

Diary 41, 1932	[Front cover]  National Diary 1932
Diary 41, 1932 January 1	A green holiday - no snow & some rain - mild It looks to me as if Senator Howell of Nebraska, has a decided slant of enmity toward Alaska. As chairman of a Senate Committee to investigate the Alaska Railroad - he will cost Alaska great trouble and loss of appropriations, etc. Now I learn that Simmons, Congressman from Nebraska, may also make a big speech against Alaska - it seems that Col. Ohlson, of the Alaska Railroad refused (or did not) give Simmons free transportation on the Ry. etc. and that may account for his spleen - I just wonder what it cost the Govt. for the U.S. destroyers the <u>Wasmuth</u> & <u>Perry</u> , to take Howell, Kendrick, & Thomas to Alaska and return, - 2 vessels for 4 men!!
Diary 41, 1932 January 2	We are leaving the George Washington Inn on Monday & will take rooms in the new building on Maryland Ave. The Inn is too expensive & generally unsatisfactory. I am preparing to introduce some additional Alaska Bills on Monday - <u>one to grant the legislature power over Fish &amp; Game</u> , another giving Commissioner & Ex officio Justice, Probate Judge, etc. a salary. Mrs. Jeanette P. Nichols & her husband called - she wrote "Alaska, a history of first half century under the U.S. rule," etc Her husband has just had published a Biography of Franklin Pierce, etc. which I must read.
Diary 41, 1932 January 3	A bumptious telegram from the Territorial Chamber of Commerce at Juneau, evidently written by Whittier received today - answered it as mildly as skimmed milk - and will pay no attention to his nonsense. Mine host, the proprietor of the George Washington Inn, called at the office to protest against our leaving his badly conducted hotel. I told him we could get better accommodations etc. for less money & were leaving him for that reason.

	He was angry - but failed to state any reason to cause me to change my mind. Grace has not liked his hotel on account of bad food etc but I did not tell him that. She had to set pans on the floor by her bed two nights ago to catch the rain as it dropped from the ceiling!
Diary 41, 1932 January 4	Congress convened again today! Conferred with Jardine, chief officer of Experiment Stations about holding the Matanuska Experiment Station. - Also interviewed sub-Committee Appropriation Com. - am to be heard Jan 14 - on notice. Notified to attend meeting Committee on Territories tomorrow at 10 a.m. on hearings of Alaska Bills. Grace moved us today from the George Washington Inn to rooms 310 at 110. Maryland Ave. N.E. She is pleased with new quarters.
Diary 41, 1932 January 5	My real work in Congress has now begun - it is to get the Committees having Alaska bills in charge to consider the arguments in their favor & to make favorable reports & pass the bills. Today the Committee on the Territories gave its time to Hawaiian matters, though I got a brief hearing on the bill to build a coal bunker at Seward - & finally send copy to the Sec. of the Interior with request for his views thereon. I also wrote him a letter with copy of the bill urging a favorable report by next Tuesday when I will be heard more fully. Tomorrow I am to be heard by the Com. on Indian Affairs on the Indian land bill. Grace & I are now in our new rooms in the Maryland Ave hotel, & we are settled quite comfortably.
Diary 41, 1932 January 6	Attended hearing before Sub Committee of Agri. in Appro. Com. & testified strongly in favor of monitoring the Matanuska Experiment Station. Col. Ohlson called & <u>now</u> suggests that the Railroad Com. has money enough to construct the Cordova bunkers – that <u>he now approves that project! etc.</u> I asked him if the Interior Dept. Sec. Wilbur would make that report in answer to my letter & Committee's inquiry - he said they would! I dont believe him?

	<p>I called &amp; talked with Sisson, Asst. Atty. Genl. about appointments - just talk - no determination. Sisson agreed to support my bill for a supreme court in Alaska! &amp; suggested that might help us out in the matter of appointments!! Well, we'll see.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 7	<p><u>Prepared &amp; sent my Declaration as Candidate for Delegate at the Primary Election to the Auditor of Alaska - with \$40.<sup>00</sup></u>  Recd. telegram this morning:  Kodiak Alaska, Jan. 6, '32  Hon. James Wickersham, Delegate from Alaska, Washington, D.C.  I am directed by Kodiak Republican Club to advise you that its platform adopted Jany fourth contains following - quote  <u>We approve and stand for those principles and territorial policies as promulgated and advocated by our Delegate in Congress James Wickersham and we stand for his continuance in office -</u>  unquote - with you in your efforts to repeal placer mining laws.  W. J. Erskine, Sec.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 8	<p>At work examining the codes of Cal. Oregon &amp; Washington- &amp; drafting a bill, based on the laws of those States, to prevent non-residents from fishing in the waters of Alaska. I have drafted two forms of such a bill &amp; will later decide which one to introduce. Both Washington &amp; Oregon have stringent laws along that line &amp; so far they have stood the test - while Wash &amp; Oregon fishermen invade Alaska waters in great numbers each fishing season An Alaska fisherman would not be allowed to fish in either State!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 9	<p>Purchases a new ready-made suit of clothes - pair of shoes - slippers, overcoat, shirts etc. - bill \$119.35 Needed them very much.  Grace attended a luncheon given by Mrs. Steel - <u>Wills stepmother</u> - at the Carlton Hotel, today. She met Mrs. Hyde, wife of Sec. of Agriculture - whom she has met before &amp; whom she admires very much &amp; other ladies.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 January 10	<p>Midday dinner with the Davis (Mary Lee &amp; husband) at the Parrot Restaurant.  We had a good feast and spent two pleasant hours with the Davis' talking about Fairbanks, books, etc. Mary Lee told me that Endicott, (she sent her "Attic" to each &amp; every member of Congress called on her &amp; talked to her very seriously about court officials in Fairbanks - who Judge Clegg was, his fitness for the judgeship, his character etc. and also about other Alaskan officials.  Endicott is a very intimate friend of Hoover's, - also Mrs. Davis is quite intimate with the President &amp; Mrs. H- I reached the conclusion that <u>probably</u> Endicott has been asked to interview Mrs. Davis!! although she did not mention it.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 11	<p>Attended meeting Com. on Merchant Marine Radio &amp; Fisheries - Com. is organizing investigation Shipping Board &amp; will probably neglect other matters.  Getting Bills, data, etc. for hearing before Com. on Territories tomorrow. Big mail from Alaska - some politics - not bad - not good - Democrats working hard! My friends organizing slowly - but organizing.  Looks as if the Paul Brothers, who have great influence with the Indian vote are working against me.  Grace has card game on tonight.  Mr. &amp; Mrs. Chalmers, former congressman from Ohio &amp; Marvin Jones, M.C. Texas.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 12	<p>Finished reading "The Great Meadow" by Eliz. Madox Roberts. I can see my great grandmother &amp; Sampson, enroute from Kennett Square, Penn. in about 1780 - to Harrodsburg Kentucky as the heroine of the Great Meadow.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 13	<p>Wrote the Report Committee on Territories, to be made by Kemp. M.C. on the Petersburg Bond Bill. We attended a reception to President Hoover given by the womens Congressional Club, at Club, tonight. It was a splendid function - &amp; a great crowd. As I passed Mrs. Hoover I asked her if she still had her Alaska dog - Yukon. She replied "Yes." Will ask Will to make an item about it in his weekly News Letter to Alaska.</p>

<p>Diary 41, 1932 January 14</p>	<p>Capt. Wallace Langley, river Captain on the Yukon &amp; Kuskokwim rivers called - his wife is at the Raleigh. Gave him a Card to the House galleries. W.H. Terhune, chief of the Alaska Game Commission, from Juneau is in the city - called at the office. Is here to oppose the setting apart of Admiralty Island for a "Grizzly Bear Reservation"!! Some New York Big Game men are advocating the measure. I am opposed to the scheme and will assist Terhune in his contest against it. If the President makes the reservation I will introduce a bill to declare the reservation dissolved &amp; not subject to any future order by the President for that use! There are other plans for legislation against these big game "hogs" that may interest them - <u>also</u>.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 January 15</p>	<p>Bishop Peter T. Row, Episcopal Bishop of Alaska, accompanied by Dr. Burke, of Fort Yukon, called &amp; we discussed the Yukon River fishery matter. They agree with O-Malley to open fishing on the Yukon for this year, but upon O'Malley's promise that if fishing depletes the fish dangerously it will be closed hereafter. Conference with Keating, Ed. "Labor" &amp; Farquahrson, Employes Union etc. Spent an hour – <u>they will redraft the bill which Barndollar gave me</u>. A Mrs. Triggy - nee Vrooman, from Middlebury, N.Y. a distant relative of Graces took dinner with us. We are to have dinner with Capt. &amp; Mrs. Wallace Langley -Monday. They are to invite the O'Malleys also.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 January 16</p>	<p>Had a conference with Postmaster General Brown about my standing! He was friendly - asked me if I had talked to the President - I said No - or Newton, the Presidents Sec - No, again. I showed him my platform pledging support to the President, etc. He then said he would <u>look into the matter!</u> But I am determined to call &amp; talk to the President about the matter the first of next week! If I can get the Presidents approval it will enable me to get some influence in appointments. If not - ?</p>

	<p>My bill on the Petersburg Bonds was favorably reported to the House today - my first one!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 January 17</p>	<p>Grace &amp; I called on Major &amp; Mrs. Goethals, 3105 Cathedral Ave. N.W. He was in charge of the Alaska Road Commission for two or three years &amp; is very loyal to Alaska. He was the Engineer Officer in the Washington City Govt - but last fall took sick &amp; is still confined to his room. He was glad to see us - Mrs. Goethals is a handsome young woman &amp; they have two beautiful tow-headed girls.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 January 18</p>	<p>Spent most of the day before the Senate Committee on Conservation of Wild Life Resources: Mr. John M. Holzworth, presented the plan of-reserving Admiralty Is. as a Sanctuary for Grizzly Bear - and the Forest Service, the Alaska Game Commission &amp; I objected – we gave testimony in opposition - but John M.H. struggled earnestly - I think the Committee is with us. Grace &amp; I take dinner with Capt &amp; Mrs. Langley at the Raleigh Hotel at 7 this evening.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 January 19</p>	<p>Petersburg Bond Bill, H. Report No. 99: Juneau Bill, H. Rept. 170.102 <u>Made date to see President Hoover tomorrow at 11:15 a.m.</u> at which I intend to try to get him to give me better recognition than he did Dan Sutherland - who had a bitter personal quarrel with him! Will try to convince him that I will support his Administration &amp; have fairly organized the Republican party in Alaska. The Indian Rights Assoc. of Philadelphia, through a Mr. Sniffen, its President, is starting a fight on the Lomen control of the courts &amp; reindeer herds, etc. at Nome. He came in &amp; talked the matter over with me! told him I just keep out of it. He is filing charges against Judge Lomen!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 January 20</p>	<p>Called &amp; had a very friendly talk with President Hoover. Showed him my last years platform - supporting him &amp; his administration - told him about postmasters &amp; other appointments &amp; he said he would arrange it so I would have the usual rights &amp; that he would not assist me in any way if Sutherland was included! Assured him that I was</p>

	free & would work with his representatives friendly etc. He is bitter toward Sutherland. Also saw Richey, his secretary & had perfectly friendly talk along same lines & received from him same promises of friendly treatment. House working on Agri. App. Bill - Alaska items.
Diary 41, 1932 January 21	[clipping] <p style="text-align: center;">. . . The . . . PRESIDENT'S DAY At the Executive Offices Jan. 20, 1932</p> <p>9 a.m.-Senator Couzens (Rep.), of Michigan, called to discuss radio matters. 9:30 a.m.-Senator Reed (Rep.), of Pennsylvania, called. Subject of conference not announced. 10 a.m.-Senator Lewis (Dem.), of Illinois, called to submit names of six Illinois judges for appointment to the Supreme Court of the United States. 11:15 a.m.-Representative Rogers (Rep.), of Great Falls, Mont., called to present a group of northern Montana cattlemen. 11:35 a.m.-Representative Tucker (Dem.), of Lexington, Va., called to submit a list of names of four persons for consideration in connection with the vacancy on the Supreme Court of the United States. 11:45 a.m.-Delegate Wickersham (Rep.), of Juneau, Alaska, called to discuss Alaskan problems.</p> <p>Spent all afternoon in the House listening to members making longwinded speeches for home consumption. The Agricultural Appro. bill was before the Committee on the Whole House &amp; I expected some one might say something about our Alaska items in the Bill - &amp; I felt that I ought to be present to defend. The bill comes up tomorrow for reading &amp; amendments &amp; I must be present to offer or defend an amendment in favor of the Matanuska Agri. station which was not put in the bill.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 22	Moved an amendment to the Agri. Appro. Bill in the House to provide appropriation to save the Matanuska Experiment Station - made a talk on the

	floor in support of my amendment - but the Democrats defeated it - because it was not in the Budget - and they will not permit any appropriation in excess of the Budget. They are determined to cut items even in the Budget - to show a better record on Economy than the President, who approved the Budget - mere politics! Capt. Wallace Langley & wife left for New Orleans tonight.
Diary 41, 1932 January 23	Com. on Flood Control approved my bill for maintenance of the Lowell (Seward) creek flume. The Postmaster General sent for me today, and promised me the political control of Post office appointments in Alaska - he told me plainly that he expected me to get 2 Delegates for Hoover in the National Convention!! I think there will be no trouble to do that - He asked me about Rasmussen - Candidate for Rep. Nat. Com. from Alaska & I approved him - mildly!  Finished Alaska Bear Trails, by Harold McCracken - good description of bear life in Alaska
Diary 41, 1932 January 24	Had a much needed long sleep this morning - until 1.30 - Grace got up early and came to the office to do Vrooman genealogy I have prepared a brief on the legal points involved in respect to the implied repeal of the Alaska Bone Dry law which I got Congress to enact in 1917 by the Volstead Act of 1919, ready for presentation to the Committee on Territories on Tuesday - provided they will have a quorum, which I doubt - for the members fear to go into that controversial matter - I do not much care what they do - If the Democratic Committee will not act - the Alaska Democrats cannot entice me!!
Diary 41, 1932 January 25	Requested Chairman Williams of Com. on Ter. to have a stenographer take my statement in Bone Dry Appeal Bill tomorrow & print! He agreed - if we could get a quorum. Will Steel had another interview with Sisson, Asst. Atty. General about judicial appointments in Alaska, the usual stuff - I will go myself - after conferring with O'Malley.

	<p>Political situation in Alaska as shown by Alaska papers - <u>not bad</u>! The candidates for the Democratic nomination are fighting - so far no one is entering the contest against me.</p> <p>I have just finished reading "<u>The Great Meadow</u>," by Elisabeth Madox Roberts - the story of a bridal ride over Boones Trace to Kentucky in 1777 - my great grand mother made the trip as a bride to Harrodsburg, Ky, in 1780.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 26	<p>Hearing before Committee on Territories on my bill No. 499, to repeal the Alaska Bone Dry Act, which I introduced &amp; got passed by Congress in 1917. My argument was on the legal ground that it was repealed by the Volstead Act of 1919! The Committee gave me plenty of time &amp; I finished my statement in an hour. Bishop Cannon, the head of the Anti-Saloon league &amp; the attorney for the League present &amp; got time to file a written answer &amp; objections.</p> <p>Grace &amp; I attended Reception to the house of Representatives at the White House. A very spectacular and dressy function - Grace likes 'em that way!</p> <p>Favorable action on Mt McKinley boundary bill today.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 27	<p>Saw Sisson, Asst. Atty. Genl last night at the Reception - he told me the Dept. of Justice would not approve my bill for the creation of Alaska Supreme Court, - because of the proposed salary of \$10,000. for the Chief Justice:</p> <p>He thought they might approve it if that official was dropped out &amp; the court consisted <u>only</u> of the four district judges: I am to see him soon &amp; see if we can agree on a plan of that kind.</p> <p>Hon. Frank Murphy made a very fine talk about Alaska in the opening statements on the Dept. of the Interior Appro. Bill this afternoon.</p> <p>Office work active &amp; much correspondence with people in Alaska.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 28	<p>The Com. on Ind. Affairs asked me to write a letter to the Sec. of the Interior, requesting information about the legal status of the Alaska Indians. I have done so and the Chairman will sign it &amp; send it to him - I hope it gets a sensible answer - but Wilbur,</p>

	<p>Sec. knows but little about that matter &amp; I fear is not only ignorant on the subject but is also prejudiced against Alaska, its people and its Indians.</p> <p>Telegram from Al. White, U.S . Marshal: <u>"Rustgard filed for Attorney General no opposition to you doubt if you will have any."</u></p> <p>A new bureau is being organized just now under General Dawes, a former Vice President, for the control of a couple of billion dollars in aid of the people suffering from the financial depression. I am preparing the papers to send to W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul, my Indian supporter in Alaska, to apply for a position in this new bureau. I think I can get Vice President Curtis to assist me in the matter, for Paul is one of his friends!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 29	<p>Had a conference with Henry O'Malley, Chief Bureau of Fisheries today.</p> <p>We went over the various fisheries bills that I have introduced - but he is entirely friendly &amp; when the bills come up for hearing before the Committees there will be no personal strain between us - we agreed there should be none.</p> <p>O'Malley is friendly toward me in the matter of appointments in the Department of Justice, but is in no condition to do anything except by friendly suggestions to Sisson, which he will make when occasion offers.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 January 30	<p>Dan Sutherland called &amp; spent an hour or two - He offered to come to Washington &amp; appear before the Merchant Marine and Fisheries Com. when the Welch bill comes on for hearing on Feb. 11, against it! I told him I did not think it would be necessary! He would start the old row over again with the Administration, for Hoover &amp; all his supporters hate Dan, heartily! Hoover told me that he would not consider anything Dan wanted etc. when I had my talk with him on the 20th, &amp; it would be fatal to myself &amp; Alaska's best interests of Dan appeared in favor of anything - or against it, or at all.</p> <p><u>I must prevent his appearance!</u></p> <p>Mrs. Boole, who aided me in passing the Alaska Bone Dry Law in 1917, will call on me Monday</p>

	morning - I suppose in opposition to my Repeal Bill!
Diary 41, 1932 January 31	Dan Sutherland in the office - taking great interest in Welch bill - I would like to have him come before the Com. on Merchant Marine & Fisheries & oppose this bill - <u>except</u> that it would make Hoover, O'Malley etc. doubt my pledge of friendship & desire to work in friendly relations with them!! Dan says Judge Clegg wrote to him recently that he intended to become a candidate for Delegate! Dan answered that I was supporting him for nomination for Judge! Am sending night letter to Cole, Auditor, Juneau asking him to send me night letter Tuesday night giving list of our filings for Territorial officers - closes Tuesday!
Diary 41, 1932 February 1	Mrs. Ella A. Boole, President of the National W.C.T.U. called this morning and attempted to persuade me to let the Bill to repeal the Alaska Prohibition Law of 1917 to lapse & introduce an amendment of some kind to cover the weaknesses in it. She was very friendly - she helped me pass the bill in 1917. I told her I must repeal it if possible. The bill to enlarge the boundary of the McKinley National Park came up very unexpectedly to me, today, on the unanimous consent calendar. It had been changed by the Com. at the request of the Department at the last meeting - in my absence. I introduced an amendment to care for the interests of settlers - caused controversy & asked to have the bill go over until the next call which was done!
Diary 41, 1932 February 2	We had another round this morning before the Committee on Territories over my bi.11 No. 499 to repeal the Alaska Bone Dry Law. Mrs. Boole, the head of the W.C.T. U. spoke vigorously against it - filed a letter from Rev. David Waggoner against it & Mr. Dunford filed a new - amended - statement. I replied briefly, but the Committee members - encouraged by Mrs. Boole - attacked the bill, - and I am satisfied the majority is against it & I expect will report adversely. Tonight I am preparing what one of the committee suggested as a compromise - & if I can

	get them to accept it – <u>it will help</u> , & especially if I can also get my Supreme Court bill passed! & will pave us clear to attack the Bone Dry law as a repealed law!
Diary 41, 1932 February 3	Recd. telegram from Marshal Al. White Juneau, informing me that I was to have no opposition for the Republican nomination The following candidates filed: Republicans: Wickersham, Delegate. Democrats: Zeigler, Grigsby & Dimond! Atty. Genl: Rep. Foster & John Rustgard. Dem. Truit: Auditor Rep. Cole, Lucas & Charles. Called & conferred with Sisson: He will consent to the appointment of Clegg, Judge at Fairbanks, if Richey's objections withdrawn. I am to call & talk with Richey! He talks more favorably about Rustgard for Judge - & if R- is appointed it will give Frank Foster a clear way for Atty. Genl. on Rep. ticket, which I approve.
Diary 41, 1932 February 4	Telegram from Cash Cole repeating Names filed for Terry. offices - in Whites telegram. <u>Two Democratic Congressmen died this Morning: Rutherford of Ga. &amp; Quinn of Miss.</u> The Prohibition organization - Mrs. Boole, Dunford, et. al. is interviewing the members of the Com. on Ter. endeavoring to get them to vote against my Bill to Repeal the Bone Dry law of Alaska, <u>with results</u> . Parsons, M.C. & Judge Williams say the Committee will defeat the endorsement of my bill - I have proposed a substitute & read it to both Parsons & Williams - they will consider it & try to get it accepted as a substitute. I am to call on Sec. Richey in the morning to talk about Clegg. Drafted a new substitute at suggestion of Ch. William & Parsons - more particularly.
Diary 41, 1932 February 5	Chas. D. Jones, U.S. Marshal reappointed today U.S. Marshal at Nome - I shall favor his confirmation! Sutherland was opposed to him but my friends there favor his reappointment & I feel like supporting them

	<p>[clipping]</p> <p>(Special to Alaska Weekly)</p> <p>JUNEAU, Feb. 4.-With a total of 57 candidates having filed their declarations for nominations by the two regular parties, the primary election period closed Tuesday afternoon. Of that number 37 filed on the democratic ticket.</p> <p>Both of the parties face a number of contests for important nominations at the April 20 primaries.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Territorial Nominations</p> <p>For the territorial nominations the candidates for the democratic party are:</p> <p>Delegate to Congress-A.J. Diamond, Valdez; George B. Grigsby, Ketchikan; A.H. Ziegler, Ketchikan.</p> <p>Attorney General-James S. Truitt, Anchorage.</p> <p>Auditor-Frank J. Boyle, Juneau.</p> <p>Highway Engineer-William A. Hesse, Ketchikan, incumbent.</p> <p>Commissioner of Education – Anthony E. Karnes, Ketchikan.</p> <p>The candidate for the nominations in the republican primary are:</p> <p>Delegate to Congress-James Wickersham, incumbent.</p> <p>Attorney General-John Rustgard, incumbent; Frank H. Foster, Juneau.</p> <p>Auditor-Cash Cole, incumbent; H.I. Lucas, Juneau; Percy G. Charles, Ketchikan.</p> <p>Commissioner of Education – W.K. Keller, incumbent.</p> <p>Highway Engineer – T.E. Wann, Fairbanks.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">National Committeeman</p> <p>For the nomination for democratic national committeeman three candidates filed declarations, J.J. Connors of Juneau, incumbent; John W. Frame of Juneau, and H.E. Hardcastle of Ketchikan.</p> <p>The republicans seeking the nomination for national committeeman are John T. White of Juneau and Edward A. Rasmuson of Skagway.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 February 6</p>	<p>I had an interview with Richey, the Presidents political Secretary today about the appointment of Clegg and Rustgard as District Judges in Alaska.</p>

	<p>He is much prejudiced against Clegg - says he was partisan in support of Sutherland - against Hoover, etc. I urged friendly action in Cleggs case because he is the best judge in Alaska &amp; small charges against him are exaggerated. He promised to see Sisson at once and let me know their decision. I think it will be favorable - maybe with both men!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 February 7</p>	<p>Worked all day in the office preparing a Brief on the law in the matter of my bill No 499, to repeal the Alaska special prohibition Act of 1917. I favor its repeal because of matter of law from the passage of later Acts which in my judgment repeal it by implication, and for other legal reasons - and not because I am opposed to prohibition. The Committee will not report the bill favorably - but I may get a substitute which will be of real benefit &amp; clarify the legal situation.</p> <p>Group of cannerymen here from Bristol Bay opposing the Welch bill - set for hearing on Thursday!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 February 8</p>	<p>Hearing before the House Committee on Merchant Marine, &amp; Fisheries - on bill to approve and put in force the Halibut Treaty with Canada for the protection of halibut banks along the shores of British Columbia and Alaska.</p> <p>I approved, but moved to amend the section in relation to courts before whom offenses were to be heard so as to give the business to the courts of Alaska - and got the matter adopted!</p> <p>Meeting tonight with Bradford, Johnson &amp; Chase, cannerymen from Bristol Bay in opposition to the Welch bill!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 February 9</p>	<p>Hearing on my Bill to repeal the Alaska Bone Dry Act, postponed for a week.</p> <p>Sent Dunford, the attorney for the Anti-Saloon League copy of my proposed Substitute - he says some objection - but he may agree to it. If not I intend to introduce it in the House as a bill &amp; fight it out on that line – provided the Com. on Ter. refuse to approve the present bill - <u>as the com. will.</u></p> <p>In the House all afternoon waiting for the railroad appropriation &amp; objections thereto. Did not reach these items - probably tomorrow.</p> <p>Grace &amp; I - Will Steel &amp; his stepmother attended</p>

	dinner & cards at the Congressional Club.
Diary 41, 1932 February 10	<p>I am to go &amp; confer with Secretary Wilbur, Interior Dept. as to his present attitude on the Bill to allow the Tlinget &amp; Haida Indians in S.E. Alaska to bring suit to recover the value of their Indian rights to lands at the date we took the Russia Am. over in 1867.</p> <p>Spent day - after noon - in the house! Preparing data &amp; argument with which to combat the Welch bill - to prohibit floating canneries in Bristol Bay. Hearings begin tomorrow on that &amp; other Alaska fishery bills. Have just read "In the Shadow of Mount McKinley" by William N. Beach, a new book - but not very interesting, except for descriptions of his jaunts, etc.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 11	<p>Hearings before Com. on M.M. &amp; Fish. Turned down my bill to protect fish from waste – herring meal &amp; oil - Then took up the Welch bill - long discussion - now with Free &amp; Welch. Hearing over until tomorrow. Getting ready for big Scrap! I am quite satisfied this contest will ruin my political standing with the Hoover Administration - but I cannot sit quietly by and see this Welch bill put over! and I intend to oppose it to the bitter end - in the House &amp; in the Senate!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 12	<p>We had another field day on the Welch bill - but stopped where the proponents of the Bill put in their case. Matter was then adjourned until Monday - when the opponents of the bill will begin their attack. I intend to oppose it on the ground of its monopolistic provisions - it will give the Food Trust a monopoly of the Alaska fisheries. The Juneau Chamber of Commerce sent in telegrams opposing my bill to prevent the use of good fish for fertilizer stock.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 13	<p>Grace and I attended a luncheon at noon given by the womens University Club - in honor of Mrs. Mary Lee Davis, who wrote Uncle Sam's Attic, Alaska - the Great Bear's Cub and We are Alaskan's." Mrs. Davis read a very interesting paper giving much of</p>

	<p>her family history &amp; how she came to write her Alaska books &amp; why she did it etc. It was, to me, a fascinating exhibition of her versatility &amp; remarkably flexible mind. She is a wonder to me! Dan Kennedy, of Anchorage, came into the office &amp; talked about his fathers old claim against the U.S. for services as a member of the Indian police force at Juneau, &amp; asked me to write to his brother to get the evidence which I tell him must be had before there is any hope of securing favorable action!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 14	<p>Worked in office preparing data for use in opposition to the Welch fishery bill - I am prepared to show that the three great food trust corporations of the U.S. - the <u>California Packing Corp.</u> the <u>Swift Meat Trust of Chicago</u>, and the <u>great Atlantic &amp; Pacific Tea Co. of America</u> - are at the back of the bill &amp; now own many Alaska canneries &amp; originated <u>the Bill!</u></p> <p>[Arrow pointing to previous page] Kennedy letter: See letter file: Feb. 21, 1890.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 15	<p>Another days hearings before the Com. on Merchant Marine &amp; fisheries on the Welch bill - Bradford - our first witness was heckled &amp; made many mistakes &amp; hurt our case. Further hearings continued until Thursday and I may not get a hearing for a week Big mail today from Alaska - letters from Louis Paul, editor of the Alaskan gives me fair assurance that he and the Indians votes of S.F. Alaska will vote for me &amp; support me for Delegate. Sisson, Asst. Atty. Genl. agreed today to appoint Clegg, judge for third division &amp; send Judge to Fairbanks in the fourth division! I telegraphed Clegg to accept - for Sisson agreed to telegraph to Clegg today and make that offer.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 16	<p>I finally concluded my hearings before the Com. on Territories on the bill to repeal the Alaska Bone Dry law, by reading brief on the law in relation to its repeal by the later Volstead Act &amp; subsequent Acts supplemental to it. The committee told me that while they sympathized with my view of the matter that if they reported the bill favorably it could not possibly pass - that they</p>



	<p>would assist in preparing an Act to amend the Alaska Act &amp; try to bring it into accord with the Volstead Act and later acts - A subcommittee of three members was appointed to consider the matter.</p> <p>The House today finished the Interior Dept. an appropriation Bill - containing the Alaska Appropriations included that for the Railroad - without any objection to the Alaska items. Wrote Darrell.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 17	<p>Called on Vice President Curtis in aid of Paul's application for a position in the U.S. Reconstruction Finance Plan - organization, under General Dawes. The V.P. would not write but instructed me to go to General Dawes &amp; say Paul was a good St competent man and etc.</p> <p>Saw General Dawes - where he earned that Paul was not in Washington - said he had chosen his staff leaders and would not interfere with them in choosing their subordinates - sent me to a Mr. Marr, who "passed the buck" &amp; before he got through telling me how impossible it was to appoint an "out of Washington" man - I found myself at the outer door with my hat on! I will write to Billy to see Mr. C.R. Shaw, manager loan agency, Seattle, at Marrs request - who wont do anything either!!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 18	<p>Another day of hearings in the Bill introduced by Welch of California to limit the floating canneries in Bristol Bay. The three Bristol Bay cannerymen, Bradford, Johnson &amp; Chase concluded their hearings &amp; I am to go on next Wednesday. Will Steel thinks I ought not to go too strong - that it may weaken me with the Hoover Administration - but I think I am privileged to defend Alaska &amp; Alaska fishermen fully - and I intend to do so. Sisson sent telegram to Clegg offering to appoint him judge in the 3d Division: Clegg accepted &amp; sent me telegram today explaining situation. Good! I hope it sticks.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 19	<p>Made out my Income Tax Act - and sent amount due \$64.24 to Burns Poe, Collector Internal Revenue, Tacoma Wash Bradford, Chase &amp; Johnson left for Bristol Bay &amp; canning season.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 February 20	<p>Quiet day. Wrote long letters to Louis F. Paul &amp; Chas Johnson - Petersburg &amp; Kake, about Welsh bill, fisheries matters &amp; politics. Promised Paul \$50<sup>00</sup> a month for his paper the Alaskan from March to November for publicity in election matters! Sent him the first - March - payment.</p> <p>Also wrote John Rustgard an answer to his recent letter in which he impudently demanded that I inform him what I was doing in respect to Memorials passed by the last Legislature. He is a bitter enemy while I am doing my best to get him appointed District Judge! Will write a better letter in explanation of the situation to Al. White - U.S. Marshal.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 21	<p>I have written a letter to Al. White in answer to his telegram &amp; John Rustgard letter, both of which threaten me if I do not get Rustgard appointed judge - in which I say to Al. that I am working for Rustgard - &amp; will continue to do so, notwithstanding his fool unfriendly opposition &amp; letters to me. I say that I shall continue to support John though I do not expect appreciation or gratitude from him in case I succeed in getting him appointed. Steel thinks I ought not to write it - so I lay it aside for two or three days to see what is done with Cleggs appointment. The Dept. wants to appoint Clegg to the Third &amp; send Hill to the Fourth division, but Hill objects!</p> <p>I have prepared "<u>20 Constructive Suggestions for the better Protection of the Alaska Fisheries.</u>" to use in my hearing on Wednesday!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 February 22	<p>It was a great public function the Joint Sess. of Senate &amp; House - Sup. Court, Diplomats, generals, etc. President Hoover addressed the Joint Sess: a demonstration for Hoover - and also Garner, Speaker.</p> <p>Big crowd in front of Capitol - loud speaker - speeches, bands, etc. 100,000 out of town people here!</p> <p>Every form of celebration – Alexandria, Mount Vernon, all over the United States!</p> <p>Grace had a fine seat in the gallery! I sat in the House - joint Sess. of course.</p>

	It was a beautiful bright day!
Diary 41, 1932 February 23	Called at "Labor" paper & told reporter about Hearing on the Welch Fish Bill - also at headquarters of American Federation of Labor & same to Green - asked both to send a man to the Hearings tomorrow. Green told me, incidentally, <u>that Welch was one of his friends!</u> & I fear I may have trouble to convince him that the Welch bill is bad!
Diary 41, 1932 February 24	I had a hectic 3 hours before the Com. on Merchant Marine & Fisheries today in opposition to the Welch bill for the control of the fisheries in Bristol Bay - <u>H.R. 6483</u> . I first offered the evidence of "Moody's Industrials" year book 1931. to prove that the California Packing Corporation of S.F., the Swift Meat Co, of Chicago and the Great Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. were huge trusts & together constituted a monopoly of the Red Fish packing in Bristol Bay - that the Bill, H.R. 6483, was in their interest and guaranteed their monopoly of the canning industry in Bristol Bay. Then I read the plank in the National Demo. platform of 1928, denouncing Monopolies - & urged the Com. to report it unfavorably! My but Bland of Virginia & even Judge David, of Tenn. Chairman, were mad! But if that wont kill the Bill nothing will!
Diary 41, 1932 February 25	I was much pleased yesterday after the close of my attack on the Welch bill when O'Malley came up and congratulated me & assured me that it was a very satisfactory presentation so far as he was concerned. I depend on him for assistance in keeping in line with the political matters in Alaska with Hoover administration & I found he might resent my attacks on a bill which he aided and to which he presented amendments against my opposition. Evidently he had no ill feeling!! Re-drafted by Bill to create a Supreme Court in Alaska to meet objections made by the Dept. of Justice. If I can get the Atty Genls support now the bill has good chance of passage. We have recd. invitation to have dinner with the O'Malley's next week!!

Diary 41, 1932 February 26	Called & had a very satisfactory talk with Sec. of Interior Wilbur about a favorable report on the bills to enable the Tlinget and Haida Indians to bring suit in Court of Claims to recover the value of their Indian title to S.E. Alaska. Also had a talk with Edwards - Asst. Sec. on the sane subject - he will support me - he said so! Also talked with my friend of "Bull Moose" days when he & I both supported Roosevelt against Taft. Joe Dixon - first Asst. Sec. Interior - I promised to send Sec. Wilbur copies of the bill & such data as needed - I shall also refer to Edwards & Dixon as acquainted with such matters & the rule to follow. Having joined the Daughters of the Revolution Grace is joining the Daughters of the Civil war tonight - her father was Captain &, wounded at Gettysburg!
Diary 41, 1932 February 27	The stenographers copy, typewritten, of the hearings on the Welch bill delivered to me for correction <u>etc.</u> While I will read my statements carefully I shall not correct or change the language in any way - I will leave it as the stenographer wrote it, mistakes and all, though I shall be interested to find just what language Bland, of Virginia, thought justified him in declaring that my language was "insulting," etc. I attempted to make my protests so vigorous as to call a halt in adding more support to the Monopoly of Alaska Fisheries by the Food Trust! - it may be <u>that</u> angered Bland! We entertained Dr & Mrs. Ellis of Ketchikan, Alaska, tonight at dinner at the Shoreham Hotel - where they danced & enjoyed the evening with Grace & myself.
Diary 41, 1932 February 28	Finished reading the stenographic report of my testimony in the hearings on the Welch bill - Alaska Fish bill, & will return it in the morning without correcting or changing it in the slightest - asked for 400 copies! Wrote letters today to Darrell, to Mave Olds, Tacoma, and to DeVere in Jersey City, N.J. Wrote Mave a nice letter for I will never forget how good she was to Howard & the other little ones on the "Cliff Street" play grounds years ago. Poor Mave

	ought to have married years ago & had children of her own, but she remained unmarried.
Diary 41, 1932 February 29	Dr. & Mrs. Ellis started home today The Chalmers took dinner with us this evening - Grace got the dinner & it was a very nice one, too. I am preparing a written statement to Sec. of Interior Wilbur in an attempt to persuade him to approve my bill to authorize the Tlinget & Haida tribes of S.E. Alaska to bring a suit to recover the value of their lands taken by the United States. Attack of gastritis.
Diary 41, 1932 March 1	Severe attack of gastritis - & confined to bed - for a rest. Nothing serious.  Grace & I attended a dinner tonight at O'Malley's - present Senator and Mrs. Norbeck, Congressman & Mrs. Hadley - Grace & I. We had a most excellent dinner & a pleasant evening. O'Malley entertained us with moving pictures of Alaska fisheries.  Col. Lindbergh Baby kidnapped! Great excitement over the crime but the Kidnappers got safely away with the baby & not a trace left!
Diary 41, 1932 March 2	Called and talked with Secretary of Interior Wilbur about rates on the iron for the Fairbanks public building. Also delivered him a written statement in relation to the bill to authorize the Tlinget & Haida Indians to bring a suit in the Court of Claims to recover the value of their lands, etc. taken by the Gov't in 1867. He talked favorably about both matters but did not commit himself specifically. Introduced several bills for harbor improvements & one to approve an Act of the Legislature providing for absentee voting in Alaska  Nothing yet heard of the Lindbergh baby - Extensive & intensive search but no clue found.
Diary 41, 1932 March 3	Dan Sutherland visiting us today. Introduced a bill to raise the tariff on coal (including Alaska) to \$3 <sup>00</sup> per ton. I must appear before

	Ways and Means Committee and urge raise from \$.50 <sup>¢</sup> & try & bar Nanaimo Coal! Am informed that the Tammany "boss," Curry, has requested the Tammany congressmen to support Sirovich in his opposition to the Welch bill. Tammany isn't so bad, when its on your side! Officials of the Canadian SS. Co. telephone they wish to see me on the Davis bill! Met three officials Can. Ry. & SS. Co. - Will Steel present - they seemed merely to meet me & know that I was interested in the Alaska side of the H.R. 8875. Hearing tomorrow before Senate Com. on Commerce - 10 <sup>30</sup>
Diary 41, 1932 March 4	Attended meeting Senate Committee on Commerce on hearing S. 3502. to (among other things) forbid Canadian boats carrying messengers from Seattle to Alaska - the Bill will prevent landing tourists from Canadian boats in Alaska towns etc. I presented numbers of telegrams from Ketchikan - other towns against the bill & testified briefly - will add to my remarks when the stenographer gives me copy - Senator White (Maine) told me he thought he could protect Alaska interest - the bill was originally an Atlantic coast merchant marine bill, but covers Alaska also. I appeared before the House Com. on Mer. Marine & Fisheries Feb. 8, and objected to the same bill!  Nothing yet found of Lindbergh baby!
Diary 41, 1932 March 5	Am working on Statement of Trade Value of Alaska to the United States. Cong. Record contains list of Postmasters appointed on yesterday for Alaska: W.T. Pinkerton, Fairbanks Mrs. S.D. Meals, Valdez Mrs. Lydia Noble, Kodiak I have had a hard struggle to get these appointments & particularly that of Pinkerton, who had been removed a year or more ago & is now reinstated. I may have an equal trouble to get Pinkerton confirmed!

Diary 41, 1932 March 6	<p>My statements, Trade Value of Alaska shows:          1867 to 1931 inclusive          Exports Alaska to U.S. \$1,691,717,221          Add Treasury receipts     <u>50,357,660</u>            1,742,074,881</p> <p>Add Imports to Ak           <u>839,233,561</u>          Total Trade                   2,631,308,442          Subtract U.S. Expenses   <u>207,317,286</u>          Net Trade Value            2,433,991,156</p> <p>So, Alaska has a credit balance in her favor of nearly two &amp; a half million dollars!!          Bad March storm on today.          Telegrams from Fairbanks from Pinkerton &amp; Nerland stating the people there rejoicing over the reappointment of Pinkerton!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 7	<p>Saw Sisson today, urge the Dept. of Justice to assist me in the passage of the bill to create a Supreme Court in Alaska. After considering the matter he was inclined to do so, but finally said that he would make an appointment for tomorrow or next day between Mitchell, Atty Genl &amp; myself, so that I might convince the Atty Genl., if I could, of the advisability of passing the bill into law. Sisson also told me that Judge Hill would be transferred to Fairbanks, but that it would require his appointment &amp; confirmation by the Senate &amp; that Clegg would then be appointed in Wills place in the 3rd division. <u>He also told me that a new judge would be appointed at Nome about April first!</u> and suggested Arnold, Com. at Ketchikan!! I insisted on Rustgard - he did not refuse &amp; left me thinking he agreed.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 8	<p>Received a telegram from Frank Foster, Juneau, today saying that Rustgard positively refused to accept the appointment as judge at Nome, and asking me to recommend him for the position! If this is true - which I doubt - John must be scared by the thought that Congress will pass the bill to abolish the judgeship at Nome as provided by the bill introduced in the Senate by the Dept. of Justice. My present understanding is that the Dept. will not press that bill &amp; if John knew that he would not object. I am to see the Atty. Genl. in the morning</p>

	<p>after which I will know better what to do - if anything. I will not act hastily.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 9	<p>Had conference with Attorney General Mitchell &amp; Asst. Charles P. Sisson this morning in regard to the bill to create a Supreme Court in Alaska &amp; they will go at once to work to examine &amp; correct the bill - it looks favorable - also they agreed to appoint Clegg - third division &amp; send Hill from the Third to the Fourth!</p> <p>Later - Recd. telegram from White, U.S. Marshal, saying Rustgard would not accept the appointment to the Second - Nome!</p> <p>Sent Rustgard the following telegram:            Govt. Business-Night Message.            Washington, D.C., March 9, 1932.</p> <p>Hon. John Rustgard,          Juneau, Alaska.</p> <p>Have received telegrams from your friends Juneau saying will not accept appointment as Judge in Second division stop Feel certain bill abolishing Judgeship Second division will not be urged and that office will be continued stop Looks favorable for bill establishing Supreme Court with four District Judges to comprise court. You must understand that I cannot control appointments of Judge though freely consulted about same stop Final action rests with Attorney General stop Think you can secure appointment to Second division and request you advise me at once whether you will accept appointment if tendered you or not. stop I do not wish to \$\$\$ insist upon your appointment only to meet with your refusal stop Please answer by wire Govt. Business collect.</p> <p>James Wickersham, Delegate</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 10	<p>Congress has begun work today on a tax bill which will take some days - and since nothing can be done on Alaska bills during that time I am more free than usual, <u>and</u> I am preparing data for a speech on the Trade Value of Alaska, which I hope to get into the record soon. We got 400 copies of the hearings on the Welch bill - hearings before the Com. on Merchant Marine &amp; Fisheries containing</p>

	my evidence or statements against it. We are preparing to send them out to Alaska.
Diary 41, 1932 March 11	Working on my statement of the Grade Value of Alaska. Nothing from Rustgard in answer to my telegram! Quite evident that John is mad & declines to admit that he is in need of my support. Of course I shall go quietly along & support him for appointment just the same as if he were agreeable.
Diary 41, 1932 March 12	I have prepared today an additional statement to be made to my objection to H.R. 8875 and S. 3502, before the Senate Committee on Commerce against - excluding the Canadian steamers carrying tourists to Alaska in the summer round trip season. Secretary Wilbur has filed objections to the passage of my bill H.R. 5605 & S. 1196, introduced by Senator Frazier to allow the Tlinget & Haida Indians to bring a suit in the Court of Claims to recover the value of their title of occupancy for lands taken by the U.S. without payment to the Indians.
Diary 41, 1932 March 13	Finished my additional statement in opposition to the H.R. 8875 and S. 3502 - bills to Prevent the Canadian vessels carrying tourists & passengers to Alaskan ports - wrote a letter to Senator White of Maine asking to have it added to my oral statement of March 4 <sup>th</sup> . Attached two telegrams from Alaska Chambers of Commerce requesting me to make their objections to the bill. Recd. telegram from Rustgard - does not say he will accept the Nome office -nor does he refuse it - leaves it dangling in the air
Diary 41, 1932 March 14	Will received a long letter form Louis Paul denouncing Hoover & O'Malley & declaring that he and the Indians in S.E. Alaska were going to vote the Democratic ticket this: fall!! He is favoring Zeigler as a Candidate for Delegate against me- but does not say what he will do in case Zeigler fails at the primary election to get the Democratic nomination. Spent an hour with Asst. Atty. Generals making satisfactory corrections in my bill to create a

	Supreme Court in Alaska. The Atty. Genl will then approve the bill and its passage seems to me to be fairly certain now!
Diary 41, 1932 March 15	Attending committee meetings Territories - etc. trying to get bills reported. Also big bunch of letters from Alaska.
Diary 41, 1932 March 16	Attended long session of the Indian Affairs Committee - the Sec. of Int. & Com. Indian Affairs have both written letters objecting to the passage of my bill to authorize the Tlingets & Haida's to bring suit in the court of Claims to recover value of the Indian title to S.E. Alaska. Also conferred with Senator Frazier, Ch. Com. Ind. Affairs in the Senate on the same bill - the Senate Bill. He arranged for me to appear before the Senate Com. next Wednesday 23rd and answer objections of Sec. & officials. Wrote note to Mrs. Mary Lee Davis, confined to her home with foot in cast & sent her copy of my paper on Alaska Nomenclature - so much worse than a sore jaw that it may act to ease that pain by comparison.
Diary 41, 1932 March 17	My study of the reports sent to the Committees on Indian affairs in the Senate and House shows they are not bad - though the Secretary of the Interior follows them up with a brief letter saying my bill allowing the Tlinget & Haida Indians to bring suit is not necessary & he disapproves the bill. I am now getting my data ready to present to the Senate Committee next Wednesday.  The Lindbergh baby - kidnapped - has not yet been found - The criminals got away safely & no trace can be found of them or the child.
Diary 41, 1932 March 18	Went to the Dept. of Justice today and had another talk with Sisson about the appointment of Judges. He had a telegram from Capt. Lathrop urging that Rustgard be appointed at Fairbanks, that Hill be allowed to remain at Valdez, & that Clegg be sent to Nome! I told Sisson that this was being managed by Tony Dimond - that Lathrop had urged Dimond (a Democrat) for judge - that Harding. Hill & Rustgard were all opponents of mine &

	supported & would support Dimond for Delegate against me, etc. He finally said he would send a reply to Lathrop saying the matter had been settled & could not be changed to his suggestion! He also agreed to expedite the approval of the Supreme Court bill - I urged haste in these matters so they could be passed before Congress adjourned in June!
Diary 41, 1932 March 19	Excitement in the House today over the proposed Tax bill - one side insisting on a sales tax & the other denouncing it. The bill is a strictly Democratic measure - but neither the Democrats nor the Rep's agree as a body & an amendment is adopted to levy a higher Income tax - in the high brackets - & the row is on! Earner, Crusp & Rainey, Democratic leaders insist on the Sales tax - and adjourned the House to allow time to consult, etc. Saw Dr. Phillip Smith, Geologist in charge of Alaska's minerals, to get a table of output of minerals from Alaska since 1867 - am busy preparing my statement on the Value of Alaska Trade to the U.S. & need the figures for it. B.D. Steward from Juneau is in town, - says Alaska has a bad winter.
Diary 41, 1932 March 20	Working on Trade Value of Alaska. My friend Hailey, Sec. of Congressman Smith, of Virginia, & his wife, took Grace & me out to Mount Vernon over the new Washington - Mt. Vernon highway - thence to Pohick Church & the old Revolutionary residence of George Mason. Another telegram from Al. White, U.S. Marshal, Juneau, asking for the latest news on appointment of Alaska Judges - Rustgard must be getting nervous - or is it Frank Foster?
Diary 41, 1932 March 21	I have prepared another Act - A bill to amend an Act entitled "An Act to prohibit the manufacture or sale of alcoholic liquor in the Territory of Alaska, and for other purposes." approved Feb- 14, 1917 - the Alaska Bone Dry Law. I will introduce it tomorrow - and if I can get the attorney for the Anti-Saloon League to let Congress pass it - it will cure part of the damage which I hoped to cure by the Repeal of the Bone Dry Law.

	Am going to make statement before the Com. on Ter. tomorrow - if I can get an opportunity - in favor of my bills, H.R. 6726. & 494 to enlarge the power of the Alaska Legislature over the fish & game etc. in Alaska. There is no hope of getting either of them passed at the session - <u>but I must make a record!</u>
Diary 41, 1932 March 22	Hearing on one of my bills, H.R. 6726, set for next Tuesday. Arranging my data for hearing tomorrow on S.E. Alaska bill, S. 1196, before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.
Diary 41, 1932 March 23	I went before the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs this morning and made a statement of the law and the facts in relation to \$1196, being identical with H.R. 5605. - The Com. gave me an hour & I got the matters presented to my own & the Committees satisfaction, for so soon as I concluded the Committee <u>ordered a favorable report on the bill!</u> A prominent lawyer present followed me out to the next office room and congratulated me on the completeness & manner of my statement. This afternoon I received a telephone call from Senator Davis of Pennsylvania offering to assist in putting the bill through the Senate - I assume it was my lawyer friend's work! Sent a telegram to Louis F. Paul, at Petersburg informing him of the action of the Committee.
Diary 41, 1932 March 24	Two or three days ago I heard the first red-bird - the cardinal - and this morning the morning song of a mocking bird thrilled me, and I recalled a certain tree between Deer Creek & North Fork, Patoka where the mocking bird used to sing to me - as a boy many years ago. The House today struck out of the Democratic organization tax bill the item known as the "sales tax" & thus destroyed the House organization plan of politics! It is a blow to Garner &, I think, destroys his hope for the Presidency! Am working every evening on my Statement of Account between the United States and Alaska.
Diary 41, 1932 March 25	Received and corrected my statements made before the S. Committee on Indian Affairs three days ago - for the printer. As usual it does not read

	<p>nearly as well as it sounded.</p> <p>Introduced a bill today to give the employees of the Alaska Railroad the benefit of the Acts of Congress provided for retirement pay etc.</p> <p>There is a row on between the Lomen Reindeer Co. and the Department of the Interior - Sisson of the Dept. of Justice will get his foot in it for supporting Judge Lomen - extending his leave paying him a salary etc., if he is not careful. And Lomen is fighting Sawyer, of the Int. Dept- also Gov. Parks &amp; the officials of the Int. Depts reindeer organization - Sawyer has put a better arrangement of the Lomens in the printed Hearings before the Senate Appro. Com!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 26	<p>I was informed today that the Interior Department and the War Department have agreed on transferring the Alaska Road Commission work in Alaska to the Interior Dept - that they are working out the plan &amp; when they agree a bill will be prepared and introduced in Congress to effect the change. <u>Evidently the Interior Dept. is seeking to control the Richardson Highway to prevent it from being used as a competitor against the Alaska railroad!!</u></p> <p>If the matters comes to me in any way I shall suggest that all U.S. roadwork in Alaska be placed under <u>one</u> department - the Forest Service in the Agriculture Department also carries on road building - it also ought to go into the combination!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 27	<p>Spend the day - until 10 in the evening - in my office writing my statement on the Trade Value of Alaska to the United States! I hope to awaken an interest in the Territory in the minds of our Congress - make them understand that it is of great value &amp; is being sadly neglected by the national trustees!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 28	<p>Stack of Alaska mail today - the weekly boat from Alaska to Seattle brings it down weekly! An getting discouraged at the neglect of Alaska appointments and bills by the Dept. of Justice. I shall call &amp; interview Sisson the last of the week again - (he is out of Washington at present) and listen to his promises - which so far he has not kept as agreed on. I assume there are under cover objections</p>

	<p>coming to him from Alaska politicians - and I hope he may be ready to act soon but am not at all sure he will!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 29	<p>Dispatches say there are many earthquakes in the Alaska peninsula and the volcanoes are emptying violently.</p> <p>The Com. on Ter. this morning gave me leave to talk to them about the trade value of Alaska - which I did briefly - told them my data were incomplete and wished to secure their special attentions later - they seemed interested.</p> <p>They also suggested that I prepare a single bill covering all the new legislation that Alaska needs - that soon the House will be through its present struggles - then they will take up such a bill and try to get the House to pass it. I intend to prepare such a combination bill - including in it all my desired legislation &amp; give them a chance for Education at least!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 30	<p>Called &amp; had talk with O'Malley -- asked him to make a statement showing the annual production of fur seal skins &amp; values since 1867 - also including "other furs." He will do it. Also talked political situation in Alaska - he will see Sisson and urge appointment of District judges etc. He suggested that there are about 150 votes in the Pribilof Fur Seal islands! and will arrange for a voting precinct there this fall - thinks they will all vote Republican &amp; will vote for me in November!</p> <p>Received invitation to have dinner at the White House next Saturday at 8 p.m. <u>Grace &amp; I</u>. Of course it is a command &amp; we will accept.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 March 31	<p>We are very much pleased today to receive a written invitation from the White House to attend dinner there Saturday evening at 8 o'clock.</p> <p>We had a delightful dinner at Phillip Smith's last night - present Mr. &amp; Mrs. Carl Lomen, Mr. &amp; Mrs. Capps, Mr. Moffitt, Dr. Smith, wife &amp; 2 daughters, Grace &amp; myself. My bad cold made me silent &amp; I let Carl Lomen and Capps do the talking.</p> <p>My cold is getting better and I am taking medicine to make me fit for Saturday evening. I am working industriously to get my statistical data ready for my statement on the Trade Value of</p>

	Alaska. Also preparing an - Report on Senate Bill 3654 for the Committee on Indian Affairs, per request!
Diary 41, 1932 April 1	My friend Albert R. Vestal, M.C. from Indiana passed away this morning at the Hospital. Mrs. Vestal is cousin of Lynn Smith, U.S. Marshal at Fairbanks & one of my early friends on the Yukon. Victor Elfendal, from Seattle, assistant in Skinner's Alaska Cannery Co- came in to call & to remind me that the Jones Bill to lease cannery sites in Alaska would soon be up for action & to hope that I will support it! Dan Sutherland is opposed & promises to fight it - I will try to get the Senator to let it go over until the short session this fall, after the elections have gone by – then I will not oppose it!
Diary 41, 1932 April 2	Darrell's 50th Birthday. We attended our official dinner at the White House this evening. We arrived at 8-10 minutes before 8 - to find one lady guest there - others arrived at or just before 8. About 20 guests stood in line by Army officer attache -shown the arrangement of the table - introduced and informed who should escort who to the After these arrangements the President & Mrs. Hoover came in - passed along the line shook hands with each guest. The President took Mrs. Senator Carey of Wyoming, while the Senator escorted Mrs. Hoover – the others followed in line. I had the pleasure to escort a Mrs. Bannister and a Mrs. Wolverton. Mrs. Bannister is the wife of a graduate of U. of C. in class with the President: Mrs. Wolverton wife of M.C. from New Jersey. The dinner was good - but not sumptuous! (next page)
Diary 41, 1932 April 3	The President sat on one side of the table - Mrs. Hoover opposite - Guests arranged in order of their Congressional standing. A young Army officer, two or three house guests. 1 Senator & 5 members of the House - 1 young man from Department. After the dinner was eaten the President & Mrs. H-rose and we followed them up stairs to a red room - where the ladies remained while we men followed the President to the Lincoln room as it is called. The gentlemen smoked - the President & I smoked

	cigars, the others cigarettes. They talked international matters - Japan & China difficulty, etc. I remained silent. After half an hour the President guided us down to the ladies - shook hands (as did Mrs. H) & left us. We then took our carriages & went home. I enjoyed it - Grace was thrilled! Working in the office today! [April 3]
Diary 41, 1932 April 4	We had Mr. & Mrs. John A. Davis to dinner with us this evening at the Methodist House dining room, & then "visited" & talked. Working on Trade Value of Alaska - the difficulty I am having is to get the Bureaus to make statistical statements for me - they are slow! <u>Talked with Sisson, Asst. Atty. Genl. over the telephone about appointing judges in Alaska: he promised to act in the matter on Wednesday! I insisted on a definite statement &amp; he gave it clearly!</u>
Diary 41, 1932 April 5	I am preparing - or attempting to prepare - a bill combining all the items of real legislative needs for Alaska - all in one bill. Grace & I both have spring colds. Still working on Trade Value. Much time spent watching the Alaska bills in the House. Nothing from Atty. Genl. yet about Supreme Court bill - intend to press matter if Judge matters attended to on Wednesday.
Diary 41, 1932 April 6	The Com. on Merchant Marine and Fisheries reported the Welch bill - monopolizing Alaska fisheries - today <u>favorably</u> - Eleven votes for it - and recommended its passage. Dr Sirovich M.C. from New York voted against the report and announced his purpose to file a minority report - later he asked me to prepare the Minority Report- which I will do!
Diary 41, 1932 April 7	<u>Called at Dept. of Justice - and saw Sisson: He told me the appointments of Hill to the 4th Div. &amp; Rustgard to the 2nd (Nome) Div. were sent to the White House for appointment yesterday! &amp; that Clegg would de appointed to the Third Div. as soon as Hill could be confirmed.</u> Also we agreed on the form of the Supreme Court bill, & it will be sent to



	<p>me tomorrow for introduction in lieu of my former bill, H.R. <u>Appointments of E. Coke Hill, for judge in 4<sup>th</sup> Div &amp; John Rustgard for Judge 2<sup>nd</sup> (Nome) Division sent to the Senate today. Clegg will be appointed as soon as Hill is confirmed - Sisson promises me!</u></p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 8	<p>Sisson, Dept. of Justice informed me that Rustgard today telegraphed him that he would not accept the appointment without he can be assured the bill to combine the 2nd &amp; 4th Divisions will not become a law. John is a candidate for Atty. Genl. &amp; thinks he can be elected for another 4 year term - he is afraid Hoover will not be reelected in November &amp; in that case fears the Democratic administration will remove him! <u>That's really what's the matter!!</u> I strongly endorsed Hill &amp; urged his immediate confirmation in writing today to the Senate Com. on Judiciary. I am busy writing a Minority Report on the Welch bill at the request of Congressman Serovich! Grace &amp; I had dinner tonight with the Chalmers at George Washington Inn</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 9	<p>Am busy drafting Minority Report against the Welch bill. If no other member of the Com. on Merchant Marine &amp; Fisheries will sign it, I will do so myself. Dan Sutherland was in the office - he will take dinner with us tomorrow - with Mrs. S. &amp; Donald. Have amended bill ready to introduce Monday creating the Supreme Court for Alaska. It has been carefully examined by the Dept. of Justice &amp; corrected to suit its officials who will approve it - though I must get the budget officials to approve it also.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 10	<p>Dan and Mrs. Sutherland &amp; Donald took dinner with us.  Have about finished the Minority Report on the Welch bill for Dr. Sirovich -wrote it at his request - but if it does not suit him it will make me a good speech on the contest to pass it in the House. Rustgard has not yet accepted the nomination for the Judgeship at Nome - he is afraid that the Democrats will remove him if Hoover loses out in</p>

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Diary 41, 1932 April 11	<p>Introduced my Supreme court bill in the House today - the one amended by the Dept. of Justice! Crozier, assistant to the Atty Genl telephoned me today that they had letters from all four of the District attorneys in Alaska in opposition on the ground that it will be too expensive! Finished Minority Report on the Welch bill today - Dr. Sirovich's typist is copying it.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 12	<p>Am to make explanation of the judicial situation - the need for a Supreme Court, etc. before the Judiciary Com. of the House soon. Working on my Trade Value statement. Dinner tonight at Congressional Club with the O'Malleys - our guests.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 13	<p>Carl Lomen and Jackson, both from Nome, called on the Judiciary Com. today without informing me &amp; asked for a hearing on the Bill to combine the 2nd &amp; 4th divisions - and are to be heard tomorrow!! After they had thus brought the matter to an immediate issue they came to tell me about it! In the meantime I had consulted with Sumners, the Ch. of that Committee &amp; had secured a continuance of the matter, had it stopped, report suppressed etc. My tactics were to hold the matter up, get the Dept. of Justice to withdraw official influence, hang it up -&amp; kill it quietly. <u>Now</u> I must go into the hearing - the matter will be urged along &amp; probably the fool bill will be passed! "Fools Rush In"</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 14	<p>The hearing before the Com. on Judiciary today was both a surprise and a satisfaction. Jackson &amp; Lomen both explained briefly - then I spent a short time in presenting the conditions - the necessity for a Supreme Court, etc. and we left the Com. in a good frame of mind. Half an hour later, while the Jacksons &amp; the Lomens were yet in my office - Sumners the Chairman of the Judiciary Com. telephoned that the Committee had changed its mind - withdrawn its report in favor of Combining</p>

	<p>the 2nd &amp; 3rd Divisions and were friendly to the Sup. Court bill!!          You never can tell in advance!          General Steese, formerly Ch. Alaska Road Commission called, he is on his way to Fairbanks to receive the first Doctors Degree issued by that College.          &amp; is looking forward to it with much pleasure.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 15	<p>Attys for Yakutat &amp; Southern urging me to pass bill granting title to their Ry. right-of-way &amp; terminal grounds.          Saw Evans, Chairman Com. Public Lands got hearing set for Tuesday.          Saw Senators Neeley &amp; Hebert about Alaska bill to abolish the Court at Nome &amp; confirm Judge Hill - Working on stat tics for Trade Value of Alaska.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 16	<p>Conferred with O'Malley &amp; Bowers in the Bureau of Fisheries about the correction of their statement on the value of Alaska furs, which they corrected and which I intend to print in my statement on the Trade Value of Alaska to the U.S.          Jackson the banker from Nome &amp; Carl Lomen visited the office with enough new Legislation - which cannot be passed at this session, to keep me busy for the rest of the session!          O'Malley told me he had written to Rustgard urging him to accept the Nome judgeship!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 17	<p>[first entry today by Grace Wickersham]          The Judge spent most of the day at home. Did not feel very well and hated to lose a minute from the office.            [Judge Wickersham writing now]          Rustgard issued a statement - April 13<sup>th</sup> - papers in Alaska 14<sup>th</sup>, that his appointment as Judge was so timed to <u>injure him in his candidacy</u> for renomination for Atty Genl. &amp; he calls upon his friends for help! His statement is a reflection upon the President - the Dept. of Justice, myself &amp; all of us who have recommended him for District Judge in Alaska: Of course his statement is a foolish one - silly &amp; only a crazy man would have issued it.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 April 18	<p>[again, by Grace]          Dr Fadely told him he must rest for a while. Very determined to go out any way.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 19	<p>[no entry today – blank page]</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 20	<p>[entry by Grace Wickersham]          Still at home. Not feeling very well. May have a slight operation.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 21	<p>[first entry by Grace]          Still hoping he will not have to go to the hospital. Dr. Fadely insists he will have to have an operation sooner or later.            [Judge Wickersham:]          Asked Grace to keep some notes for me while am in the Hospital.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 22	<p>[entry by Grace Wickersham]          At last decided to go &amp; have it done now while he is in good health in every other way.            [entry by Judge Wickersham]          Went to the Providence Hospital tonight to get ready for another operation following the former one in relation to the removal of my prostate glands. It seems necessary &amp; Dr. Fadely advises.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 23	<p>[entry by Grace Wickersham]          Well, it is over &amp; the Judge is feeling as well as might be expected.          The Dr. said that was nothing to worry about. I am so relieved.            [entry by Judge Wickersham]          Second operation - a surface operation and but little cutting!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 24	<p>[entry by Grace Wickersham]          Is beginning already to wonder how long it will be before he can be back working on the Trade Values of Alaska.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 April 25	<p>[entry by Grace Wickersham]          Still improving.          Demands my presence about every two yours.          An invitation came from Bob Crawford to attend a musical at the home of Mrs. Dodds here in Wash.</p>

	Bob was born in Dawson & lived in Fairbanks where the Judge knew him very well.
Diary 41, 1932 April 26	[entry by Grace Wickersham] Mr. Steel & I attended the recital given by Mr. Crawford. It was very enjoyable. Many prominent people were present including <u>Mrs. Wickersham</u> . The Judge is getting very restless.
Diary 41, 1932 April 27	[entry by Grace Wickersham] The Doctor has promised the Judge he may go home in a few days. That is wonderful news.
Diary 41, 1932 April 28	[entry by Grace Wickersham] Sat up today & is much encouraged. Has been much interested in the returns from the Primary in Alaska.
Diary 41, 1932 April 29	[entry by Grace Wickersham] Has made all arrangements to come home tomorrow! Are we glad! Its mighty lonely over in our little apartment.
Diary 41, 1932 April 30	Discharged from the Hospital & go home - pretty weak but growing stronger - OK. Things in the Office moving slowly - Politics in Alaska all Democratic - but will soon square away - I hope.
Diary 41, 1932 May 1	Sunday - in bed & resting all day. Rustgard has issued an appeal - April 14 <sup>th</sup> - to the people of Alaska papers now coming in - silly! He is the most bigoted creature in Alaska, selfish in the extreme, & I greatly regret that I even endorsed him for Judge!
Diary 41, 1932 May 2	Up and at the office this morning. Weak but going. Taylor, of Colo, introduced H.R. 11717, to transfer duties, authority etc. Alaska Road Commissions to the Interior Department - April 29th, Com. on Ter. Wrote letter to Darrell. Sending telegrams Alaska about above Taylor Bill, 11717 - which will create much controversy & opposition! Of course I shall oppose it!!
Diary 41, 1932 May 3	Trying to get hold of the office business again - but find it hard to do so. I must, however, complete my statement on the Value of Alaska to the United States! While I was laid up Congress (the House)

	passed 3 of my bills & the Senate one!
Diary 41, 1932 May 4	Getting stronger - but go home & rest an hour or so every afternoon - go to bed & rest! Things in the office going along ok. Congress crazy over bills to bring prosperity before the fall elections!!! <u>Returns by telegraph show that Dimond has won the Democratic nomination for Delegate over Grigsby &amp; Zeigler. Details are lacking but his plurality is sufficient to make him my competitor in November - certainly</u> Rustgard beat Foster - and will be a candidate for Atty. Genl. in Nov - what about the judgeship? The Atty. Genl. is very much exercised over Rustgards statements & action - may withdraw his name as Judge from the Senate!
Diary 41, 1932 May 5	Ed. E. Allen. atty. Seattle, came in & will call again - nothing much Griffin, Indian Rights - called - to talk about Lomen & Eskimo herds -nothing of interest. Am again at work arranging data with respect to Alaska trade value - but find it hard to get my mind on the work. Am feeling better & hope to get something done soon. Bob Crawford, singer, born in Dawson, lived for some years in Fairbanks, called. Grace went out to see him and & enjoyed it. He is considering a musical trip to Alaska!  [clipping] Spry and snappy despite his 62 years, Douglas Morgan, a linotype operator with The Washington Herald, last night greeted Robert M. Crawford, musician and concert baritone, here to discuss an airplane concert tour of Alaska with Judge James Wickersham, delegate from Alaska. Crawford, who flew his plane from New York yesterday, dropped in to greet the man who began his musical education in Fairbanks, Alaska more than 20 years ago. Morgan, then a gold miner, took a liking to young Crawford, who was the first white boy born in

	Dawson, then the roaringest mining camp on the Yukon.
Diary 41, 1932 May 6	<p>Busy in the office as usual Wrote a letter to Darrell. H.C. Strong - Ketchikan - called. My friend Edw. N. Allen called &amp; we had a good long talk about Alaska. Working again on my statistical statement of the Value of Alaska. Am slowly getting better, but I was pretty weak &amp; regain slowly.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 7	<p>George Hanson, from Enumclaw, Wash. - one of the "Hanson boys" - came in with a friend to call. George is studying medicine at McGill College, Montreal, Canada, and he and his fellow student who resides at Montesano, Wash, are enroute home by automobile. Busy in the office as usual. Edw. W. Allen will take dinner with us this evening: Allen spent the evening with us &amp; we enjoyed him very much.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 8	<p>Grace spent part of the day at Arlington where a womans branch of the Am. Legion planted a tree in honor of the Mother of the Unknown Solider. Grace arranged to have Margaret Carter, a Ketchikan girl represent Alaska - the plan was carried out &amp; they seem well pleased at the function. Received a telegram inquiring: " Juneau, May 7 <u>What is the prospect of my confirmation as judge - John Rustgard</u></p> <p>John waited a month before he noticed my telegram of April 7, notifying him of his appointment, so I judge he is in no hurry for information! <u>John must be frightened -</u> May be the primary vote is small!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 9	<p>Alaska papers with some scattered returns from the Primary Election of April 26, came today. As was to be expected the vigorous contest between Dimond, Grigsby and Zeigler brought out</p>

	<p>a large vote, while the fact that I had no opposition left me out of the picture. Their combined votes look dangerous - but when it settles down to the fall election it may look better. Dimond seems to be the nominee by a safe majority - or rather by a safe plurality - but he ran badly in the First Division, and I hope he does no better there this fall. Anyway I have a hard fight to win - though I think I can do that!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 10	<p>Sisson telegraphed Rustgard: <u>"Cannot forecast Congressional action on Second Division merger. Objection made to your confirmation. In view of your attitude and hesitation believe wise course may be to withdraw your name and name another nomination.</u> <u>Chas. P. Sisson, Asst. Attorney General."</u></p> <p>Also sent telegram to Gore: <u>"Possibility substitute nomination may be made for Nome judgeship. Would you accept. Believe delegate Wickersham would gladly support you.</u> <u>Chas. P. Sisson, Asst. Attorney General."</u></p> <p>I also sent Rustgard an answer to his telegram of the 7th - to the point. Before Com. on Ter. today - Alaskan matters went over for a week!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 11	<p>Am having trouble (technical objection only) to Jim Virden's pension bill! Secured favorable action today on 5 river &amp; harbor appropriations for Alaska. - Dry Strait, Wrangell Harbor, Wrangell Narrows, Stikine River &amp; Kodiak harbor. Nothing further about Rustgard. Sent my approval to the Senate Judiciary Com. in the nomination of Judge Clegg to the Third Div. Alaska Sent Rustgard telegram yesterday in answer to his of 7<sup>th</sup> saying: <u>"Cannot predict what action Judiciary Committee might take on your confirmation as judge stop charges have been filed that will first have to be considered stop am informed department considering your case</u> <u>James Wickersham, Delegate</u></p>

<p>Diary 41, 1932 May 12</p>	<p>Sisson telephoned that he had an answer to his telegram to Gore, saying he would be glad to accept the nomination as District Judge in Alaska. Also says Atty. Genl. approves appointment. I expect Rustgards name will be withdrawn &amp; Gore's sent to the Senate as Judge at Nome, this week. The House was not in session today - adjourned to go to Alexandria and dedicate the Washington Masonic Memorial - Rained hard all day &amp; I remained at home.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 May 13</p>	<p>The House had up for consideration the War Dep't Appropriation bill but did not reach the Alaska items: I was ready to move to increase the Appro. for Alaska Roads from the amount of \$354,310. to 656,000 fixed by the Budget &amp; will do so tomorrow when the item is reached. La Guardia of N.Y. told me he has a long telegram from Alaska asking him to assist - he did not say who sent the Telegram! Much excitement over finding the dead body of the Lindbergh baby hidden in the brush near its home! Found yesterday evening!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 May 14</p>	<p>Sisson telephoned that he took to the White House for the approval of the President yesterday - a withdrawal of Rustgards nomination &amp; the nomination of Gore to succeed him. That Newton, the President's political secretary objected &amp; insists that Sisson telegraph to Rustgard &amp; ask if he would accept. That he did so &amp; Rustgard answered that he would accept the appointment to Nome! Whereupon the matter is held up and Rustgard goes to confirmation - if the Judiciary Com. of the Senate will confirm. And there you are! It looks now that the Senate may not act on his confirmation until next session - in the meantime (1) Gore is out (2) and Rustgard may be re elected or defeated for Atty Genl of Alaska, and (3) if Hoover is defeated this fall he will not have to decline - <u>He has the advantage now!</u></p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 May 15</p>	<p>Grace went to Gettysburg with a large gang of D.A.R. - Her father was wounded at the battle - &amp; she wished to see the site of the battle. Back tonight tired &amp; hungry.</p>

	<p>I worked all day in the office. Mifs Margaret Green telephoned Grace that her mother (a helpless invalid) had died today, to be buried tomorrow morning &amp; Grace will go with Margaret to the burial. The dead woman is Mrs. R.E. Robertson. Juneau mother!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 May 16</p>	<p>Saw Atty Genl Mitchell about my Supreme Court bill - he is not very enthusiastic! Saw Sisson &amp; find him very bitter against Rustgard. (So is Mitchell) &amp; I think Sisson will do what he can to prevent Rustgard from being confirmed! Rustgards foolish pronouncement has very greatly prejudiced his standing with the Department &amp; probably with the Jud. Com. of the Senate. H.C. Strong &amp; wife, of Ketchikan, are here &amp; seem friendly! They took Grace to the Barnum &amp; Bailey Circus today.  Col. Oliver W. Spaulding, who served at St. Michael &amp; Nome in 1899 called. He is the officer who scattered the Miners Meeting gathered to declare mining locations void on Anvil Creek &amp; relocate there.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 May 17</p>	<p>See Todays Congressional Record, I moved to raise Appropriation of Alaska Road Commission to the Budgeted figures - after struggle defeated. McDuffie, Alabama, moved to strike out whole item - lone hard scrap &amp; it went over without settlement. Looks bad &amp; we may be defeated &amp; get no money for that work at all!  Com. on Indian Affairs sent the Senate bill (passed by Senate) to special sub Com. - hearing my bill to allow S.E. Alaska Indians to sue for value of their Indian title in Court of claims. Grace &amp; I had the Strongs &amp; Allen &amp; Mary Lee Davis &amp; husband to dinner at the Congressional Club.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 May 18</p>	<p>Hearing today before Com. on Ter. Senator Howell came over and spoke urging his Senate bill &amp; Taylor (Col) bill to transfer Alaska Road Commission work (Road, trails &amp; Bridges in Alaska) to the Interior Dept. The Com. approved Taylors Bill - so both Senate &amp; House have the</p>

	<p>identical bills pending - both approved - recommended for passage - Still Congress is so close to adjournment bill may not get through.</p> <p>Secured favorable reports on several of my bills, claims, etc.</p> <p>Notice that James W. McCauley, a Fairbanks born boy, &amp; appointed by me as cadet at Annapolis, has passed his examinations successfully &amp; would be admitted to the Academy!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 19	<p>Contest renewed today on McDuffie's (Alabama) motion to strike out the whole appropriation for the Alaska Road Commission. Taylor of Colorado made a strong speech for the Appropriation &amp; probably saved it, for the vote stood 50 against &amp; only 56 in favor of our appropriation.</p> <p>The Democrats could probably have beaten us - but let the matter go! without further effort.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 20	<p>Grace &amp; I are invited to the home of Mrs. Tom Carter, widow, - he was Senator from Montana in the days when the Nome-Anvil Creek gold mines were in controversy &amp; a friend of Alex McKenzie who attempted to "grab" those claims.</p> <p>- Sunday evening at 8 p.m. Mrs. Mary Lee Davis put the matter up to us - we consented.</p> <p>The military Appro. bill passed with our Alaska Road Commission item in it - it was a close squeak!</p> <p>Merle Leroy, old Alaskan photographer called. He is considering going in to rescue the bodies of Carpe &amp; another who slipped into a crevasse on Mount McKinley this week &amp; were killed! [Allen Carpe and Theodore Koven]</p> <p>Babes in the woods!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 21	<p>Saw Sisson this morning about Appt. Chase, Marshal 3rd Vis - says cannot do anything before Nov. Election - keeping Sullivan "riding" for Minnesota political reasons. Sisson is using every effort to get rid of Rustgard - Richey and O'Malley assisting him. He called Senator Hebert on telephoned &amp; asked him to get rid of Rustgard - and to confirm Clegg on next Monday if possible. Says he may go to Alaska this summer with O'Malley urged him to help Rep. ticket if he goes.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 May 22	<p>Wrote a letter to Darrell - gave him the Alaska political slant.</p> <p>Grace and I are going out to call on John &amp; Mary Lee Davis &amp; we may go with them to call on Mrs. Carter - widow of Tom Carter former Senator from Montana and Jim Galen's sister - Cordova Alaska. I am taking to Mrs. Davis my copy of Dawson pictures - a book of 71 leaves - 142 pages, filled with Dawson photographs pasted on both sides - 2 side pages - 2 pictures empty. Mrs. Davis wishes to use them to study for her proposed book on Dawson. I will tell her none are to be copied.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 23	<p>Jim Kelleher of Nome called. He is just back from a two year trip to Ireland, here he has two boys at School. His wife died there &amp; some litigation kept him there overtime - In the meantime his mining claims at Nome have been "jumped" &amp; he wanted me to get the Departments to assist him. I advised him to go to Nome &amp; hire a lawyer! He finally concluded that was his only course!</p> <p>Mrs. W &amp; I called (with the Davis') at the home of Mrs. Carter - Jim Galen's sister, last evening - present Seer Welsh, Congressmen Evans &amp; Leavitt &amp; their wives - the Catholic priest &amp; many other friends of Mrs. C's. Mrs. C. is certainly a western "character" She was born in Tumwater Wash. and swears fluently and frequently!</p> <p>Anyway it was interesting!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 24	<p>My bill (by request of Int. Dept.) came before Com. on Ter. this morning.</p> <p>The Sub. Com. cut out part relating to competitive bidding for coal on the Alaska Railroad &amp; provided the Sec. of Int might buy coal from two or more mines along Rd. at not more than \$3.15, \$3.00 or \$2.90 for first, second, and third grades of coal at his discretion. Evans Jones Coal Co., Anchorage, objected, etc. &amp; I sent them telegram of explanation!</p> <p>Recd. telegram, paid \$2<sup>00</sup> from <u>Wm L. Paul asking me to loan him &amp; his mining company \$500.- no answer.-</u> See May 26<sup>th</sup> for answer.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 25	<p>Trouble with my Indian Land Bill, H.R. 5605 - S1196. It has passed the Senate - some time since the President vetoed a somewhat similar bill</p>

	<p>because it was not specific - opened the door to a wide range of claims - my bill is clearly open to this objection &amp; I am now trying to get a special Committee of the Com. on Indian Affairs to take up the matter and recast the bill so as to bring it within the Presidents idea. Congressman Loufborrow, Utah, will assist me - he is on a sub Committee having the bills in charge!</p> <p>Grace went over to Wilmington, Delaware, today to visit members of the Vrooman family in regard to the Genealogy of her (Vrooman) family.</p> <p>Later= Grace had a pleasant visit &amp; enjoyed meeting her relatives.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 26	<p><u>"Lawrence Richey, Private Secretary to President Hoover, called me up this afternoon and told me he intended to ask the President to withdraw the name of Rustgard as judge in Alaska and replace him with Lester gore! He asked if that was satisfactory to me and I replied that it was!"</u></p> <p>I have written a letter to W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul and refused to loan him \$500 as per his telegraphic request. Also called his attention to the probable passage of my bill authorizing the Tlinget and Haida Indians of S.E. Alaska to bring suit in the U.S. Court of Claims for the value of their Indian title of occupancy &amp; urged him &amp; those Indians to support me in my endeavors to make them rich!!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 27	<p><u>The President withdrew the name of John Rustgard, as nominee for district judge in 2nd Div. Nome, today &amp; replaced it with that of Lester O. Gore, of Ketchikan.</u></p> <p>Poor John, he wanted the Judgeship above all other earthly honors - but 2 things kept him from securing it -1st, his persistent candidacy for the office of Atty. Genl, &amp; 2nd his fool attack on his friends who supported him for Judge - just before the Primary Election - it even criticised the President &amp; Dept. of Justice for nominating him for the office of judge only a few days before the Primary Election. Then too, John is afraid Hoover will not be elected President - in which case the Democrats would remove him as judge though they could not if he was elected Atty. Genl - he thinks the later is safer!</p>

Diary 41, 1932 May 28	<p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nomination of Rustgard As Judge Is Withdrawn (Associated Press)</p> <p>President Hoover yesterday nominated Lester O. Gore to be Federal Judge of Division No. 2, Alaska, succeeding G.J. Lomen.</p> <p>At the same time the President withdrew the name of John Rustgard, who had previously been nominated as Federal judge in Alaskas to succeed Lomen. He sent to the Senate the nomination of Henry C.W. Laubenheimer, of Illinois, for reappointment as United States marshal for the northern district of Illinois.</p> <p>Members of the House Com. - Sub. Com. to which my Alaska Indian land bill is referred seem greatly interested but suggest a larger special Com. &amp; a wider range of investigation. I am doubtful of the wisdom of this suggestion - though I am willing to consider the matter. We will talk to Chairman Howard on Monday &amp; see what he thinks about the matter. I want my Indian Law Bill approved by the Com. at once, but do not insist on its passage by Congress until next winter.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 29	<p>Made formal written reply inquiry form the Senate Com. on Judiciary about confirmation of Gore, as District Judge -Nome. Approved &amp; recommended his confirmation - urgently.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 May 30	<p>Congressman Loufborrow of Utah, is much interested in my Alaska Indian bill &amp; Indian Affairs: he insists that the problem must be left to a Special Com. of the Com. on Indian Affairs. He &amp; I saw Judge Howard, Chairman Com. on Indian Affairs, today &amp; he advises that a resolution reciting the main facts should be written &amp; passed by his Com. &amp; the special Com. appointed to have full charge of all Alaska Indian bills etc. to study the problems - etc. etc.</p> <p>I am busy preparing such a Reso. for presentation to the full Com. on Wednesday I greatly fear it will delay my Tlinget -Haida bill! but the Com. is in command.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 May 31	<p>Have spent much of today preparing a Resolution - preceded by whereas is setting forth the necessity for the resolution - to be offered to the House Com-on Indian Affairs. I will ask the Committee to adopt the Reso. and appoint a Special Sub-Committee on Indian Affairs to consider the necessary public policy in relation to Alaska Indians etc. My purpose is to induce the Committee to take up not only my Tlinget-Haida land bill but generally the whole Indian problem in Alaska.</p> <p>Heard President Hoover read a message to the Senate today urging speed in passing the tax bill to balance the Budget. He made a good &amp; satisfactory impression.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 1	<p>I presented my Resolution to the House Committee on Indian Affairs today &amp; found the members much interested. The Reso. was adopted - but I fear this will result in holding up any report on my land bill until next winter. But it had to be done - for I think the Committee would not favorably report the Tlinget-Haida land bill until they study the situation - so it was the only thing to do!</p> <p>House today called the Private Calendar - stopped just at my first claims bill - but will proceed tomorrow from that point.</p> <p>I am preparing to leave Wash.- about the 10th to go first to the Republican Nat. Convention at Chicago - &amp; then home to Alaska.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 2	<p>House passed two of my small bills today: Relief of Clyde Sheldon, for the remission of a fine for illegal fishing, &amp; for the relief of Ned Bishop, to return to him a Thousand dollar Liberty Bond that the Alaska Railroad claimed &amp; sold as surety on a tie contract etc.</p> <p>John Barrett, Ins. one of my Alaska friends called spent an hour. - He is Billie Barretts brother - both of then early arrivals in Fairbanks &amp; my friends.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 3	<p>Oscar Ohman, Swede, just back from Sweden called - he is on his way back home to Cordova.</p> <p>Dan Sutherland called - he made no objection to the appointment of Lester O. Gore for judge - said Rustgard was a "dam fool" &amp; will call again.</p> <p>My speech on the Trade Value of Alaska to the U.S. Cong. Record May 12, is printed - 6000 - &amp;</p>

	<p>ready to mail out to Alaska.</p> <p>Capitol crowded with veterans of the World War - coming in buses - cars - &amp; walking - demanding immediate payment of a bonus!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 4	<p>The House has caught up &amp; passed the Senate in its work - the Senate is slow &amp; talkative and is now holding up the final work of Congress while its members talk without limit. In the House the general limit of debate to each member is 5 minutes, but a Senator may (and frequently does) talk for 5 hours - hence the jam in that body when there must be an adjournment.</p> <p>There are hundreds of hungry, tired dimly and ragged War Veterans now in and coming to Washington to force Congress to pass a bonus law to give them a huge sum from the U.S Treasury. It may cause trouble &amp; is causing political parties and Congressmen much fear &amp; troubling over the result of this fall election!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 5	<p>The "Bonus Marchers" - the Veterans of the World War are gathering in Washington - Senator Borah says "Not a cent for the Veterans as long as they remain in Washington as a bodily threat to Congress."</p> <p>Karle Theile, Delegate to the Republican Nat. Convention at Chicago called at my office this morning. Only Grace was here - he said he would call again tomorrow!</p> <p>I have written a special letter to Arthur Brisbane, Editor of Hearsts Newspapers, sending him a copy of my printed speech on the Trade Value of Alaska to the U.S. and asking him to take note of Alaska's value to the parent country, etc.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 6	<p>Karl Theile, Sec. of Alaska Territory and Delegate to the Republican National Convention at Chicago, called today &amp; we had a long pleasant interview about politics, etc. He will take dinner with us Wednesday evening.</p> <p>Ernest Walker Sawyer, assistant to Sec. Wilbur also called &amp; we, too, had a long discussion of Alaska matters - He was interested in that part of my political platform of two years ago relating to giving British Columbia an international right of way corridor across Alaska, preferably down the Stikine</p>



	or Taku rivers - & I gave him a copy of my platform so that he might study that particular question!!
Diary 41, 1932 June 7	Am sending 500 of my Speeches on "Alaska's Trade Value to the United States" to my friend L.M. Sullivan, U.S. Dist. Atty. at Nome, with a request that he and Chas. D. Jones, U.S. Marshal address & put them in the post office to that many voters in that 2nd Div. It is casting a little political bread upon the waters - Will Steel will address those to the other Divisions - 6000!
Diary 41, 1932 June 8	Judge Howard, Chairman, House Com. on Indian today agreed to support four men whom I approved on the Alaska Special Sub. Committee on Indian Affairs. I met with general Com. & moved to increase the number to <u>Six</u> , 3 Democrats & 3 Republicans - agreed. The 3 Republicans are to be Judge Loufborrow, of Utah, Scott Leavitt of Montana & Judge Williamson of So. Dakota. Howard agreed also to appoint Dr. Serovich, of N.Y. & will name the other 2 Democrats & the Chairman at once. I asked him to appoint Loufborrow, Ch. but he did not consent.
Diary 41, 1932 June 9	Grace is getting our rooms at No. 110 Md. Ave. S.W. arranged - our baggage packed, etc. and we will go to Chicago & then home, leaving Sunday afternoon on the Pennsylvania Rd. We had Karl Theile, Sec. of Alaska & Bartley Howard, Anchorage Coal Co. to dinner with us at the Shoreham Hotel, last evening. An closing up my affairs & will go west Sunday.
Diary 41, 1932 June 10	The bill to create Federal Home Loan Banks was before the House, a notion was made to strike the provision extending it to the Territories of Alaska & Hawaii! I got to the House in time to talk 3 minutes against the motion, where I was defeated - throats, I am not sure we can get any benefit from it. Still I opposed barring us, from the benefit if any there be. The Senate increased the appropriations for the Alaska Road Com. work to nearly \$500,000! from \$354,000! That will help - if conferees do not strike it down again. Sent Darrell a telegram saying we will be in Seattle

	by June 22 - & to meet us there at that time. Will Steel will take our rooms in 110 Md. Ave. N.E. till we come back.
Diary 41, 1932 June 11	<u>Judge Clegg was confirmed by the Senate late yesterday!</u> Drew \$1750. (2 N.Y. Drafts - \$500. each & \$750 in cash) from Sergeant at arms. There are objections made to Senator Dill by a newspaper man named Brown from Seattle - I think they, come from the Bondy friends - Talked to Dill today & tried to get the matter cleared up - says he will telegraph Hartman Seattle & John Troy, Juneau! I think both of them will answer probably.
Diary 41, 1932 June 12	Grace & I left Washington today 4 p.m. Pennsylvania R.R. - we will stop over at Chicago & attend the convention (Rep. Nat) & then go on to Seattle, where we will meet Darrell & Jane & spend two or three days with them & then go on to Juneau. It was cold on the train & I did not sleep well. Grace is a good traveler & got along much better than I did.
Diary 41, 1932 June 13	We reached Chicago at 10 a.m. Found Al. White, U.S. Marshal Karl Theile, Territorial Secretary - the two Delegates to the Rep. Nat. Convention already at the Stevens hotel - where we took rooms, also. Rasmussen, Rep. Nat. Committeeman, at the Blackstone Hotel, & Caswell, Dep. under White who will act as Asst. Sergeant at Arms at the Convention. We had a meeting of our Alaska contingent, and after much plain talk, for White & Theile are unfriendly, we prepared an Alaska resolution for the Nat. Com. on Reso's & agreed on a general plan of action. Also discussed general political plans in relation to the Alaska campaign - <u>separated friendly.</u>
Diary 41, 1932 June 14	<u>National Republican Convention</u> I attended the meeting of the Convention - heard the preliminaries & Senator Dickinsons Keynote speech etc. Our Alaska group paid an early morning call on Sec. of Interior Ray Lyman Wilbur & presented the Resolution favoring Alaska & asked his assistance:

	<p>He promised to aid.</p> <p>Received a mean letter from Louis F. Paul, Petersburg, Alaska. He &amp; "Billy" want money for their influence - sale of Indian vote. Will take matter up with our organization in Alaska.</p> <p>Grace &amp; I attended a beautiful dinner in the great dining room of Stevens Hotel - heard Sec. of War, Hurley deliver a good Key note speech supporting Hoover.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 15	<p>The Alaska Delegates to the Convention succeeded in getting a good resolution in the Rep. Platform favoring Alaska.</p> <p>Grace has met her younger-day friend Mr. Bentley, of Wisconsin, a delegate to the Convention, &amp; has greatly enjoyed meeting him again. She is enjoying her visit to the city of Chicago &amp; the Convention: Being a member, by Mrs. F.J. Hunts proxy, of the Nat. Rep. Committee, she gets a prominent seat with the ladies of that Com. on the platform, etc.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 16	<p><u>The show is over - Hoover and Curtis are the nominees of the Republican National Convention!</u></p> <p>I did not go out to the Convention but heard the proceedings, speeches, etc. over the radio. Grace has had the experience - she did not miss any part of the Convention &amp; was especially thrilled with the very prominent part her early day friend Judge Bently, of Wisconsin played in it. He made an interesting &amp; effective speech in seconding the nomination of Hoover.</p> <p><u>We will leave Chicago tonight on the Northern Pacific Ry. for Seattle.</u> Telegram from Steel saying nothing doing in Alaska matters - So I will go on west.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 17	<p>Along the Mississippi River, St. Paul - Minnesota, North Dakota.</p> <p>Al. White, U.S. Marshal, Juneau &amp; Caswell, his chief deputy, Ketchikan are on the train with us - going home.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 18	<p>Butte, Montana - Missoula. Sand Point. Spokane.</p> <p>Met Dr. Fay. lecturer &amp; teacher of some branch of medical science in the Johns Hopkins at</p>

	<p>Philadelphia. He regaled me with some boys memories of a journey he made to Valdez in 1903 with his father - an attorney, Seattle, who had charge of the trial of the Hubbard-Elliott miming case at Valdez while I was judge there.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 19	<p>We arrived in Seattle at 10 a.m. &amp; went to the Frye Hotel. It seemed like getting home to come down out of the mountains into the Puyallup valley. The old Frye hotel also gave us a homelike feeling. Almost the first person we met was Mrs. (Ex Gov.) Strong - who is a friend &amp; a cheerful talker. We were tired &amp; rested.</p> <p>Sent a telegram to Darrell!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 20	<p>Called &amp; had a friendly talk with O'Malley - about W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul &amp; other things of political character. He suggested that he would see if some of the cannery interests would not employ Paul! Also called on Edw. Allen, attorney - talked about Paul to him.</p> <p>Darrell &amp; Jane came to the hotel Frye to visit us today. Grace went out to Kent to visit her sister &amp; family. Ruth Coffin, Graces niece, had dinner with us.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 21	<p>Called at Alaska Weekly office &amp; had a good visit with Knight, Kilroy &amp; Cotter. Kilroy gave me a dozen copies of Rampart Forum &amp; the first copy of the Nome News, etc. Spent part of day trying to assist Grosvold, Sand Point, with mail contract. Recd. telegram C.O.D. from Billy Paul asking me to give his wife money enough to go to Alaska &amp; then a nasty blackmailing letter - both in one day.</p> <p>He is an ingrate &amp; a fool!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 22	<p>Went over to Tacoma with Darrell in his automobile - visited the ranch - O.K. then saw Winden - things in pretty good shape. Dinner at Winthrop Hotel - met a crowd of Alaska delegates to the Masonic Grand Lodge - Interview with Fehse, Railway Mail, about Grosvolds Sand Point project for mail contract.</p> <p>Home at Seattle - date for tomorrow to have dental work done!</p> <p>Called at Kent enroute to Tacoma &amp; visited Grace's sisters.</p> <p>Long interview with Rasmussen Rep. Nat. Com.</p>

	for Alaska about our fall campaign & organization. He is friendly.
Diary 41, 1932 June 23	Gore was confirmed Dist. Judge in Alaska by U.S. Senate today Mrs. Paul came & asked me to give her \$200. above the sum needed for tickets & that sum in addition to enable her to pay the household bills & go to Ketchikan. <u>I declined.</u> She said he had written her to ask me for the money. His insulting & threatening letters justify my action. Had my teeth dentistried today - one removed - others ground! Mrs. Troy. Strong bid us goodby - she goes on her trip to Europe in the morning.
Diary 41, 1932 June 24	Had interview with Neals, U.S. Post office inspector about continuing dog mail deliveries along the Yukon & interior rivers - we both agree that it should be done. Erickson, of Lowman & Hanford book store urged me to finish my "Old Yukon Trails" & let his friends publish it! I prefer an eastern publisher, but may be compelled to accept his suggestion. We had Edw. W. Allen, Mr. Rasmussen Rep. Nat. Com. for Alaska & Graces niece for dinner. Rasmussen urged me to give Mrs. Paul money to take her & family back to. Alaska! Attended Luncheon at Chamber of Com: given to a group of scientific researchers!
Diary 41, 1932 June 25	Have concluded to give Mrs. Paul some assistance - for herself & children. Saw the Mgr. of Northland Trans. Co and he said he would give them half fare to Ketchikan, which I intended to pay, but on talking with Mrs. Paul she informed me she could get transportation on "Prince of Wales" to Ketchikan on account of money owed to her husband so I will give her Two Hundred (\$200) dollars to pay her bills here! Busy today calling on people who are interested in Alaska matters.
Diary 41, 1932 June 26	<u>Grace &amp; I were married this day four years ago.</u> With Darrell & Jane we went to Buckley & visited the old home and then Aunt Kate & Minnie & family

	also Maud & Nellie. Then we went over to Enumclaw & had dinner with Harold and Dorothy. She seems to be a fine girl & both are happy! Her father & mother were at dinner with us. Back to Seattle – tired
	[clipping]  WICKERSHAM PLEASED WITH ALASKA PLANK Delegate Now Visiting In Seat- tle Will Sail for the North Early in July  Smiling, urbane and, withal, as virile as ever, the Hon. James Wickersham, who is in Seattle enroute to Alaska, dropped into the office of the Alaska Weekly one day this week with his son, D.P. Wickersham of San Francisco, who came north to join his distinguished father for a few days' visit in Seattle. Judge Wickersham, who, with Mrs. Wickersham, is a guest of the Frye Hotel during his Seattle sojourn, attended the Republican National convention on his way west from Washington, D.C., and was highly pleased with the plank in the party platform which reads: "We favor the policy of giving the people of Alaska the widest possible self-government and selection so far as possible of bona fide residents for position in that territory, and the placing of its citizens on an equality with those of the several states."
Diary 41, 1932 June 27	[clipping continued] Not Satisfied with Alaskan Legislation Judge Wickersham will go North early in July to take up the cudgels for re-election as delegate to Congress from Alaska. "While I have been far from satisfied," said the judge, "with the appropriations for the territory and with some other legislation and departmental rulings, no one can successfully combat tendencies which result from times such as those through which we are now passing. About all I could do was to register my objections as forcefully as possible, and then abide by results with such good grace as I could muster."

	<p>To Campaign for Re-Election  “Fighting Jim,” through the summer and fall months, will make his headquarters at this home in Juneau, and it is anticipated that he will make a rather extensive tour of the territory, visiting his constituents in the various districts, consulting with his party leaders and explaining to the general public his work in Washington during his past term and those things he expects to accomplish for the territory when re-elected, as he confidently expects to be. Secretary Steel, who is thoroughly familiar with congressional and departmental circles in Washington will keep the delegate’s office open during his absence and will be ready to handle efficiently any Alaskan interests requiring attention.</p> <p>Darrell &amp; Jane left this morning with Automobile for San Francisco.  <u>Loaned Mrs. W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul two hundred (\$200) dollars.</u> She gave me a receipt for that sum.  Am sending Will Steel, Wash. telegram asking for news on when Congress will adjourn, etc.  Answer from Steel saying Congress will adjourn on Saturday!  We had dinner with Capt. &amp; Mrs. Langley[?] at their beautiful home in Seattle, &amp; a ride to 3 Tree point.  Bartley Howard came in tonight from Wash. via San Francisco by air plane - He has good prospects of getting his Matanuska Coal Mine financed by S.F. capital &amp; seems very jubilant in consequence.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 June 28	Went out with Col. Somerset & Col (Genl) Steese to inspect the U.S. Radio Station used for Alaska business on the hill in West Seattle, but it meant little to me as I do not have knowledge of such plants. Had lunch with the 2 Colonels at the Athletic Club. Archbishop Vladimir Alexandrof who claims to own the Russian Church property in Alaska called - I do not care for him - He is a troublesome Soviet agent if I am not mistaken. Wrote a long letter to Will Steel, Wash, to send me Trade Value Speech for distribution in 3rd & 4th Divisions.

Diary 41, 1932 June 29	Nothing much today except to listen in on the radio reports of the Democratic Convention at Chicago. Mr. & Mrs. Faucher from Kent took lunch & visited with us, Graces sister & husband.
Diary 41, 1932 June 30	Paid taxes on my two lots in Denny & Hoyts addition to Seattle - \$52. <sup>40</sup> Jack Dalton called & we had a good visit & talked of old days on the Dalton Trail & Jacks old store at Haines, etc. Also I called on Volney Richmond, Pres. of the N.C. Co. He promised to campaign for me - by letters & personally in Sept. on his visit to his stores on the Yukon. He ought to get me a good many votes! The radio is giving us a clear record of events as they occur at the Demo. Nat. Com. in Chicago. It is an interesting - an exciting convention. Roosevelt has a majority of the delegates for Pres - & while Smith of N.Y. & “favorite sons” are fighting him it looks as if he would win.
Diary 41, 1932 July 1	Bought my S.S. tickets to Ketchikan - \$85 <sup>00</sup> ! <u>Edw. W. Allen, atty for Nakat Co. called &amp; said he had written to the Co. advising employment of W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul as their Alaska representative!</u> O’Malley suggested this project & I approve. Poor Billy will starve if he cannot get a job - for his Seattle plans all went awry.
Diary 41, 1932 July 2	We left Seattle on the SS. “ <u>Yukon</u> ” this morning at 9 oclock - A small crowd of 85 passengers - no tourists. Phil. S. Smith, Alaska geologist - Chief U.S. Alaska geology - aboard. Met a few friends - Dr. Smith introduced another man by the same name, who is taking material & experts into Willow Creek to open a new mine. Also Casler, former U.S. Dep. Marshal at Valdez, going in with lumber & other material to construct a new river boat for the Alaska Railroad - to operate on the Tanana & Yukon rivers. Rainy. Through Seymour Narrows at 11 tonight.
Diary 41, 1932 July 3	Met a Mr. Thompson, special agent for U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs - going to June-au to study school questions. I gave him my version of the subject and suggested that he talk to Paul’s at Ketchikan & Petersburg and Keller at Juneau.

	Gave him copies of my Speech & the hearings on the Indian Land Bill in relation to the condition of the S.E. Alaska Indians. We have also met a Miss Leak going to Sleetmute on the Kuskokwim river. She seems a very competent & sensible woman.
Diary 41, 1932 July 4	Our boat landed at Ketchikan at 7 o'clock this morning. Met O'Malley, U.S. Com. of Fisheries - taking his boot out as we came in. Have visited friends all day - attended a baseball game between Anyox B.C. mine & the Ketchikan mine - K - won 6 to 1. It seems to me there is a much better feeling here toward me. Had good talk with Judge Gore before he left on the "Yukon" enroute to Nome where he goes, via Fairbanks to take up his court as judge. He assured me of his gratitude for aiding him to the appointment & promised the most active support in the fall election - considering his position. Said he would retain Jensen as clerk - provided J -acted friendly!
Diary 41, 1932 July 5	Spent the day in calling upon my friends - and supporters. Had a good talk with Heckman & Johnson. Good visit with Roy Anderson - the Ed. of the <u>Chronicle</u> . <u>that paper will be neutral &amp; friendly</u> . Also with M <sup>c</sup> Cain - who was drunk, but said he & his friends would support me. He is the boss of the underworld. Talked with Mrs. Willis who wants to start a political magazine - & is naturally & violently opposed to my opponent, & will support me if I support her magazine. Saw Billy Paul, but he was non-committal! Grace out riding with Carters & we had dinner with Jack & Mrs. Talbot - the Hunts present. Beautiful day.
Diary 41, 1932 July 6	A busy day visiting the business men of Ketchikan. Made an address before the Chamber of Commerce on the Trade Value of Alaska - 49 members present. Conferred with presidents of both banks & managers, and received much favorable support. Heckman came & urged me to send for Paul & make peace with him - but I have not done so. I can no longer trust him! He is threatening & trying to get money from both

	sides! I am confident of good support in K. Attended a meeting interested in establishing an organization honing to get funds from Spokane for establishing farm loans in S.E. Alaska. Grace at bridge card games - at Carters - Pres. Light & Power Co! Foxy John Frame had dinner with me. Says he is a Democrat: which means he will support Dimond - if paid for it.
Diary 41, 1932 July 7	Spent the day as usual - visiting my political friends. Visited the business men - & the cigar stores with M <sup>c</sup> Cain - the "Capone" of this town. Left Ketchikan at 10 o'clock in the evening on the "Alaska" for Juneau.
Diary 41, 1932 July 8	Came to Wrangell in the forenoon early - my friend W.D. (Billy) Grant met me, & Stump, my auto driving friend & he took us (Grace & me) out to see the Shoemaker Bay Indian School Buildings- now being constructed. Many friends & supporters called - looks good. Our boat arrived at Petersburg in the early afternoon -had a long & quite satisfactory talk with Louis Paul, editor of the " <u>Alaskan</u> ." Talked plainly to him that his brother was getting money from the Democrats & wanted me to pay him also - that I would not do it. He assured me of his & his papers loyalty & I gave him the agreed monthly allowance of \$50 <sup>00</sup> .
Diary 41, 1932 July 9	Our boat spent the night in delivering freight at Tanaka & landed us in Juneau at 10 a.m. A beautiful sunny day & we so enjoyed getting home. Meeting all our old friends. We took rooms at the "Zynda Hotel" - tired but happy. The Empire is criticising me for failure to prevent the change of Alaska road work from the Alaska Road Commission to the Interior Dept. Col. Elliott, Ch. of Alaska Road Com. has been ordered to Washington for service & will leave on the 20 <sup>th</sup> which will leave our dwelling house vacant. No mail of importance except a letter from Congressman. Loufborrow in relation to Indian matters! which will give me some good political support this fall, I hope.

Diary 41, 1932 July 10	<p>I am very tired so slept most of the day - though it is a gorgeous one.</p> <p>Commissioner O'Malley is here. Recd. notice of meeting of the Republican candidates with Rasmussen, Rep. Vat. Com. tomorrow evening at 7.30, for consultation &amp; organization.</p> <p>Jack McCord called - is on the "Polar Bear" boat from westward &amp; I got up &amp; went down to see the Captain &amp; officers - they are from Kodiak &amp; will give me strong support for they want the mail contract next year - they are also friends &amp; partners with Bradford &amp; appreciate my aid in the floating cannery fight against the Welch Bill - where Dr. Serovich &amp; I signed the minority report.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 11	<p>My friend, Tewksbury reporter for the Juneau Empire called at Zynda Hotel &amp; interviewed me &amp; today gave me a front page column stating my views &amp; the facts about the transfer of the Alaska Road Com. to the Interior Dept. He gave it fairly &amp; I am much pleased with it.</p> <p>Tonight we had a meeting of all the Juneau Rep. candidates with Rasmussen, Rep. Nat. Com. at Grover C. Winns office. Present: Rasmussen, Winn, Cash Cole, Keller, Rustgard (who was very friendly), Al White, &amp; myself. A letter from Louis Paul was read by Al White, demanding money (\$1500), the suppression of the Petersburg Press, his opposition paper, and an appointment for W<sup>rd</sup> L. Paul! Nothing done about it. Cash Cole, as usual, quarreled with all present &amp; finally left, declaring he would run independently &amp; would not support the rest of the candidates!!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 12	<p>Called on the Gov. Collector of Customs &amp; other Federal and Territorial officials.</p> <p>Rasmussen visiting same officials urging them to support the Rep. ticket in November - they agree generally to do so. - Judge Harding seems doubtful - says I am unfriendly to his reappointment next February. I shall not promise him anything until he actually <u>supports</u> the ticket - which he did not do two years ago. Gave McBride the jar of honey E.W. Griffin gave me! It may help M<sup>CB</sup>- who seemed grateful - he is only a shadow of his former self. Writing letters &amp; attending to matters here at</p>

	request of people who ask it.
Diary 41, 1932 July 13	<p>Have a room in Grover C. Winns office &amp; many persons come &amp; talk over political &amp; other matters. Invited to attend dinner by the Juneau Chamber of Commerce. The <u>Empire</u> had long double column criticising me for not objecting to passage of the bill transferring Alaska Road Commission to Interior Department.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 14	<p>Stabler called &amp; gave me data about proposed action against the Peratovich cannery etc. at Klawock. Says Indians dissatisfied with Rep. party etc. &amp; thinks I may do something to protect Peratovich. Must see Jack Wilson &amp; go over to Klawock, Hoonah &amp; other places!</p> <p>Later: I sent a telegram to Peratovich asking him to come to Juneau.</p> <p>Attended the Chamber of Commerce dinner - spoke ten minutes - on the Trade value of Alaska. Sent telegram to Mrs. Nellie Berry postmistress at Haines asking if she wished to continue in office here, etc.</p> <p>Agreed with Al White to give the Rep. Ter. Organization Committee \$500. for use in campaign.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 15	<p>Sent Louis F. Paul, "Alaskan", at Petersburg copies of (1) plan in the Rep. Nat. platform relating to "<u>Indians</u>." (2) copy of my resolution by which the Com. on Indian Affairs appointed its Special Sub. Com. on Alaska Indians &amp; (3) copy Congressman Loufborrows letter approving that plan of relief. Judge Harding asked me to call at his office which I did. He said he had been informed that I was unfriendly to him, etc. Ans. that I was not: said I had promised the Rep. organization not to recommend any one for major offices without consulting with Rasmussen, etc. He agreed to support me &amp; advise his appointees to do so. I said I would not file charges &amp; would see he had notice &amp; a fair hearing if any one else do - nothing more.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 16	<p>Recd. two letters from the Pauls: Wm L's letter is directed to W D Grant who sent it on to me, saying</p>

	<p>he would not support me - or the Rep. ticket. Louis' Letter is addressed to me saying he &amp; the Indians will not support the Rep. ticket because the candidates will not give him \$1500.- appoint Billy to an office &amp; put the Petersburg Press out of business: Am sending copies of Paul Bros. letters to Steel.</p> <p>"Concrete" Johnson, of Douglas, took me over to the Douglas Island location of his mining claim - the "VI"-4 -today - He thinks he has a rich claim like the "Treadwell" &amp; wants my assistance! I will talk further with him - but will invest very slowly!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 17	<p>Lockie &amp; Mrs. McKinnon took Grace &amp; me out to Stablers house on the highway - beyond the Auk canneries &amp; we had dinner there. They have a beautiful home with a fine southern view - we had a good dinner &amp; a pleasant hour - Raining in Juneau - none at Auk Bay - the old Indian village of Auk Bay was located there for that reason? Stabler told me that there was a warrant out for arrest of J.R. Peratovich, Indian at Klawock for packing unsanitary fish and suggested that a nominal fine was sufficient - and that I might say that to him - which I will do.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 18	<p>Interview Al White - says W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul coming on boat this afternoon - <u>Al</u> is in a grouch because I called on Judge Harding - if one speaks to a Federal appointee the others are suspicious - a bad family feeling. Talked to Flory - about Douglas bridge - Ketchikan road contracts – politics! He is loyal to the whole ticket. Talk with Frank Booth, Indian, who told me 4 Indian boats at Kake would not fish for want of gasoline &amp; oil - offered to lend them \$50<sup>00</sup> he said he would let me know if they needed it. The Kake Indians are in financial trouble for provisions &amp; cannot run their fishing boats for want of same - etc. Recd. Resolution of Thanks to Local Union No 344, Nat. Fed. Fed. Employees Anchorage, Alaska for my success for them in Wash. D.C.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 July 19	<p><u>W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul, Al White &amp; Frank Booth called: Paul made demand to be appointed my clerk, that I submit to a platform written by him and put of larger contributions etc. I talked frankly &amp; forcibly to him: told him I would not appoint him my clerk; that his proposed attack on O'Malley was a fool thing to do, but that I would submit to a plank against fish traps.- we had bitter talk &amp; he left mad &amp; declared he would fight me! and urge the Indians all to vote against me!! so thats that. it will probably defeat me!!</u> Sent telegram to W.D. Branch asking to help Kake people by giving them work in cannery. Also to Peratovich about fish matter as suggested by Stabler.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 20	<p>Al. White &amp; Frank Booth took Paul in hand last night &amp; Al reports this morning that they made an arrangement with Paul to stay in and support the Republican party - the Com. has agreed to pay him \$250. per month for 3 mo. to work among &amp; organize his people &amp; promised him that after the election they will - if we can &amp; try to get him an appointment! He also promised to "lay off" calling O'Malley names &amp; will be friendly to every Republican candidate!! Booth seems to have been the persuasive influence that brought peace - but I feel that Paul feared the Indians would not follow him out of the party! I approved the matters bringing peace &amp; will aid in keeping it.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 21	<p>Saw Friehe, Nakat Co. last night &amp; told him fully about the political situation - told him not to pay Paul any more - if he wished to contribute to pay to Rep. Div. Com. &amp; let it act. Nothing exciting today Rumor of closing the Alaska Railroad from Nov 1, to March 31! Grace writing letters to my supporters in distant precincts. Making agreement with "Concrete" Johnson about an interest in two mining claims on Douglas Island. He agreed to dead me 10% of the two claims for \$100 - my assistance in procuring capital to assist in opening &amp; developing them as mines.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 July 22	<p>I have bought from Grace a house &amp; small lot 44.86 feet on Franklin St, between the Bishop Apartments and the Presbyterian church, for \$3000. to be paid on her Mtg. for \$10000 on the whole. property!</p> <p>O'Malley is here - reports favorable conditions, politically, to the westward. He is also lining up the Federal officials in support of the Rep. ticket.</p> <p>Al. Whites, seems disheartened - Dole, Rustgard &amp; Winn are in a feud - Cole says he will not work with the other candidates &amp; will issue his own platform &amp; will go alone - pay his own expenses &amp; make his own separate campaign.</p> <p>Telegrams from Branch &amp; Kake Supt. telling me they were assisting the Kake Indians as requested.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 23	<p>Gave the Behrends Bank my check on the Sergeant at Arms, Wash. D.C. for \$3000. as purchase price of lot &amp; house belonging to Grace - to pay off that much of her mortgage - I am to have house and lot free of the Bank Mtg. also frees her Seattle country land.</p> <p><u>Friehle told me that W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul - as been on the payroll of the Nakat Co. up to Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> '32 when he was dropped - then it was Paul became too poor &amp; began to bombard me for money!!</u></p> <p>He will not even stay bought.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 24	<p>Sent DeVere Wickersham, my nephew at 60 Lexington Ave., Jersey City, N.J. the sum of \$25<sup>00</sup> he has been in the hospital with mastoid operation &amp; is broke.</p> <p>Have today prepared a form of agreement with "Concrete" Aaron Johnson, Douglas, for 10% interest in 2 lode mining claims - "VI" &amp; "LI" on Douglas Island, for \$100 &amp; services.</p> <p>Later Johnson concluded to examine what I wrote &amp; took it away for consideration! I am inclined to keep out of his scheme because he is hard to manage &amp; difficult to do business with.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 25	<p>Busy in the office writing letters to people in distant parts of the Territory and sending out printed matters -</p> <p>Had invitation from the DeVignes to meet Stuart Edward White - writer for Sat- Evening Post etc. - we all went over to Gov. Parks &amp; his Colorado</p>

	<p>relations gave as an hours moving pictures of Yellowstone - their family dog, and other silly things! The White's yawned &amp; poor Mrs. DeVighne squirmed -</p> <p>Al. White announces in this evenings Empire his intention to go to Idaho &amp; aid in Senator Thomas' reelection - thus leaving us flat in Alaska!</p> <p>Talked with Mrs. Hermann about organizing the Republican women - a good idea!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 26	<p>Called on Selby, Strollers Weekly, &amp; he responded good naturedly - we talked politics &amp; the support of his paper. He says he will give me active aid in politics, &amp; I took him over some printing work.</p> <p>Long &amp; satisfactory talk with Al. White - he was inclined to be suspicious because I called &amp; talked with Judge Harding &amp; was even inclined to look upon that- act as a cause of war with me! But finally he came out of the maze &amp; agrees to keep charge of the Rep. campaign &amp; do the best he can. Of course he is disgusted because Cash Cole &amp; Rustgard will not do team work with each other or any of the other Rep. candidates - he is all right now.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 27	<p>O'Malley recd. &amp; gave me copy of telegram from St Paul Island, Pribilof group, saying they were arranging voting precinct - &amp; will give me a good vote - for first time.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 28	<p>Busy writing a Platform which I hope to send out to the people of Alaska.</p> <p>White is busy getting ready with the Republican organization. Cash Cole is off the reservation - Rustgard inclined to go off another direction - the candidates quarreling &amp; trying to defeat each other.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 July 29	<p>Same as yesterday - finished my first draft of Platform trying to get it in shape to please all candidates but fear it cannot be done. Meeting with more support here than 2 years ago - <u>but!</u></p> <p>White demands a categorical promise that I will permit the "Organization" - which means White - to control appointments! I agree that no appointment be made without full <u>consultation</u> but I will not surrender my own freedom of choice!</p>



<p>Diary 41, 1932 July 30</p>	<p>I have re written the Platform into one for the Republican candidates to sign, if agreement can be had, &amp; they can be induced to sign it. I will submit it to them one at a time &amp; get suggestions or for new planks - &amp; agreement. Al. White, Rep. Div. Com. &amp; I sent for Rustgard tonight &amp; tried to get him to say something - principally about paying the Com. the sum of \$250. to aid them in carrying, on the campaign. John refused to talk, - he is in probably the best financial condition of any Rep. candidate - but the stingiest, &amp; refused to talk. Al was disgusted &amp; declares he will not waste any more time - will go ahead &amp; give me &amp; such others as come in with aid the support &amp; let the Rustgard &amp; Cole quarrel go hence without day!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 July 31</p>	<p>White telegraphed for W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul to come to Juneau -at my expanse for consultation. I have had today a long and satisfactory talk with Henry Roden - whom I have known intimately for 32 years -and I told him - that I was friendly &amp; would support him - as I have always done - He promised to support me - actively - for delegate, etc. Henry is one - if not the most - competent lawyer in Alaska, and will make a first class Prosecuting Atty or Judge! Grace &amp; are invited to call on the Rustgards - at Soc. &amp; eat a cake!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 August 1</p>	<p>I have been greatly encouraged today by the activity displayed by Al. White, Republican divisional Committeeman in starting his Republican campaign organization. He has employed John Newman a first class typist as Secretary of the Republican Committee and secured Room 18, Valentine Bldg, and has written &amp; is writing letters to Republicans in the Territory urging them to become active in supporting the candidates. No ,such organization - or work as ever been done for the Republican ticket since I have been interested - for 24 years. It looks good to me.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 August 2</p>	<p>Tom Gardner has been appointed Treasurer of the First Divisional Rep. Com. Billy Paul came to town today - but so far I have not been able to get to talk with him. He tells</p>

	<p>Grove Winn &amp; Al White that he intends to support the Republican organization - well, may be so! E.W. Sawyer, Sec. Wilburs man to look after Alaska was in town - John L. McGinn – Fairbanks. do. McGinn called but I was not in the office - I am informed that he is now friendly - last election he was <u>not</u>. I will see him in Fairbanks when I go there.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 August 3</p>	<p>Had a long and satisfactory talk with W<sup>m</sup> L. Paul. Al. White had talked him into supporting the ticket &amp; I told him I would carry out any arrangement, so far as needed, that White agreed to. Attended John J. Spicketts funeral - at the Elks Club - Elks &amp; Pioneers - I made a short talk - eulogy. The Elk ceremonies were beautiful. Paid Strollers Weekly \$25<sup>00</sup> for insertion of my political card.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 August 4</p>	<p>Nothing but routine today. The American Legion Members are very much interested in a bill to give the Alaska members some lands as a bonus! and want me to assist them. I will be glad to so do - if we can arrange a fair bill, which has a chance to pass Congress. Some of the members think it is a good thing to take it up at their Annual Convention at Fairbanks on Aug. 16-20, while others talk -think it better to start it here. Cash Cole, Rep. candidate for Auditor will not do team work with any of us other candidates.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 August 5</p>	<p>Henry Roden tells me that Paul is going to support me vigorously - that he - Paul - is anxious to be endorsed for District Judge &amp; will ask me if I will support him if the Organization - Rasmuson &amp; White will do the same! Henry will also be a candidate for judge - he will make a good judge! but I am going to be careful and not get tangled up in the matter. I will wait &amp; act at the proper time.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 August 6</p>	<p>Sending on copies of my Speech on the Trade Value of Alaska to the U.S. to People in small backwoods precincts (from Voters list) in the Yukon Country. Hawksworth told me today he had a letter from Indians at Hydaburg, saying they voted for me 2 years ago &amp; intend to do so this fall.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 August 7	<p>Sending out "Trade Values" to the distant precincts &amp; writing letters.</p> <p>Later: Found this statement of much interest especially in the 3rd and 4th divisions – from Cordova to Fairbanks, &amp; it did much good to hear people say so. The only trouble is that people do not read public statements until they are explained, but the fact that it was printed in the proceedings of Congress impressed many - when they were informed what it contains.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 8	<p>Same as yesterday.</p> <p>On the combined votes for Dimond, Grigsby &amp; Zeigler, Democrats, in the 2nd, Third, &amp; 4th Divisions</p> <p>I am ahead in the April primary vote by 233 majority, but in the 1st Division their combined vote was 1026 ahead of my vote - or 793 in the whole Territory the struggle h Nov. will be here in the 1<sup>st</sup> Div!</p> <p>Had dinner with Al White U. S. Marshal wife - Grace &amp; I.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 9	<p>Same as yesterday -</p> <p>Friele, Nick Big, two of the principal cannery superintendents in town.</p> <p>Friele called but gave me no news - did not suggest any assistance to the Rep. ticket - &amp; I think they are satisfied to see their own attorney - Tony Dimond - my opponent elected Delegate!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 10	<p>John Rustgard, candidate for Atty. Genl. called &amp; seems ready to join the organization, but did not get opportunity to conclude conversation. We are again doubtful about the Fishery Plank in the Rep Platform, &amp; I am to talk it over with O'Malley.</p> <p>Our friends insist that it is necessary to included a plank denouncing Fish Traps &amp; I am inclined to agree.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 11	<p>Have about concluded not to get out a Platform - the various candidates do not agree - and anyway Tony Dimond has not issued any &amp; why should we?</p> <p>Heard today that Cole, candidate on our ticket has gone or is going to Petersburg to persuade Louis - Billy Pauls brother not to support our ticket - on which Cash is candidate.</p>

	<p>Al. White, U.S. Marshal is having more trouble with Judge Harding &amp; White insists on my sending a telegram to the Dept. of Justice about the matter. I will talk to Gov. Parks about the matter tomorrow &amp; may be to O'Malley.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 12	<p>Sending out letters to the 3<sup>rd</sup> &amp; 4<sup>th</sup> Divisions - trying to follow up after Tony &amp; his airplane. Meeting of Rustgard, Al White, Tom Gardner &amp; myself -talked about money for campaign etc. Rustgard gave us an interesting, story about the trouble the Gov. Atty. Genl &amp; Treasurer are having with Cash Cole, Auditor. He is keeping them all busy with his malevolent &amp; illegal schemes &amp; he is getting away with much of it. Rustgard also told us how much money <u>Sir William Brett</u> recently deceased here stole from Norwegian funds entrusted to him as Norwegian Consul. It is an amazing story - but Britt died in time to avoid the consequences.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 13	<p>Drew \$250. for personal expenses &amp; will go on SS. Watson tonight to the westward - Cordova &amp; then Valdez to take up my campaign work - Grace will go with me &amp; is greatly delighted with the prospect of the trip - she has never been to that part of Alaska before. Closed up writing personal letters to about 650 supporters - &amp; I hope there will offset Tony's airplane excursions over the same region.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 14	<p>We left Juneau last night - or rather this morning - about. 2 a.m. Rolled along all day - arrived at Yakutat tonight at 12 m. Whole population on the Wharf - &amp; all streamed up the gangplank as soon as it was placed - there is a northbound boat once every 3 weeks &amp; this is it - they crowded into the room on the lower deck to buy papers - magazines, &amp; reading matter generally - Indians!</p> <p>The mail bag was taken to the open door - on the wharf - the postmaster stood in his door, opened the packages of letters - called off the names and delivered the mail to the owners in that way!</p> <p>Met a dozen of my friends - talked politics - shook hands &amp; had introduction to the crowd - the whistle blew &amp; we left.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 15	<p>A bad windy day - the "Watson" rolled &amp; everybody got seasick.</p> <p>Grace was afflicted badly - in bed all day groaning.</p>

	Tonight we arrived in Prince Williams Sound & we will be in Cordova about 2 a.m. Only a few passengers onboard. Grace is much better - has recovered.
Diary 41, 1932 August 16	Spent the day calling on the business men in town - and generally in renewing my acquaintance with people here. Grace went to the motion pictures with Mrs. Ellis & Doctor Chase. Mrs. Elvis & Mrs. Smith called and assured me the women of Cordova were friendly & would support me in the election.
Diary 41, 1932 August 17	Was invited to attend the Chamber of Commerce meeting & talked 20 minutes - about the construction of a small boat basin which they are anxious about. Advised them to get the support of the Kennicott Copper Corp, & the C.R. & N.W. Ry. officials. The Cordova Tires - owned by "Harry Steel, Wills Brother - gave me a fine report in tonights paper. Dr. Chase took Grace & me out to the end of the highway at the end of Eyak Lake - then, we walked a mile & a half up a mountain trail to the Ohman Falls - about a 100 feet. Grace & the Doctor saw a Bear. We gathered berries - it was a beautiful sunny day & we enjoyed the trip hugely.
Diary 41, 1932 August 18	Dr. Chase lead a meeting, of 2 dozen Republican workers - men &.women - in his office last night to consider political work. Ellis Chairman & they will organize the work in Cordova. Left Cordova on the SS. Yukon at noon - went to Columbia Glacier - fine view - then to Valdez - 9 <sup>30</sup> p.m. We put up at the Golden North Hotel - kept by my supporter Bill Connelly. A crowd of Legion members came going to the Legion Convention, Fairbanks on the 22 - 24. Saw Joe Derringer and my other friends - Judge Clegg - Taylor. This town is strongly for Dimond, who is now flying by airplane to the westward – Seldovia-Kodiak-Unga, Bristol Bay - Kuskokwim River, etc. Tonight he is at Kodiak. He used the Anchorage Radio Broadcasting station every night!
Diary 41, 1932 August 19	<u>Learned that Dunkel, the old Guggenheim mining expert – now at Willow Creek mines bought the airplane for my opponents use! \$100. a day!!</u>

	<u>Telegraphed Rasmussen asking prices for use or radio - to find out what it costs!</u> Political meeting tonight in the Eagle Hall - quite a good crowd in spite of a heavy rain - some 50 people present. They were friendly & my friend Bill Connelly declares I will get a good vote – here. My radio report from Anchorage says Dimond - my opponent is at Kodiak - foggy & cannot get away - I am afraid he will waste much good time in Dunkels airplane!
Diary 41, 1932 August 20	Left Valdes today at noon in an automobile for Fairbanks. We stopped half an hour at Lower Tonsina for Lunch - baseball game. Also half an hour at Copper Center where my friend Mrs. Florence Barnes is building a fine large new Road house. Also at Gulkana Road House kept by Mrs. Griffiths - all friendly & promise me support & urge fixing a voting precinct at Copper Center. We reached Paxsons road house at upper end of the Gulkana Lake - roads fine & much better than I expected to find them. Greatly enjoyed riding over the old trail of 1904 -& later years. A great improvement in every way.
Diary 41, 1932 August 21	Left Paxsons early - slides & bad roads on Big Delta below the old Yost road house on the summit of Isabelle Pass. Road men there at work - they seem to appreciate my efforts to retain their appropriations, & I hope for an increased vote at the Nov. election from them. We came flying over the old trail - crossed the Tanana on the ferry & into Fairbanks about 4 oclock - 360 miles since noon yesterday. Gov. Parks is here - he had dinner with Cap. Lathrop whom he recently appointed one of the Trustees of the College - Lathrop & his paper are opposing my Election as usual - Hell of a Republican parks is - fighting Hoover & the Republican ticket. Sprained my ankle today.
Diary 41, 1932 August 22	Visiting with my friends & others & reviewing my acquaintance with people. Had a meeting with half a dozen supporters in Charlie Taylor's office tonight - Bob Bloom, Andrew Nerland, & the candidates for the legislature & planning for work. Nerland has a letter from

	<p>Rasmuson, Rep. Nat. Com. asking him to act as Divisional Committeeman. They thought it best to call a meeting of Rep's on Thursday evening to make a public organization of the Republicans. Dinner this evening at Mrs. Frank Clarks - Mrs. Hess was present, Taylor &amp; wife, also.</p> <p>At the meeting we agreed to go out to Fox Station tomorrow night &amp; hold a rally!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 23	<p>Called on Federal officials - all agreed to support the Republican ticket.</p> <p>Called on Geo. Preston, N.C. manager &amp; many others. Find my old friends in good humor. Lathrop's paper will not support me - but will my opponent!</p> <p>Received telegrams from Mrs. Hill at Hyder, applying for appointment as postmistress - her husband the former official drowned - also from J.R. Hickman, Ketchikan approving her: Answered Hickman favorably &amp; sent telegram to Washington recommending Mrs. Hill's appointment. Sent telegram to Atty. Genl. Wash. D.C. about Marshals boat - second telegram - but so far without results.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 24	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>My 75<sup>th</sup> Birthday.</u></p> <p>We - Grace &amp; I - left with H.H. Ross &amp; Dick Rothenberg, candidates for senator &amp; representatives to the Territorial Legislature, for Circle City.</p> <p>Good roads &amp; a good automobile enabled us to reach Circle in the evening - to visit the old people still there - for poor Circle is a wrecked &amp; decaying town - and to return to Circle Hot Springs for the night. I found many friends along the road - though the vote will be very small in November. There are but a few people mining in the Birch Creek diggings - it is a played out camp - if they do not find other paystreaks. The Circle Hot Springs look good, they are hot, all right, but need customers. Distributed cigars to the road workers &amp; found a good many whom I knew years ago.</p> <p>[wrote vertically across the page] <u>My 75th Birthday</u></p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 25	<p>We left Circle Hot Springs early &amp; had a fine day going to Fairbanks.</p> <p>At head of Chatanika river we saw many heads of</p>

	<p>cariboo - along the road - but no bear. Visited all the roadhouses - particularly the old Miller house on Mastodon Creek, and renewed my acquaintance with all the old miners.</p> <p>Arrive home early to find that my friends had set my Fairbanks speaking for Monday evening though I had arranged to have it on Saturday evening.</p> <p>The Republicans held a meeting this evening &amp; organized the 4th Div. Republican forces - Andrew Nerland, Div. Committeeman &amp; Chas L. Taylor, Sec. They report a good attendance &amp; good feeling.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 26	<p>Visiting with the people &amp; find my politics fences in good order. Attended a session of court this afternoon - Judge Hill, presiding.</p> <p>Meeting many old friends.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 27	<p>Spent the forenoon calling on people around town - over in Garden Island, etc.</p> <p>In the evening Nerland, Taylor &amp; I - in Nerlands automobile - went out to No 21, on Goldstream &amp; met the men at dinner - gave them each a cigar - talked in friendly way - about 50 men. Good contact.</p> <p>We then drove out to Cleary &amp; held a political rally in the F.E. mess room - 50 men present. I made a political talk 30 minutes. We then went on to Chatanika - F.E. mess hall - 40 men &amp; at 9 o'clock held another rally.</p> <p>We had good meetings at each place &amp; made very pleasant visits with many old friends. Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Nerland, 2 other ladies &amp; Grace also attended!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 28	<p>Reception - card playing, etc. at Taylors - to meet Grace - yesterday afternoon ladies - 20 present.</p> <p>This afternoon 3 automobiles loaded with my friends went with us out to Gastafeson's mine at Bedrock (Cleary) creek where we met the men - then to the dredges on lower Fairbanks Creek. Of course we did not hold any meetings - but we saw &amp; were seen.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 29	<p>Spent the day meeting friends - went out to the Rickert farm etc.</p> <p>Tonight we had a big night meeting at the Empress theater - about 600 people present - who</p>

	<p>seemed to enjoy my speech. I spoke for an hour - after the local candidates talked. I feel quite confident of a good majority in this 4th Div. We had dinner this evening with the Nerlands, and a goodly number of friends came to Charlie Taylors after the meeting to an informal reception. Our stay here has been pleasant &amp; I leave in the morning for a meeting at Nenana.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 30	<p>We left Fairbanks at 8 a.m. on the short train - reached Nenana at 10:30 &amp; went to the Southern Hotel. Poor Nenana - it is slowly decaying - buildings unpainted &amp; falling down - sidewalks rotting &amp; full of holes. Even poor Mifs Clara Heid, - U.S. Com. etc. etc. looks old &amp; bedraggled like the town.</p> <p>Fowler - merchant - wants me to appoint his redheaded boy as a cadet to Annapolis Naval School. I like the looks of the boy &amp; am inclined to appoint him. Alfred Ghezzi - merchant - prepared the pioneer hall for my meeting etc. &amp; we had a good crowd.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 August 31	<p>Traveled from Nenana to Healy. The Railroad trains are poor quality. Merl LeVay, photographer, is on the trains - he is just back from Mt. McKinley where he rescued the body of one of the two scientists to lose his life in the crevasses there this summer - he is taking it to N.Y. to his family.</p> <p>Political meeting held at the Suntrana Coal mines - some 3 miles east of Healy on a short branch of railroad.</p> <p>A small but attentive crowd. A Mr. Hill came down to the bridge across the river below Healy &amp; took us to Suntrana on a small car on the railroad track &amp; brought us (Mrs. W- a Mrs. Green &amp; myself) back after the meeting. The people seemed friendly, though I am told they are opposed to my party!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 1	<p>Left Healey at noon on the regular train for Anchorage, though we will remain tonight at Curry. Reached Curry &amp; had a good bed - raining. Saw Stubbs &amp; wife at McKinley Park Entrance – also Maurice Marino.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Help of Delegate</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Gets Recognition</b></p> <p>Appreciation of aid received from Delegate James Wickersham from time to time by the local branch of the National Federation of Federal Employees, was given expression this week in a resolution adopted by the organization. The delegate also was personally thanked by union officials at a meeting with the delegate at the offices of Attorney A.G. Thompson. The resolution follows:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Whereas, Local Union No. 344 of the National Federation of Federal Employees has had many matters under consideration affecting the interests of the members of the union which have required the action of the heads of governmental departments and bureaus at Washington, D.C. and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Whereas, Favorable action on these matters has required, in many instances, the cooperation of the delegate from Alaska in Congress, the Honorable James Wickersham: and</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Whereas, The delegate has always given to matters presented to him by the local union his prompt and careful attention, and has, in many instances, through his personal efforts and sympathetic cooperation, been instrumental in securing the favorable action sought by the local union:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Therefore, Be it resolved by Local Union No. 334 of the National Federation of Federal Employees, situated at Anchorage, Alaska, that the thanks of the local union be hereby extended to Delegate Wickersham for his good offices in connection with these matters.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">F.R. HOLDIMAN, President Federal Employees Union No. 344 LAURENCE A. STEPHENSEN, Secretary-Treasurer Federal Employees Union No. 344. –Anchorage Times.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 2	<p>We came to Anchorage at noon &amp; put up at the Anchorage Hotel. Many friends called. Bragaw presented his claims for appointment as Commissioner in Price's place - also Arthur Thompson etc. Tony Dimond is here - we met &amp; had an agreeable talk - he was forced back from</p>

	<p>Bristol Bay by the break down of Dunkels air plane - but will start for Kuskokwim at once via the airplane.</p> <p>Attended a meeting of the Pioneers order tonight - Mrs. W &amp; I spoke - we were very kindly received.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 3	<p>Spent the day around town talking to people. We will go tonight on the freight train to Matanuska &amp; Sunday to the mining region on upper Willow Creek Little Susitna river to visit the camps there. Will go via the U.S. Agricultural station at Matanuska.</p> <p>Attended the opening ceremonies of the Anchorage Fair &amp; made a short address on the agricultural possibilities of Alaska. Only a small crowd, but I was received with a friendly greetings.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 4	<p>Came out on the freight train to Matanuska last night - met by a Mr. Burroughs, Superintendent and given a bed in the Station buildings. This morning he took us (Grace I) to Wasilla – where we met Milo Kelly who went with us to Little Susitna &amp; Willow Creek mines. We visited every mine where men work - some half dozen - &amp; enjoyed the day very much. We arrived back at Wasilla in the evening for 6 oclock dinner &amp; then spent the evening at the hotel where a number of my friends met to great me. Left on midnight train - same freight train - for Anchorage. We enjoyed the beautiful Susitna canyon &amp; the trip over the summit - but a 70 mile ride in a jolty old truck made us sore &amp; tired.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 5	<p>While I was in Wasilla yesterday I met two men dressed as miners on the street. One of them I knew and I stopped &amp; talked to him a moment. The other man turned his back &amp; did not engage in the conversation. Another mining man whom I knew came along and spoke to the stranger &amp; then asked me to meet him. He introduced him as Mr. Dunkle! Instead of acknowledging the introduction Mr. Dunkle said he did not wish to meet me &amp; declined to shake hands with me! If I had known who he was I would not have allowed the incident to occur - but it resulted in much unpleasant feeling on the part of my friends &amp; I think I came out of the matter rather better than Dunkle did. Dunkle is the</p>

	<p>Gugg representative who furnished Dimond his airplane to fly to Unalaska in!!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 6	<p>Calling on business men &amp; others &amp; renewing my acquaintances. Will speak tomorrow evening at the Community Hall.</p> <p>My opponent Dimond, is here cementing his forces. - this is the strongest place in the Territory <u>against me!</u></p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 7	<p>Public speech at Community hall tonight. Bob Bragaw chairman - Mr. Frank L. Knight &amp; Ray C. Larson on platform with Bragaw. Spoke an hour &amp; covered most of the matters - but forgot to speak about Prohibition! No loss, for there are many of my friends who see both - or different - sides of that question.</p> <p>The Anchorage Times is not unfriendly, but rather friendly, though quiet.</p> <p>Dimond left for the Kuskokwim river points &amp; Nome on plane today.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 8	<p>Today's Times gives several columns of my speech of last night &amp; my friends seem quite satisfied with it. The opposition seems disappointed that I said nothing they can claim to be offensive. Calling &amp; placating!</p> <p>I spoke over the broadcasting line tonight for 30 minutes - it cost me \$23<sup>50</sup>!</p> <p>Warned the listeners about Tony's being furnished an airplane &amp; free broadcasting by the "Big Interests." Called on Col. Ohlson, Ry. Mgr. - but got no idea of his political leanings.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 9	<p>Concluded my political work and will leave at 1<sup>30</sup> p.m. for Seward.</p> <p>Spent the day till noon as usual - in calling &amp; talking. Before leaving Anchorage I heard that my opponent had been hurt by the wheel of the airplane - at Ruby - hitting him on the shoulder. I sent him a telegram to Fairbanks - where he was taken to the hospital - say I was sorry to hear of his accident, glad that it was no worse, &amp; hoping he would be going soon.</p> <p>Hear his hurt is not bad - no bones broken. We left</p>

	<p>Anchorage at 1<sup>30</sup> p.m. Stopped at Tunnel for lunch at Lawing to hear Nellie's lecture - &amp; bear stories - reach Seward at 6<sup>30</sup> &amp; put up at the Van [Gilder] Hotel with Joe Badger.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 10	<p>Meeting friends &amp; talking I made a mistake in non going on to Cordova &amp; returning on the SS. Boat - cannot move now for a week. Boat sailing list of boats has gone into effect - once a week here, once in two weeks to Seldovia &amp; Kodiak. Anyway I could only stay in Seldovia &amp; Kodiak for an hour or so - and I will send a statement for insertion in Seldovia paper - write letters, etc. Will hold meeting here middle of the week - then go to Cordova &amp; then go home to Juneau. My old friend Andy Grosvold here in hospital - from Sand Point</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 11	<p>Rested - Wrote a statement to be published in the Seldovia Herald directed to the people of Seldovia, Kodiak, and westward explaining why I cannot visit their towns. Call attention to the fact that Tony Dimond, my opponent, is visiting all such places in Alaska, in the Dunkle air plane - Big Interests. We had dinner tonight with L.V. Ray - candidate for Territorial Senate.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 12	<p>L.V. Ray took us out to he Jesse Lee Home - where we met the teachers - matrons - the small native children. Two large dormitories - house them - and those in charge. A public school a few yards away - 5 teachers - it is a new (6 year old) institution maintained for the care and education of native children. We then drove up the valley stopt and visited some of the settlers. Also visited people in town. Prepared to hold a meeting in the Liberty Theater on Wednesday evening. Also wrote an interview for tomorrows issue of the <u>Seward Gateway</u>.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 13	<p>Was entertained by the Seward Chamber of Commerce at lunch. Made a short talk on the Trade Value of Alaska - well received. During the afternoon I called in company with Dept. Dist. Attorney Harwood on the business</p>

	<p>men at their stores, etc. Tonight at 10<sup>40</sup> a heavy earthquake shook the Van Gilder Hotel -and I thought it would fall - but it did not. Wrote a statement for the Seldovia Herald - will go on the next boat to teat paper - &amp; letter to Wallen at Kodiak.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 14	<p>Visiting as usual - talking - I spoke tonight to a good audience in the Liberty Theater. Had a good crowd - Leon Nibach was chairman &amp; L.V. Ray spoke first - I then spoke for an hour - &amp; a half!! Got close attention &amp; made my talk without trouble. My friends say it was a satisfactory effort &amp; I felt satisfied with it. The Gateway gave me good notices &amp; I feel the town is Favorable - but - I spoke on local matters &amp; kindly referred to the Editor, etc. etc. He has given me much good publicity.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 15	<p>Called on many today &amp; they seem satisfied with my talk. Called on Harry Hoben, the half-owner of the Gateway -he talks friendly, but my friends say he is not. The train brought in Bishop Rowe - he says Dimonds injury by being struck with the airplane wheel at Fairbanks is worse than they reported - that his shoulder blade is broken - that he will be confined for weeks - that George Grigsby is to take his place and continue his speeches! Thats bad, for Grigsby is a better campaigner than Tony, &amp; the latters injury will bring him much sympathy - I am now <u>politically</u> sorry that he got hurt. Boat in tonight &amp; I go to Cordova tomorrow evening on her.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 16	<p>The SS. Yukon is in port and we go to Cordova at 9 this evening. My friends say I will not carry the majority in Seward - but I think I will. Our stay at Joe Badgers Hotel - the Van Gilder" has been pleasant. When the Alaska R. train came in this evening John Moore, conductor gave me a letter signed by the heads (5) of the National Legislative department of Railroad Unions etc. in Washington, D.C. urging all Alaska railway employees to</p>

	<p>support me in the election. It is the strongest and best letter of appreciation I have ever received (see opposite page)</p> <p>We left Seward at 9 o'clock p.m. on the SS. Yukon for Cordova.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 September 17</p>	<p>[letter]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENTS of the BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROADMEN BROTHERHOOD OF MAINTENANCE OF WAY EMPLOYEES</p> <p>To the Officers and Members of the Offices: B. of L.E., O.R.C., B. of L.F. &amp; E., 10 B Street, S.W., B. of R.T. and B. of M.W.E. in the Washington, D.C. Territory of Alaska. August 15, 1932</p> <p>Dear Sirs and Brothers:</p> <p>In our entire national history there has been no political campaign of more importance to the interests of the workers in all fields and the citizens in all walks of life than the one now in progress. This is particularly true in connection with those who will represent the people in the next Congress. We earnestly desire to assure you of the exceptional ONE HUNDRED PER CENT RECORD for ability, integrity and impartiality established and maintained throughout seven terms of splendid service by your present Delegate in Congress, honorable JAMES WICKERSHAM. He represented the Territory with distinction in the 61<sup>st</sup> to 66<sup>th</sup> Congresses inclusive, and returned as Delegate to the 72<sup>nd</sup> Congress. Invariably we have found him absolutely dependable, always ready to work and speak in support of righteous legislation, and just as ready to oppose measures framed for the benefit of special interests and against the common people. We have always been at liberty to call upon him - for counsel and advice, and his profound knowledge of legal and legislative matters has been of great assistance to us. Moreover, we doubt whether any other man in public life possesses Judge Wickersham's sympathetic understanding of the problems and possibilities of</p>

	<p>the Territory of Alaska. On the basis of his record, he richly merits the support of every voter in Alaska.</p> <p>We strongly urge that you all take a personal and active interest in the re-election of Delegate Wickersham to the position he so ably and impartially fills at the present time. Such legislators are always needed in the halls of Congress, and especially so in these times of nationwide distress. With all due respect for the ambitions of other candidates, you cannot afford to take any chances of losing the services in Congress of such an able and influential legislator and outstanding friend of the workers, who is equally fair to all interests. We trust you to handle this matter with all possible efficiency to the end that all our members, their families and friends, as well as all other working men and women, go to the polls on November 8th and VOTE for our good friend Delegate Wickersham, who can be depended upon to continue to defend our interests and fight for the rights of the plain people.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Fraternally yours,</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Arthur J. Lovell Vice President, National Legislative Representative, B. of L.F. &amp; E.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">G.W. Laughlin Assistant Grand Chief, National Legislative Representative, B. of L.E.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J.A. Farquharson National Legislative Representative, B. of R.T.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">W.D. Johnson Vice President, National Legislative Representative, O.R.C.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">A.F. Stout</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">National Legislative Representative B. of M.W.E.</p> <p>Took our rooms in the Northern Hotel Kept Mr. Vance. We are glad to get out of the interior. I am greatly pleased at the contents of the Railway Brotherhood letter on this page. Found that Dr. Chase, Rep. Committeeman here has received my copies &amp; they are spread among the Copper River &amp; N.W. railroad men. It ought to do me much good. I am informed it has also been widely spread &amp; Moore told me it would be printed in the interior papers. I am invited to speak before the Womens Club on Monday evening.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 18	<p>I have met many Railroad men today &amp; find them supplied with copies of the Railway official letter &amp; they seem very much pleased - as I am - with it &amp; promise me their full support. I am also advised that the railway men along the Alaska Railroad have asked their representatives in Washington to issue special edition of "<u>Labor</u>," Washington D.C. urging all laboring people in Alaska to support me. Such a publication will aid me very much and I am greatly pleased even that these men have applied to <u>Labor</u> for that assistance. My friend Keating, formerly member of Congress from Colorado, is the editor of <u>Labor</u> - he may do it.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 19	<p>Spent the day visiting, talking to R.A. men and others.</p> <p>In the evening I spoke at the hall to a goodly crowd of the Women's Club, on their political and property rights The meeting lasted from 8 to 9 oclock - then the Pioneers (men) took over the hall - the women went home - and I spoke to the men for an hour - on Pioneer days - the Cordova Fishermens Harbor etc. after which we had a lunch &amp; a smoker - for which I bought a big box of cigars. What with the Railroad men, the Womens Club &amp; the Pioneers friendly it may help me very much to carry a good majority in Cordova.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 September 20	<p>Doing nothing today but resting &amp; visiting. Doctor Chase has a letter from Paul (W<sup>m</sup> L) saying he will be on the next boat from the south, on his way to Fairbanks on his campaign for Atty Gen! as an independent. Also says Rustgard has quit the Republican organization &amp; demanded the Return of his subscription to the Rep. Terry. Committee at Juneau!! Evidently Paul is raising his view &amp; the Com, does not please Rustgard!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 21	<p>Harry Steel gave me a copy of a clipping from the Fairbanks News-Miner signed by "Valdezan" a page long criticising me for referring to Tony's "game leg" etc. Held a meeting tonight at the Indian school house talked to the natives - a couple of dozen. Boyle spoke before the Chamber of Commerce today -he was to go to Seldovia &amp; Kodiak - but he did not go. Nothing from Tony &amp; his "game" shoulders. He must have been hurt more than has been reported. Spoke to the Indians at the Eyak school House - Mrs. Smith &amp; Mrs. Burnell, teachers, present. Dr. Chase &amp; Mrs. W- gave them information &amp; advice about voting - <u>bad lot!</u></p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 22	<p>We attended a card party at the Eastern Star - Masonic Temple - after an excellent dinner at Mr. &amp; Mrs. A.J. Adams home. Working on remarks for tomorrow night speech.</p> <p>My opponent is reported to be out of the hospital in Fairbanks - he will not go to Nome - has quit the airplane campaign, will return to the Coast on the Railroad &amp; will then go to S.E. Alaska! It looks as if my attack on his big interest airplane has scared him - &amp; he may now come down to my level &amp; get back to a campaign depending on local transportation - he has abandoned the whole western part of the Territory - Good!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 September 23	<p>Was invited to speak to the High School children in the hall - class room of the Public School. Spoke on the way Congress Acts in passing Laws - Held my public political meeting tonight at the <u>Empress Theater</u> - a fine <u>big crowd</u> - they were attentive and enthusiastic. I was greatly pleased at their friendly way &amp; made a talk of an hour and a quarter. After the meeting a group gathered in Dr.</p>

	Chases apartment - coffee & cake. Mrs. Nefstead & McDonald, 2 candidates for the Legislature on the platform - the lady spoke for 10 minutes - good. This concludes my campaign in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> division & confident of a majority.
Diary 41, 1932 September 24	Bad rainy day - stormy. The SS. Aleutian will be in this evening & will take her & go back home to Juneau. I feel that I have made a good campaign on this part of the Territory & hope that I have made a good impression. We left Cordova at 6 p.m. on the steamer - for Juneau - Bob Crawford & Mifs Mercer sang many songs in the main public room - their songs were greatly appreciated.
Diary 41, 1932 September 25	A good voyage across the Gulf - no wind and a steady boat. Grace is a poor sailor and kept her berth all day. Bob. Crawford, baritone singer, and Miss Ruby Mercer, his soloist & their pianist, about. Also a number of Alaskans - a quiet day.
Diary 41, 1932 September 26	We arrived at Juneau at 5 <sup>30</sup> a.m. and went to our rooms in the Zynda. I have picked up a bad cold and sneeze continually, but it is not serious - a day or two will end it. Find three Dept. of Justice agents here investigating A. White, U.S. Marshal & Rustgard & others trying to get Cash Cole, Auditor, indicted for writing articles in the Alaskan, published by Louis Paul, at Petersburg tending to encourage run on the banks of the Territory holding deposits of Territorial Funds. What fools these men be as politicians. I will keep out of the mess. Paul (Billy) is here - an independent candidate for Atty. Genl. which causes Rustgard to froth at the mouth, going westward tomorrow.
Diary 41, 1932 September 27	Billy Paul told me yesterday that some time ago Zeigler told him that I had been paid \$1500. by the Nakat Cannery Co. for use in my campaign that Bob Heckman told him so! That he (Paul) had asked Heckman about it - who said he had not told Zeigler any such story. Paul talked to Zeigler later who then denied the story, etc. While the talk is wholly untrue it has just gone into a whispering stage and is disturbing if not dangerous. Paul

	seemed very anxious to get in near the matter, but, of course, I assured him it was untrue. Tewksbury, reporter for the Empire interviewed me yesterday & today the paper gives me a very good notice of my campaign in the interior.
Diary 41, 1932 September 28	Paul is trying to farce his candidacy as in independent for the office of Atty Genl. & is fighting Rustgard vigorously - open - & maliciously. Our party ticket is in danger because of the petty, but public quarrels. Cash Cole, auditor, is fighting Rustgard also, and probably furnishing Paul with means & propaganda. Cole is unfriendly to me & so is Rustgard - & probably Paul. No two of the Republican candidates will speak to each other except in anger - the Democratic paper the <u>Empire</u> - is quoting Paul at length & also aiding in keeping the Rep. quarrels going to our great damage. The U.S. is investigating the Rep. 1st. Div. Committeeman U.S. Marshal White - it is a bad mess.
Diary 41, 1932 September 29	The <u>Empire</u> devotes front page columns to the Explorations of Paul & Rustgards quarrels - to the injury of our ticket. - the Demo- candidates are working quietly together in peace its just too bad!! I am getting advertisement of the Railway Brotherhood letter in the Strollers Weekly - also wrote a story of my interior campaign for that paper: Also preparing a petition etc. to the Post Master Genl. U.S.A. asking for the formation of a rural mail delivery route on the Forest Highways north of Juneau.
Diary 41, 1932 September 30	Grover Winn, Rep. candidate for the Legislature - informed me that he is to go on some private boat to the Kake village etc. campaigning - but that there was no space for me!! That's typical of our disorganized political condition. Archie Shiels, of the Cannery Companies at Faulkners & the latter asked me over to talk = We talked more about Alaska historical books than any thing else - but he also asked me about the bill to lease trap sites - I told him I would not introduce the bill I drew four years ago - it was just a private conversation - nothing said about politics or any thing of that kind.

Diary 41, 1932 October 1	(Mistake - the conversation on opposite page took place on this - Saturday - and was recorded by mistake on opposite page.) The letter from the Railway Brotherhoods in Stroller's Weekly as an advertisement. Harry McCain & others have started a broadcasting station at Ketchikan & advise me that I can use it at \$2. per minute! I paid less than \$1. <sup>00</sup> per minute at Anchorage - for much better service. McCain sent me an impudent telegram today - & sending "some consideration today" - I answered asking him to write & tell me just what he wanted - He wants money, of course - they all do!
Diary 41, 1932 October 2	Jack Wilson saw me at the Zynda Hotel - & urged me to go out to Port Alexander on Thursday on the gas boat "Pacific" which makes a weekly round trip with the mail from Juneau to that point stopping at mail stations enroute.
Diary 41, 1932 October 3	Faulkner gave Tom Gardner, Treas. Rep. Com. a check for \$250. to aid in the election - I told Tom that I would not accept it or any part of it - & to tell Faulkner so. Tom said he would give it to the general fund - I am able to pay my own expenses & intend to do so & will not take a cent from the cannery interests.
Diary 41, 1932 October 4	Rec. a copy of the Fairbanks paper containing Dimonds speech - it is a dangerous speech - for it is evidently correctly reported while that paper garbled & distorted mine! My impression is that while Tony may carry Fairbanks by a small majority I will carry the 4th Div. Had a fine time last night at the Douglas Parent Teachers Assoc. meeting - I was received at the wharf by Mrs. Knighan in her automobile - interesting exercises, 30 minute talk by myself, music, etc. announced my intention to appoint Harry Lundell, local High School boy - to Annapolis!
Diary 41, 1932 October 5	Had intended to go to Port Alexander via Kake & other points on the gas boat Pacific tomorrow - but she will not go there - it was her last fall trip - different winter route! Later: <u>Karl Theile, Sec. Alaska, has just offered to let the Republican candidates use his boat</u>

	<u>"Margaret", on &amp; after Oct. 20, in making the tour of S.E. Alaska towns, if they will pay the wages of the captain &amp; engineer &amp; for oil -also to furnish our own food supplies. He asked me to try to make the necessary arrangements. It is the first ray of sunshine.</u>
Diary 41, 1932 October 6	I called & attempted to get Cash Cole to go on the "Margaret," Karl Thieles boat on the 20 <sup>th</sup> to visit the towns in S.E. Alaska - he would not promise - said he intended to support Paul & me and Frank Price & Frank Booth, the two latter Indian deputies of U.S. Marshals office, say they & the Indians will not vote for any Rep. who will not support Paul! Telegram from Charlie Taylor at Fairbanks says Dimonds speech there created strong impression & he (Taylor) demands \$300. for aid in offsetting it. McCain at Ketchikan also demands money for aid there. The Indians also demand money & it looks if they must be bought each week - and then may all vote the Democratic ticket on the day of election!! Bad.
Diary 41, 1932 October 7	Finding that the new "Northland" is going to Sitka. I embarked & went also - Grace went with me. We met the Schlothams, husband & wife on board and many others, and had a fine voyage. I sent a telegram to Ralph Young, Indian and the Republican precinct committeeman at Sitka of my coming and asked him to announce a political meeting to be held there upon my arrival. Lockie McKinnon & Zynda, my hotel man went along, both going to the Goddard Hot Springs to get a cure for rheumatism, with which both are afflicted.
Diary 41, 1932 October 8	Arrived in Sitka harbor at 7 <sup>30</sup> p.m. and found a goody crowd of friends on the dock. At 8 o'clock we held a public poll meeting in the Coliseum Theater - probably 250 persons present. I spoke for an hour & a quarter - on the political issued & got good attention and some applause. Visited the Pioneer's Home and met a great many old Alaskan's who are maintained there at the expense of the Territory. Many of them attended my meeting. Later we boarded the "Northland" on our return to

	Juneau. I was greatly pleased that the adult scholars from the Sheldon Jackson School - attended in a body – about 40 girls, the head, Dr. Gass & his teachers.
Diary 41, 1932 October 9	<p>We left Sitka this morning at 4 a.m. - a fine day - calm and quiet. Met many other persons who talked politics to me. It was a real treat to pass through Peril Strait, Chatham Inlet &amp; around Point Retreat &amp; Douglas Island to Juneau. Home and to bed.</p> <p>I am informed that the three U.S. investigators here examining into charges against U.S. Marshal, Al. White will leave Juneau tomorrow having concluded their investigation. I am glad they are going for they have injured our campaign here very much - investigating a Republican official who is the head - the Rep. Divisional Committeeman - the head of our campaign!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 10	<p>Have this day signed &amp; sent out printed "Watchers official Credentials" to every Republican precinct Committeeman in Alaska. The Alaska Weekly, at Seattle has sent me a bill for "advertising" for \$68<sup>04</sup> - answered with night letter to stop my advertisement &amp; send me copies of "advertisements"</p> <p>They are a bunch of grafters!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 11	I am considering the project of challenging Dimond to a joint debate -on alternate days, at the four principal towns - Juneau, Petersburg, Wrangell & Ketchikan. The trouble about it is that such a course would prevent me from visiting the Indian villages & I need to do so. I may confined it to speeches by both of us at Juneau & Ketchikan.
Diary 41, 1932 October 12	I intend to go to Kake Indian village tomorrow & may be from there to other villages - the Paul brothers are threatening to throw the Indian vote to the Democrats - where they now have hope of securing money after having gotten all they can out of the Rep. organization & myself. I paid poor Mrs. Paul - in Seattle \$250. at his request - I have paid Louis Paul \$50. per month from March 1 to Sept. 1, for the support of the "Alaskan" the Alaska Native Brotherhood paper, & also paid the Div. Rep. Organization \$250. which they gave to W <sup>m</sup> L. Paul,

	and which he used to run an independent campaign against Rustgard, the Rep. candidate for Atty. Genl. They wont stay bought & are now trying to sell to the Democrats!!
Diary 41, 1932 October 13	Left Juneau at 10 a.m. on the small gas mail carrier boat "Pacific" for Kake & way points. We had a beautiful day, entered Sumdum met several & including <u>Gene Owens</u> grizzled & gray old Alaskan - We went to Windham Anchorage - met several residents - talked to them about politics, and they promised to support. Then we went to Cape Fanshaw & other mail points - but I went to bed - & saw no more.
Diary 41, 1932 October 14	<p>Came into Petersburg at noon. Called on many Earl Ohmer &amp; other business men. The Pacific has gone on the dry tock to paint &amp; I am obliged to go to a hotel until tomorrow! A bum trick!!</p> <p>RevBetz, the Presby, Indian minister here &amp; Eli Katanook - two prominent Indian residents called - Louis Paul is not here! Showed Betz &amp; Katanook the letters receipts etc. showing how much money I have paid to the Pauls since March 1st of this year - nearly \$900! for the support of the A.K.B. paper - they say Pauls told them nothing had been paid by the Republicans - that as a reason for selling out to the Democrats. These two men declare the Indians will support me.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 15	Remained in Petersburg until 4 p.m. Left on "Pacific" for - Kake - via Cape Fanshaw - reached Kake at a late hour & went to Newtons house – and had a good room for the night. He is an Indian - the leader of the Salvation Army at this place - his Indian wife is an intelligent woman - and a good housekeeper - especially for an Indian. I am glad to find Frank Johnson here - he has just returned from the trolling waters below Cape Ommaney and says most of the trollers have left their headquarters at Port Alexander - where he has been for some time. He seems entirely friendly - important for he is the President of the Alaska Native (Indian) Brotherhood.
Diary 41, 1932 October 16	Frank Johnson made an arrangement for me to talk to the Kakes at the conclusion of their church services in the Presbyterian Church which begin at

	<p>10 a.m. When the services concluded he introduced me and I spoke for an hour &amp; a quarter on their proposed land bill &amp; my efforts to get their fishery &amp; other matters before the Com. on Indian Affairs. They seemed very friendly. Johnson translated my speech into the Kake Language for the benefit of the old folks. Afterward I employed him to go to Klawock, Craig &amp; Hydaburg - to Angoon, Tenakee &amp; Hoonah gave him \$40 &amp; promised him \$60 more to pay his expenses. Had lunch with the Kerberger's, trader, &amp; his beautiful daughter - aged 2 1/2 years. Started home on "Pacific" at 4 pm.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 17	<p>Reached Juneau, via Gambier Bay, Windham, Sumdum &amp; Taku at 2 p.m. Found that Dimond had arrived at Juneau this morning &amp; is visiting with his cohorts! They are posting the town with pictures of Roosevelt, Garner &amp; Dimond - the <u>Empire</u> is claiming everything - landslide of votes for the Democrats - in the Nation &amp; in the Territory as well. Al White, U.S. Marshal &amp; Div. Committeeman is still "sore" - &amp; it seems to me scared - but the investigators have gone.</p> <p>Billy Paul is at Fairbanks - Cordova making speeches against Rustgard, and I think - against the Rep. ticket. He is a treacherous renegade &amp; may sell out to the Democrats – if he can get anything for his treachery. Cash Cole is at the bottom of his efforts - he wants to defeat me, too!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 18	<p>I have taken over my old office room in the Valentine Bldg - Foster has given up my books, furniture etc. - but has not paid me a cent for their agreed rental of \$25. per month form Mar 1st 1931 to this date. He is a tough customer.</p> <p>Tony Dimond, candidate Democrat for Delegate, Doc Walker, for Senator &amp; Frank Boyle, for Auditor, are leaving here tonight on Izzy Goldstein's boat - "Sitka" - for Skagway &amp; the Indian villages. They announce that Dimond will speak in Juneau on the 24th! I am persuading Winn &amp; Keller to go with me to Ketchikan to spy out the political situation. <u>Have learned tonight that Al. White intends to leave for Idaho Monday - he is scared about something!</u> Attended the Pioneers party.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 October 19	<p>Dimond, Boyle &amp; Walker got off last night on their trip to Skagway - Sitka, etc. The Democrats are loudly claiming the victory - in Nation &amp; Territory. I am going to Wrangell tonight on the SS. "Rogers" - &amp; then to Ketchikan - back again as soon as I can and then I will have my meeting here in Juneau! - following Tony - Grace is sending out my "Trade Value of Alaska" speech to hate whose names appear in the Telephone Directory - here and in Ketchikan.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 20	<p>Left Juneau last night on the SS. Rogers for Wrangell. Arrived in Petersburg this forenoon and spent an hour - visited a few friends - arrived at Wrangell at 3 o'clock - saw W.D. Grant John Grant &amp; several more at the dock - Campbell, Deputy Marshal says I will get a good vote, as usual, here. Concluded to go on to Ketchikan. Ter. Treasurer Smith on board enroute to Petersburg from Wrangell. Charlie Goldstein enroute to Seattle - says he is a Republican. Met several interior Alaskans going to Seattle; Raining.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 21	<p>Arrived in Petersburg early this morning. Ingersoll Hotel and slept until nearly noon. Had long consultations with McCain, Caswell, Hunt, Arnold &amp; other friends. They think I will get a majority vote here. Ed. Ridley, Indian, asked me to talk to the Indians tonight at the Indian Club house - about 40 Indians present. Senator Hunt &amp; Talbot with me - talked about the Indian matters &amp; seemed to satisfy - they promised to support me. Ridley told me that Cash Cole, auditor and W<sup>rd</sup> L. Paul will be here tomorrow enroute around the Indian villages on the - west coast. Caswell &amp; McCain say they will insist on Cole &amp; Paul supporting me - they are unfriendly.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 October 22	<p>Passed the day with McCain around town. Find many more friends here than I expected - Hunt called a meeting at the Pioneers Hall to organize Committees for the campaign but could not get anything done until White comes, enroute south on Tuesday - They appointed Johnson to see White &amp; ask him to appoint a committeeman for Ketchikan &amp; the meeting adjourned until Wednesday evening.</p>

	<p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>WICKERSHAM IS HERE TO HELP PARTY TICKET</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Delegate Gratified at Decision to Construct Federal Building Here</p> <p>James Wickersham, candidate for re-election as delegate to congress from Alaska, is in Ketchikan in the interests of his own and other Republican candidacies, he said today. He expects to return to Juneau Monday, but will be back in Ketchikan just before the election at which time he will hold a public meeting.</p> <p>"I am very much gratified that the government has decided to build the federal building in Ketchikan," he said. "I worked hard for along time to get the buildings both here and at Anchorage and I still have hope that the latter project will be decided upon at an early date. When I return to Washington after the election I shall do everything in my power to hurry the construction of the Ketchikan building. It will mean coping with the similar demands from every community that has been promised a federal building."</p> <p>Delegate Wickersham has only recently concluded a six-week campaign trip to the interior. "I found everywhere a favorable opinion of my record as delegate and I have every confidence in my election at the polls on November 8."</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 October 23</p>	<p>Busy all day with my friends trying to arrange matters. = Was invited to meet the Indians <u>last</u> night at the Indian Brotherhood Hall – a good meeting &amp; my speech was well received, &amp; promises of their support. =) [smiley face?] Rev. Mather, Episcopal, Indian invited me to come to their church tonight &amp; give them a talk on the Life and character of George Washington! Did so &amp; had 20 minutes after the Church serviced ended - they were well pleased - Mathis thanked me &amp; said what a good friend I had always been to the Indians, etc. Bob Heckman, his wife, &amp; other whites also present - they are friends, also. Paid the Radio Co. \$100. for broadcasting &amp; left</p>

	<p>material with McCain for daily - nightly use. My boat comes early in the morning - then home</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 October 24</p>	<p>Had Sunday dinner with the Hunts yesterday! The SS. Yukon came in from the south this morning at 5<sup>30</sup> and I am going home on her. Of course I am to return &amp; speak on the evening of Friday 4<sup>th</sup>! Saw Grover Winn &amp; many of my friends at Wrangell. They insist that I must come there &amp; speak. Faulkner came about at Petersburg - says I have many good friends there &amp; will carry a majority! It seems that Cole &amp; Paul are yet in Juneau - but are expected to come south - to Petersburg Wrangell &amp; Ketchikan tomorrow on the SS. Alaska. Dimond is to make his major speech against me at Juneau tonight. I hope to follow on Thursday or Friday</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 October 25</p>	<p>Dimond had a house full at the Coliseum Theater tonight - Grigsby presided and both he and Dimond spent the whole time denouncing me - small matters - mostly untrue - but stated loudly. Big audience but a quiet one. There is little to answer – wind. Am having trouble to get the "Capitol" theater for my evening later this week. The Kubley agent here is evidently a Democratic partisan - says he will send night letter to Kubley - who is one of our Republican nominees for the Legislature!</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 October 26</p>	<p>Kubley's agent in Capitol Theater says he will let us have the theater for \$75<sup>00</sup>! to be paid by myself - I can get the Ellis Mall for \$25- but send telegram to J.E. Johnson, our candidate for Senator stating situation! Tom Gardner, Treas. Rep. Div. Com. says take the Theater anyway &amp; he has money enough to pay. Put Adv. in Empire &amp; will put one Friday in Strollers -to speak in Douglas Thursday, &amp; in Juneau, Friday, 28th. Working on my speech - gathering material - for Douglas tomorrow night.</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 October 27</p>	<p>Prepared &amp; sent off my Act. 10 days before election today. Getting ready for my speech here tomorrow night. I feel discouraged, for Cash Cole &amp; Paul are opposing me. Paul spoke in the Capitol Theatre here tonight - to a big crowd drawn out of curiosity</p>

	to hear him abuse Rustgard - he did and Judge Harding also & especially I do not blame him for that although he is injuring the Rep. ticket & me by doing so - but he is a double-crosser & will not win!
Diary 41, 1932 October 28	I made my Juneau speech tonight to a good audience in the Capitol Theatre - there were not so many people to hear me as there were to hear Dimond when he spoke last week in the Coliseum Theater - I have no "jobs" to promise while Dimond & his supporters promise the offices now held by the Republicans - each office to a dozen hungry Democrats - these are making the noise & the crowds which enthusiastically cheer the Democratic candidates. I got a good support & some enthusiasm. Two hours after I concluded my effort I embarked on the "Margaret" - Karl Thieles big cannery tender and started for Skagway to speak. I go alone - no other. Rep. candidate here to go with me.
Diary 41, 1932 October 29	My boat the "Margaret" landed me at noon today at Haines. The Indians there - and Klukwan are holding a meeting of the Alaska Native Brotherhood at 1 o'clock & sent me word to come & talk - whites also. We had a good audience & I talked to them about Indian affairs & the fisheries - they seemed greatly pleased. We reached Skagway at 4 <sup>30</sup> - I had dinner with Mrs. Pullen at her hotel - meeting in the Elks Hall at 8- a big crowd for Skagway! The meeting was a real success. Howard Ashley, chairman - and many ladies present. I feel confident of securing a majority of the votes of these places. Left Skagway at 12- midnight in a Southeast storm for Juneau. I was not sea sick!
Diary 41, 1932 October 30	My boat reached Juneau at noon - bad storm coming down Lynn Canal - not seasick, but worn out by the storm & a poor bed. Grover C. Winn, Rep. candidate for the Legislature just returned from Petersburg - says I will carry the southern towns that Dimond made no votes at his meetings there - still you can never be sure what a jury will do until the verdict is filed in court. I will go to Petersburg tomorrow on the SS. Yukon - will make

	speeches in Petersburg, Wrangell & Ketchikan - then wait for the verdict. Hoover seems to be gaining much lost ground in the States.
Diary 41, 1932 October 31	Left for Petersburg on the SS. Yukon at 6 p.m.
Diary 41, 1932 November 1	Arrived in Petersburg this morning early - and meeting friends during the day. Had a fine meeting at the Variety theater - a full house, & spoke for 2 hours - got much applause & support, but the Paul's & Cash Cole are not supporting me. How much work they intend doing against me I cannot tell. The white people are very friendly & I hope to carry a majority here though my Democratic opponents are active & bitter. I am receiving many congratulations on my speech. Cole & Paul are expected here tomorrow & will try their best to prejudice the Indians against me - & will probably succeed.
Diary 41, 1932 November 2	I was invited to speak before the school today - did so but, of course, there was no political elements in it. John G. Grand is supporting me, probably for the first time. The "SS. Rogers" is due this afternoon & I will go to Ketchikan on her. The business men are strong for me, except the McCormicks -church. Spoke in to Coliseum Theater to a good crowd & well received - a big support among the whites but the Indians are very doubtful & waiting for Paul & Cole to come & tell them what to do.
Diary 41, 1932 November 3	Arrived in Ketchikan early. Visiting with my friends who seem to think we will carry this town by a small majority. My speech for Friday is postponed, to Saturday evening. [This section circled and pointing to where it should have been entered at beginning of next page]  I get good reports about Frank Johnson, Indian President of the A.N.B. who has been to Hydaburg, Klawock & other southern villages & is on his way to Hoonah & Angoon. He seems to be active & honest, and is urging the Indians to vote for me.

Diary 41, 1932 November 4	Spoke tonight to the Indians at Saxman in the Indian Hall - good audience and promises of hearty support. Paul & Cash Cole here and met the Indians in Ketchikan. They assured the Indians that they were not supporting Dimond - Paul tells them he is neutral which is a lie for he is doing anything to get votes for himself for Atty. Genl. & for Cole as auditor and the Dimond forces are assisting them - so they say - but thats a lie also. - it is "dog eat dog" with all of them but I think I will get the Indian vote here - <u>sure</u> . Ed. Ridley & other Indians are working hard for me.
Diary 41, 1932 November 5	Had my big Ketchikan meeting tonight - 80 present and I made a satisfactory speech so my friends think but I was not satisfied with it. I left out - forgot - one very important part, but probably no one else knew it - so it will not prove harmful - otherwise I am satisfied. Heard Hoover & Roosevelt close their speeches - R -at New York, Hoover at St Paul. Their campaign is closed but Dimond will make his closing speech here on Monday night. I think I may carry the First (this) division & may be elected - not certain.  [clipping]  WICKERSHAM CLOSES HIS CAMPAIGNING Packed House Listens to Republican Candidate Accuse Dimond of Having Thrown Down Democrats in 1926. Delegate Reviews Record in This and Previous Sessions of Congress; Says Opponent Opposed to Primary Addressing 800 persons who packed the Coliseum theater last night, Delegate James Wickersham charged that his democratic opponent, Anthony J. Dimond, is opposed to the primary election law, that he has made accusations in this campaign which "are not supported by facts," that in these accusations "he doesn't know anything about it anyhow," and that in 1926 he

	threw down the democratic party which he now r[word missing]
Diary 41, 1932 November 6	Intended to go over to Metlakatla this morning - at the boat the Indian boatman - Ed. Ridley showed me letter from Murchison, mayor, saying I could not appear there on Sunday - so I refused to go but sent Ridley & some Indians instead. They report that the Indian people of Metlakatla were very angry & disappointed when the boat reached them without me & denounced Murchison - & staged a bitter fight on him - he refused to appear when they sent for him - which was exactly what I expected! Ridley spoke for me & says it did me more good than if I had gone & spoke! Bob Heckman is betting that I will carry Ketchikan & the west coast Indian towns. The business men & Indians here are supporting me & say that I will be elected <u>etc</u> . Things generally look favorable around here. Had dinner with the Hunts at Talbots.
Diary 41, 1932 November 7	Ready to go home but boat late. Attended meeting of Deep Sea Vessel Owners. This is the day for the big speech by Tony. The Metlakatla Band - 40 men - came over - the Democrats went to Walker to speak - Rev. Paul Mather, Episcopal minister suggested we invite the band to a dinner!! They accepted - I sat at the head of the table - Mather on one side - Murchison - the Democratic (Indian) on the other - it then occurred to him that it was not a Democratic dinner!! He went outside (we were at the fashionable Blue Fox Restaurant) & hastily sent word to "Doc" Walker - who came - looked through the door, etc. I spoke, recalled that Dr. & Mrs. their long time friends were Pres. Hoover's relatives etc. Exit Doc. Walker & great laughter etc. Left Ketchikan at 8 <sup>30</sup> p.m. for home on SS Northwestern.
Diary 41, 1932 November 8	Arrived at Wrangell 3 a.m. reached Petersburg at 9 - W <sup>m</sup> L. Paul & Cash Cole here - had meeting last night - Paul shied away from me, but Cole offered to shake hands - I said "I don't want to shake hands with you" and walked away - they have done



	<p>all they could - and may be enough - to set the Indian voters against me - Cash is impossible, Paul is incapable of fair gratitude &amp; I want nothing to do with either of them. The SS. is pushing hard to put us ashore at Juneau in time to vote. <u>"Licked to a frazzle." The whole republican ticket goes down covered by a Democratic landslide.</u></p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 November 9</p>	<p><u>Republican National Ticket Defeated:</u> also Territorial ticket. I sincerely hope Cash Cole also for he and Paul sold me out. The national result will throw out Al. White, who left the Territory 2 or 3 weeks ago - abandoned and defeated our local ticket. Their days are now cut short, <u>also</u> Hoover is beaten by the greatest defeat in the history of American politics.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ENTIRE TICKET FOR TERRITORY SWEEPS POLLS Alaska in Vanguard of Na- tionwide Landslide to Democratic Party FIVE TERRITORIAL OFFICERS ELECTED Five Senators and Twelve Representatives Ap- arently Returned</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 November 10</p>	<p>I am glad Cash Cole &amp; Paul are defeated - they are disorganizers &amp; will not do team work. The defeat of Hoover is reflected in Alaska: Radio night &amp; day gave the Democratic view of things to politics in Alaska &amp; the results here were accentuated by that influence largely. It was a Democratic victory.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SEN. DIMOND IS CONGRATUALTED BY WICKERSHAM Delegate Wires Successful Rival Offering Any Aid Possible</p>

	<p>Judge James Wickersham today telegraphed his congratulations to Anthony J. Dimond, who defeated him in Tuesday's election for Delegate to Congress, and offering any assistance that might be in his power to render. Speaking on the overwhelming Republican defeat in Tuesday's Election Judge Wickersham declared today that he felt no sting of defeat. "It was just one of those things," he said. "we got caught in a Democratic tidal wave. I made the best campaign I knew how to make and left the case with the voters. I have no feeling or resentment against anyone. I am completely reconciled to the situation." Judge Wickersham said that he expected to return to Juneau. He declared that he has a lot of work that he wants to do and that he will come home and go to work. Judge Wickersham's telegram of congratulations to Mr. Dimond was as follows: "Juneau Alaska, Nov. 9, 1932. "Hon. A.J. Dimond, "Ketchikan, Alaska. "The tidal wave has landed you and I send you my congratulations stop If there is any assistance I can give you it will afford me personal satisfaction to furnish it. (Sig) "JAMES WICKERSHAM."</p>
<p>Diary 41, 1932 November 11</p>	<p>Have just received an answer from Senator Dimond to my telegram of congratulations. "Ketchikan, Nov. 10, 1932 <u>James Wickersham, Juneau, Als.</u> <u>Please accept my thanks for your kind telegram and particularly of your generous offer of help of which I shall gladly avail myself particularly with respect to measures of relief for native population: Anthony J. Dimond.</u>"</p> <p>Wrote Darrell a good letter - it will encourage him &amp; he will not think I am much disappointed - as I am not. Grace has gone to the Pioneer Sociable tonight. It more &amp; more appears to have been a National Victory in Alaska &amp; had little relation to Alaskan</p>

	matters or candidates. Voters cast their ballots against Hoover!!
Diary 41, 1932 November 12	<p>Have written many letters thanking the Rep. Committeemen in Alaska for their active support - also letters to the Railway Union officials in Washington &amp; Anchorage, and a few others who deserved thanks.</p> <p>The last clause in Dimonds telegram –opposite- in relation to the Indians - shows how little he has thought of their welfare. Of course they are children and did not realize -or know about - what I was trying to do for them - but Dimond knows, &amp; now wants to rebuild his poll fences for the future by doing something for them so he can appeal to them at future campaigns etc. &amp; he wishes me to set him on the right path - and I intend to do it notwithstanding their sale to the Democrats by Paul &amp; Cash Cole!!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 13	<p>I am in another mixup about a postoffice - this time at Nome. Recommended appointment of Ruth M. Cameron, postmistress on the telegraphic endorsement of Tom Ross - she was appointed acting P.M. - now the Nome Rep. Club is raising hob &amp; insists on one Waldhelm!! I am sending Rowe (W.J.) a telegram fully explaining &amp; saying Cameron appointment is only temporary as acting P.M. until final action by sending name to Senate in December.</p> <p>The people around Auke Lake have signed large petition asking for Rural Free Delivery route &amp; new Postoffice called "Auke Bay" &amp; I am sending it in with my recommendation - through they voted against me!!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 14	<p>Dimond is here but so constantly engaged with his cohorts &amp; those who want appointments that I have been unable to see him, though I have tried to get in touch with him, by telephone many times. The Democrats - Tony, John etc. etc. are having a gay time - violating the Bone Dry Law every hour!!</p> <p>Called &amp; had friendly talk with Troy - told him I intended to be friendly - between now &amp; Mch 4th, &amp; invited Dimond to come to my office when he comes to Wash &amp; that I would give him all the data</p>

	etc. in my office & assist him as far as I could etc. etc.
Diary 41, 1932 November 15	<p>We have concluded to go to Seattle on Friday - all bills paid, my Reports Of Campaign Expenditures in &amp; sent by mail etc. Saw Troy again today. He tells me he is a candidate for Governor his daughters insist on it &amp; many of his friends. Bunnell, Agri. College School of Mines is also a candidate. The Democrats are busy as bees fixing up the list of those who are to get plumbs!!</p> <p>Grace is packing &amp; I am closing up every thing needed for four months absence. I have rented my old office room in the Valentine building &amp; will leave my law library in the shelves where they have stood for years - and will open the office for business when I come back in April!</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 16	<p>Am trying to get a chance to make a formal call on Tony but he &amp; his tribe were on a "party" last night - &amp; he is not easily seen! The Prohibition law has no terror for them!! Called his hotel again afternoon so I might make a formal call - got his room - he answered weakly - said "I'll be up awhile" &amp; silence."</p> <p><u>The Empire of this day announces the candidacy of Troy for Governor and Dimond does the announcing and gives his support to Troy.</u></p> <p>Sent telegrams to Holdeman, at Anchorage &amp; Borgen at Ketchikan about their boys for Naval School etc.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 17	<p>Dimond called at my office this forenoon. I told him anything I could do to assist him I would - that if there were any papers etc. in Wash, he wanted etc. he could have - that I would assist him etc. He was friendly appreciative, said he wished to assist in passing the Tlinget - Haida Bill &amp; would write letters to the Com. if needed etc. Also said would assist in passing my bill to repeal the Alaska Bone Dry law - talked to him about office rooms.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 18	<p>Paid all my bills - drew money from Behrends Bank &amp; will go on SS Evans tonight to Seattle enroute to Washington. Leave my matters in good shape - no debts!</p> <p>I am amused that Billy Paul, Cash Cole &amp; Al White</p>

	<p>are talking about “reorganizing” the Republican party in Alaska - and getting no “takers.” They will find it hard to convince the party workers that they are to be trusted - the “double-crossers.” While they did not accomplish their purpose - they did remove themselves from the jobs for a term of 2 years - &amp; may be more - they were defeated also. We left Juneau at 3 oclock!</p> <p><u>U.S. Marshals Jones of Nome &amp; Smith of Fairbanks - on SS. going North -saw them in Juneau today - they, too, did not support our ticket!!!</u></p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 19	<p>We left Juneau at 3 oclock <u>a.m.</u> At Petersburg at noon - saw Ohmer &amp; several of my friends - they are all disappointed at the result of the election - but all say it resulted to an extent at least from the radio propaganda coming from the States &amp; the fact that our Republican organization went to pieces. Nothing could have saved us from defeat but they agree that our leaders made it much worse by betraying us.</p> <p><u>The evening Ketchikan papers say that Senator Jones, of Wash. died today.</u></p> <p>Harry C. McCain &amp; Jim Winden met me at the Dock at 3 oclock this morning to talk about some errands they wish me to do in Washington - they denounce <u>White</u> - &amp; Caswell – for not supporting Republican ticket.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 20	<p>Crossed Dixons entrance early this morning - raining &amp; a dismal day - Only half a dozen passengers on the boat - Oscar Anderson, merchant from McGrath - &amp; a few others. Recd. telegram at Ketchikan from Will A. Steel saying he was sending me an important letter at Frye Hotel, Seattle.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 21	<p>Queen Charlottes crossing calm &amp; quiet. Men in smoking room playing pinochle - seem to enjoy it more than eating.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 22	<p>Gulf of Georgia - Seattle at 6<sup>30</sup> p.m. Frye Hotel, Room 902. Received telegram from Mr. D.E. Skinner, asking me to call him up this evening or tomorrow morning. Received “important” letter from Will Steel, Wash. office saying he had suggested to</p>

	<p>Sisson, Asst. Atty. Genl. that I be appointed District Judge in 1st Division, Juneau, when Hardings term expires, Jany 15th &amp; that Sisson thought well of it!! Of course I will not consider such an act for it would only result in trouble and an ouster - removal - by President Roosevelt after Mch. 4<sup>th</sup>. Will does not understand that the President may remove without charges or proofs.</p> <p>Met Comr. Arnold of Ketchikan here at the Hotel - No particular news.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 23	<p>Called &amp; had conference with Skinner at his office at 11<sup>30</sup>. Also present &amp; H.G. Seaborn. They are anxious to get the S. Bill introduced by Senator Jone’s passed this short session, - evidently to shield Dimond from its curse!!</p> <p>We also talked about plan of Canneries to employ the Alaska Indians &amp; fishermen, etc. Just talk - they also want the Democrats to ordain O’Malley, as Com. Bureau of Fisheries!</p> <p>Telegraphed Will Steel that the matter of my appointment was not possible - to “forget it.” Ruth Coffin, Graces niece, came in from her Skyskomish school to visit us. She is a fine upstanding young woman very capable teacher &amp; Grace loves her above all others.</p> <p>(Sent Maud &amp; Nellie McHaneys Buckley \$10. For thanksgiving.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 24	<p><u>Thanksgiving Day.</u></p> <p>Grace &amp; I had a fine dinner in the dining room at the Frye hotel. John F. Ballaine called &amp; told me how he organized the progressive Republicans in the State of Washington, - &amp; fought to elect Roosevelt, etc. etc. Told me positively that Troy would <u>not</u> be appointed Gov of Alaska - that he had assurances from high wagers to that effect, etc. etc. that he would be given a high appointment under Roosevelt etc. that he was told by Senator Norris how much the Senator thought of <u>me</u>, &amp; would I speak a kind word in his (Ballaine’s) behalf, etc.</p> <p>Seattle radio, K.O.M.O. sent a statement about Alaska elections out tonight - to Alaska - quoting</p>

	<p>my interview in the Seattle papers. Recd. a fine letter from Darrell - glad that I took my defeat so gently etc.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 25	<p>Visited Dr. Bentley, Cobb Bldg. oculist &amp; he fitted me with bi-focal glasses. This afternoon Grace &amp; I went to Tacoma &amp; conferred with Winden about my ranch &amp; town house rentals. The dairyman has hard luck &amp; says he may not pay his December rent - the woman in the town house has not paid for months - Winden is worrying about getting enough to pay the taxes! W<sup>m</sup> P. Hopping, my long time friend and agent died in August! We now think we will go east on Tuesday - to Washington, D.C.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 26	<p>Ruth Coffin, Graces niece, is visiting with us - &amp; also Ruth's mother. Mrs. Strong (wife &amp; widow of Gov. Strong, dec.) is here and we visit &amp; enjoy each other.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALASKANS CLAMOR FOR OFFICIAL JOBS, SAYS WICKERSHAM Delegate, on Way to Wash- ington, Declares No Re- publicans Are Left in Northland Since Election</p> <p>Alaska, overwhelmingly Democratic this year, is awaiting the new national administration to press any legislative claims, according to Judge James Wickersham of Juneau, Republican, who will be succeeded March 4 by A.J. Dimond of Valdez, Democrat, as territorial delegate in Congress. Judge Wickersham arrived from the North last night and will leave for Washington, D.C., Friday. Judge Wickersham said the Democratic sentiment throughout the territory strongly favored the appointment of John W. Troy, Publisher of the Juneau Daily Empire, as successor to Gov. George A. Parks. Mr. Troy has been indorsed by the party organization and Alaskans "inside and out" are generally supporting that selection.</p>

Diary 41, 1932 November 27	<p>Nothing new - just waiting for Monday to start on our trip east.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALASKA DEMOS 'STILL VOTING,' LOSER'S PLAINT Wickersham, Veteran G.O.P. Of Far North To [S]eek Bone Dry Law Repeal At Short Session</p> <p>"Don't ask me how big the Democratic majority was. Up toward the Arctic circle, they're still voting - and voting Democratic." That was the plaint of Judge James Wickersham, veteran Republican Alaska delegate, in Seattle yesterday, on his way back to Washington, D.C. During the short session of congress that marks the end of his immediate career as delegate, Wickersham hopes to win national approval for repeal of the Territorial Bone Dry Law. REPEAL VOTED Repeal has already been voted by the Territorial legislature. Sentiment for repeal is "overwhelming," Wickersham said. And so, he added, was the Democratic vote. "We got the full force of the campaign," he commented. "Radios were going day and night." John W. Troy, Juneau publisher, with the support of the Democratic territorial organization, probably will be next governor of Alaska, Wickersham said. Anthony J. Dimond of Valdez was elected territorial delegate to succeed Wickersham.</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 28	<p>Got my new bifocal eyeglasses paid the Alaska Weekly \$50. on their excessive adv. bill - double too much. The Fauchers, Ruth &amp; her mother to dinner etc. Packed ready to go East. Left Seattle over Milwaukee Ry at 9<sup>30</sup> P.M. Wrote Gordon C. Bettles, Koyukuk, letter about early settlers on the Yukon</p>
Diary 41, 1932 November 29	<p>Crossed the divide between Idaho &amp; Montana - on the Milwaukee Ry - It exhibits a fine piece of engineering - beautiful scenery - Butte in the</p>

	evening.
Diary 41, 1932 November 30	Missouri River headwaters. Crossed the Continental Divide during the night. South Dakota.
Diary 41, 1932 December 1	Chicago. We spent an hour sightseeing in the great Marshall-Fields department stores - Bought Grace some handkerchiefs & myself a 3 vol. set of McCauley's Hist of England. Senator Kendrick of Wyoming on the train - had a good long talk with him about Alaska - he promises support for Alaska Rd.
Diary 41, 1932 December 2	<u>Indian killed a mule at Fbks</u> Washington, D.C. at 9 a.m. We are both very tired, but a good bath - clean cloths and a walk assisted us toward recovery. Read the mail & talked with Steel about the Alaska election. Farquharson, Representative Railway Unions - Democrat, & others expressed regret - real & not formal - at my defeat. Parson, M.C. from Illinois same very earnestly! & said some very nice things about my efforts as the representative from Alaska.
Diary 41, 1932 December 3	Gus Borgens son called - he is the third alternate in the list of four appointed by me to take the mental examination for the Naval Academy on Feb. 22; he impressed me as a forceful & vigorous fellow - he has come on to Washington to take an intensive preparation for the exams, & I really hope he wins!! Will & I getting the office work up to date. Grace & I are settled in our rooms in the Methodist Bldg at Maryland & 1 <sup>st</sup> N.E. Bunnell, Pres. Alaska Agri-.Col. & School of Mines is here & wants me to introduce some bills for him. His real business here is to play politics & get the Appt. as Governor! but he must do something to enable him to charge his expense act. against the public funds!!
Diary 41, 1932 December 4	Nothing new. We are again house keeping & enjoying home cooked food, though we are both yet tired from our trip. Am beginning to work on my Old Yukon Trails - and waiting for business to be reached before the Committees.

	I do not intend to strain my strength in official duties <u>let Tony do it!</u> Copy – see next page: “Washington, D.C. Dec. 5, 1932.” Andrew Nerland, Fairbanks, Alaska. Just heard Fairbanks public school burned stop if a bill needed to permit town or bond or borrow from Reconstruction Finance Corporation I will be glad to introduce & do my best to secure its passage stop after people determine best course to pursue telegraph me fully and promptly and I will act accordingly. stop answer official. James Wickersham Delegate from Alaska.”
Diary 41, 1932 December 5	2nd Sess. Congress convened today. The Rainey Reso. to repeal the 18th Amdt. (Prohibition) introduced, and pressed to a vote by the Democrats: Vote less than 2/3 - <u>failed!</u> Judge Bunnell came in with telegram from Fairbanks that the Public School Buildings burned - total loss - Saturday. It may mean the passage of an Act of Congress to enable the town to bond - or borrow from Reconstruction Finance Corporation! Of course I will do anything possible to assist them. Sent Andrew Nerland telegram offering my services see opposite –back- [previous] page for copy of telegram.
Diary 41, 1932 December 6	President Hoover Message read today before the House. I am interested in that part relating to the combination of Government bureaus - he says he will give this matter full attention in another message in a few days! I introduced a bill today - a claims bill in favor of one Joe Reno - for \$500. paid by mistake to the U.S. on an alien departure bond. I do so at the request of Arthur Frame, formerly of Anchorage now of S.F. Reno resides in Anchorage. Steel is at work in the Departments on some Alaska matters. I am reading McCauleys History of England - again.

Diary 41, 1932 December 7	Bartley Howard, head of one of the Coal Companies along the Alaska Railroad wants two bills introduced to assist him in getting his affairs with the Ry. closed up. I recommended to him to go to Senator Howell, & get him to act in the matter.
Diary 41, 1932 December 8	From many inquiries we get about offices and salaries in Alaska from outside Democrats it looks as if the Alaska Democrats who have divided up the spoils may not have it all their own way! Hon Gwinn Williams, "lame duck" and at present the Chairman of the House Committee on Territories inquired today about the salary of the Governor of Alaska, etc. etc! Grace & I had dinner with Mr. Thatcher at the Women's University Club. - a good dinner & talk consoling each other at the defeat of the Republican Nat. & Ter. ticket!
Diary 41, 1932 December 9	Called on Gov. Parks, at the Interior Depart. to pay my respects, also on O'Malley, with whom I had a long talk -told him if I could do anything in retaining his position under the Demo. administration I would do so. Appeared before the house Committee on Ways & Means & suggested that the Beer Bill pending - did not clearly include Alaska: they gave me permission to prepare & submit an amendment - for that purpose.
Diary 41, 1932 December 10	Called at the Treasury Dept. and conferred with Heath, Asst. Sec. in charge of the construction of public buildings. Before I returned to the office a week ago Steel had written a letter to him asking (in my name) that Col. Wood be made the architect of the new Alaska building: he told me very gruffly that he would not give that work to Wood, & significantly said that Sec. of Int. Wilbur had urged the Anchorage building should be constructed prior to that at Ketchikan. I tried to persuade him in view of the public announcement that the Ketchikan building should be the first one to be built - I got no answer. I shall go and see Wilbur Monday.
Diary 41, 1932 December 11	Snowed & sleeted last night & this morning - walking bad. I wrote Chap. 1. of Old Yukon Trails.

	Mary Lee Davis has written another book - she writes me! I am to understand it is a Klondike book this time -based on the diary of a physician who joined the Klondike Stamped - it is in Ms. yet, but will be printed soon & she says it is her best book!
Diary 41, 1932 December 12	Busy today in the matter of a pension for Jim Verdin of Ketchikan. It is a technical question, but I fear it may bar him from the pension. Before the Ways & Means Committee on the application of the " <u>Beer Bill</u> ," - it does not apply as it now stands to Alaska and I am trying to get it amended so it will apply there. Sent telegram to Ohmer, mayor of Petersburg, Alaska, in relation to rivers & harbor item for the improvement of the Petersburg harbor, etc.
Diary 41, 1932 December 13	Receiving telegrams from the City Clerk of Fairbanks (my boyhood Schoolmate Chas Joynt) about securing an Appropriation to replace the public school buildings burned last week. Charles Joynt & I attended the Patoka, Illinois, public school together when we were little boys. - some 65 years ago!
Diary 41, 1932 December 14	Appeared again before the Committee on Ways & Means - House - on the Beer Bill - Colliers - and filed my letter to Colleen showing the Amendment necessary to the pending bill if it is to apply to Alaska. I am in receipt of an invitation to deliver an address -speech - <u>talk</u> before the Bureau of Commercial Economics - a private group of people but connected with the Pan American Union etc. on Jan 29th - Sunday evening - on <u>Alaska</u> . It is promised that a motion picture reel or two will be furnished by Dickens, the Chicago agent of the Alaska Railroad - I will see the Pictures & inquire about what they will expect me to talk about.
Diary 41, 1932 December 15	Appeared before the House Com. on Rivers & Harbors & presented to necessity of the favorable report by the Com. on the Petersburg (Wrangell Narrows) harbor bill. Rept. <u>House Doc. No 483</u> .  Bunnell, Pres. Alaska Agri. & School of Mines, Fairbanks, was in & will draw a Bill he wants

	extending other Acts of Congress to his School. I promised to introduce for him.
Diary 41, 1932 December 16	The Ways & Means Com, inform me they adopted my proposed Amdt. extending the benefits (?) of the Beer Bill to Alaska. Attended the House all afternoon waiting to offer an Amdt. in relation to an appropriation for the Geographical Survey for Alaska. - did not reach it - & will try to do so tomorrow.
Diary 41, 1932 December 17	I spent the whole day - afternoon in the house on the consideration of the Dept. of Interior Appropriation Bill – waiting to reach the Alaska items - which were not reached - but will be on Monday. I do not know what objections will be made to these items - but I will offer an amendment to replace the appropriation for the Geological survey - for retaining the group engaged in investigating the Alaska mineral resources, etc. which was wholly omitted from the bill! I fear also opposition to the Alaska Railroad Appropriation.
Diary 41, 1932 December 18	Mrs. John Allan Davis, who wrote the "Attic" & two other Alaska books, sent me today her Ms. "Sourdough Gold" - a Klondike story based on the Diary of some doctor who made the journey to Dawson in 1898, & thence down the Yukon river in a small boat etc. She asks me to read the Ms. & give her my opinion etc. which I am doing - I read the first chapter last evening & will conclude it promptly - for we are to have the Davis to dinner this week. I am reading MaCaulay's Hist. of England again, with interest.
Diary 41, 1932 December 19	The Int. Dept. bill was passed & the Consent Calendar called. I had a bill - the very last one - on Consent Calendar - but just as it was reached the Speaker took up bills on suspension of the rules so my bill was not called. This a bill to permit Estimates to be submitted on the Seward Flood Control - the Seward. Bob Bloom of Fairbanks in the city late - will see me in the morning. I have just concluded reading of Mary Lee Davis

	new Ms "Sourdough Gold" - it is written along the lines of a physicians tip to Dawson & down the Yukon river in '98 & '99, but the principal theme is philosophical & relates to a study of life!
Diary 41, 1932 December 20	Bob Bloom & Dan Sutherland - Judge Bunnell all in the office. We discussed the Fairbanks school bill - which I will introduce today. Also will introduce a bill prepared by Judge Bunnell to give the College additional powers & appropriations. Am preparing letter to Juneau Chamber of Commerce - in reply to 3 Resolutions demanding that I secure the immediate passage of 3 bills - (1) to repeal Bone Dry law (2) to pass Act repealing Placer Laws, (3) to pass bill relating to Absentee voting. I have done everything, possible to secure first demand - & oppose the other two. We had Major & Mrs. Gillett, Mr. & Mrs. John Allan Davis, Charles Hanson & Mifs Loufborrow for dinner, at the Congressional Club tonight. I enjoyed it very much.
Diary 41, 1932 December 21	I am preparing Answers to three Resolutions sent to me by the Juneau Chamber of Commerce - they seem more political than legal - but I am answering them from a legal standpoint. We had the Davis and Bol Bloom to dinner - then we had a Smoker at the office & talked Alaska - books, etc.
Diary 41, 1932 December 22	Took up the Alaska - Fairbanks public school bill with Judge Williams, Ch. of Com. on the Ter. & he agreed to hear us on Friday morning at 10 oclock while Bloom is here. <del>Called up</del> Motion to amend the Interior Dept. bill to introduce an appro. for Geo. Survey for the Alaska Div. – objection & that ended it - I will try the Senate.
Diary 41, 1932 December 23	Lawrence Richey, the President's private secretary called me up by telephone today & told me that the friends of Julian A. Hurley, the U.S. Attorney at Fairbanks were urging the President to appoint him - & he asked my views on the re-appointment. I answered that Hurley had openly & vigorously opposed my election in November - & that I protested most earnestly against his reappointment etc. After discussing the matter for a short time

	Richey assured me that my protest was sufficient - that Hurley would not be appointed!!
Diary 41, 1932 December 24	No meeting of the House today. I am writing a statement in respect to the validity of certain Acts of Congress and the Legislature of Alaska in relation to the Act of Congress dated Aug. 1, 1912 & other acts of the Legislature of Alaska passed on the same subject at later dates. It is a most difficult & interesting study. Dimond needs some instruction on the subject & I am trying to supply it.  We had a pleasant Christmas Eve at our house - giving each other Christmas gifts & enjoying those we received from our friends.
Diary 41, 1932 December 25	Slept late & worked in the office on my statement of mining law. Grace is working on her genealogical study of the Vrooman family - it is very interesting - they are descendants of the old Dutch family which settled in New York - New Amsterdam - with old Dutchman Stuyvesant in the early days of the Seventeenth century. We had dinner at the cafe on the corner! We had invited Mrs. Hatcher to dinner with us at a fashionable hotel - but at the last moment she telephoned that she was sick & could not come - hence the dinner at the cafe.
Diary 41, 1932 December 26	Today is kept as a holiday. Worked all day & completed my statement in relation to the repeal of the Alaska laws & the Act of Congress of Aug. 1, 1912 in relation to limiting the number of placer mining Claims in that Ter. I intend to appear before the House Com. on Mines & Mining soon & try to secure an understanding about what shall be done to correct the void which I think has been left by the repeal of the Alaska laws by an Act of the Legislature of April 29, 1931 at the request of Mr. Dimond.
Diary 41, 1932 December 27	I am laid up at home with a mild attack of "flu" - how I regret to be kept away from the office - I am a creature of habits - chains which I keep me in a given - but which seem good to me. I am very well kept confined at home in reading

	McCauleys Hist. of England - it is good reading - & I enjoy it by the hour. I understand why my oldest American ancestor came to Kennett Square, Penn. in 1700!
Diary 41, 1932 December 28	My flue is now aggravated by a rash on my right ankle. Dr. Carver, M.D. the physician in Capitol has given me a treatment of ultra violet rays & infra red - & lotions - says it is an infection & must be careful etc. Preparing two new bills.
Diary 41, 1932 December 29	Introduced 2 bills today - H.R. 13954, to provide for appeal in Misdemeanor cases in Alaska. H.R. 13959, to authorize town of Fairbanks to issue bonds in the sum of \$100,000, for construction of new School House - the old one burned 2 weeks ago.
Diary 41, 1932 December 30	Taking treatments daily for my infected ankle & attending the House & watching Alaska items in the appropriation bills. Went to the Bureau of Indian Affairs with Mr. Loofbourrow, of Utah, to get officials interested in organizing Indian matters for Alaska. They are interested but as all of them expect to go out of office soon after March 4, I do not look for much - certainly no results except the organization of the work - which I hope will give good results in time.
Diary 41, 1932 December 31	Trying to get matters on my desk cleaned up - letters & telegrams. I am writing another letter to the Juneau Chamber of Commerce about their Resolution asking me to pass bill to invalidate Chap. 89, Sess. L. 1931. I take the position that that Chap is not in shape for validation & that the Territorial Legislature can pass a law covering the matter, anyway - & that some of its provisions are in opposition to the Constitutional Amendment when Congress approved in last March.



	<p>\$50. per ms to Lois Paul, Mch, April, May, June, July – then ended! June 28, Gave Mrs. Wm L. Paul - \$200. “ 30 paid my Seattle lot tax - \$52.40 July 12. Recd. Bond check – Darrell – 4650 July 25 Recd Bond check – Darrell – 2460 Aug 7, Recd West &amp; Wheeler, Seattle 14.23 sign in lots</p> <p>[clipping] OFFICIAL TERRITORIAL VOTE [Official Results of Votes by Candidate and Division for Delegate: Dimond Total = 9,949 Wickersham Total = 3,820]</p>
	<p>[last page] [Original telegram] Ketchikan Als Nov 10 1932 James Wickersham Juneau Als Please Accept my thanks for your kind telegram and particularly of your generous offer of help of which I shall gladly avail myself particularly with respect to measures of relief for native population Anthony J Dimond 259P</p>