</p>

	<p>All members of the bar present, and we each and all made a speech of welcome, etc. It was very tiresome - even to Judge Lomen.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 20	<p style="text-align: center;">May 20th 1928.</p> <p>I have just written Darrell the following letter: "<u>My Dear Darrell: Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Bishop has resided in Juneau for 20 years; she is about 48 years old, and was a particular and intimate friend of your mother's. She and Mrs. De Vighne and Mrs. Wallstein G. Smith were her constant weekly bridge playing friends. Her husband was United States Marshal here in Juneau until the time of his death about ten years ago: she taught school before her marriage as well as after, and is now teaching, but will quit with the end of this term: she is a woman of intelligence, refinement and</u></p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p><u>fine character, a student and a reader of good books: she has the respect and confidence of the people of Juneau, and Mine likewise: she has many of those admirable womanly qualities which caused me to love your mother and my own mother above all other women.</u></p> <p><u>I intend, as you know, to continue to reside in Alaska, and I want a home of my own, and I need it. I do not feel satisfied living like a traveler in a hotel, and will not be content either to impose upon you and Jane. I must live my own life in my own way. I am well and strong and my physician tells me that, barring accidents, I will continue to be so for many years yet,</u></p>
Diary 38, 1928 May 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p><u>so I have determined to get a home of my own and to marry Mrs. Bishop, who has consented, early in the fall, probably upon my return from the Kansas City trip. I will leave for Kansas City within ten days, but letters addressed to me at the Frye hotel will reach me probably before I go to Kansas City, certainly on my return.</u></p> <p><u>I love you dearly, my son, and hope you will approve my determination to make my life more agreeable and happy in Alaska. Give my love to Jane. Your devoted father.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">James Wickersham</p>

	<p>Anyway I feel obliged to advise him ahead of time - to see how he acts!</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CORDOVA DAILY TIMES, MAY 21, 1928 Party Promises Co-Operate With Captain Lathrop</p> <p>This year, to all appearances, the Democrats tried to break the Republicans ranks by having no contest in their own ranks. Hundreds of good Democrats played gleefully with the Republicans primary ballots, and failed.</p> <p>For today the Republicans rank holds staunch and solid. The Republicans who will represent Alaska at Kansas City will go as friends, and as the result of a move on the part of the so-called Wickersham force against the so-called Lathrop camp.</p> <p>Perhaps the two camps have different objectives even today, and perhaps they may never meet personally, but for the good of the party, in loyalty to their own party ideals, they have reached out their hands and shake, mutual cooperation, forgetting the conflicts of the past, bound solidly for constructive legislation as far as they are able to secure it.</p> <p>The following cable was sent by Dr. Will H. Chase and James Wickersham to Captain A.E. Lathrop, as the indication on the part of his supposedly opponents, that the party interest must come before all else: "Capt. Austin E. Lathrop, Anchorage, Alaska.</p> <p>"The election returns indicate your election as Republican Committeeman, Alaska. We intend to go to Kansas City and invite you to meet us in Seattle about June 1, and accompany us to Republican National Convention so all of Alaska's elected Representatives may act in unity and friendly cooperation so far as possible in the interest of our territory. We suggest you see Gottstein and if he can not go secure his proxy if possible and let us make a friendly appearance there for the benefit of Alaska. Please answer</p>

	<p>friendly, for Alaska needs united action. WILL H. CHASE JAMES WICKERSHAM</p> <p>Trial of U.S. v McGregor all day - its a bad case and nothing but the sympathy of the jury will save him. Roden is making a fine tight against heavy odds - I am doing what I can to assist him in the law points.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FIRST COAL OF LOCAL COMPANY IS ON MARKET Four Hundred Sacks of Coal from Harkrader Go on Sale in Juneau</p> <p>Bringing four hundred sacks of coal, the first to come to the local market from, the Admiralty Island Coal Company at Harkrader, the Argo, Capt. Ed. McDougall, arrived in port from Kootznahoo Inlet this morning.</p> <p>Although samples of the product at Harkrader were brought to Juneau a short while ago, the coal brought here today by the Argo is the first which is to be placed on the local market for sale.</p> <p>Robert S. Donaldson, President and Manager of the company, was a passenger on the Argo. He said today offices would be established here within the next few days, and would be under the direction of Howard Lerch, Secretary.</p> <p>With the first of their coal on the market here, mining operations will be carried on vigorously, Mr. Donaldson said. Activities at Harkrader are progressing favorably, he declared, and the produce of the mine will be brought to Juneau regularly hereafter. Nothing to hamper operations has occurred yet, he added, and spoke optimistically of the rapid strides which have been made.</p> <p>Dr. Howe Vance, who left here on the Argo early this week, also returned.</p>
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<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>A most bitter and determined fight to protect McGregor's interest - we think the judge has laid down the wrong rule of law, which prevents us from making any defense, and we are going over his head - to the jury. Evidence in and in our arguments we appeal to the jury to decide for us upon the ground of unfairness, & Judge Lomen squirms & criticizes us, & in turn we shrug our shoulders to the jury - and I think they will protect the defendant, <u>anyway!</u> Case went to the jury at 3 o'clock, p.m., after one of the most bitter contests I ever engaged in before a jury. It was justified by the courts rulings, which I denounced to the jury</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>After an all-night retirement the jury was dragooned this morning about 7 o'clock into a decision - they found McGregor "<u>Not Guilty</u>" on the short indictment containing three counts, and "<u>disagreed</u>" on the larger indictment. Judge Lomen urged agreement, but informed them he intended to leave for Seattle on the SS. "Alaska" - at 8. a.m. We are informed the jury stood 9 to 3 in our favor & would have decided "Not guilty" on six other counts in the larger indictment if Lomen had given them time enough.</p> <p>The board of directors of the Admiralty Is. Coal Co. held its meeting in my office last night and fixed the price at which they will sell coal in Juneau for a time at least, at \$1.00 per ton less than other companies are now selling for.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>I am closing up matters in my office & will go to Seattle on the first boat. I will remain there until Sutherland comes on from Washington & we have a conference about the political situation after which I will go to Kansas City Convention. Had Dr & Mrs. DeVighne & Mr. & Mrs. W.K. Keller & Mrs. Bishop for dinner this evening at Forget-Me-Not tea rooms, after which we spent the evening at Mrs. B's house. She has been 8th grade teacher under Prof. Keller & now quits. We will be married on my return to Seattle from the Kansas City</p>

	<p>Convention - at her sisters home at Kent, near Seattle. I will buy a home here in Juneau - she is agreeable to remaining in Alaska.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Arranged my affairs - paid my bills, etc. and will go to Seattle on SS. Rogers tonight. Spent the evening with Mrs. Bishop, caught the Rogers at 1 a.m. This afternoon we looked around town for a home. I authorized Lockie McKinnon to take an option on the Peterson lots - in front of the court house at not to exceed \$4,000, & one half on the half lots next to Billy Bausch's lots. Mrs. B. says she had a fine time with her school children - she gave them ice cream & cake - & a regular party. They gave her a present of a silver cream pot & sugar bowl! The paper will announce our engagement.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 26-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>S.S. Rogers at Petersburg this morning. I had conference with the McGregors - and met many of my friends and political supporters - Same at Wrangell this afternoon. The purser on the boat moved my quarters to one of the best rooms! I shall now be very comfortable all the way to Seattle.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MRS. BISHOP AND JUDGE WICKERSHAM TO BE MARRIED</p> <p>The engagement of Mrs. Grace E. Bishop to Judge James Wickersham has been announced during the week. The marriage will take place in Seattle later in the summer, after Judge Wickersham returns from the Republican National convention in Kansas City, said Mrs. Bishop today. Both Mrs. Bishop and Judge Wickersham are extremely well known here and have been prominent locally for many years. Mrs. Bishop has for some time been connected with the Juneau public schools and is now principal of the grammar school. Judge Wickersham, who came to Alaska as Federal Judge in 1900 and has been actively interested in the Territory since then, served for</p>

	<p>several years as Delegate to Congress.</p> <p>Among the parties which have been given for Mrs. Bishop was a tea at which a group of teachers were hosts, at the Forget-Me-Not Tea Room on Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Bishop was presented with a lovely luncheon set.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham left on the Admiral Rogers for Seattle from where he will go to Kansas City to attend the Republican National convention which begins on June 12.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Crossed Milbank Sound late this evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Passed through Seymour Narrows at 3 p.m. and ran out of the rain into sunshine! Nothing of interest & no body I know on the boat - <u>Quiet</u>.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Landed in Seattle this morning at 10 oclock, & went to Hotel Frye. Met Gov. & Mrs. Strong & Will Steel, & other Alaskans. Am greatly delighted to find in this evenings paper the clipping attached hereto!</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Senators Reject Oregon Man For Alaska Judgeship</p> <p>By Associated Press. WASHINGTON, Tuesday, May 29.- By a close vote the Senate today rejected the nomination of Edgar J. Adams, of Eugene, Or., to be federal judge for the first division of Alaska.</p> <p>Rejection was on the ground that Mr. Adams is a nonresident of Alaska. Confirmation of the appointment of Mr. Adams, who once was secretary to former Senator Stanfield of Oregon, was opposed by Dan Sutherland, delegate from Alaska, who urged in a letter that Alaskan judges be selected from within the territory.</p> <p>Will Steel had shown me a letter from Dan about the matter with which he enclosed a copy of a letter he sent to every member of the U.S. Senate protesting against Adams confirmation on the ground that he was not an Alaskan. This refusal</p>

<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>of the Senate to confirm on that ground is a decided victory for Home Rule in Alaska. I sent Dan this telegram tonight: <u>“Congratulations on your splendid Senate victory in favoring Alaskans for Alaska, and winning fight for home rule stop am anxious to see you and will certainly assist you at convention to support those who assisted you stop I am to marry Mrs. Bishop on my return from Kansas City.”</u></p> <p>Spent the afternoon ordering some new clothes. Have been invited to attend noon meeting of the Young Mens Republican Club on Thursday. Also Tom Aitken invited me to dinner at his home tomorrow evening - accepted. Received a beautiful letter from Mrs. Bishop - and am writing her one - a letter - tonight.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Decoration Day! Up early, bath and breakfast - caught the 8³⁰ interurban car for Tacoma, and thence by street car to the Tacoma cemetery, where I put flowers on my family graves - the cemetery was beautiful - green trees & green lawns, crowds of people with flowers - taps, salutes, & good bye for another year. Found Peterson in his office & we talked Foshay's Alaskan investments for an hour, & he urged me to return to Alaska from Kansan City - via Minneapolis & the Foshay offices, etc. all of which I may have to do. Dinner tonight with Tom & Mrs. Aitken at their apartments - Mrs. McKinnon present - a very enjoyable evening.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 May 31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Sutherland this morning saying he would be in Seattle on Sunday. Also a beautiful letter from Darrell quite approving my marriage with Mrs. Bishop - a letter that will please her greatly. Also a fine letter of congratulations from Mrs. Patton of Hoquiam - bless her heart. Also another letter from Grace Elizabeth. Remained around the Hotel all day. Attended a luncheon at noon in the Restaurant of the L.C. Smith Bldg. given by the Young Mens Republican</p>

	<p>Club. Mrs. Minnie France, my cousin Minnie called me on the telephone & congratulated me about my marriage - so its been a very pleasant day. Long visit with Gov. & Mrs. Strong - who are at this Hotel.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 1st -</p> <p>Wrote to Darrell today & told him how pleased I was at his approval of my determination to marry Mrs. Bishop: also Had Judge Lomen to lunch, & asked him to write a letter to the Dept. of Justice asking for the dismissal of the McGregor indictment at Juneau. Wrote him a letter making the same request at his suggestion. Had dinner this evening with Gov & Mrs. Strong. Called on John P. Hartman, Mr. Peoples & Parsons, Pres. Dexter Horton Bank. Recd. letter from Ralph Metcalf, chairman Com. of Arrangements, Wash. delegation to Rep. Nat. Con, asking the Alaska delegates to go to Kansas City on their special train. A busy day - Harold telephoned he would come down tomorrow evening & take dinner with me.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 2-3	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 2nd -</p> <p>Chas. J. Peterson - atty. for Foshay Co. went to Alaska this morning: I met him at the wharf & consulted with him & received a letter etc. from him about meeting the Co's officials at Minneapolis. Dr. Chase came on SS "Aleutian" at 4 oclock. <u>Sec. Theile refused to give any of us a certificate of election! But may telegraph one on July 11th! - & then he may not! Excuse: election returns not received!</u> Harold came down from Enumclaw & took dinner with me. Recd. a letter on the "<u>Aleutian</u>" from Grace Elizabeth.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Sunday. Sutherland arrived early this morning & we have been busy talking politics to him all day. He cannot</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 3	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>tell us much more about general political than we already know - We went out riding with him - over to Tacoma & through the valleys - a pleasant trip. Recd a telegram from Grace Elizabeth saying: "Mr.</p>

	<p><u>McKinnon secured option on half lot for two thousand leaving on Princess Alice June third</u>", which means that we can have a home on the lot alongside of Billy Bousch's place on the Rock in front of the court house - & she will be here Wednesday evening - before I start to Kansas City on Thursday! Sent telegrams tonight to Clerk of District Court at Juneau, Valdez, & Fairbanks asking for total votes cast in 1, 3, & 4 divisions for Delegates to the Rep. Nat. Con.!!</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 4	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Sutherland and I called and had a long conference with Mr. Skinner today about bill to lease trap site locations to trap men. Much talk but no agreement. Bought my ticket via N.P. Ry. to Kansas City & return by way of Minneapolis - where I am to see Foshay & Co. Many Alaskans called. Had Judge Lomen to lunch with me - & Dr. Chase. Talk with Charley Dittmier, editor & one of the owners of the Dawson Daily News about securing files of paper for my library - am to see other partners with in paper tomorrow. Some mail from office today & wrote letters in reply. Consulting with Capt. Dampman about Admiralty Is. coal - transportation.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 5	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Received today telegraphic certificates from Clerks of District Court at Juneau, Valdez, Fairbanks & Nome, election returns for Delegates to Rep. Nat. Convention - so that is that! They are sufficient even if Theile fails to come through. Made deed today conveying my 1/2 int in Harkrader Coal Claim to Company & sent it by mail to John Reck, Juneau. Answering correspondence. Many Alaskans called -politics talked! Mrs. Gov. Strong took our pictures - a large group of Alaskans. Grace will be here tomorrow and will be surprised to find me here - she expects I am on my way to or in Kansas City! Am delighted to be here to meet her.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 6	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Did nothing today except to wait for Grace Elizabeth to come at 8³⁰ this evening on the SS.</p>

	<p>Margarite - which she did! She looked fine & I was proud of her. Harold came down from Enumclaw & went to the wharf with me & greeted his "Aunt Grace" with a Kiss, bless his dear soul!</p> <p>The Strongs - Calderheads & Sutherland and Dr. Chase & Harold were in the drawing room & we had a nice visit with her. She seemed greatly pleased at the way we all received her. She is a fine wholesome woman, and I am sure we will live happily. Harold has promised me to come & see her at Kent - at her sisters - until I come back from Kansas City.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 7	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Breakfast with Grace Elizabeth this morning & started east on N.P. at Eleven o'clock - (I had to quit [writing] until off the train - owing to rough track).</p> <p>My party included Dr. H.W. Chase, of Cordova and Will A. Steel, of Juneau. Capt. A.E. Lathrop went on ahead on some errand about which we knew nothing. There are two Pullman sleeping cars & they are filled with Western Washington Hoover delegates - we will pick up the rest of the Washington Hoover delegation at Spokane. They have already begun a systematic effort to persuade us to support Hoover - but we agreed on a course of silent treatment & we have maintained it closely!</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 8	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>In Montana today.</p> <p>Most of the Oregon Hoover delegates joined our train last night at Spokane & the balance of those from Washington, and today we are picking up the Montana delegates as we go eastward. We let the enthusiastic Hoover delegates talk but refused to commit ourselves to them. Reached Billings late this evening & go from here over the Burlington Route. Have had good visits & pleasant conversations with Ed. Sims, Mark Reid & Ralph Metcalf, leaders of the Washington delegation - but listen only! I think they are now of the opinion that we are not for Hoover - but that's all!</p> <p>Had a very pleasant talk with Mark Reed about his brother Judge Reed.</p>

Diary 38, 1928 June 9	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Our train passed through Nebraska today - but nothing of interest.</p> <p>Many of the Washington and some other delegations - now that they have concluded the Alaska delegates are not for Hoover are beginning to talk to us in a confidential way, and we discover that some of them would prefer Dawes or Lowden - but they are serving under pledges & cannot vote their sentiments. There are three ladies in the Washington Delegation - they are loyally for Hoover - as many women are. Ralph Metcalf - of Tacoma, had a bad case of heart attack - Dr. Chase took charge & he was soon put to bed Will be in K.C. in the morning.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>We reached Kansas City at about 8 o'clock this morning. Dr. Chase and I went to the Savoy Hotel, while Will Steel stopped at the Glennon. Harry Steel has not yet reached, but we found Capt. Lathrop at the Savoy. After baths - breakfast etc. we hunted up Senator Curtis' headquarters & Chase, Will Steel & I called on him. We told him we were friendly & would give him support, etc. He seemed very greatly pleased and spoke highly about Sutherland & W^m L. Paul, both of whom he knows quite well. We then went to Gov. Lowden's headquarters and he was also greatly pleased we told him we intended to cast one vote for him & one for Senator Curtis, and would support the alliance</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>against the Hoover combination & would give our two votes either to him or Curtis when it would to either of them some read good - if that time ever arrived! Chase & I and Will Steel had agreed on this course even before we left Seattle - and we will carry it out if Hoover does not stampede the convention. Harry White, of Los Angeles, came to see us, urged us to support Hoover, etc. I asked to see Jas. M. Good, of Iowa, whom I knew for years in Congress, & we are to call on him tomorrow - merely in a friendly way - that's all! My Alaska friend "Doc" - H.M. Holmes, whom I knew at Nome & the Iditarod</p>

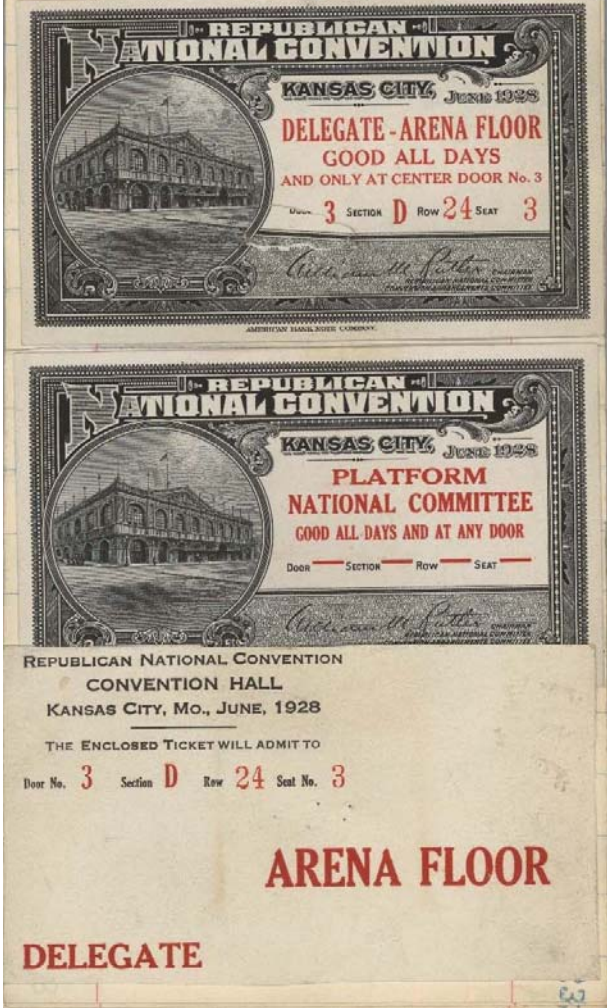
	called - he is a Delegate from Amarillo, Texas, & while he is instructed for Hoover - is not so
Diary 38, 1928 June 10	10 enthusiastic as he probably once was - I told him frankly we could not support Hoover - though we had no animosity toward him etc. Capt. Lathrop seems to be pleased that we treat him so friendly. He was a candidate for Rep. Nat. Committeeman & the race between him & Albrecht is so close that we cannot yet determine which of them was really elected in the primary election of April 27th last, so we cannot secure him a seat as member of the Rep. Nat. Com. But we treat him in the most friendly way and say that if he can secure a certificate of election we will recommend that he be seated - but his friend Karl Theile will not certify to his election & there that matter stands. But this
Diary 38, 1928 June 10	10 (Sunday) afternoon we presented the certificates of election which I secured while in Seattle from the four clerks of the district courts of Alaska, and Chairman Butler certified our credentials & we were given seats - also we carried through the two Alternates. Will Steel has the proxy of Grant, of Wrangell, while Capt. Lathrop has the proxy of Gottstein, of Anchorage, and this action seats Chase and me as Delegates & Steel and Lathrop as Alternates, and there is peace and general satisfaction among Alaskans tonight. Invited them all to dinner as my guests at the Savoy! & it was a good dinner & cocktails. <u>Wrote Grace Elizabeth a nice, long letter.</u> A Mr. Coppes (whose mother was a Wickersham) & Col. Ray, of Oklahoma, took Chase, Steel & me out automobiling & we saw the beautiful parts of K.C. in that way & greatly enjoyed the ride.
Diary 38, 1928 June 11	-11 th - Chase & I got to work on our assignments of our delegates to committee this morning. Chase to Com. on Credentials and to organization - I to Com. on Platform & order of business. I am Ch. of the Delegation, and we put Will A. Steel on Com. to Notify the President & Arthur Frame, of Anchorage

	on Com. to Notify the Vice President!! Lathrop objected to Arthur - but Chase answered him furiously! but we quieted them down. We put Mrs. Forest J. Hunt on as Committeewoman for Alaska! Will Steel objected but yielded to my quiet statement that she <u>must</u>
Diary 38, 1928 June 11	11 go on. Chase agreed & it went. I put Chase on as Honorary V.P. for Alaska, though he urged me. We added a note to the list of assignments that we could not tell from elections returns who (Lathrop or Albrecht) was elected as National Committeeman but that the one elected & received the Certificate of Election should be put on the list, according to the laws of Alaska. We also prepared a Resolution to go in the Nat. Plat. about government & appointments in Alaska & I am to get it adopted if possible. Visited the various headquarters.
Diary 38, 1928 June 11	11 Our crowd – Steel's, Chase & Lathrop called at Hoover Hdqs. & saw my friend James M. Good, - Hoovers manager. He was very pleased to see me & said many nice things to the party about me. I answered saying that I had called to pay my respects etc. & that if <u>he</u> was a candidate for President I would vote for <u>him</u> . He was fine, but with the declaration of my kind regards for him we left without more ado. A big public parade tonight which I saw from the top of a cab. No one knows tonight what will happen in the way of a nomination!
Diary 38, 1928 June 12	-12 th - The Republicans National Convention met at 10 oclock - many people, much noise - but little enthusiasm for it was generally conceded that the action of Pennsylvania in coming out strong for Hoover gave him almost certain victory. The usual preliminaries - music - keynote speech, appointment of committees, etc. Song by Madame Schuman Heinke. Keynote speech by Senator Fess, & adjournment until 10 a.m. <u>tomorrow</u> . I met with the Com. on Platform - hours of

	hearings, & Senator Borah moved that a sub-committee of 15 be appointed to write the platform carried: I gave
Diary 38, 1928 June 13	12 him a copy of a short Alaska plank we Alaskans had agreed on, - he will attend to its presentation to the sub-committee. I had presented it to the general committee - but feared it would be overlooked if not given into the hands of some particular friend. Capt. Lathrop & Harry Steel have been for Hoover all the time & are very happy to see his present prospect of success. Chase & I will vote one vote for Senator Curtis and one for Gov. Lowden - tomorrow - if nothing happens to change the situation - as we promised them we would. If they withdraw we may be forced to join the "bankwagon" crowd.
Diary 38, 1928 June 13	-13 th - Convention this morning perfected a permanent organization by adopting the Report of the Credentials Com. & then electing permanent officers. It then adjourned until 2 o'clock to await the report of the Com. on Platform - of which I am a member. We worked on the Platform until 7 p.m. and from 8 to 11 p.m. The great fight was on the Farm Relief plank over which a fierce fight was waged: I voted with the Farmers contingent though I well knew it was hopeless, for we were beaten more than 2 to 1. - still I thought they were right & so voted. The Alaska plank reported was good as far as it went - but I did
Diary 38, 1928 June 13	13 not make a fight for the plank I offered, as it was pretty largely covered by the plank entitled " <u>Home Rule</u> " - in which Senator Borah moved an amendment of the words " <u>or territorial</u> ," which was adopted. I greatly enjoyed my service on this Com. - it was exciting, invigorating and improving. My vote on the Farm Relief plank greatly pleased Sen. Norbeck of N.D. and his friends. Senator Borah was very kind and friendly & altogether I feel repaid for the long hours of waiting & work in attendance

	on the Committee, of course. I made no speech - just listened and voted & quietly got a better acquaintance with the members.
Diary 38, 1928 June 13	13 Chase and I and Lathrop each received a telegram from Carl Theile, Sec. Ter. from Juneau, <u>this afternoon, dated today, saying he had forwarded a certificate of the facts of our election by mail this day!!</u> If I had not secured the four certificates by telegraphy in Seattle from the four Clerks of the District Court - we would have not even been seated in the Convention. It was a most malicious political trick, but one just like the Federal Bunch in Juneau would do. A foolish, childish thing - and just what I anticipated when I telegraphed to the Clerks for certificates from Seattle!
Diary 38, 1928 June 14	13 To do the trick against us he (Carl Theile) treated Lathrop the same way - one of our political opponents & a supposed friend of Karls friends - and Lathrop is now furious at him. Lathrop <u>is</u> hurt, for he must go home without being seated; though we have treated him in such a fair and friendly way that he is very appreciative of our actions. The convention tomorrow morning can begin with the Platform & after that make the nomination. It seems certain today that Hoover will be nominated & I intend to vote for him when he acts enough votes before I vote to nominate him. I will get on the band wagon.
Diary 38, 1928 June 14-15	-14- Big bank robbery at 10 o'clock this morning within 4 blocks of Convention Hall - the robbers got \$20,000 & killed a policeman & shot others! Strong fight over Farm Relief plank - we voted with Farmers & were beaten. Nominations tonight - Lowden withdrew - Hoover nominated. <u>Alaska voted for Hoover.</u> We have stood with Lowden - Curtis - Farmers - crowd. We went & talked to Curtis who told us frankly he was beaten & to vote for our interests - so did Lowden's manager - <u>hence our vote!!</u> Also I am Beginning to have a suspicion that Borah, Good &

<p>Diary 38, 1928 June 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>other of my friends are to be very close to the Hoover administration. Dispatches say that Mrs. Borah was with the family party of the Hoover's in Washington this evening "listening in" while the Sen. was leading the Hoover battle, etc. Borah is the Chairman of the Senate Com. on Foreign Affairs & <u>might make a good Sec. of State!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Spent the forenoon buying some small presents for the family. Attended the Convention at 12m. We presented Mrs. Forest J. Hunt, of Ketchikan as our National Committeewoman - but owing to the want of Certificate of Election or accurate information about the result of the election between Albrecht</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 June 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>and Lathrop we were not able to present the name of our member of the National Committee! We did recommend that the one who finally received the majority of vote in the primary vote on April 27th last, & received the certificate of election should be seated. The struggle over the nomination for the Vice Presidents office was rather tame. Borah presented the name of Senator Curtis, of Kansas: others were nominated but withdrew, until Curtis only was left. He received the full vote of the Convention, except a few scattered votes & the ticket thus nominated is. Hoover and Curtis.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 June 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>I am satisfied with the ticket & of course, will do what I can to elect our nominees. I would rather have had Senator Curtis nominated for President but he was not. I am greatly pleased to have him nominated for V.P. and will stand up for both Hoover & Curtis in Alaska. I left Kansas City at 5 p.m. on the C & Great Western Ry for Minneapolis - where I will call on the Foshay Co. about the Net-plants at the request of Peterson. Lathrop came with me as far as St. Paul. Will & Harry Steel will go to the Dem. Con. at Houston Texas, while Dr. Chase goes to Denver on business.</p>

<p>Diary 38, 1928 June 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>Following are my tickets to the Rep. Nat. Con. Kansas City. 1928:</i></p>  <p style="text-align: center;">REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION KANSAS CITY, MO., JUNE, 1928 THE ENCLOSED TICKET WILL ADMIT TO Door No. 3 Section D Row 24 Seat No. 3 ARENA FLOOR DELEGATE</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 June 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Arrived in Minneapolis at 8:35 went to Radisson hotel - after a "clean up", I went to call on the attorneys for Foshay & Co. Met Mr. Duxbury, who has charge of the Foshay work in the Ketchikan utility matter. Nothing much to do in the legal phase, for Peterson has it well in hand & about</p>

	finished to suit. Duxbury took me to the Foshay offices, where I met Foshay himself & Mr. Andrus one of his force had a good talk with both of them. Mr. & Mrs. Duxbury took me out automobile riding though Minn. & St Paul. Left for West on N.P. at 11:45 p.m.
Diary 38, 1928 June 16	16 [clipping] THE BALLOT THAT NAMED HOOVER [list of National Convention voting results] Senator Curtis of Kansas was nominated by a unanimous vote after all the "favorite sons" -- Filson & others were withdrawn. <u>Alaska, of course, voted for Curtis.</u> He was our first choice for President but the Hoover votes were enough to nominate <u>him</u> on the first ballot.
Diary 38, 1928 June 16-18	16 The most <u>important</u> contest matter in the Convention was that Farm Relief plank = vote as follows: [clipping] Vote on Minority Farm Plank. [list of voting results] -17 th - On train, N.P. Ry. through North Dakota today. Mark Reed -18 th - Through Montana today - Mark
Diary 38, 1928 June 18-19	18 Reed & Elfindahl, two Washington delegates some Oregon & Idaho delegates on the train from Billings. -19 th - Arrived in Seattle this morning at 6 ¹⁰ a.m. Had trouble to get a room at the Frye Hotel - overflowing with Kiwanians. Grace was at Kent with her sister. Got all cleaned up etc. my new black suit came from the Tailors. Also had my first completed copy of my Bibliography. Grace came & we had dinner together. We have agreed to get married on Monday or Tuesday probably the latter date: visited with Gov & Mrs. Strong.

Diary 38, 1928 June 20	-20 th - Up at 7. & had breakfast with Grace: We took the 8 a.m. interurban train - she left it at Kent - to her sisters where she is making clothes etc. while I went on to Tacoma - had a conference with Chas. T. Peterson about Alaska utility matters for Foshay & Co: also with Winden & Hopping provided for drawing \$4,000, for building home in Juneau - \$5,000 from Dexter Horton Nat. Bank my bonds - for same use. Back to Seattle - Took Grace & Gov. & Mrs. Strong to dinner at the Olympic Hotel & then to 5th Ave. Theater she has decided on the kind of a ring she wants & I will get it tomorrow. Attended to other business matters today.
Diary 38, 1928 June 21-22	-21 st - Busy buying clothes, etc, and also attending to errands about town. Grace came in from Kent, where she has been arranging her wardrobe, & preparing for our marriage next Tuesday - Dinner with her & we went to the Pantages Theater. -22 nd - Recd. first copies of my Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, 1724 - 1924, for distribution this day. Gave copy to Gov. & Mrs. J.F.A. Strong, who are at this hotel, & to my friend Edw. N. Allen, an enthusiastic collector of Alaskan. Also sent copies to Seattle Post - Intelligencer, Seattle Times, & the University of Washington in care of Mr. Smith, Librarian.
Diary 38, 1928 June 23-24	-23 rd - Shopped part of the day with Grace. Bought her two hats, mirror, brush & comb, a wedding ring, etc. bless her! This evening we went out to Kent & had dinner with her sister - Mrs. Faucher - present Mr. & Mrs. Faucher, Mrs. Miles & daughter - another sister from Seattle, and her daughter, & others. I enjoyed meeting them & think better of grace very day - <u>God bless her.</u> -24 th - Sunday: Harold came from Enumclaw & met us at the Frye Hotel at 10. a.m. with his automobile = We went to Grace's old home on the Seattle-Tacoma

	boulevard & got Peggy Miles - & then on to Tacoma, where I showed Grace my C. Street home - then out to the farm –
Diary 38, 1928 June 24	24 and thence on to Buckley - we called on Harry at the old Home & then went to visit Uncle Tom & Aunt Kate. After a pleasant visit with them we went on to Enumclaw - Harold gave us a fine dinner at his home. We then went out to visit the mills - then back to Kent & took Peggy Miles home - then to Seattle. Harold brought Miss Margaret Case to the Frye & had dinner with us. Visited in the lobby with Gov & Mrs. Strong, Grace, Harold, Margaret, and others - Grace & I then went to her large room & discussed the items of our wedding on Tuesday evening. We are to be married at her old home - on the Boulevard - with her sisters & a few friends, Harold & some of his cousins, <u>etc.</u>
Diary 38, 1928 June 25	-25 th - Gave copies of my Biblio. to my friends Dr. Chase, of Cordova & to Henry W. Elliott, the Alaskan Fur Seal author, & sent a copy by mail to Mrs. Sarah McM. Patton, Hoquiam, Wash. Also sent Darrell a copy & gave one to Harold W. Hanson, my dear nephew. Grace is attending a luncheon of Klondike and Alaskan ladies at some restaurant with Mrs. Gov. Strong, and Mrs. Gov. Black - of Dawson. She was one of the four guests and is greatly pleased at the reception given her. Harold France - my cousin Ninnies son, & his wife called - they took Grace out to Kent - to her sisters - where she will stay until our wedding tomorrow evening.
Diary 38, 1928 June 26	-26 th - <u>Married to Grace Elizabeth Bishop</u> at her old home place, on new Tacoma-Seattle Blvd - midway between the two cities, at 8. p.m. by Rev. Dr. Sulliger, of Tacoma, pastor of the Methodist Church - present Graces two sisters, Mrs. Miles & Peggy, Harold Hanson, my nephew & six of his six-foot cousins. Gov & Mrs. Strong, Judge Clay Allen & wife, <u>etc</u> about 30 persons in all. Their names were all signed in the Certificate Book given to Grace - Harold took Gov & Mrs. Strong & me out. Grace was there - & Harold

	brought <u>us</u> back to the Frye Hotel.
Diary 38, 1928 June 27	-27 th - Grace & I have been resting quietly today - but getting ready to go to Juneau Saturday on the SS _____ . Our friends gave us some presents but as our marriage was quiet & no invitations were issued they have generally let us " <u>rest in peace</u> " Attended theater tonight – "The Blue Mouse," I called & had a long talk about political matters with Mr. O'Malley, Supt. bureau of Fisheries & also with Mr. D.E. Skinner! Much noise coming over the radio from the Democratic Convention at Houston, Texas: Smith will probably be nominated by the Democrats! The Seattle Post –
Diary 38, 1928 June 27-28	27 [from below a faded picture of Debbie or Grace reading in a rocking chair before a window:] Intelligencer had these two personals in its columns this morning: [clipping] WICKERSHAM MARRIED HERE Two Alaskan sourdoughs, both of whom have seen the ice come and go on the Yukon, were joined in marriage last night. They are Judge James Wickersham, former congressional delegate to Alaska, and Mrs. Grace Bishop, widow of a late United States marshal at Juneau. The nuptials took place before a gathering of old friends and pioneer Alaskans at the farm home of Mrs. Bishop near Tacoma. [clipping] ALASKA BOOK IS BY WICKERSHAM Everything, or as nearly everything as human research could uncover, that has ever been written about Alaska, its history and resources, has been made available to the student of Alaskan affairs through a new book, "A Bibliography of Alaskan

	<p>Literature," just off the press. The author, who admits his job got bigger and bigger as it progressed until he marveled at all that had actually gotten into print about the vast North territory, is none other than the Hon. James Wickersham, a man who needs no introduction in the Northwest.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>We went to Lowman & Hanford & ordered writing paper with Graces monogram, etc. Left them an order for 100 copies of Bibliography of Alaska Literature they told me they already had orders yesterday etc. Grace attended luncheon given by Mrs. Strong, at Frederick & Nelson Tea room - 7 guests present.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 28-29	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>In the afternoon we went out to Graces old country home - where we were married - visited with her sister at Kent & brought in the presents left over from last night. Dinner this evening with Mr. & Mrs. Frank Hergert, 2631 Boylston, N. Listened in at Radio - Smith, nominated by the Democrats at Houston, Texas, convention - after strong protests by his enemies. bought our SS. tickets for Saturday morning on the "<u>Aleutian</u>."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Over to Tacoma this morning - to get some books & to take luncheon with Hopping, Winden & Harshberger. Got some books from Bonney &</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 29	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>at 12⁴⁵ we had a beautiful luncheon at the "Walker," with Mr. & Mrs. Hopping, Mr. & Mrs. Winden, & Mr. & Mrs. Harshberger - Two other luncheons at the same time were given in the same dining room - filled with flowers.</p> <p>Back to Seattle - Mrs. Kaser & her twin girls called - we said Goodbye to Gov & Mrs. Strong, Mrs. Morton and Ruth took dinner with us - I gave her a copy of my "<u>Bibliography</u>" Mrs. Handsaker - who boarded the girl who gave me so much trouble years ago - came to ask me to give her some aid - I gave her \$20⁰⁰ and told her I would not give her any more. She is old & poor and down & out - and deserves to be - but I cannot refuse such a person</p>

	<p>a little charity.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 June 30- July 1st	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>We left Seattle this morning on the SS. "<u>Aleutian</u>," for Juneau, and home. I was lucky enough to secure the deluxe room "A" which contains good single beds, it is a large, comfortable room with bath & other luxuries! We began drawing plans for our new home in Juneau. It is fine weather & promises a pleasant voyage.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-July 1st -</p> <p>Crossing Queen Charlotte's Sd. I am enjoying the trip - <u>but</u> at my age, one ought not to marry a red headed schoolteacher <u>in June!</u> Met a Mr. Dietz, who is going to Juneau to do interior decoration on the Masonic Temple & the School House.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 July 2	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 2nd -</p> <p>Ketchikan, saw Hunt - Mr. & Mrs. W^m L. Paul, called on us - he says Gore has declined to take a recess appointment as judge - & he and others have telegraphed urging my nomination. Coolidge is so very bitterly prejudiced against Dan & all his friends that I think none of us can possibly secure the appointment. Of course, Paul's telegrams have gone to Senator Curtis, - who can probably secure a favorable action - if he makes it a personal matter - but he probably will not. I shall do a job of "watchful waiting."</p>
Diary 38, 1928 July 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 3rd -</p> <p>Arrived home - Juneau - this morning at 9:20 & we went to my rooms in the Zynda Hotel - where we will stay until we build our house. Back to the office - thank goodness. It is a comfortable place. Much mail & work on my desk.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-July 4th -</p> <p>A beautiful sunny day - but little noise and less excitement. Staid at home -(room 500, Zynda Hotel) with Grace. Dinner at the Gastineau with her - listened to the band & went to the theater - movies. The following clippings are from the Alaska Weekly of June 29th.</p>

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Diary 38, 1928 July 4	4	[clipping]
		<p>MRS. BLACK HONOR GUEST AT LUNCHEON Many Northerners Greet the Wife of Hon. George Black, Yukon Territory Member Of Parliament CHARMING AND TALENTED Function Was Under the Auspices of the Alaska- Yukon Bureau of Frederick & Nel- son's Department Store, Un- der Direction of Mrs. Doro- thy O'Keefe</p> <p>Mrs. George Black, charming and talented wife of the Honorable George Black, member of the Canadian parliament from the Yukon Territory, Mrs. W.T. Brayton, wellknown in Dawson, Mrs. J.F.A. Strong, wife of Ex-Governor Strong of Alaska, and Mrs. Grace Bishop, who is now Mrs. James Wickersham, were the honor guests at the Monday luncheon at the Alaska-Yukon Bureau at Frederick & Nelson's department store, which is under the direction of Mrs. Dorothy O'Keefe, who herself is a former resident of Dawson and Nenana. Seated at the tables in one of the private dining rooms set apart for the purpose, were fifty-nine guests, all of the Northland or those who had formerly resided there, either in the Yukon Territory, northern interior Alaska or in the coast towns. Many of the guests were old time personal friends of Mrs. Black, who knew her in other days in Dawson.</p> <p>Mrs. O'Keefe introduced Mrs. Black, who is a lecturer of note, and who gave an interesting talk on her experiences in the North, during the war and concerning her hobby which is her collection of Canadian wild flowers. Mrs. Black had with her some of her choicest specimens. For the</p>

	<p>remarkable work she has done in making this rare collection of approximately 465 Canadian wild flowers she has been made a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society of London. Her collection is doubly interesting in that she has mounted each specimen on a hand tinted background harmonizing in color with flower preserved. The Smithsonian Institute offered her a substantial sum for one of the few specimens in existence of the blossoms of the sphagnum moss used so extensively during the war for absorbent bandages. The people of Seattle will be given a an opportunity to see this marvelous collection this Fall when she will return and place the flowers on exhibit in the Frederick & Nelson auditorium at which time she will also lecture for the benefit of those interested.</p> <p>W.H. Gilmore, former Nome attorney now engaged in active practice in Seattle, welcomed Mrs. Black on behalf of the guests in a happy little speech.</p> <p>The real service of the Alaska-Yukon Bureau of this great department store of Fredrick & Nelson was exemplified in this happy gathering of Northerners which afforded them an opportunity of again greeting the beloved Mrs. Black. Those present at the luncheon were:</p> <p>Mrs. George Black, F.R.G.S., Mrs. J.F.A. Strong, Mrs. Grace Bishop, Mrs. W.P. Brayton, Judge Wm. A. Gilmore, Miss Dorothy Gilmore, Miss Lulu M. Fairbanks, Col. Wm. T. Perkins, Mrs. L.F. Shaw, Mr. L.F. Shaw.</p> <p>Mrs. James Cody, Mrs. Volney Richmond, Mr. Henry W. Powell, Mrs. Nancy Lee Brady, Major Elmer R. Brady, Mrs. E.R. Brady, Mrs. Bryant Chapman, Mrs. Guy M. Street, Capt. Guy M. Street, Miss M.F. Harold.</p> <p>Mrs. Gus Johnson, Mrs. Frank Brock, Miss Dorothea E. Johnson, Mrs. Adriana Lutro Coyle, Mr. Archie Black, Mrs. Pearl Jeanneret, Mr. Chas. Jeanneret, Mr. E.P. Lopez, Mrs. E.P. Lopez, Mr. Ed Martell</p> <p>Miss Kathleen McLaren, Miss Dorothy Haigh, Mrs. Florence Hartshorn, Mrs. Ida Reese Benton, Mr. M.A. Benton, Mrs. Helen Balderston, Miss El-</p>
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<p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>eanor Balderston, Mrs. A. McVicar, Mrs. J.M. Elmer, Mrs. Mary E. Walker Mrs. Lilly B. Reinhart, Mrs. G.C. Killam, Mrs. S.S. Young, Mrs. Marie O. Crawford, Mrs. W.C. Creamer, Mrs. Chas. S. Cosgrove, Miss Aleda Tarbill, Miss Dorothy de la Pole, Mrs. Mamie Brimston, Mr. C.J. Rogers. Mrs. C.J. Rogers. Mrs. Nettie Lean, Mrs. M. McLaren, Miss Francis Nunn, Mrs. Frank Murray, Mr. Kenneth Gideon, Miss L.M. Dobbs and Mrs. Dorothy E. O'Keefe.</p>	
<p>[clipping]</p> <p>PROMINENT ALASKANS WED Mrs. Grace E. Bishop Married To Hon. James Wickersham in Seattle, Tuesday Evening</p>	
<p>An event of much interest to all Alaskans as well as to many Puget Sound people occurred on Tuesday evening last, when Hon. James Wickersham, of Juneau, and Mrs. Grace E. Bishop, also of the Capital City, were united in marriage at the farm home of the bride near Des Moines, Washington.</p>	
<p>The wedding ceremony was performed by Rev. Dr. Spencer, S. Sullinger, of Tacoma and was witnessed by some seventy-five friends and relatives, from Seattle, Tacoma, Enumclaw, Kent, Los Angeles and Alaska.</p>	
<p>The wedding setting was simple, but beautiful, the rooms being lavishly decorated with masses of flowers. Little Opal Jane Leonard made a charming ring-bearer. After the wedding a delicious buffet supper was served.</p>	
<p>Judge and Mrs. Wickersham were the recipients of hearty congratulations and warmest good wishes from the many friends present.</p>	
<p>Judge Wickersham is one of the outstanding citizens of Alaska, where he has resided for nearly thirty years, eight of which he served as judge of the federal court, seeing service in all of the four</p>	

<p>judicial divisions, and he represented Alaska in the United States Congress for twelve years. He introduced and secured the passage of the organic act which gave the Territory a legislature and an organized government, and was largely instrumental in passing the legislation which resulted in the construction of the government railroad from Seward to Fairbanks. After retiring from Congress he began the practice of law at Juneau.</p>	
<p>Mrs. Wickersham has resided in Alaska for many years, where she was connected with the public schools of the territory and has been prominent in club and social life.</p>	
<p>Judge and Mrs. Wickersham will leave shortly for Juneau where they will reside permanently. While in Seattle they are guests at the Hotel Frye.</p>	
<p>-5th -</p>	
<p>Working in the office.</p>	
<p><u>Roden & other lawyers prepared telegrams to the Dept. of Justice, to Senators Borah & Curtis, asking for my appointment as District Judge. I paid for sending the telegrams.</u></p>	
Diary 38, 1928 July 6-7	-6 th -
<p>As usual in the office: <u>also making examination of title to lots 5, 6, and 7, Blk, "D"</u>. I am about to buy the half of these lots next to Billy Bush's property with intention to build a home there. Also we are drawing plans for a home!</p>	
<p>-7th -</p>	
<p>As usual in the office - answering belated correspondence. Roden, Winn, Hart, LeFevre, Hurley & Sullivan sent telegrams endorsing my candidacy for District Judge to Dept. Justice, and to Senators Borah & Curtis - it is like casting bread on the waters - anyway its a friendly gesture.</p>	
Diary 38, 1928 July 8-10	-8 th -
<p>Lockie & Mrs. McKinnon gave a very nice home dinner last night to Grace Elizabeth & me: present McKinnon's, Wallstein G. Smith & wife, Donald & Mrs. McKinnon's sister. A good chicken dinner & a pleasant evening. Sunday: mail from the south - letters etc. from many friends.</p>	

	-9 th -
	Same as usual in the office. -10 th - Recd. copy telegram from Paul "Hon. William L. Paul, Ketchikan. Have asked <u>President make recess appointment Judge James Wickersham.</u> " (Signed) <u>Charles Curtis</u> " (Candidate for V.P. with Hoover)
Diary 38, 1928 July 10-11	-10 th continued -
	Had family dinner this evening with Mr. & Mrs. Howard Lerch - Grace & I. -11 th - The Alaska Gastineau Min. Co. is offering to sell me their big house at the top of Chicken Ridge, Seward St. N.E. Corner, for \$6,000 including furniture, etc. Grace & I examined it today & it almost persuades me that it is a better investment than to buy the lot alongside Billy Bosch's & build a new house thereon. The A.G. House is large two storied etc. but the upper story can be rented for probably \$65 or \$70 ⁰⁰ per month it looks good to me. As usual in the office. At work on case of Goldstein, et al. v Pond et al.
Diary 38, 1928 July 12	-12 th -
	The Admiralty Island Coal Co. is really prospering. Money is offered for stock as fast as the Co's officers can use it, & the public has apparently taken great confidence in its management, etc. Today, for instance. Donaldson bought the boat Apex No 1. from Capt. Cann, for \$5,000 paying one half in cash & one half in Co. stock. Two new investors - Dr. Jenne & Mr. Knowland – bought stock & paid in the \$2,500. ⁰⁰ in cash, so the boat was paid for, & became the sole property of the Co. The business of the Co is prosperous, coal is sold as fast as it can be brought out - but, of course, the only coal yet coming out is mined from the shaft as it sinks along the strike of the vein. I am examining the A.G. house.
Diary 38, 1928 July 21-13	12
	Cor. Seward & 7th St. on Chicken Ridge & having it inspected by a competent carpenter, before I buy it. I think I will not buy the lot alongside of Billy

	-13 th -
	Bosch's but will buy the 7th St. lots - 2 & the house. <u>It seems a better investment.</u> The ladies who have known Grace so many years in Juneau are giving her "a tea," at Mrs. Walstein G. Smith's, this afternoon, which pleased me, of course. Recd. letter from Mrs. Mae Harrington, at Home, Kachemak Bay, saying she & Jack had planted 75 fir (Douglas seedlings) trees for me & had given neighbors 23 for planting. Sent her \$17.50 for service & fixing fences etc.
Diary 38, 1928 July 13	13
	I have determined to buy the lots & house on Seward St. on top of Chicken Ridge. and will probably complete the purchase tomorrow. Grace spent the day with some of her friends at their summer camp on Auk bay. A special agent of the Dept. of Justice called & interviewed me in relation to fixing salaries for Commissioners & ex officio Recorders, etc in Alaska. I favored the plan and promised to write him a letter giving my views about it. Busy drawing complaints in Intervention for Winter & Pond Co. and Mrs. Harriet M. Pond, in case of Goldstein v Pond. Business is getting back to normalcy – slowly since it is known that I am back in the office once more.
Diary 38, 1928 July 14	-14 th -
	E. Gastonguay delivered a list of the personal property which I get by the purchase of the house & lots 7 & 8 Blk. 28 from the A.G. Co. and we will do the formal work of signing the contract of purchase on Monday. <u>The Admiralty Island Coal Co. accepted & recorded my deed to a 1/2 interest in the patented Harkrader coal claim at Kootznahoo Inlet yesterday, & delivered to me today 1500 shares of its common stock, & 725 shares of its preferred stock also 25 shares of its preferred stock at my order to Mrs. Martha L. McKinnon, in payment for my interest in the property so conveyed to it by my deed.</u>

<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 15th -</p> <p>Wrote a letter to Mr.. H.C. Argo, Sp. Agent, U.S. Dept of Justice, in support of a bill now pending in Congress for giving salaries to Commissioners - ex officio Recorders, Justice of Peace, Probate Judge, etc.</p> <p>Loafed today - nothing new. Three U.S. destroyers - iron vessels, at Govt. dock (just built), & town is full of uniforms & sailors.</p> <p>Recd. copy of a letter from Mrs. Forest J. hunt, Republican National Committeewoman for Alaska, the original of which she sent to the Atty Genl. Washington, D.C. endorsing me for District Judge. In reply I am advising her about a Woman's Republican Club organization to be formed under her management. She has a good headed horse sense about politics & I am anxious to see her go to work on and head such an organization.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Received from Bindery in Seattle 271 copies of my Bibliography of Alaska, 1724-1924. I had already received 125 vols. in Seattle which makes 396 - 4 short - but it may be I have forgotten that 4! I left with Lowman & Hanford, for sale @ \$5⁰⁰ per vol - they to keep \$1⁰⁰ & remit me \$4⁰⁰ for each volume sold. also 10 with Shorey, Seattle on same terms. Have this day sent 21 copies to Forest J. Hunt, Ketchikan on same terms & have presented to friends about 15 copies. Made agreement in writing to purchase lots 7 & 8. Blk. 28. Juneau, from Alaska Gold Minas Co. for \$6,000.00 paid \$500.⁰⁰ on act - balance to be paid about August first - includes furniture.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 17-18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Engaged today in preparing Application to the Sec. of Interior by the Admiralty Island Coal Co. asking for the approval of an Assignment to it by Howard H. Lerch of his Coal Land Permit, etc.</p> <p>Drew draft on <u>Tacoma Savings and Loan Association</u> for \$4,000.⁰⁰ to pay balance on my purchase of lots & house from A.G. Co. - yesterday.</p> <p>Recd. a letter from Burton L. French, M.C. from Idaho saying he had written to Atty. Genl. urging</p>

	<p>my appointment as District Judge in Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday, preparing records in Permit matter for Admiralty Coal. Co & draft, on Tacoma Loan & Savings Assoc.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18th - continued.</p> <p>Recd. today 4 volumes of Du Haldes History of China, 1735, which contains the report of Berings first voyage through the Bering strait, wherein he discovered the St Lawrence and Diomed islands & named them the first record printed so far as I now know of any part of Alaska. These volumes are large & beautifully printed & bound - But, the freight brokerage, cartage, wharfage, etc. etc. cost me 25.^{63/100}! just plain highway robbery, for the box was only 13 inches square, weighed 63 pounds, etc. The books cost \$96.⁰⁰ & the expense \$26.⁰⁰ - moral Dont buy many foreign books <u>without knowing what it will cost.</u></p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 19-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Raining - as usual in the office.</p> <p>Henry Roden, Pres. Bar Assoc. J.E. Hellenthal, Wallis S. George, President Chamber of Commerce & Dr. Dawes sent a telegram to the President last night asking for my appointment as Judge.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Recd. copy or letter - (no, the original) written by Everett Sanders, Sec. to the President, from the Presidents summer office at Superior, Wis. to Senator Curtis of Kansas, now the candidate with Hoover, as Vice President, saying <u>"My Dear Senator Curtis: the President has received your telegram of the ninth, expressing the hope that he will make a recess appointment of Judge James Wickersham to be judge for the First Division of Alaska.</u></p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21</p> <p><u>By his direction I am at once sending it to the Attorney General for his consideration. With great regards and best wishes, Sincerely yours, Everett Sanders.</u></p>

	<p><u>Secretary to the President.</u> <u>Hon. Charles Curtis, United States Senate,</u> <u>Washington D.C.</u>"</p> <p>Also recd, a copy of a most excellent letter written to the President by my friend F.A. Hazeltine, prop. South Bend Journal, S.B. Wash. strongly commending me for the appointment: <u>also</u> a letter from Senator Gillett, of Mass. to W^m S. Felton, Salem, Mass, (interested by R.S. Hurley, of Juneau bar), speaking very highly about me, but raising an objection to my age: the Senator says this is the only objection know to him etc. Must write him a nice letter of thanks.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 July 22-23	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd –</p> <p>Working in the office though it is Sunday! Mr. & Mrs. Howard H. Lerch to dinner with us last evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p><u>Her friends are giving Grace some kind of a general reception at Mrs. Barrager's.</u> Sent Senators Gillett, Mass, & Curtis, of Kansas, each a copy of my Bibliography, & wrote both nice letters - about <u>Judgeship</u>. Grace had a fine reception - most of the ladies of Juneau called - they had refreshments - plenty of pretty girls, etc. I called for her just before 6 oclock & was asked to have coffee & cake, which did - but not sufficient to spoil my dinner. It was a beautiful day & a beautiful party.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 July 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>A gorgeous day - bright sunshine and blue skies. <u>Empire</u> report of Grace's party:</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MRS. WICKERSHAM IS HONOR GUEST AT TEA</p> <p>Mrs. James Wickersham, a recent bride, was the honor guest at one of the most delightful social events of the year, yesterday afternoon, when Mrs. J.E. Barrager and Mrs. H.H. Post entertained at tea at the former's home on Sixth street and Main. Over one hundred and fifty guests left cards during the reception hours from 4 to 6 o'clock and wished Mrs. Wickersham happiness, as they took tea in</p>

	<p>the charmingly decorated rooms. The tea table was covered beautifully with lace and lighted pink candles in tall silver candlesticks. In the center a lovely bowl of pink sweet peas and white baby breath carried out the dainty color scheme. Mrs. Walstein G. Smith and Mrs. L.P. Dawes poured during the first hour and Mrs. E.H. Kaser and Mrs. Allen Shattuck poured from 5 to 6 o'clock. They were assisted during the afternoon by Mrs. W.E. Britt, Mrs. H.R. Shepard, Mrs. Fred W. Henning, Mrs. H.H. Lerch, Mrs. Simpson McKinnon, Mrs. George W. Naylor and the Misses Rae Stevens, Ester Kaser, Elizabeth Kaser, Harriet Barrager, Virginia Metzgar, Virginia Shattuck, Verna Hurley, Betty Barrager and Lucille Erickson.</p> <p>Grover Winn, Paul, Olts McCormack & Benjamin sent a telegram to the Atty. Genl today urging my appointment as District Judge. Grace & I have just read "We" by Lindbergh - a story of his life & his great & first flight across the Atlantic by airplane.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Fine weather.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 July 26	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Some two Weeks ago I drew on Dexter Horton Bank - deposit of my bonds - for \$2000.⁰⁰ and a little later on the Tacoma Savings & Loan. Assoc. for \$4000.⁰⁰ of my deposit there. Both sums have arrived and I am now ready to pay for my home on the hill - Lots 7 & 8 Blk. 28. & the big house thereon. Sent complimentary copies of Bibliography to R.K. Geoghegan, Fairbanks, Harry E. Morton, Anchorage, Hugh A. Morrison, Ast. Lib. Congressional Library, Wash. D.C. Yale University Library, New Haven, Conn. Arthur H. Clark, Cleveland, Ohio, one to O.D. Cochran for Nome Public Library. Grace has been out vacationing with some of her Chicken Ridge friends - weather hot & sunny.</p>

<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 27-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Am sending copies of my Bibliography to persons to whom I feel some debt of gratitude for assistance in its preparation, Oxford University Press also Wilberforce Eames, N.Y. Library: Morrison, Cong. Lib. Harry E. Morton, Anchorage, Geoghegan: Fairbanks: Yale University, N.H. Conn. Arthur H. Clark, Cleveland, Ohio, etc. <u>Prof. A.R. Cedarberg, Dorpat Un. Esthonia, etc.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Trying to get title to Lots 7 & 8, Blk, 28, Juneau, from Alaska Gold Mines Co. - but Faulkner & Gastonguay report that they do not yet have proper & sufficient Power of Attorney but promise it by 30th & possession of house next week sure. I have the money ready to pay them!!</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 28-29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>Grace & I reading the "<u>Bridge of San Luis Rey</u>," Wilder. <u>A good book</u></p> <p>A Dr. Herbert Donovan, of Brooklyn N.Y, came up from Prince's boat this evening to call on me - with a letter of introduction from Jack Dalton, now residing in Yakima. Dr. Donovan seems to be a writer, etc. and I enjoyed his visit. We discussed my Bibliography & other Alaskan matters.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Sunday & very quiet. Attended the laying of the corner stones, late yesterday evening by the Masonic Lodge, of new Public School Bldg. & the Masonic Temple. Services were brief. Gov. Parks read a short address at School building & a friend read an address for Lester E. Henderson, Com. of Education.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 29-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>Having some trouble at Harkrader Coal Mine: Evans Jones & the men got to manufacturing <u>bootleg whiskey</u> & all got drunk, etc. Donaldson went over on the Apex No 1, two days ago & think he discharged all those found guilty of engaging in the festivities! Anyway Evans & his wife and the accused men came over on the boat last night - & I suppose they will be around tomorrow with their "alibis." Of course I shall support Bob - he is the manager & must be sustained.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Evans Jones came in to give me his side of the "jag" at Harkrader - says Bob did not discharge him, but that he has no "guilt" & will not work for the Company under Bob's management, that</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 July 30-31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>he came over with his wife & the baby <u>on account of sickness of the latter</u>. - that he will go back to Harkrader tomorrow - <u>after his goods</u> etc. Of course, he also said he drank some (3 glasses) of the liquor - wine, he called it, & accuses Lerch & Donaldson of <u>giving consent to the making of the liquor - & bringing barrels & kegs & glasses</u> over to Harkrader! etc.-</p> <p>Pretty busy in the office these days. Am reading "A Dog Puncher on the Yukon" by Arthur J. Walden - old Yukon stuff.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- July 31st 1928.-</p> <p><u>Paid the balance of the purchase price of Lots 7 & 8, Blk. 28, to the Alaska Gold Mines Co. = \$5500.⁰⁰ + 500 = 6000.⁰⁰ and received my deed to the property - had it recorded. Also recd. Bill of sale of furniture.</u></p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">August 1, 1928.</p> <p>This evenings Empire has telegraphic dispatch from Washington D.C. saying that Solicitor Genl. Mitchell is being sent to Alaska to examine into the matter of the best man to appoint as District Judge.</p> <p><u>Mitchell is a close friend of John Rustgard</u>, and I think has been relied upon by Rustgard as his supporter.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">UNITED STATES SOLICITOR GEN. COMING NORTH W.D. Mitchell Enroute to Southeastern Alaska -Special Mission SELECTION OF JUDGE SPECIFIC INTENTION Other Matters to Be In- quired Into – First</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Visit of Kind</p> <p>WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.- William D. Mitchell, Solicitor General of the United States, leaves today for Alaska where he will inquire into a number of matters pertaining to the Department of Justice. He specifically expects to look into the selection of a Judge to fill the vacancy caused in the First Judicial Division of Alaska, caused by the death of Judge T.M. Reed.</p> <p>Mr. Mitchell will sail from Seattle on August 11 and plans to remain in Alaska until September 9.</p> <p>It was said at the Department of Justice, that Mr. Mitchell's visit is the first time a prominent Government official has visited the Territory for the specific purpose or inquiring into the Judicial Administration. Hope is expressed by officials that as a result of this visit, the Department will gain first hand information which will enable it better to administer Alaska affairs, also to show the people of the Territory that simply because of their distance from Washington, they are not being neglected by the Dept of Justice.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 August 2-4	<p style="text-align: center;">-Aug 2nd -</p> <p>Working in the office as usual. Getting ready to work on the House next week. Sending some more Biblio's out.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Received today a copy of The Washington Historical Quarterly, dated July 1928, being Vol XIX, No. c, wherein is the first review of <u>A Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, 1724-1924</u> that I have seen. It is a fine review of my book and I am greatly pleased with it - by my friend Chas. W. Smith, Asst. Librarian of the University of Washington.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>After some trouble we have settled with Evans Jones, Supt. Harkrader Coal Mine, & he has left us. He got drunk</p>
Diary 38, 1928 August 4	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>- allowed some of the men at the mine to manufacture intoxicating liquor, etc. and we let him go! Settled with him satisfactorily & he goes away in good humor - apparently. I am sorry about the</p>

	<p>matter - but a man who cannot superintend himself well, cannot do better with others - especially in a coal mine!</p> <p>Recd. copy of a letter written July 26th by Senator Borah, - about my appointment as District Judge - <u>from Rep. French of Idaho</u>. It is disappointing in one particular but highly satisfactory in others - he says "<u>I think Judge Wickersham would be an excellent appointment,</u>" & promises aid in confirmation & concludes, "<u>perhaps later I might be more useful.</u>"</p>
Diary 38, 1928 August 5	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">KETCHIKAN BAR ASKS FOR MORE ALASKA COURTS</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Special Meeting of First City Association Ends in En- dorsement of Wickersham for Judgeship {Chronicle Ketchikan} SEVERAL OPPOSED {Aug. 5th }</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Resolution Calls Upon Gov- ernor George A. Parks to Call Special Session of Le- gislation</p> <p>The Bar Association of Ketchikan at a special meeting held yesterday afternoon at the Blue Fox café adopted a resolution calling on Governor George A. Parks to call a special session of the legislature with a view to creating Territorial courts in Alaska.</p> <p>Following the action the organization then endorsed Judge James Wickersham for appointment as judge of the First Judicial division of Alaska.</p> <p>Neither action was unanimous, several voting against the resolution and others not voting.</p> <p>Reports indicate that those favoring the resolution addressed to the governor did so on two grounds; first, that the First Judicial division should have a judiciary at once, the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Reed creating a bad situation,</p>

	<p>and second, that they favored greater self government in Alaska.</p> <p>In the matter of endorsing Judge Wickersham for appointment to the bench, seven were in favor of it, two voting against it and two others not voting.</p> <p>Recd. this telegram today: <u>Ketchikan, Alaska, Aug 4, 1928</u> <u>James Wickersham, Juneau.</u> <u>Ketchikan Bar Association in regular meeting today endorses you for judge First Division stop We are wiring President, Sutherland, etc. stop Have you any suggestions further stop We also asked Governor call special session to organize Territorial Const. Harry G. McCain.</u> Grace & I spent part of the clay at our recently purchased home on Chicken Ridge with carpenters & contractors, consulting with them about the necessary changes and repairs. We want to begin work tomorrow on the reconstruction and repair of the building.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 6-7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Aug 6th -</p> <p>Sent the following telegram to Ketchikan Bar Association today: <u>Juneau, Alaska, Aug. 6, 1928.</u> <u>Harry G. McCain, Attorney, Ketchikan, Alaska.</u> <u>Saturday telegram received and I thank members Bar Association for confidence stop suggest presenting your views personally to Solicitor General Mitchell when he arrives Ketchikan next Monday morning.</u> <u>James Wickersham.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Rec. letter from McCain saying he had written letter at request members of Ketchikan bar Assoc. to Senator McNary, Oregon, asking him to endorse my appt. as Judge, etc. <u>Carpenters began work today repairing my house on Chicken Ridge. etc.</u></p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 7-8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Very busy in the office – also getting carpenter at work on my house.</p> <p>[clipping]</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Record of Alaskan Literature. (Seattle Times.)</p> <p>In the Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, compiled by the Hon. James Wickersham, a word of inestimable value is presented to persons interested in any way in either the annals of the activities of the Territory. The volume, of 635 pages, contains what is virtually a complete list of the titles of books and other publications pertaining to the history of the country, to travels and voyages in the northland and to newspapers periodicals and public documents printed in and about the priceless possession. The exhaustive work includes not only all records in the English language but likewise all those in Russian, German, French, Spanish and other languages. Its period extends from 1724, the beginning of Muscovite rule to 1924 - 200 years.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, was eminently qualified for the task. Early in the present century he was a United States jurist in Alaska and then for several terms was the Territory's Delegate to Congress. So began the compendium when he was in the House of Representatives, within easy reach of the wonderful resources of the Library of Congress. The Alaskan Legislature recognized the worth of the research and authorized its results to be published by the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines, which is at Fairbanks.</p> <p>Information concerning Alaska may be scattered to the four corners of the earth, but Judge Wickersham has made the knowledge available by scheduling its diverse nature and naming its many authors. He has performed a fine service for both the casual inquirers and serious students. His achievement will redound greatly to the benefit of Alaska.</p> <p>{Copied by Empire, Juneau, from Seattle Times}</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Spending much time at new building of my house – watching repairs & enjoying construction – changing plans, etc.</p>
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<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 9-11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Dinner last night with Walstein G. Smiths. Bad weather - raining torrents - bad on repairing house, <u>etc.</u> Grace & I have just concluded, reading Isadora Duncan's "My Life" - Isadora tells the truth, probably the whole truth, for she tells frankly about the paternity of her three children out of matrimony etc. She is, however, a fluent and ready writer, and very interesting - It is a book worth reading.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Same in office as usual. Rainy weather is retarding our repairs on our house.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Grace & I am reading the "Iron Paddler" by Sec. of Labor Davis - a good book.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>We took 11 oclock breakfast with the Rustgards - They are readers of good books - I presented them with a copy of</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Alaskan A.N.B. PUBLISHING CO. The Alaskan, six months\$2.50 The Alaskan, per year.....\$4.00 Published every Friday by the ANB. Publishing Co., Petersburg Entered in the Post Office in Petersburg as Second Class Matter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OFFICIAL HISTORIAN FOR ALASKA From Ketchikan Chronicle</p> <p>The work of Judge Wickersham in compiling his "Bibliography" points clearly to the desirability of having him made official historian of the Territoy of Alaska. The Chronicle urges the next Territorial legislature to create a position of official historian for Alaska and expresses belief that Judge Wickersham should be chosen for the position. For more than a quarter of a century he has been gathering material books, pamphlets, magazines,</p>

	<p>newspapers, articles in periodicals, which constitute a collection with reference to Alaska unexcelled in the world. Not only has he these works but he has digested mentally scores of them. Thus, he is more available for official historian than any other living person.</p> <p>A man well advanced in age, Judge Wickersham cannot be with us for a great many years, as life is counted, and the Territory should not fail to avail itself of the opportunity to obtain his services in the writing of a history of Alaska. For him to undertake it privately would be a great financial loss which he could not be expected to bear.</p> <p>We have some histories of Alaska. Bancroft, a massive, ponderous and uninteresting work, is hard to read and more difficult to digest. We have also other lesser works on the history of Alaska, interesting but not sufficiently complete.</p> <p>How interesting Judge Wickersham could make a history of Alaska, going back even to give us the inner stories of the lives of Peter and Catherine of Russia, who were primarily responsible for the early explorations of the northland!</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>Much money has been expended unworthy causes. The Cronicle sug by our legislatures for much more gests that he next legislature create the position, temporary, of official historian of Alaska, with Judge Wickersham to carry on the work.</p> <p>[another clipping from the same paper] "POLITICAL MINDED BAR ASSO- CIATION" From Ketchikan Chronicle</p> <p>The Bar Association of Ketchikan, at a meeting yesterday, adopted a resolution calling upon the governor to call a special session of the legislature to create territorial courts with their natural impedimenta.</p> <p>No attorney at the meeting or voting for the measure thought for an instant that the Governor would call such a session, and some of those who voted for the resolution were, we are convinced,</p>

	<p>satisfied that if the program were carried out it would result in only turmoil.</p> <p>Seven of the eleven attorneys present then voted in favor of endorsing Judge James Wickersham for the judgeship of the First Division. While we have indicated our opinion that Judge Wickersham is well fitted for certain important works concerning the Territory we do not favor his appointment as judge of the division. To go further, we hope that the dept of justice and the president, after due consideration, will be satisfied that he should not be selected for the judgeship.</p> <p>We believe that Judge Wickersham is too old and that he is temperamentally not fitted for the position, the most important judgeship in Alaska.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CHRONICLE WANTS GORE</p> <p>In a recent editorial this same Chronicle said, speaking of the Gore recommendation by the Ketchikan Bar Association "Whether the President acts upon the suggestion or not, it was a prettc compliment to Mr. Gore from his brother members of the legal profession. At a meeting was present every member of the Bar of Ketchikan except one, and those present were unanimous in urging his appointment.</p> <p>The Chronicle joins the attorneys IN THE BELIEF THAT MR. GORE IS THE MOST VALUABLE MAN IN THE TERRITORY FOR THE POSITION. His selection by President Coolidge would be a happy solution of the problem."</p> <p>The best the Chronicle can offer as a solution of the problem is the appointment of Judge Wickersham as Historian of Alaska. Whenever the political dominants wish to get rid of a man who is dangerous to their interests, they "shelve" him by getting him into a minor office and then forget him. They satisfy their own political ends and fool a gullible public at the same time. the same position is held</p> <p>The Chronicle puts itself in a most ridiculous position by declaring Wickersham unqualified for the office yet in the same breath sing the praises of</p>
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	<p>Lester Gore.</p> <p>The editorials in the Chronicle are long - & flattering - with a sting of the adder in their tail end.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 13-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Busy looking after repairs on my hew house - while it will cost a great sum it will give me a fine home.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Solicitor General W^m D. Mitchell came to town on the SS. "Aleutian" this forenoon: This afternoon, in company with Grover Winn, Henry Roden, Bob Robertson, V.A. Paine, I called on him - formally. The Bar Assoc. will give him a dinner - this week. He is a fine looking man - I judge (about 45 years of age) [Wickersham added later:] he is 54 years old!! He was cordial with us all. I wonder just what he heard and saw in Ketchikan 7 out of 11 members of the bar there endorsed me at their last meeting.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Solicitor Genl. Mitchell called to thank me for a copy of my Bibliography which I sent him this morning. He talked around & around - about not making an appointment of a judge until "<u>later</u>" - no date - getting a judge from another Division to come here & "clean up the docket," etc. etc. I am told he is in constant communion with Faulkner, et. al. - the Democratic - anti Sutherland crowd! It looks to me like the usual fizzle that always has come from one of these Departmental "junketers." Certainly he does not talk fair & does not, to use a western expression, "lay his cards on the table." Of course, being a candidate I am obliged to keep quiet and be good natured.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 August 16-17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Men at house getting along all right. I feel that Mitchell is doing little in his investigation, except to talk to a few of our opponents. Rustgard feels the same way - Roden & Winn trying to see him about arranging for a dinner in his honor - are not able to get an audience! He is busy with Gov. Parks. Called to meet Sec. Jardine, but he was out along the Govt. wagon road with Flory & Williams. Will try again.</p>

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	It is quietly given out today that Mitchell has agreed to recommend Harding, the U.S. Dist. Atty. for Judge in this Division. Have prepared night letter for Sutherland, who is now at Fairbanks
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	informing him of situation as follows: <u>Juneau, Alaska, Aug. 17, 1928.</u> <u>Hon Dan Sutherland, Fairbanks, Alaska.</u> <u>Confidential stop Solicitor General Mitchell leaves here Tuesday for Seward and Kenai peninsula hunting stop you must see him there stop reported Harding recommended for judge stop Democrats and your enemies in command stop without you appear and persuade nothing friendly will happen stop can you connect and return Fairbanks James Wickersham."</u> This I think ends all my chances of getting the appointment. Well all one can do is to grin and get ready for work when the judge is appointed and confirmed. I do not think Dan can change the situation!
Diary 38, 1928 August 18-19	-18-
	Henry Roden says that Arthur Fox tells him <u>positively that Mitchell is not for Harding but favors Gore for Judge! So there you are! Recd. a letter from O.D. Kemeneva, President of the U.S.S.R. Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries from Moscow, Russia, about exchange of Russian-Alaska books I want for American books wanted in Russ. Institutions. I will send him a copy of bibliography and make suggestions for exchanges.</u> -19 th - Sunday and a beautiful sunny day. Inspected the house with Grace & made some changes in our ideas & plans. Am very anxious to get into my new library & get my long neglected books to it.
Diary 38, 1928 August 20	-20 th -
	Have this day written an answering letter to D.J. Kameneva, Pres. U.S.S.R. Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries. Malaya

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	Nikitskaya 6, Moscow 69, Russia, in relation to exchanging Alaska books, <u>etc.</u> with that Society for Russian books about Russian America - Alaska. His letter was suggested by A.P. Serebrosky, a mining engineer from Russia, who was in Juneau some months ago. Also sent him a copy of A Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, 1724-1924. I wrote him a good letter offering to furnish an equivalent in Alaska books for the Russian books whose titles are mentioned in my Bibliography under Russian America, etc.
Diary 38, 1928 August 21	-21 st -
	Attended luncheon given by the Juneau Chamber of Commerce to Sec. Jardine and the officials with him. Bum lunch, but good talks by the officials – though Sec. J. <u>did not</u> speak enthusiastically about Agriculture in Alaska. He seemed to know more about fisheries than agriculture. Solicitor Genl. Mitchell was present, & spoke about his trip here to choose a judge - but more about hunting & fishing. <u>It seems to be an official junket.</u> I am fearful the Admiralty Is. Coal Co. is falling behind: The work at the mine is slow - coal is not being marketed, and there is need of more money immediately.
Diary 38, 1928 August 22	-22 nd -
	Mitchell, Sol. Genl. U.S. left last night on the SS. for Seward & Kenai hunting. <u>I gather from his statements to me & from what other people tell me he says that there may not be another judge appointed in this division until Hoover or Smith is elected & takes office on March 4th next. It may be they expect to punish Sutherland in this way for procuring unfavorable action in the Senate on Adams Appointment!</u> Anyway it is a severe punishment of the litigants & persons accused of crime in this division in the meantime. Also Mitchell may send Judge Hill of the 3rd Div. here - which will only punish the 3rd Div. as well as this one. <u>Great officials are sometimes very small.</u>
Diary 38, 1928 August 22-23	-22 nd continued.
	Recd. proceeds sale \$2000. bonds through the Dexter Horton Nat. Bk. Seattle \$1950.18 for use in

	<p>building the house. Also a fine letter of appreciation of my Bibliography from Arthur L. Clark.</p> <p>Am getting more annoyed at the condition of the Ad. Is. Coal Co. The treasurer needs more money and asked me to sign a note for \$1000. today for the Co., which, of course, I refused to do. Am writing Donaldson a sharp letter about the men making <u>wine</u> at the mines, & carrying material for manufacturing same on our boat the <u>Apex No 1.</u> - warning him against the practice & forbidding it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Everything as usual. House work going better I think.</p> <p>Am not going to Wrangell this week.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 August 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>My birthday - I am so old now that I write this announcement in snail type and without great attention or pleasure.</p> <p>Grace gave me a beautiful Chinese trunk - an Indian relic probably from Hoonah.</p> <p>I gave her some seal skins for a coat.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>The work on our house going some better now, and we will be able to occupy some of the rooms & can probably move into them on the first of September.</p> <p>Some days ago one Peter Stiel, an old prospector & miner from Fairbanks was taken off the south bound boat very sick he passed away & we are burying him today - I acted as one of the pall bearers.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 August 26	<p style="text-align: center;">26th</p> <p>Sunday. Grace & I have concluded to put my library on the second floor of the house - making two south front rooms into one & thus giving me plenty of room for all my books. It will be a beautiful library for me quiet & peaceful & away from the disturbances on the first floor.</p> <p>Recd. letter from McCain, of Ketchikan, with a letter to him from Senator McNary of Oregon, saying he had endorsed me for appointment as Judge in Alaska.</p> <p>Sutherland has also gone to Seward to consult with</p>

	<p>Sol. Genl. Mitchell about the matter, though I cannot say what he will recommend - though he is entirely friendly.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 August 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>I am preparing a Brief on the question of the abandonment of trap Sites by pulling the piles in the fall, but intending to replace them in the spring - with permit for occupation of the ground or site from the War Dept. <u>for five years.</u></p> <p>Yesterday evening's Empire contains an interview from the Seward papers, given out by Mitchell in which he says we have plenty of lawyers competent to be judge in this division, <u>etc.</u> & that he has already recommended one for the place. He does not say who it is, & I and my friends to not know -so, of course, <u>it must be the other fellow.</u> But what other fellow?</p> <p>Grace has just completed reading "<u>Mother India,</u>" to me.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 August 28-31	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Everything as usual.</p> <p>Working on trap site Brief.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Notice from Tacoma that doors etc. will not come for another week - telegraphed today to send by Saturdays boat all possible.</p> <p>Getting along slowly with the house.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Same as usual - nothing more. House work going satisfactorily.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">31st-</p> <p>Work at house progressing better.</p> <p>Busy in office getting cased ready for court - called by Judge Hill for Sept. 29th. This looks as if no judge will be appointed until after Congress meets in December!</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-Sept 1st, 1928-</p> <p>Mrs. Jas. L. Galen came down from Cordova to engage me to assist her in her fight with her husband about divorce, property, <u>etc.</u> She is a handsome woman, but erratic, high strung and quarrelsome. After listening to her story - I advised her to go back to Cordova & make up with him & live with him as his wife - advised her to get the</p>

	<p>assistance of Bishop Crimont (they are both Catholics), but she declared it cannot be brought about. It is too bad, for she is a brilliant woman (44 years old), but I fear she & he are both without any controlling machinery - that both are alike irresponsible, and probably they will just have to love each other - as they do - and make each other unhappy as long as they live - its too bad.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 2-4	<p style="text-align: center;">-Sept. 2-</p> <p>Sunday. Grace & I spent an hour or so at the new house - planning.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd-</p> <p>Labor Day - holiday - nothing working. I wrote letters in the office. <u>Wrote letter to my old Alaska friend, W.A. ("Doc") Holmes, who has just been nominated for Governor by the republicans in Texas.</u> Grace is a fine reader, and reads a good book - science, poetry, etc. to me every evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>House work going along well - at that its a big job and takes lots of money.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 5-7	<p style="text-align: center;">-5-</p> <p>I learn that Mitchell offered Gore the appointment as judge when he was in Ketchikan - <u>Roden, says its true!</u> but that Gore refused to accept a recess appointment. I suppose that there will be no recess appointment - and that Gore will be appointed when Congress meets. Ketchikan lawyers protest Harding!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Everything going along as usual. Judge Hill will open court here in about a week!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Same as usual. Working on the Brief in re title to trap sites on tide & shore sites.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 8	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Sent Judge Joseph R. Nutt, Texas, Rep. Nat. Com. money order for \$25⁰⁰ for use in electing Hoover & Curtis. John Hirsh, an old Dawson & Fairbanks miner called: he has some mines on the Chichagoff Island - He tells me that Anton Standard - another lucky Klondike miner - is now</p>

	<p>flat broke & is living in a shack in Roberts row - here in Juneau. Said he would bring Anton in to call on me. "Nigger Jim," another Klondiker dropped dead 3 or 4 years ago - he was broke & a water carrier on the Govt. Railroad - carrying 2 buckets of water to section men when he dropped dead with heart disease! how the world does move - and turn thumbs up - & thumbs down.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 9-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Sunday - nothing new or extraordinary.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>More lumber came for the house on the boat today - <u>but not all.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Work going on as usual. Workmen at house now beginning on the "big front door," Painters & paper hangers following & it looks like getting done in two more weeks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Paid lumber bills on house today & drew by telegraph on Tacoma Savings & Loan Assoc. for \$1500.⁰⁰ more!</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 14	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>The workmen are putting in the concrete front steps to the house today & are at work finishing the front door and hall. It is beginning to look like we are approaching the end of the job, after 6 weeks hard work of 6 men. The Agri. Fair is on - and the Admiralty Is. Coal Company has a fine display of its coal on exhibition. That project looks like it will be successfully put on a paying basis - if so I shall be very happy, for I worked long and actively in getting it organized, and I have a sufficient interest reserved in it to put me in good financial shape if it is successful!!</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>My house on Chicken Ridge is nearly completed - constructed the concrete steps today. Painting & papering going along. I think it will be entirely completed next - provided some needed lumber get here on time. It will cost about \$3500. for repairs - \$6000.</p>

	<p>purchase price - or about \$9,500 in all - and it is well worth 50% more than that sum. -16th -</p> <p>Sunday. Spent part of the day at the house - straightening this out & at our rooms packing trunks, etc. We have concluded not to move until the middle or last of the week - painting & paper hangers are not yet out of the way.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 17-20	<p>-17th - Working on concrete steps etc. -18th -</p> <p>We found today that our lumber is here & has been here for two weeks, but so hidden under another name that we could not find it. It was addressed to "<u>James Buckusha</u>." - paid the freight & got it delivered. -19th -</p> <p>Carpenters putting on the much delayed siding. - plasterers are finished etc. -20th -</p> <p>Carpenters nearing end of their work on house. Am urging Admiralty Is. Coal Co. to make its payment tomorrow to Harkrader, Oklahoma, of \$1500. due on its option to purchase his 1/2 interest in the Harkrader Coal Mine. It is due tomorrow.</p>
Diary 38, 1928 September 20-24	<p>-20th continued- Am going to Wrangell on the boat in the morning to take testimony in the case of the Estate of J. Matheson deed. -21st -</p> <p>Left on the SS. "Queen" for Wrangell to take evidence in Matheson case. Went to Taku harbor - Funter Bay - Excursion Inlet. -22nd -</p> <p>Port Conclusion. Pillar Bay, Kake and at Petersburg in evening. -23rd -</p> <p>Sunday. Arrived in Wrangell - Put up at John Grants Hotel. -24th -</p> <p>Took evidence of Grant & myself before Judge Thomas in Matheson Case.</p>

Diary 38, 1928 September 24-25	<p>-24th continued. Left Wrangell on the "Aleutian" for Juneau - all work completed. -25th -</p> <p>Arrived in Juneau - 3³⁰ found Grace at our new house - carpenters at work - almost completed.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FINE SHIPMENT OF COAL ARRIVES FROM MINE AT HARKRADER</p> <p>Twenty tons of what is claimed by officials of the Admiralty Island Coal Company, to be the finest coal yet mined there, were received today by it from the Harkrader property it is prospecting and developing in Kootznahoo Inlet. It came from the bottom bench and is said to be virtually free from impurities and not shattered.</p> <p>R.S. Donaldson, general manager who is at the property, reported that the coal deposit is improving with depth and looks better than at any time since prospecting began.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Improves With Depth</p> <p>"The slope is now down 420 feet," he said, "and looks fine. The bottom bench of coal is excellent and the top bench is clearing out. One crosscut has been driven toward Favorite Bay 80 feet and is in very good coal, in fact it improves with distance. The lower crosscut is now off toward Favorite Bay 60 feet and of course will act exactly like the upper one, as it covers the same ground, except that it is 60 feet lower down.</p> <p>"Altogether, I would say the outlook is very favorable and we are making good progress on the slope."</p> <p>The water does not hinder the work in any degree. "In fact, this would be considered a dry slope," he said.</p> <p>At a depth of 370 feet, the company is sinking a prospecting tunnel to determine the existence of a second bed of workable coal. This should be completed within about two weeks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Payment on Property.</p> <p>A window display of coal from the bottom bench</p>
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	<p>is being shown in the offices of H.R. Shepard & Son. It is of unusual quality and size. A show piece, weighing probably about 100 pounds has also been presented to the Alaska Museum. Howard H. Lerch, today announced that the company had made payment of the sum due G.K. Harkrader for his one-half interest in the old Harkrader claims. This insures the company [clipping ends abruptly]</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 September 26-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Our house is completed - except the painting & paper hanging - which is <u>almost</u> completed. It is a nice, large and pleasant home, on the very summit of Chicken Ridge - & overlooks the town and the Channel -both East and West.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Recd. telegram as follows: <u>Chicago, Illinois Sept. 27, 1928.</u> <u>Hon. James Wickersham, Juneau.</u> Governor Smith has charged, quote, Hoover as Secretary commerce is personally responsible for the reprehensible condition of the fishing industry in Alaska over repeated protests of the Alaska Indians that their very existence has been threatened</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 September 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p><u>stop he has coldly turned these Indians down and has granted a fishing monopoly to non-resident canners of Seattle, Portland and San Francisco stop Can we expect different treatment in the United States. Unquote please make for publication concise statement of facts and wire same collect to C.E. Lounsbury, Field Representative Seattle Washington James W. Good, western manager Republican National Committee.</u></p> <p><u>Sent the following telegrams in answer:</u> C.E. Lounsbury, Representative Republican National Committee, care Edward W. Allen, 400 Burke Building, Seattle, Washington. Governor Smith is wrongly advised and badly mistaken in charging that Mr. Hoover as Secretary of Commerce is either officially or personally responsible for bad conditions which recently</p>

	<p>existed in the fishing industry in Alaska stop Worse conditions existed for eight years under President Wilsons administration and every appeal made to Congress</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 September 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>from Alaska for conservation legislation during those eight years was successfully defeated by monopoly combine through Democratic administration stop Infamous Democratic Alexander bill under Wilson administration conveying private titles to fishing grounds and valuable trap sites in Alaska to fishery combine barely defeated by minority Republicans stop. When Alaska fisheries were first placed under jurisdiction of Secretary Hoover he found them without departmental control or protection from outside cannery combine and threatened with complete extermination stop Coolidge Administration caused passage Acts of Congress of Nineteen twenty four and Nineteen twenty six for their protection and conservation stop These acts were passed by Republicans Congress approved by President Coolidge and Secretary Hoover and the Alaska fisheries are now for the first time under the control of conservation safeguards and safe from monopoly or destruction stop Alaskan Indians have every right that any other American citizen has in respect to Alaska fisheries stop They were united against dangerous Democratic Alexander bill and now unanimously supporting the Republicans Territorial ticket and would if this were a State vote solidly for Hoover & Curtis stop. Hoover did not and had no power to turn them down in any respect and did not grant fishing or any other monopoly to non-resident canneries stop All fishery canneries now operating in Alaska were operating under wide open conditions during Wilson administration which made no effort to</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 September 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>control or curb their monopoly stop Acts of Congress passed under Coolidge administration cured defects and provide ample power to enforce conservation arid protect the fisheries of Alaska from monopoly and destruction stop Every Indian</p>

	<p>in Alaska is enthusiastic in support of and would vote for Curtis of Kansas whoever needed the ticket stop They are confident that Hoover and Curtis will continue to protect their interests and those of the public in the Alaska fisheries stop Better fishery conditions exist now and Alaska Indians are assured of the preservation of their fisheries and fishing rights.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">James Wickersham</p> <p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Juneau, Alaska Sept. 27, 1928.</p> <p><u>C.E. Lounsbury</u>, Representative Republican National Committee, Care of Edward W. Allen 400 Burke Building, Seattle, Washington.</p> <p>Have just received telegram from James W. Good, Chicago, to telegraph you interview answering Governor Smiths charge against Secretary Hoover stop Answer to you by separate telegram stop You have my permission to add to or subtract from same to make interview stronger as Governor Smith is being misled.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">James Wickersham</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Juneau, Alaska Sept. 27, 1928.</p> <p>Hon. James W. Good, Republican National Committee Headquarters, Chicago, Illinois.</p> <p>Sent Lounsbury four hundred words statement explaining charge against Secretary Hoover stop Gov Smith is wholly</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 September 27-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>misled stop Acts Nineteen Hundred twenty four and nineteen twenty six passed by Republican Congress approved by President Coolidge and Secretary Hoover save both public and Indian rights in Alaska fisheries. Letter coming.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">James Wickersham</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Juneau, Alaska September 28, 1928</p> <p>Will A Steel, 1010 First Avenue, Seattle, Washington.</p> <p>Call on C.E. Lounsbury representative Republicans National Committee assist editing my telegrams important see Edward W. Allen Burke Building</p> <p style="text-align: center;">James Wickersham</p>

	<p>I also wrote a letter to James W. Good and sent him therein copies of the telegrams to Lounsbury & himself.</p> <p>I am very much pleased to have had this telegram from my friend Good & to be able to assist in this small way in the national campaign.</p> <p>I hope Steel gets an opportunity to assist in editing my statement for he knows conditions & has political sense.</p>
<p>Diary 38, 1928 September 28-October 1</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">28th continued.</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Good this evening: Chicago Ill. Sep 28, 1928</p> <p><u>James Wickersham, Juneau.</u></p> <p><u>Wire received stop many thanks for your prompt and effective work.</u></p> <p><u>James W. Good.</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">-29th -</p> <p>Judge Hill held first Court today - Call of cases, motions, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-30th -</p> <p>Up at house looking around. Examining bills - rooms etc etc.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">October 1st 1928.</p> <p><u>Grace & I moved into our house at 7th & Seward streets today - from room 500, Zynda hotel where I have lived for seven years.</u></p>