

Diary 46, 1937	<p>[Front cover]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">1937 Diary of <u>James Wickersham</u> from <u>Sept 17, 1937</u> To April 27th 1939.</p>
Diary 46, 1937	<p>[inside front cover] [pamphlet]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“I again recommend the establishment of a full Territorial form of government in Alaska.”-Governor John W. Troy (Report, 1938)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">AN APPEAL to the VOTERS OF ALASKA To Defend Their FULL TERRITORIAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT</p> <p style="text-align: center;">●</p> <p style="text-align: center;">TO AMERICAN VOTERS IN ALASKA STOP, LOOK and THINK before you vote at the Territorial Election on September 13, 1938, to destroy the Alaska Territorial Senate. It is a BLOCK OF SAFETY found in every American form of Government - in every Constitution and Organic Act. Its presence there was and is intended to give additional protection to your PERSONAL LIBERTIES AND CIVIL RIGHTS.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Dimond Referendum which you are urged to adopt is the first step in an organized plan to create a FULL CENTRALIZED BUREAUCRATIC FORM OF GOVERNMENT in Alaska through a UNICAMERAL OR ONE-HOUSE LEGISLATURE WITHOUT CHECK OR BALANCE – the Nazi-German type. VOTE AGAINST IT! James Wickersham.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Shall Alaska’s American Territorial Form of Government</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Be Destroyed or Developed?</p> <p>To the People of Alaska: Among the thirty-odd House Memorials presented to the Legislature of Alaska in the 1935 Session was House Joint Memorial No. 3 introduced by Representative Joe Green, Democrat, from Hyder, on January 21, 1935: <u>“Praying that the Congress of the United States amend Section 465 of the Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, and all other sections relating to Legislative powers of the Territory of Alaska, so as to provide for a Legislature of one body to be known as the Senate, to be composed of twenty-four members elected for a term of four years, three of whom shall be elected from each Judicial Division at the General Election in 1938, and each subsequent General Election, was read the first time and referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Federal Relations.”</u></p> <p>The memorial was introduced in the House by Mr. Green on January 21; favorably reported by the Committee on the 23rd; passed the House with amendments on the 24th, and by a unanimous vote of its sixteen members, fifteen of whom were Democrats, sent to the Senate for Consideration on January 28th. Page 106-107 House Journal 1935.</p> <p>Received by the Senate on the 28th; reported by Senate Committee, adversely, on the 29th; and on the 31st, House Joint Memorial No. 3 was read the third time, the question being: “Shall the Memorial pass?” The Secretary called the roll with the following result – Ayes, 2; Noes 6.</p> <p>And so the Memorial failed to pass. Page 58 Senate Journal 1935.</p> <p>So far as the history of the particular Memorial is known to the public, it seems to have originated in the mind of Representative Green. No convention of his party had asked for it, no public meeting of Alaskans suggested it, no newspaper mentioned it as being necessary for the development of better Territorial government, no public complaint had been previously made that the Territorial Senate</p>
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had neglected its duty, or that its continued existence was a check on good laws or that it was a menace to their passage. Mr. Green simply introduced his Memorial and there was light! The flare of that little torch blinded the eyes of the entire House membership, and they voted unanimously to repeal the Senatorial branch of the Legislature as it was created by Congress in the Organic Act of August 24th, 1912, without discussing its merits as part of the “full territorial form of government” for the Territory.

There has been no public complaint or movement by the people of Alaska against the Territorial Senate. Our best citizens and wisest legislators have been among its members; they performed well their public duty. Such men as Tripp, Tanner, Roden, Sutherland, Sulzer, Aldrich, Heckman, Hunt, Ronan, Collins, Dimond, Pratt, Jensen, Lomen, Benjamin, Shattuck, Bragaw, Walker, Brunelle, Frawley, Powers, Cochran – these and other equally honorable and loyal Territorial senators have, for nearly a quarter of a century, aided in developing an American type of full territorial form of government in Alaska. They were of the same brave and honest character of pioneers as those who built Territorial and State governments, upon the same principle as those adopted by our Revolutionary forefathers in the Constitution of the United States in 1787 – 150 years ago – and extended to every territory west of the Allegheny Mountains since that date – from the Ohio Territory in 1787 to Hawaii in 1900. The Organic Act for Alaska was drawn from the same pattern with the same form of Legislature, having the Governor, Senate and House as its very base, as all others had.

When the Thirteenth Legislature of Alaska met in 1937, a member from Nome introduced House Joint Memorial No. 6, being from the same in language and in purpose as the Green House Joint Memorial No. 3, in the Legislature of 1935, to repeal that clause of the Organic Act of Congress for the creation of an Alaska Territorial Senate. It was referred to a House committee for action, but

did not receive a favorable report; was laid on the table when called, by a unanimous vote of the House members, and the effort to destroy the full American form of Territorial legislative government in Alaska, was defeated in that body, also.

With no public demand from any class of citizens in Alaska, and in the face of the refusal of both the 12th and 13th Sessions of the Alaska Legislature to endorse the plan, Delegate Dimond, who himself had been a creditable member of the Territorial Senate, introduced in the House of Representatives in congress, on July 20th, 1937, House Bill No. 6651, 74th Congress, first session, “An Act to provide for a Referendum in the Territory of Alaska as to the establishment of a one-house Legislature, and for other purposes.”

With Delegate Dimond’s active influence and support the Democratic Congress was persuaded to pass the bill; it was approved by President Roosevelt on August 16, 1937, and provides: “Be it enacted, etc., that at the general election held in the Territory of Alaska, in the year 1938, for the election of a Delegate to Congress from Alaska, members of the Alaska Territorial Legislature and such other officials of the Territory as may be by law then elective, each of the qualified electors of the Territory shall be afforded an opportunity to vote upon the question as to whether a one-House Legislature shall be provided for the Territory of Alaska, etc.”

Delegate Dimond is an American-born citizen of the United States, has been a leading lawyer in Alaska for twenty-five years, is intimately acquainted with the history of the origin and development of the Constitution of the United States, and also, particularly, of the Organic Act of 1912, creating the Legislature of Alaska with the usual two houses, the Senate and House of Representatives. He was an honored member of the Territorial Senate in Alaska for eight years, and realizes better than any member of the House in 1935, who voted to destroy the Territorial Senate, its advantages and its necessity as a protection to the safety and best interests of the whole people of

Alaska.

Delegate Dimond knows, too, that a unicameral legislature of 24 members as suggested in Mr. Greens Memorial, will cost exactly as much as and no more than two houses, one of 16 representatives, the other of 8 senators; he also knows that the Organic Act of Alaska provides that the United States pay all the expenses of the Alaska Legislature as it is now organized, and that there will be no saving of expense in the proposed abolishment of the Senate as stated in the Dimond Referendum law.

In the convention of 1787, called by Congress to meet in Philadelphia to form the Constitution of the United States, George Washington was unanimously chosen its President, and Benjamin Franklin, James Madison, and all those Revolutionary statesmen who formed and signed the Constitution were among its active members. On July 21st 1787, in the Committee of the whole, after long and careful consideration on the question for resolving "that the Legislature ought to consist of two branches," the delegates from the states of Massachusetts, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Vermont, North Carolina, South Carolina and Georgia voted Aye; those from New York, New Jersey and Delaware voted No; while those from Maryland cast a divided vote on that question. Thus seven and one-half states voted in the affirmative, two and one-half states voted in the negative, and Maryland divided its votes, whereby the bicameral or double-branch of the Congress of the United States was settled upon and agreed to, as it has existed ever since, with a Senate and House of Representatives.

Kentucky and Tennessee were created states by Congress in 1790, with the usual double legislative branches, but without any former Territorial form of government. An Ordinance for the government of the Territory of the United States northwest of the River Ohio was enacted by the Congress of the Confederation of the Thirteen Colonies, on July 17th, 1787, just two months before the signing of the Constitution in Philadelphia on September 17th,

1787. That was the first and last act of the Thirteen Colonies for the creation of a Territory west of the Allegheny Mountains. That first United States Territory embraced a region covering the present states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. The Ordinance provided that in that great, wild western territory, "the General Assembly, or Legislature, shall consist of the Governor, Legislative Council and a House of Representatives." And later when each of the Territories and States created out of the Ohio Territory prepared its individual Organic Act and Constitution, each voluntarily created a Legislature consisting of the Governor, Senate and House of Representatives. That full form of National Territorial and State legislative government is older than the United States Constitution. It is the full American form of legislative government!

It was 150 years, to a day, from June 21st, 1787, to June 20th, 1937, when Mr. Dimond introduced his Bill No. 6651 in the 74th Congress, first session, to begin the destruction of the American principle of building a full territorial form of government in Alaska. After thirty-two territorial governments, in that identical form in the great West beyond the Allegheny Mountains, have developed into free American States of great wealth and have become pillars of strength in the richest and best governed nation on earth, where citizens have greater liberty than ever in lands across the sea, it has occurred to a few unwise members of the lower House of the Alaska Legislature and the Delegate in Congress to attempt to destroy, rather than to develop and construct, a similar State government in Alaska, on that national form.

In the Democratic platform adopted by convention of delegates of that party at Seward in January 1936, it was declared as its first plank that: "In keeping with the principle of representative government, we urge home rule for Alaska, and to that end we not only favor a FULL TERRITORIAL FORM OF GOVERNMENT, but we also believe that all Federal and Territorial offices in Alaska

ought to be filled * * * * by recognized members of the party in power.”

The names of Delegate Dimond and Representative Joe Green are signed to that platform. They pledged their party and the people who voted for them, to abide by and carry out that plank, if elected; then afterward, and now, they propose and are urging the repeal of the Organic Law creating the Territorial Senate which is one of the main features of the “full territorial form of government” which the candidates mentioned, pledged their honor to support.

Now, what is a “FULL TERRITORIAL FORM” of government? The answer is certain, clear and 150 years old, by the adoption in thirty-two “full territorial forms” adopted by every Congress and Party since the organization of our Constitution in 1787, including Washington Territory, and in our Alaska Organic Act in 1912. So far as the legislative branch of that “full territorial form of government” is included, the “form” includes a Governor, a Territorial Senate and House of Representatives.

Every candidate for the Legislature proposed since the passage of the Alaska Organic Act of 1912 which created the Alaska Legislature, has pledged his constituents to support a “full territorial form of government” in Alaska, always led in that promise so widely made, by that able old Democratic wheel horse, Governor John W. Troy, whose battle cry for a decade has ever been in favor of that provision. A “full territorial form of government” in Alaska has always meant that FORM of territorial government which was adopted with the Constitution of the United States in 1787, first by the Congress of the Confederation, in the creation of the first Territory northwest of the river Ohio; and, second, enacted later in the organization of the Territories of Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, and thereafter in all the western and southern Territories since that date, including the Territories of Washington and Alaska.

Governor Troy well appreciates the wide

difference between preserving the American “form” in developing American territories into American states, and in adopting new and needed powers for the development and extension of such territories into new states as the necessities of the people demand them. In his recent report to the Secretary of the Interior, the Governor made that perfectly plain when he said:

“1. I again recommend the establishment of a full Territorial form of government in Alaska. None are so well qualified to determine policies of government and direct it as people who live in the Territory. They are familiar with conditions, and they are vitally interested in good government and Territorial growth.

“2. The Territorial Legislature should have equal power with Congress to legislate on the fisheries and game of Alaska and all needed subjects of legislation.”

These statements by the Governor explain his position clearly. They are sensible, wise and developing. They do not suggest the repeal and destruction of any part of the “full territorial form of government” in Alaska. They only appeal for additional power to build better and stronger in preparation for Statehood, as was done in the Territories in the West where great States were constructed on the same territorial “form” and foundations that Alaska now has.

Governor Troy was born and raised in the Territory of Washington, and has resided in the Territory of Alaska for forty years. His brothers grew up as legislators under the “full territorial form of government” in Washington, similar to that now in force in Alaska, and aided in creating a sovereign State in the American Union on that foundation. Neither of them, nor the Governor, can be quoted, to this date, as demanding the repeal of any basic part of the full territorial form of primary government which each supported so loyally for half a century, in two great Territories. For an increase in legislative power in aid of wider prosperity and greater human freedom, yea; but for mere political change in form without greater

apparent benefit to the people of the Territory, and with their well considered favor and public request, no!

If a mere change of form by abolishing the Territorial Senate is urged as desirable, might not that idea be extended to repeal that clause of the Organic Act which gives the Governor power to veto a bill which he considers objectionable to the public welfare? Why not? His veto power is equally a block, a barrier, and sometimes a necessary hindrance to legislative freedom to pass the laws a group of fanatics may want enacted. Of course, if the Governor's veto power were absolute, it would, or might, make him an autocratic obstacle to the enactment of proper laws. To avoid that evil, it is provided in the Organic Act of Alaska that his veto of both Houses and the bill passed into a valid law, notwithstanding his objection.

And what will Congress do if such a referendum from the voters of Alaska is presented to it? It will not be bound to act in compliance with any request of the people, or of the Legislature of Alaska. The whole matter of reorganizing our Legislature will then be wide open to the powers or prejudices of Congress. Where will it stop, and who can guide it? What other changes may it make in our legislative body, and, if so, how? Will it add largely increased powers of taxation; will it add, as it may, increased taxes or license fees on the output of Alaska gold or fisheries; will it limit those powers, or what not? Will it provide for the election of the legislators by proportional provisions, or by the ratio of population, and repeal our elections by divisional districts? The people of Alaska had better let well enough alone!

Each of the two branches of the Legislature has the same power of veto that is given to the Governor. Before a bill can become a law, even with the approval of the Governor, it must have passed each branch with a majority affirmative vote. If either refuses or fails to pass it with an affirmative majority vote, it cannot become a law, even with the Governor's approval. So each

house, the Senate and the lower branch, has the same practical power of veto as that possessed by the Governor, though to be exercised at different times and in different ways – all and each to bar the enactment of vicious or unnecessary legislation.

Assuming, now, the adoption of the proposed plan of abolishing the Territorial Senate as a proper means of securing freedom in legislative action, by the creation of a single House of twenty-four members, what will happen? A bill could be enacted into law, if the Governor is retained with veto power, by an affirmative vote of 13 members, with the approval of the Governor. If the Governor objected and vetoed the bill, then by a two-thirds vote of the single House of twenty-four members, the Governor's objection could be overcome by sixteen votes in favor of the passage of the bill, notwithstanding his objection!

Suppose, then, you have a single House of twenty-four members as compactly agreed as the lower House was in 1935; suppose they were politically grouped, as Communists or Conservatives? Within the same few hours that the 1935 House occupied in considering the question of repeal involved there, those twenty-four men acting together, with sixteen votes, by overriding the Governor's veto, could remove every Territorial official in disagreement, appoint his successor and change the whole body of the Territorial government in Alaska in one day! Such a Legislature might run wild in raising taxes, in making excessive appropriations or in passing revolutionary laws, without consulting the people, for there would be no check on their unlimited powers.

Good laws, after American forms and principles, will not lose virility by a brief delay and the protection by reasonable bars, blocks and barriers in their passage. Bad laws in violation of long established American forms ought never to be allowed immunity from those obstacles suggested as dangerous by our Constitution makers of 1787, and renewed and preserved in very state

	<p>constitution and Territorial Organic Act since that date. The Senate has always been the conservative and safe body in the Alaska Legislatures. It will be dangerous to the continued existence of our "full territorial form of government" to allow unthinking or designing men to destroy it.</p> <p>It is particularly a bad time, just now, to begin to tear down that "form" of government which has guided and protected our people for 150 years in the development of the greatest nation on earth.</p> <p>The Territorial House voted unanimously to destroy one of our legislative safeguards; the Territorial Senate saved the situation by defeating the plan by a vote of six against, and only two for it. The six senators who stood bravely for the American form of government and principles are entitled to honor for so doing.</p> <p>Every citizen in the United States in Alaska, every man and every woman who can vote, ought to vote against the proposed destruction of the Territorial Senate when the question "as to whether a one-house Legislature shall be provided for the Territory of Alaska" is submitted to the voters at the general election in the year 1938.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JAMES WICKERSHAM</p> <p>Juneau, Alaska January, 1938</p> <p>[also clipping pasted on inside front cover:] HOGGATT, WILFORD BACON, '84. Died on February 26, 1938, after a prolonged illness at the U.S. Veterans' Hospital in New York, N.Y. He was Governor of Alaska from 1906 to 1909.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 September	<p>[next page] [3 U.S.P.S. postage stamps with picture of Alaska – Mt. McKinley in background, farm in foreground – 3 cent] [1 U.S.P.S. postage stamp with picture of Stratford Hall and busts of Lee and Jackson – 4 cent]</p> <p>[clipping of poem:] Klondike Memories Up in the Klondike under the Yukon's spell, Mem'ries of places we all knew so well-</p>

	<p>Where are the faces we greeted each day, With the familiar old greeting, "Are you still in the pay?" Jimmy Kerry's, the Opera House, the old Northern Café, Ralph Boyker, Lon Griffin and old Jim McKay . . . Bill McPhee, Harry Spencer, the Frenchman Ladue, "Spieler" Kelley, Hans Stark from around Caribou. Stanley & Worden, Skiff Mitchell, Charlie Lamb, Dick Lowe of the Fraction just below Carmack's dam.</p> <p>Remember the Butler boys, Richard and Bill, Frank Gotch and Joe Carroll took 'em both for a spill. Tom Lippy, Joe Putrow, Charlie Anderson, John Lee, Pickett and Hall, the whistling Joe Nee. The Berry boys, Clarence, Fred, Henry and Frank, "Swiftwater" Willie and Somers – old Hank. The big Swede Andy Olson, John Martin the Greek, John Nelson, Ray Stewart and young Billy Leek. Where's Frank Phiscator, Bill Ligget, Jim York, Joe Lamie, Ike Jensen, Humbolt Gates and John Bourke?</p> <p>Old Captain Constantine of the Mounted Police, "Nigger" Jim Daugherty and Louis Langloise. The Treasure boys, Benny and Jimmy –some team- Pete and Sid Wilson, prospectors supreme. Billy Lloyd and his "rocker" song cheering the crowd, Frank Buteau, Morency, Charlie Hill talking loud. Bob English, whose whiskers were long and quite blond, Peters the jeweler, and young Louis Pond- The A.C. employees, Jim Wert and Big Steve, Smiling George Russell, with never a peeve.</p> <p>Cap. Hansen, Charlie Debney, big-hearted John Raap, Bill Fairbanks, Mizener, Trenneman, Pop Lindsay, McGowan who knew the law's kinks, Gold weigher Al Whistle; Bob Menzies, he winks At old Uncle Hoffman who loaned money galore, At two per cent monthly, three balls o'er the door. Father Judge built the hospital and broke himself down, Nursing old timers and folks around town. Bill and Ma Huson's old Bank Café, Sam Bonnifield's corner. Where's Billy McRae?</p> <p>And Henry Macaulay, Dawson City's first mayor, Barney Sugrue, dear old Barney, and big Harry Hare. Where's young Gene LaPorte from up on Last Chance? Jack Eilbeck is kidding Duff Pattulo's white pants. Billy Wright, Bert Parker, young Tommy McSmart, And dear Bert Collyear, the man with a heart. Lee Loomis and Manley, two clever young traders, Sold hay and oat burners for stages and graders. Where's Mushon Fred Jansa with his cute little can, Peddling sandwiches, weinies, and where's Pat Moran?</p>
Diary 46, 1938 September	Bob Service, the bank clerk, the world's famous poet,

	<p>Br'ot fame to the Yukon, and gold to his pocket. Where's Marchbank's Del Monte, Joe Jourdan's Bodega? Field's Northern Annex and Sargent & Pinska? Where's the old "M. & N.," Dominion, Bonanza, Monte Carlo, Savoy and Tom Chisholm's Aurora. There was "Spare Rib" Jim Mackinson's up at the Forks, George Noble's Criterion, and the old soda pop works. "Snowy" and Billy Owens, Jim O'Neal, Jack Devine, Dan and Ed Anderson, and young Jakey Kline. Charlie Frey and Ben Davis, two upright young men, Peddled cigars and tobacco, played solo and pan.</p> <p>Where are the old steamboats, the Alice, May West, The Cudahy, Hannah, the lower river's best? The upper river flagship-the Goddard, supreme, Made the historical first round trip upstream. The Ora, Nora and Flora, what a vanishing fleet, The old Captains were men, though sometimes indiscreet. And where's the sky pilots, Bishops Stringer and Rowe, Who spent useful lives visiting the humblest igloo. And dear old George Pringle of Klondike Creeks fame And Rev. Hall Young-they worked in God's name.</p> <p>Gene Allen of the "Nugget," Art Dever of the "News," Art George, and Buel-he loved to amuse With his clever cartoons-a real Sourdough, We wonder whatever became of Frank Lowe? The gambling fraternity, on the whole a good bunch, You could always win out if you had the right hunch. And what a wonderful country to grow healthy and wise, Where you caught a nice breakfast through a hole in the ice! -Griff."</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1937 September 27-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1937 September 27th</p> <p>Working on Brief in Femmer vs City of Juneau and Northland Transportation Company, on appeal to U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, San Francisco – a longwinded case made by the City officials and the Northland Co. – which last defendant has an easy contract and does not want a decision – especially against it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday on Femmer Brief. – its a hard case & the Judges opinion makes it harder!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday in office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30-</p> <p>Same as yesterday on Femmer Brief!</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 October 1-2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">October 1, 1937.</p> <p>The brief in the Femmer case has given me much trouble in research, but I am at last able to see the end of the theory of the case & hope to finish it as soon as the printed Transcript reaches me from the clerks office in San Francisco. Recd. letter from Darrell – he and Jane are well and happy which makes me so.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Oct. 2-</p> <p>Femmer case study as yesterday Bar Association today – just eating & the announcement that Faulkner would give the Association the [?] 3 weeks from today as the Norwegian Consul! Japan-China war fierce & bloody!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 3-8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Oct. 3-</p> <p>Sunday: worked in the office, but cannot do much on Femmer Brief till the printed Record Transcript comes. Not arrived from Clerks office S.F. yet.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Oct. 4-5-6-7.</p> <p>Working on Femmer Brief etc. Wrote long letter to Darrell.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th-</p> <p>I am about finished with work on the Femmer Brief – it has been a laborious task and I am glad to approach the end. I cannot finish it because I have not yet received the printed official transcript of Record from the Clerk of U.S. court at S.F. yet.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 9-10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th –</p> <p>Same as usual – Femmer Brief. Sunday 10th but worked in the office for I am scared on the tricks the defendants may play on us by a dismissal of this contract – but we think we have them beaten if they stand up to the assignment & the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals consider it fully.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Finished Femmer brief & gave it to Roden to read. He has not given me an hours assistance in its preparation. I am disgusted with Roden – he wont help me draw the brief, but is voluble in criticising what and how I do. He is an obstacle and not an aid, it is discouraging to work with him.</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 11-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th-</p> <p>In the office – trying to catch up with my correspondence.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12-</p> <p>Nothing yet from Clerk U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in the way of Printed Record on Appeal. I am inclined to cut my brief down – its too long - & the cost of printing excessive.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13-14-15-</p> <p>Recd letter from Clerk U.S.C.C. at San Francisco saying printed record in Femmer case forwarded but no record, yet. Same as usual in the office. Received copy of Naval officers with Alaska articles & beautiful photos from Erskine, Kodiak</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Received a fine copy of Fontonell's The Northern Worthiness, the lives of "Worthys" – Peter the Great & Catherine 1st, London, 1730, 2nd Ed. An English translation from the French. It is not much of a book & seems to be material copied from the earlier English books by travelers & diplomats. Also Erskine, from Kodiak, sent me a copy of U.S. Naval Institute Proceedings July 1937. Alaska number – filled with articles by Naval officers. Also I received copy of a recent book "The Klondike Nugget," based on Genl Allen's newspaper of that title established in Dawson in June 1898. No copy of the printed record in Femmer v City, received yet.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 17-18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>Sunday – at home writing letters.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Alaska Day – 70th Birthday Seventy years ago today the Russians formally transferred Alaska – or Russian America, as they called it to Genl. Rousseau, U.S. Commissioner for the United States – the Czars flag was lowered and that of Uncle Sam was raised to the top of the flag pole on Baranov's Castle hill, The school teacher at Douglas telephoned me to come over & talk about it to the children – raining, blowing and sorry I could not go.</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 18-19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>Sent a copy of my Bibliography of Alaskan Lit. to Jim. O'Neill, S.F. also my correspondence with the West Publishing Co. about Resume of courts & Laws in Alaska, to Darrell with a request to return them etc. when he has read them. Also letter about divorce from an insane wife to Capt. LaGasa – now at Kodiak – she is insane – has been for 12 years, at Northern Washington Hospitals, at Sedro Wooley – Supt. writes incurable!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th-</p> <p>I became impatient at the slow aid given to me by Femmer's private stenographer in copying my written parts of the Brief in the case against</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 19-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>the City and asked them to return the Ms. to me – it was good that I did for it was so badly done that I am rewriting it. Nothing yet from the printed Transcript of the Record on Appeal in that case. Attended a meeting of the Tuberculosis Assoc. sending out letters all over the Territory to gather funds for the cure of that disease & rules of conduct etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Working in the office as usual. Mrs. Mildred R. Hermann, lady attorney has rented the room adjoining mine and starts off with enthusiasm to practice law. She has a husband who has a lucrative business in the Juneau Drug Store, and will be sure of support anyway.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1937 October 20-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>The Methodist Aid Society met at our house today – Grace is very fond of Mrs. Kenan, the President of that society. Dolores is a member of that church also. As were the Vroomans – Graces parents.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p> <p>In the office as usual – no printed record so far. On application at the Post Office the clerk said packages would be put out tomorrow – slow mail, but I cannot finish my brief until I get the Transcript – tomorrow – or whenever it is reached by the slow mail.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Recd today Transcript in</p>

	Femmer case from S.F.
Diary 46, 1937 October 23-24	-23 rd – Attended setting of cases for trial in court this morning: my case of Bond vs Dyrdaahl, et. al. will be tried when the jury cases – criminal & others are finished: Attended the Bar Association luncheon specially given by H.L. Faulkner, as Deputy Consul for Denmark, lawyer, to the members of the bar and a party of his friends – a fine luncheon and a pleasant occasion. -24 th - Sunday: Working on Femmer Brief. The Printed Transcript enables work- & I must now get it finished soon.
Diary 46, 1937 October 25-27	-25- In the office as usual working on the final conclusion of the Femmer Brief. It has been a nightmare, but I can now see the end – the tail end of the animal! -26 th – My Femmer Brief is done all but a final touch, when it will be ready to print – its not satisfactory, but still I am convinced! -27- Still “finishing” that damn Femmer Brief all done but table of cases. Roden has not given me an hour of assistance – has greatly hindered me with refusal!!
Diary 46, 1937 October 28-29	-28 th – The Femmer brief is finally in the printers hands – though I will yet have to prepare the Subject Index with a proper arrangement of the authorities – but that cannot be done until the Mss. is set in type & paged – any way work is done. -29 th - This day received from Mifs A. Bowden a very competent typist the final copy of my Ms. on “the Alaska Gold Fields – Juneau and Treadwell” 98 pages – really a carefully prepared & typed story of the early discovery and development of gold in S.E. Alaska (over)

Diary 46, 1937 October 29	29 I am very much pleased with Mifs Bowdens work as copyist – she rather disappointed me in making the charge for her work – she charged me <u>only</u> \$20 ⁰⁰ . When I offered to pay her more for her really fine work, she refused to accept the increase – which she was really entitled to – she earned a larger sum, and I will try to make it up hereafter! I must now read the Ms. and also take up Bremner’s story of the discovery & development of the Yukon basin gold fields, by him and the Indians who first found gold on the Koyukuk, & at Rampart, Birch creek – these by John Minook, Pitka & Sorresco!
Diary 46, 1937 October 30-31	-30 th – Printing on Femmer Brief O.K. It is extending more & farther, but I am having it our with the printers now. -31 st - Sunday. Grace & I reread the Ms. Old Yukon Trails today for comparison with the two type written copies, made at different times - & we find many small corrections & put in 14 hours doing so – I will send it – the best copy – to my correspondent L.S. Mercer, of the West Publishing Co. for reading & on the suggestion that it is a biography of myself & my law reports - & the Co. might print it for that reason!
Diary 46, 1937 November 1-2	November 1 st – 1937 Struggling with printers to get the Femmer Brief finished – it’s a job. Mrs. Dr. Shore came on the boat today from Anchorage – Seward – Joe Kehoe, U.S. Attorney at Valdez has filed charges against Dr. Shore for misconduct – unprofessional – as physician at Anchorage – before the Territorial Medical board – set for hearing here in Juneau, Dec. 15 th 1937. Advised her as to his defense, gave a letter to Lawyer Warren N Cuddy, Anchorage \$100. retainer. -Nov. 2- Same as yesterday – in the office
Diary 46, 1937 November 3-4	3 rd Femmer brief finished printing. Grace assisted me very much!

	<p>Printers will deliver it tomorrow. It is not satisfactory, but I could not get Henry Roden to assist me in its preparation. He was as unsatisfactory as the brief!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Nov. 4th-</p> <p>Appointed Notary Public today – expired Oct. 17 – last.</p> <p>Printers are slow in finishing the Brief in the Femmer case, but no boat going south for three days! Mike Sullivans Yakataga oil case papers about concluded!</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 5-6	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th-6th -</p> <p>Saturday – The Juneau Bar Assoc held its weekly meeting out at Robertsons country club house – near Auke Bay – on the shore and beach today. Jack Mullen, Pres. Behrends Bank and Bob Coughlin, clerk of the District Court, provided the liquor, cigars & food – a big party – all the lawyers except Grigsby & Faulkner attended. I went out with Banfield in his fine automobile – good dinner. Heard the football game Huskies – U. of W & Berkeley Bears – over telephone – the “boys” who enjoyed “red liquor” enjoyed to party.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Sunday – Wrote letter etc. to Dr. Shore Anchorage & Warren N. Cuddy, Atty. about charges preferred against the Doctor by Juneau Medical Board. Joe Kehoe’s signature – giving my views on defense – on Dec. 15th.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Cleaning up papers etc. in Femmer case – Brief etc. gone to S.F. Asked Boyle, Auditor to send copy of the Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1933, to the clerk of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for their library – may be needed in the Femmer case. Have read the brief & it is not bad! The Tweet</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>Mr. & Mrs. Tweet & children called at my office to kindly pay their respects – they have lived for many years at Teller, on Port Clarence, above Nome – they tell me mining in the region there is improving – they are in mining, and taking the first trip outside in many years. I had much correspondence with them & the head of the Tweet family when I was in</p>

	<p>Congress. Fire broke out in Burford’s notion store – paper etc. tonight about 8 pm. – store in the Valentine Bldg. – immediately underneath my office, considerable damage to Burford – but did not reach my office – put out by the Fire department.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 9	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p>Cyril Zuboff, present[?] the President of the Alaska Native Brotherhood, called. He is going over to Kake to attend the annual assembly of the Alaska Native Brotherhood assembly tomorrow. He told me that W^m. L. Paul had been catching the official radio, telephone messages between Juneau and Kake on his short wave radio and giving the information (?) etc. to Mrs. Hermann. Mrs. H. also came in later & told me the same story! Mrs. M. is as busy as bee, these days, in trying Indian cases. I am told that she is working with Paul! on some basis!</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>After talking the Indian land case over with Zuboff, and thinking about it I sent the following telegram today.</p> <p><u>“President Alaska Native Brotherhood Assembly, Kake, Alaska: If any further reference is made to my employment as an attorney for the recovery in the Tlingit and Haida Tribal land suit authorized by the Act of Congress June 19, 1935, Public 152, say to the natives assembled at Kake that I will not accept employment in that case stop Tribes have been so unjustly betrayed in Washington through Collier amendments made at the last moment without notice to you that it is no longer honest or favorable to your interests and I will not mislead you with the promise that it will be beneficial to you or to them stop Any judgment obtained in that case if any</u></p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 10-11	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p><u>can be secured will be expended by the most extravagant and selfish Bureau in the government service and your people will never receive payment for their ancestral lands fisheries homes and property as they ought stop I fear that your tribes</u></p>

	<p><u>will go to a poverty stricken old age while groups of dishonest bureau officials will enjoy the (fruits) funds which are honestly yours and I do not intend to be a party to the frauds against you.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>James Wickersham</u></p> <p>Telegram sent by night radio telephone. -11th -</p> <p>Armistice day – a holiday – at home most of the day reading translation of Doroshin’s report (Russian) on prospecting for gold in Russian America (Alaska, after 1867). Mifs Francis Harland called – we went over her translation & typing of Doroshin’s Russian report – she corrected same – looks O.K. & I think she is a competent translator – paid her \$11⁵⁰</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 12	-12 th -
	<p>The new U.S. Alaska stamp is issued by U.S. Postoffice this day. Grace bought 50 Alaska three cent stamps – had Jack Hawkes get them after 12 o'clock last night.</p> <p>Had a long conference with Chappell – who is organizing the Alaska Genl. Ins. Co. but so far his results are not satisfactory. Had talk with John Reck, Pres. of the First Nat. Bank on Monday, 8th & he is not satisfied either & said he would not take any stock in the Co. I am about of same opinion – not enough financial interest in the Territory – too much Chappell!!! I</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 12	12
	<p>told Chappell that he must get business men of established capital to act as Committees in Fairbanks, Anchorage, Juneau, Ketchikan, etc. so as to make the proposed stockholders have confidence before they will pay up & put the project in confidence with those who are asked to subscribe. Chappell told me he had deposited \$10,000 subscriptions with Reck as trustee – Reck told me two or three days ago that Chappell had only deposited with him, as trustee, the sum of \$4,185.00!! I believe Reck, and I am sorry to be obliged to to withdraw my confidence in Chappell.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 12-13	12
	<p>[Envelope addressed to Wickersham with new Alaska stamp on it]</p>

	<p>First Alaska Stamp received. The new Alaska stamp is ordered by thousands of philatelists – from the states. -Nov. 13th -</p> <p>The Alaska-Juneau Bar Association held its weekly lunch at the penthouse on top of the Juneau Electric Light & Power Co. new building, on invitation of Pullen</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 13	13
	<p>the local manager of that company. During the luncheon I sat at a small table with Henry Roden, born & educated in Germany, and Hugh J. Wade, a “New Deal” office holder, and they brought up the subject of changing the Organic Act of 1912, Alaska, by repealing that part of the Act providing for a Territorial Senate as part of the Alaska Legislature. I promptly opposed the project, and they both advocated it strongly! Roden challenged me to put my argument in writing so that he could publicly oppose it! I returned that I was “an American” & strongly believed in the American system of constitutional checks &</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 13	13
	<p>balances” such as had been created by Franklin, Monroe, Jefferson, Washington & the Fathers of our American Constitution & forms of government. Wade joined Roden in denouncing these great founders and I defended them and their work. The argument grew hot and I grew still hotter – and told Roden he was <u>not</u> an American etc. etc. I shall take a public part in denouncing Dimond, who introduced & secured a passage of a bill, act in resolution in Congress permitting the people of Alaska to vote on the matter at the next election! The “New Deal” is so powerful that it may persuade the people of Alaska to adopt the scheme, but I will fight it to the end of the struggle!!</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 14-15	-14-
	<p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">CYRIL ZUBOFF PRESIDENT OF BROTHERHOOD Mrs. Bessie Miller of Juneau</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Elected Head of Alaska Native Sisterhood</p> <p>Cyril Zuboff of Juneau was elected President of the Alaska Native Brotherhood for the third term at the convention which closed in Kake Saturday, according to information received here. Other officers elected were:</p> <p>David Howard, Sitka, and David Morgan, Tatitlik, vice presidents; Frank Johnson, Kake, secretary; Don Miller, Wrangell, treasurer, and Herbert Bradley, Wrangell, sergeant-at-arms.</p> <p>Mrs. Bessie Miller of Juneau was elected president of the Alaska Native Sisterhood, and other officers chosen were:</p> <p>Mabel Willard, Wrangell, vice president; Mrs. Anna Zuboff, Juneau, secretary; Mrs. Andrew Wannamaker, Angoon treasurer, and Mrs. Evelyn Johnson, Kake, sergeant-at-arms.</p> <p>Klawock was voted as the next convention city and the convention went on record for abolition of intoxicating liquor from Alaska; asking a change in the Enabling Act relative to land title by Thlinget and Haida Indians; for a further campaign on tuberculosis among the natives of Alaska.</p> <p>The convention authorized the organizing of other divisions and officers for a tour of Southeast Alaska in the spring. The Alaskan was named the official organ and Albert White the Brotherhood attorney. Among visitors were Mrs. C.W. Wade, of Juneau, organizer for the W.C.T.U. Delegate coming the farthest distance was Max Italo of Yakutat.</p> <p>Sunday – as usual at home in library. -15th -</p> <p>The Indians seem to be in opposition to Paul – but they have been apparently controlled by Al. White – who is retained as their Attorney, which will not please the officials of the Indian Bureau. Al. is (1) a prominent Republican, and (2) is a very poor lawyer. I just</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 15	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>wonder what the U.S. powers will do about having him represent the Indians in the land suit. It's a</p>

	<p>queer mix up – maybe he will get Henry Roden to assist him – for Henry is a good attorney – though a crazy communist!</p> <p>Received affidavits, etc. from Dr. W.B. Shore, Anchorage in the case before the Medical Board to disbar him for abortion etc. Charges in that case are made by Kehoe, U.S. atty, and I assume that means that the Doctor will be indicted at Valdez for that crime. The Dr. & his nurse deny the charge!!</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 16	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Busy in the office – getting ready to try the case of Bond v Green-Dyrdahl on the 26th – witnesses in today.</p> <p>Poor Mrs. Walstein G. Smith died today – heart disease! She was one of the close friends of both Grace & myself – and a fine good woman. Her husband was Territorial Treasurer for many years – just appointed by Gov. Strong & elected by the people of Alaska for other terms. He is now the V.P. of the First National Bank.</p> <p>Wrote to Dr. Shore on this mornings boat – about his case in the Medical Bond, etc. to his Atty. Ellis.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 17	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Preparing a statement in re. the Act of Congress dated Aug. 16th 1937, H.R. 6651, 75 Cong. 1st Sess. introduced by Dimond “<u>To provide a referendum in the Territory of Alaska as to the establishment of a one-house Legislature</u>” etc. some one must oppose this attempt to emasculate the Legislature and no one else seems called upon, and since I prepared the Organic Act of Aug. 24, 1912, containing the framework proposed to be destroyed I feel that I must defend it – hence my work. It may be destroyed – but I hope not – for the New Deal has no regard for fundamental laws.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 November 18	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>I am just in receipt from Dawson's Bookstore – Book Shop, they call it – 627 So. Grand Ave. Los Angeles, Cal. of a fine old copy of “<u>Kwanki ibun</u>” 16 vols. in case. 1793, in Japanese cursive, with colored pictures of what the Japanese sailors saw who were cast away on Unalaska Island, taken in charge by the Russians & thence to St. Petersburg around Cape Horn, and the Hawaiian Islands back</p>

	to Japan. "The Great Circumnavigation – the first journey made by the Japanese around the world. It is a valuable Alaska item – cost me \$30 ⁰⁰ .
Diary 46, 1937 November 20-21	-20- Saturday – Juneau Atty Assoc. luncheon. Percys Café. George Grigsby read a letter from an Utah Attorney – Wilson – which created much merriment – it was in answer to one from George – who read Wilsons letter with great humor. George ought to have been an actor. -21 st - Working on statement in opposition to plan to repeal the Act of Congress establishing the Territorial Senate. – Joe Green's memorial of res. 35, Dimonds referendum by H.R. 6651, June 21, 1936! a fool provision.
Diary 46, 1937 November 22-24	-22 nd – Same as yesterday at the office. Bumner Copper mines at night.[?] 23 rd Invited Juneau Bar Association to meet at my home on Dec. 4 th for luncheon. Working on preparation of evidence etc. in the case of Bond vs Green Nelson. Dyrdaahl set for trial before Judge Alexander, without jury on the 26 th . Made agreement with Faulkner to submit Femmer on briefs - waived oral argument. -24 th - Working on case of Bond v Green & Nelson – to be tried on the 26 th .
Diary 46, 1937 November 25-26	-25 th – Thanksgiving Day! Worked in office getting ready for trial of Bond v Nelson & Green – tomorrow. The Hawkes will have dinner with us today at my request the Forest Service gave Jack Hawkes a job –beginning yesterday & he is very much pleased – it is an inside job – in the Forest Service shops here in town with a good salary – and may last all winter – any way he is pleased – so that's that. Grace & Mrs. H. are also delighted – so it ought to be a happy dinner for all concerned! -26- Trial of Bond v Green & Nelson

Diary 46, 1937 November 26	26 all day – a hard fought battle & we are much pleased at the result. The court gave a fair verdict – against us for %500.00 and costs, but it was much less than I expected – or feared – and settles the case! We will not appeal! Bond had tendered \$7102 ⁰⁰ & interest as settlement – the tender is in court & will be used to pay the amount – judgment & costs. Bond wont get a cent for he owes Faulkner a large sum for former services where Bond was threatened with deportation for unlawful entry from a foreign country. Dyrdaahl is much pleased!
Diary 46, 1937 November 27-28	-27 th – Faulkner has this day presented his idea of Findings of Fact & Conclusions of Law & Judgment, which he wants me to agree to & I object to his description of the ground in dispute – it does not describe the ground in litigation & enlarges the are in dispute, demands interest on the judgment from the date of the agreement with Nelson, etc. etc. -28 th - Sunday. Spent the day in my library studying the Bremner prospecting trip from Sitka to Yakutat bay in 1881-4, and preparing the facts for publication in my proposed Ms. on Gold mining.
Diary 46, 1937 November 29- December 2	-29 th – 31 st – In the office studying my proposed objection to the judgment in the Bond case. -December 1, 1937- Have convinced Faulkner that he is wrong in his Findings etc. in the Bond case, as to the description of the land in dispute – the error is now corrected in his proposed Findings, but have yet the objection that he charges illegal interest. -2- In the office engaged in preparing an article in opposition to the Act of Congress introduced by Delegate Dimond "To
Diary 46, 1937 December 2-3	2 provide for a Referendum in the Territory of Alaska as to the establishment of a one-house Legislature" etc. to repeal the clause in the Organic Act of Aug.

	<p>24, 1912, to elect a Legislature with a Senate & a House of Representatives.” -2nd continued. Same as yesterday on objection to changing the form of Legislature. Prepared objections & exceptions to proposed Findings of Fact, Con. of Land & Judgment in Bond v Green-Dyrdahl, Dist. Court. 3rd Same in the office. Dyrdahl in & demands that his wife, now have an enlarged area of ground & Motion to be heard tomorrow – court</p>
Diary 46, 1937 December 4	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Motion calendar called. When I attempted to argue my motion – Faulkner & Stabler opposed by calling up the matter of enlarging the area of lot 5-Blk. 15, to be included in judgment in favor of my Dyrdahl client. Stabler declared that Dyrdahl was entitled to an extension of area – that he represented Tverten[?] & Dyrdahl. Faulkner representing Bond. I objected for the whole case was tried on description in contract between Green & Mrs. Green (now Dyrdahl) and was correct – but I smiled, objected on the record & let the court do as</p>
Diary 46, 1937 December 4	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>he thought best. Court overruled my motion to strike interest & I do not yet know what he did about enlarging area allowed Dyrdahl & shall make no further objection!! Bar Association met at my house today at 12³⁰ for luncheon. Mrs. Wickersham & Mrs. Mildred Hermann (<u>Mrs. Herman is a member of the bar</u>) gave the luncheon. Every lawyer in Juneau, except J.A. Hellenthal who was sick, attended & ladies gave them a fine luncheon!! Judge Alexander in attendance & it was really a interesting & enjoyable luncheon.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 December 5-6	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Bad day remained at home in my library copying John Bremners diary – out of Seton-Karr “Shores & Alps of Alaska,” 2204 Biblio. -6th - In the office, but am taking on a cold. Have had a queer experience with my attorney fee in the Bond</p>

	<p>– Dyrdahl case. I prepared a copy of my bill against Mrs. D. showing a balance of \$220.⁸¹ due me & dictated a letter to her asking her attention before she leaves for California tonight. Mrs. Wickersham typed the letter & I asked her to give it to a taxi driver & ask him to deliver it.</p>
Diary 46, 1937 December 6-8	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>in about 20 minutes she returned & handed me Dyrdahls check for the correct amount – she had gone in the taxi & delivered the letter herself & Dyrdahl had promptly given her the check, & that’s that! -8th- Another one: Faulkner & Banfield who fought me in the Bond v Dyrdahl case – where I won on an accurate map made by Metcalf, C.E. had a case for Charlie Wagner & made a sketch map – but got their directions wrong – went down one side & an end - & then back on the same line – Judge Alexander threw them out of course!</p>
Diary 46, 1937 December 9	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>For two or three days I’ve been writing a political article against the Bill for a referendum on the attempt to abolish the Territorial Senate – House of Rep. U.S. No 6651, passed by Congress, which m[?] an election at the general date next fall. The Democrats have long declared in favor of a “full Territorial Form of government” – but now they are switching to a new declaration in favor of abolishing the Senate. Following Roosevelt they are growing more & more in favor of the dictatorship of the President the same as Italy & Germany – the First form of government – I oppose!</p>
Diary 46, 1937 December 10-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Studying Green-Dimonds efforts to abolish the Territorial Senate & writing my objections! The more I think over the matter the more I am opposed to it. -11th - Sent a night letter last evening to <u>Dr. Shore</u>, Anchorage, inquiring if he is coming to defend against charges. Bar Association, etc. met today.</p>

	-12 th -
	Sunday – at home. Received a telegram from Mrs. Dr. Shore saying he & his chief witness are aboard the Alaska – coming to Juneau.
Diary 46, 1937 December 13	-13 th - <u>Mrs. Mildred Hermann just in to tell me that two of the young fellows she unsuccessfully defended attempted a “jail break” this morning. They beat up the guards in the jail, etc. – too bad, for they will probably go on trial now for that – and may get years more in the penitentiary!</u> Prepared a Demurrer & objections against – Complaint filed by Kehoe against Dr. W ^m B. Shore, physician of Anchorage, alleging abortion, etc. Grace busy sending out Christmas presents to the folks – go out on boat tomorrow. Dr. Shore coming on that boat.
Diary 46, 1938 December 14-15	-14- File demurrer & objections to the Charges against Dr. Wm B. Shore, with the Alaska Territorial Medical Board. Dr. Dawes & Dr. Council present. Also got them to agree to hear the matter & the case on the 16 th at 10 oclock on Thursday. Shore is enroute from Seward on the boat – but it may not get there tomorrow on account of storms & slow boat. -15 th - Dr. shore & his nurse arrived this morning – long conference – secured John Newman, court stenographer, to take testimony tomorrow morning in Shore case.
Diary 46, 1937 December 16	-16 th - Trial of Dr. Shore before Territorial Medical Board – we won! They sustained my demurrer – that they had no jurisdiction to try Shore for criminal abortion – that was to be done by the Dist. Court on indictment – jury trial etc. Held charge of betraying professional suit was trivial - & the charge of deceit & fraud not proven – but held it for consideration next regular meeting next September!! A complete vindication to date & Shore will go on with his professional work until next Sept. Dr. Shore very much pleased - & so I am also. Dr. Shore is a fine man – a big game hunter & good company.

Diary 46, 1937 December 17	-17- Dr. Wm B. Shore, Anchorage physician & Mifs Lucile Atkinson, his nurse witness in the case we tried yesterday, had diner with us this evening. Mrs. Wickersham and Mifs Atkinson went to the “movies”, while the Doctor & I sat in my library & talked “books” & big game hunting & enjoyed both. I formed a good opinion of both the Doctor & Mifs Atkinson. During the forenoon of the 16 th – Jack Hawkes – the Hawkes family occupy the top floor of my house – fell in the warehouse while at work for the Forest Service and some heavy freight fell on him & broke two or three ribs – he is pretty badly hurt & will be laid in the hospital for a month or more – Dr. Dawes thinks.
Diary 46, 1937 December 18	-18 th - In the office as usual. Judge Harry Pratt – from Fairbanks in town. He is the son of Judge Louis K. Pratt. 3 Alaska Reports, p. 400, who gave me much annoyance while I was on the bench at Fairbanks – in Nov. 1907, etc. etc. Harry is a fine young man and is making a good record as U.S. District Judge at Fairbanks – the “old man” – his father – is yet active, vigorous, pugnacious, etc. and runs his old law office in Fairbanks & fights Harry the same as he did me, when his son decides a case against him his clients! Bar Assoc. today! Judge Harry Pratt a guest spoke.
Diary 46, 1937 December 19-20	-19 th - Sunday – in my library Jack Hawkes was pretty badly hurt – 4 ribs broken & general smash up but he seems to be recovering satisfactorily. Studying Lt. Allen’s Exploration of the Copper River – Bremner etc. -20 th - Writing my views in opposition to Dimonds bill to secure a referendum vote in favor of abolishing the Territorial as part of our full Territorial form of government, which will be voted on at the Territorial election next fall. I shall oppose the repeal of the Territorial Senate!

Diary 46, 1937 December 21-22	-21 st – Same as yesterday in the office. -22 nd – Same as yesterday – had a tooth extracted today – the first one I have had “pulled” – three others lost in years gone by, one by accident – two when the Selby’s beat me up in Valdes, 10 years or more ago. Good teeth. Shortest day of the year! Darrell sent me \$100 ⁰⁰ for Christmas present – charged Dr. Shore \$100 ⁰⁰ additional - \$200 in all for defending him before the Medical Board on charges made by Kehoe – we won the contest!
Diary 46, 1937 December 23-24	-23 rd – As usual in the office. Grace is busy sending Christmas presents - & getting ready for our dinner – she has invited Dr. & Mrs. Dawes & their niece, Mifs Pariot(?), while Mr. Mike Sullivan & Woodrow Atkinson, are my guests. – last, and best, she has invited Mifs Ann Coleman, who is the present City Librarian & a longtime friend of Graces. I like Ann very much too. -24 th – Same in the office. Christmas cards coming in – and going out! Red paper, packages, Christmas cheer!
Diary 46, 1937 December 25	Saturday, December 25, 1937. <u>Christmas Day</u> Clear, cold, windy, no snow, fine! We had a fine turkey dinner – and a pleasant visit with our friends. Received a Christmas telegram from Ruth with Christmas greetings. Jack Hawes is getting along well. Grace made loaves of good home bread – sent our neighbors loaves! Grace & Dr. Dawes took photographs. Mrs. Dawes repeated her favorite poems, Ann Coleman told stories Woodrow Atkinson & Mifs Parrott, “spooned” – talked low & in love in the corner. I enjoyed myself and Grace looked after us all!
Diary 46, 1937 December 26	-26 th – Grace & I considered our finances & whether I could employ Mifs Frances Harland to assist in the final work on some of my historical notes about the History of Alaska – Mining etc. etc. I have

	sufficient money in my house and lot fronting on Franklin St. between 4 th and 5 th if I can make a sale –to keep me 2 years & do the book work besides & Grace is anxious to have it done as soon as the money is assured! to which I agree – consent. I sent copy of my objection to the Dimond Act repealing the Alaska Senatorial clauses in the organic act to the Ketchikan Chronicle editor with letter, asking the prices of reprint from his type.
Diary 46, 1937 December 27	-27- Same as usual – Grace has bad cold. In the offices as usual. Working on Bremners journey into the Yukon – down the Tanana river with Lt. Allen U.S.A. on epic ride, that down the Tanana river – 5 white men on an unknown river – two of the party suffering with scurvey tainted bodies – helpless, - party without supplies or guides, a raging river, over rapids, through dupts[?] – arrived at Nuklukayot – Fort Adams, on June 26, 1885! Allen was tall, strong, a born leader, and a hero! His report says “In running down the Tanana river I was ten days without foot gear of any derivation and suffered no discomfort. This was true that he and his 3 work[?] men had to be ready at every moment to jump into the water
Diary 46, 1937 December 27-30	27 to keep the skin canoe from overturning and throwing the two sick into the water, where they would have quickly drowned! -28- Bad Taku wind & snow storm. The “Alaska” and “Yukon” steamers tied up at anchor in safe harbors. -29- Fierce storm of wind & snow – boats still in harbors – I remained at home -30 th – Storms abating – the “Alaska” in Juneau last night Yukon coming in tonight. In the office today – nothing unusual – sent letter “air mail” to Darrell, S.F. so as to get there before he leaves (Jany 5) in trip to City of Numes[?]

	<p>[clipping] "I am sending this card to tell you, That the New Deal has taken away, The things that I really needed. My workshop, my reindeer, my sleigh, Now I'm making my rounds on a donkey, He's old and crippled and slow, So you'll know if I don't see you Christmas, That I'll be out on my Ass in the snow!"</p>
Diary 46, 1937 December 31- January 2, 1938	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st-</p> <p>Better weather – everybody getting ready for further holiday pleasures.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-January 1, 1938-</p> <p>At home all day in library – studying John Bremner & his trip up the Copper river, in 1884 & down the Tanana – with Lieut. Henry T. Allen in 1885. It is an interesting and romantic study. Our friends Willman Holbrook's open house and specially asked us over with other neighbors – we went & enjoyed the party & the egg-nog!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2-</p> <p>Sunday in the library as usual.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 3	<p style="text-align: center;">-Jany 3rd -</p> <p>Sent copy of my objections to the repeal of the Organic Act provisions establishing the Territorial as advocated by Joe Green. Dimond & other "New Deal" politicians to the Ketchikan Chronicle for publication. It is my intention to conduct as strong a campaign against their scheme as I can, for it is a bad suggestion, and ought to be defeated in the interest of good government in Alaska. It is Gave Frank Foster a copy of my objections to repeal of Territorial Senate to read – and return!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Finished up my correspondence. Gave stenographer Ms. of Bremner's story to the the Yukon river: Mifs Bowden. Gave Frank Foster copy of my statement objecting to the repeal of the Ter. Senate, & he intends to take the matter up with the Al. White Republican crowd & get them to take my view in the Convention or Mass Meeting on Jany. 15th.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5-</p>

	<p>Same as usual in the office. Talked to Grover Winn & Faulkner – they are friendly to my objections to Repeal of the Ter. Senate, & urge its being printed in numbers before Feb. 1st – before Rep. Primaries etc.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 6-9	<p style="text-align: center;">-6-7-8-</p> <p>Working to get my objections to the Dimond Referendum in shape for public use. Grace & I work every evening also in studying the Bibliograph of Alaska lists of books, etc. and fixing proximate values of same for sale in case an offer shall be received for the purchase of my Alaska library. I have concluded to attend the Rep. Mass meeting next Saturday – 15th.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9-</p> <p>Grace and I worked all day in library adding prices to books etc. in my library list in Bibliography – to be ready to dispose of same to buyer of whole library – not singly – but in gross.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 10-11	<p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Much interest in my 10 page study of Objections to Dimond Referendum to vote on abolishing Terry. Senate. Frank Foster, Grover Winn, Faulkner & other lawyers examining it with regard to its careful comparison with constitutional questions involved. The Democratic office holders are excited and will oppose my ideas & support Dimonds Referendum.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Working in library in the evening with Grace on my books – fixing prices & in the office during day time as usual. Also in correcting & arranging title to my objections to the Dimond Referendum.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 12-15	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Have prepared title page to my Appeal to the Voters of Alaska in opposition to Dimonds Act for a Referendum to abolish the Territorial Senate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -14th -</p> <p>Same in office. Getting ready for Republican Territorial Convention. I am asked to become the Chairman of the Platform Committee – and I am doing what I can to pacify the warring factions - & succeeding in par at least! It now begins to look like we can have a peaceful convention.</p>

	-15 th - <u>The Territorial Republican Convention</u>
Diary 46, 1938 January 15	<p style="text-align: center;">January 15th 1938</p> <p>met this morning in the Union Hall – the old Moose Hall. Al. White and his friends are in charge, but he, especially, has said to me that there could be an attempt to have order and peace in the proceedings, and that they expected it to be free of quarreling and personalities which characterized the Republican convention at Douglas of two years ago. I have been requested to become the chairman of the Committee on Platform & had a fair committee with me. We prepared a Platform after carefully reading the platforms of the Democrats, Republican of 2 years ago & the Union Labor Party of this year. My deepest</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 15	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>interest in the platform was to have a plank in opposition to the Dimond Referendum, an Act of Congress introduced by Dimond – H.R. 6651 introduced on July 20, 1937, forcing the people of Alaska to vote on “whether a one house Legislature shall be provided for the Territory of Alaska,” etc. I have already prepared my views in writing in opposition to the abolishment of the Alaska Territorial Senate as it was created by the Organic Act of Aug. 24th 1912, which I drew - & I wanted Republican Territorial Convention to declare its opposition – so I introduced a plank in the Platform</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 15	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>to secure the result. The Committee readily approved that plank in our platform – we finished a tentative Platform & reported. The convention adopted the Platform with some amendments, and the plank I was interested – after objections to members of the Labor Union had be heard in opposition. I took the burden of defending my position in opposition to the Dimond Referendum & spoke probably 20 minutes. There was no speech in opposition, the Convention endorsed & adopted the plank unanimously. I did not attend the night session which began at 7³⁰ So far the Convention</p>

	was peaceful & conducted in a friendly orderly manner.
Diary 46, 1938 January 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>I was very much pleased today to get get a letter from the Washington Laro[?] book Company, a subsidiary of the West Publishing Company, of St. Paul Minn. acknowledging the receipt of my Ms. “The Old Yukon Trails,” saying “We are frankly interested in your manuscript and its possibilities.” Of course I am pleased & will accept their offer to publish the Ms.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">34 In Attendance As Republicans Open Convention {Press. 15th}</p> <p>With a picture of C.I.O’s John L. Lewis hanging on the wall where Abraham Lincoln’s homely features might have been expected, Al White’s “Territorial Republican Convention” convened at 10³⁰ this morning in Labor Union Hall.</p> <p>Thirty-four persons, who were required to register in order to gain admittance, were in attendance. Despite its “territorial” title, attendance was limited to Juneau and Douglas residents. Among these were organization officials, reporters, recently-filed candidates and casual observers. No representation other than local was observed, although messages from Cordova, Nome, Tenakee and Ketchikan were read.</p> <p>The report of the Central Committee was accepted by the convention, thereby accepting L.W. Kilburn, as suggested in the report, as chairman of the convention. Kilburn is mayor of Douglas ad precinct committeeman for the party.</p> <p>A rough draft of the party platform was to be presented to the convention late this afternoon for consideration.</p> <p>Rev. O.L. Kendall, pastor of the Metropolitan Methodist Church, opened the convention with an invocation.</p>

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Definitely opposing a unicameral, or one-house legislature, and proposing a referendum on liquor "to determine whether the people in Alaska favor prohibition, Territorial control and Territorial liquor stores, or the present local option laws," the Republican Territorial Convention completed its platform Saturday night and adjourned without endorsing any candidates. Report was prevalent today that Judge Clegg of Fairbanks was being considered by all G.O.P. factions as the probable Republican candidate for Delegate to Congress.

The platform as adopted by the convention follows:

We advocate the return of our people to the principles of government established in the Constitution of the United States and in the Republican Party as founded by Abraham Lincoln. We re-affirm our confidence in the Supreme Court of the United States as our greatest bulwark of freedom and insist that it shall remain unhampered by political dictation.

We condemn the administration of Franklin D. Roosevelt and of the New Deal as subversive of constitutional principles, opposed to the liberties of our citizens, and contrary to all those things which have guaranteed the freedom of our people and promoted the greatness of our nation.

We condemn the administration of the affairs of the Territory of Alaska by the Democratic Legislature and officials, as inefficient and extravagant.

Territorial Government

We again recommend the establishment of a full territorial form of government in Alaska. None are so well qualified to determine policies of government and direct it as people who live in the Territory. They are familiar with conditions and they are vitally interested in good government and territorial growth.

Unicameral Legislature

We oppose a unicameral, or one house legislature, as proposed in the Dimond referendum,

as being un-American and contrary to a Democratic form of government.

Fisheries, Fur and Game

The Territorial Legislature should have power to legislate on the fisheries, fur and game animals of Alaska, and all needful subjects of legislation.

Statehood

We pledge the candidate of the Republican Party for Delegate to Congress to advocate and work uncessingly for statehood for Alaska, and our members of the Legislature to adopt, all proper measures in aid thereof.

Bonding the Territory

We express our unqualified opposition to any proposal to bond the Territory of Alaska, feeling that inasmuch as the present administration has already saddled upon the nation an immense indebtedness which the taxpayers must pay, of which indebtedness the proportionate share of this Territory is more than twenty millions of dollars, any further burden, through bonding or otherwise, is oppressive and unnecessary.

Mineral Leases

We condemn the recommendation of the Secretary of the Interior to the effect that mineral lands of Alaska be withdrawn from entry and disposal and placed under a leasing system similar to that adopted with regard to coal and oil lands in the Territory.

Taxation

We pledge our legislators to vote for the repeal of the 3 percent gross tax on gold and other precious minerals and to vote for the enactment of a measure which will place the burden of taxation on profits derived from operation.

Hospitals

We advocate the establishment of marine hospitals for the treatment of maritime workers wherever necessary in the Territory, and we further advocate a sufficient number of hospitals in the Territory for the treatment of tuberculosis and other communicable diseases.

Liquor

We condemn the present liquor situation in

	<p>Alaska and propose a referendum on the liquor question in the Territory to determine whether the people who are voters in Alaska favor prohibition, Territorial control and Territorial liquor stores, or the present local option laws.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Workmen's Compensation Law</p> <p>We advocate a change in the workmen's compensation law of Al-</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 January 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">16</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>aska whereby silicosis, or miner's consumption, be made a compensable injury.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Community Property</p> <p>We advocate the passage of a workable community property law.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Women's Home</p> <p>We advocate the establishment of a home for pioneer women.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Federal Appointments</p> <p>We advocate the appointment of bona fide Alaskans for all offices throughout the Territory.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Schools</p> <p>We pledge our legislators to support and develop our public schools for the benefit of Alaskan children and we oppose the centralization of authority over school districts, and believe that the Commissioner of Education should be elected by the people.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Labor</p> <p>We advocate the passage of a law similar to that of the State of Washington to prohibit the employment of non-residents in the fisheries of Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mine Inspection</p> <p>We favor the establishment of an adequate mine inspection service throughout the Territory, and the election by the people of the officials of that service.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Labor Relations Act</p> <p>We favor the enactment of a labor relations act in Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Labor for Unicameral</p>

	<p>There were several other planks to be considered by the convention. Among them were proposals made by Chris Hennings, Chairman of the Juneau Central Labor Committee. He advocated the adoption of a unicameral legislature plan, just opposite to the plank brought in by the platform committee. He said labor asked a six-hour law in the mining industry, change in the workmen's compensation law to make it compulsory; urged a bureau of mining inspection and repeal of the criminal syndicalism law.</p> <p>Marked by the absence of discord which disrupted the Douglas convention two years ago, the convention this afternoon accepted the report of the credentials committee which seated the following delegates, all from Juneau unless otherwise noted:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Delegates</p> <p>Frank Foster, E.E. Engstrom, Douglas; Ronald Lister, Cyril Zuboff, Albert White, L.W. Kilburn, Douglas, Henry Benson, John Holler, Mrs. C.W. Wade, Margaret E. White, John Barrett, Royal Shepard, Cash Cole, Grover C. Winn, James E. Lyman, H.B. LeFevre, Mrs. Cyril Zuboff, Mrs. William Wanamaker, Albert Brown, Douglas; M.S. Leath, C.J. Simmons, Thomas E. Hall, Mrs. Bessie Miller, William Kunz, Ann M. Robertson, E.E. Robertson, Jack Wilson, James Wickersham, Mildred Hermann, Ed Garnick, Marvin Johnson, N.C. White, W.C. Dobbins, S.W. Jekill, Fred Lefton, and D. Maniotis. It was announced that E.A. Rasmuson, National Committeeman, was represented by proxy held by Albert White.</p> <p>While awaiting report of the platform committee, the convention named a National Advisory Committee with Howard Stabler as chairman and including Judge Wickersham and Henry Benson. It also voted to delegate the Central committee and three members to be appointed to see that a full ticket is in the field by the time the filings close February 1.</p> <p>The convention was scheduled to continue in session this evening, completing its platform and probably suggesting or endorsing candidates for</p>
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	<p>various offices.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Kilburn Chairman</p> <p>L.W. Kilburn, Mayor of Douglas, was elected permanent chairman of the convention at its opening session this morning without a dissenting vote, the recommendations of the Central committee being adopted in full. Henry Benson was [end]</p> <p>The Juneau Republican Press will not, apparently, support the Republican platform or party ticket. Do not know what is the matter!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>I am now preparing to accept the offer of the Washington Law Book Co. of Washington, D.C. a subsidiary of the West Publishing Co. of St. Paul, Minn. to publish my Ms. entitled "Old Yukon Trails," etc. They do not like my title & propose a change, which I am quite willing to accept.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>The Juneau Labor Union has this day invited me to speak before that body at the Union Hall, tomorrow night – I consented to do so. Grace is helping me to prepare my illustrations etc. to forward to the Wash. Law Book Co. for publication in my Ms.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 19	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Grace & I got all my illustrations for my book – "Old Yukon Trails," etc. ready according to the request of the Washington Book Co. – West Pub. Co. subsidiary & sent them off today by mail to Mr. J.T. O'Neill, Sec. & agent. care of West Pub. Co. St. Paul. He asked for certain data additional which I sent him – all asked for, & that matter is closed as far as I can go it until I hear from him or the Co. further.</p> <p>Also I made the opening address tonight to a mass meeting called by the Labor Union's political organization – hall crowded – subject Repeal of the Alaska Territorial Senate organic Law.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 19	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HENRY RODEN FLAYS DOUBLE HOUSE SYSTEM</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Judge Wickersham Takes Opposite Views on Legislature</p> <p>Before a large audience that jammed Union Hall last night at the mass meeting of the Juneau Labor Party, Senator Henry Roden took the Speaker's stand in a blistering condemnation of the bicameral legislature and offered the proposition of a unicameral legislature as cure.</p> <p>"The single house, composed of 24 or less members, would be more responsive to the public," Roden said.</p> <p>"Further," he continued, "it will eliminate 'buck passing' between two houses. The House passes a bill, perhaps unanimously, but the Representatives will turn around and beg the Senators in private to defeat that legislation which the House has just passed!</p> <p>"Why is that done? Simply because a House full of Representatives have their respective ears to the ground for the next election, and don't believe that this sore of thing doesn't go on. It does, and plenty of it, too!"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">On the Spot</p> <p>"In the unicameral Legislature," Roden continued, "each member knows his vote will count. He is on the spot and must vote with the view in mind that what he votes for or against will show up in the final analysis and cannot be covered by alibi that his actions had been over-ruled by the Senate.</p> <p>"It stands now, with the bicameral system, that a single Senator in the Senate, can defeat the entire representation of a whole Division, four Representatives and one Senator, and can defeat even a unanimous vote of the House.</p> <p>"Take for example should one Senator be ill. That leaves seven active. Reason further that the bill in question requires a two-thirds vote for passage. One man exercises his right of privilege and refuses to vote. Then one dissenting vote against the other five can defeat the whole thing. Is that representative government?"</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Find It Pays</p>
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	<p>“Four out of six provinces in Canada now have one house Legislatures. They have found it pays. “Not only would the one house Legislature cut down expenses, but it would speed up legislation and eliminate medicine balling. If a bill needs a comma or a semi-colon in the Senate’s eyes, it goes back to the House for amendment, and the whole procedure saws back and forth while the poor man lobbyist finds himself forced to return home before ultimate consideration of the bill for passage. He can’t see lengthy fights through. A big corporation lobbyist finds it easy. “A single house – a unicameral Legislature,” Roden finished, “is Alaska’s answer to a quest for responsive legislative action.” Wickersham Opposes Judge James Wickersham, former Delegate from Alaska to Congress, presented his appeal to the voting public of the Territory, at the mass meeting, urging them not to accept the unicameral legislature, but to preserve the bicameral system. “In 1935,” said Judge Wickersham, “the Territorial House of Representatives voted unanimously in favor of a single House Legislature memorial, but a vote of six to two in the Senate defeated the measure. “Last summer, in Washington, Delegate Dimond introduced a House Bill to provide for a referendum in Alaska as to whether or not the Territory desires a one-house legislature. “Delegate Dimond,” Wickersham said, “knows that a unicameral legislature of 24 members, as proposed, will cost exactly as much as, and no more than two houses, one of 16 members and the other of 8. He knows there will be no saving of expense in abolishment of the Senate as stated in the Dimond Referendum law.”</p>
Diary 46, 1938 January 19-20	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>[clipping continued] Judge Wickersham pointed to the fact that 150 years ago, the United States set out with a President, a Senate, and a House of Representatives. Full Form of Government</p>

	<p>“That is the full form of National, Territorial and State Legislative government” Wickersham said. “It is the full American form of government! “It has occurred to a few unwise members of the lower House of the Alaska Legislature to destroy such a form of government in Alaska. Those stated themselves in favor of ‘full Territorial form of government.’ “The unicameral Legislature is not full Territorial form of government! Too Provincial “A single body, with power to override the Governors’ veto would be singularly over-powerful. A body of 24 men, with 16 votes could change the whole body of the Territorial government in Alaska in one day! “Such a legislature might run wild in raising taxes, in making excessive appropriations, or in passing revolutionary laws, without consulting the people, for there would be no check on their unlimited powers. “Good laws, after American forms and principles will not lose virility by brief delay and the protection by reasonable blocks, bars, and barriers to their passage. “It is a bad time now-it will be dangerous to the continued existence of our full Territorial form of government to allow unthinking men to destroy it. 20 [clipping] Thursday, January 20 Wickersham And Roden Heard By 300 In Hall {Juneau, Press} “Do not give up the constitutional provisions that insure your Territorial form of government!” was the warning which Judge James Wickersham voiced before an estimated audience of 300 persons in the Union Labor Hall. Sponsored by the Alaska Labor Party, the mass meeting was held to hear Judge Wickersham and Senator Henry Roden discuss the merits and disadvantages of the “one house” legislature,</p>
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	<p>which question will come before the voters of Alaska in the Territorial elections in September.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, who was introduced by Chairman E.R. Schultz, stressed his belief in continuance of the present “two house” legislature. He pointed out that the bicameral legislative system was founded by the writers of the United States Constitution and that so long as the Congress is divided, unwise legislation will be passed with difficulty, because the representatives and senators will consider seriously any problem before voting lightly upon it when they know that the other house may reject the problem if it is not wise or beneficial.</p> <p>Senator Roden declared that a bicameral legislature is too slow, too expensive, does not give the rank and file of voters a chance to control their representatives and offers too much opportunity for large interests to influence a small group of men.</p> <p>“Last year, when the Territorial legislature was in session, those representatives would vote unanimously for a bill -16 to 0- and then rush into the Senate chambers and say, ‘Kill that bill we just passed!’” Senator Roden declared. “They knew that they could pass some bill which their constituents favored and then blame it on the Senate when the bill failed to become a law! They knew they could hide behind the skirts of the Old Lady of the Senate for protection.”</p> <p>Senator Roden did not explain why the Senate offered such protection for the representatives.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 January 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>Judge Wickersham stressed the danger in the fact that the small group of men, which Roden said would take the place of the present two-house system, would be able to rule the entire Territory, making it comparatively simple for an interested group to control the destiny of all Alaska. At present, the governor may veto a bill passed by both houses, and it is doubtful whether the Legislature will override the veto, but given a single house under the control of unscrupulous powers, the governor’s veto power would be nil,</p>

	<p>Wickersham warned.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ROADS, TRAILS, AIR SERVICE, FISH STRESSED Regional Planning Forms Backbone of Program- NO Forced Development FISHERIES PROTECTION INCLUDES JAP INVASION Simplification of Territorial Taxation System Recommended</p> <p>WASHINGTON, Jan. 20.-President Roosevelt today transmitted to Congress his program for a long range development of Alaska. Regional planning formed the backbone of the plan which was drafted by the National Resources Committee at the request of Congress.</p> <p>The recommendations included: Simplification of the Territorial government’s taxation systems; construction of roads and trails; expansion of the air service; protection of salmon fisheries and improvement of labor conditions.</p> <p>The committee held that regional planning was essential to orderly development because it would be a “long time problem” and the “plan would have to change suit changing social conditions.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Against Forced Development</p> <p>The committee report added that studies disclosed that national interest did not demand forced development of Alaska nor was there imperative need for costly development programs. It said: “There is no pressure of population or lack of raw materials or trade in the United States that demand exceptional measures.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">See No Agricultural</p> <p>The Committee also discounted the future of Alaska as an agricultural country, at least until more industries are developed. In the latter category the committee saw possibilities for pulp and paper plants but did not recommend building</p>
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	<p>of railroads or fist class highways “for the anticipated future need prior to formulation of general plans for development of the Territory.”</p> <p>In calling for preservation of the salmon fisheries and protection of “peculiar and important American interests therein,” the committee took notice of the current dispute between Japan and the United States over fishing rights in Bristol Bay.</p> <p>The committee recommends re-examination of the “whole pattern of Territorial government” with a view to elimination of “unfortunate results of the geographic fact that Alaska is so distant from the seat of government.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HEINTZLEMAN, GORDON ON ALASKA COMMITTEE</p> <p>The report submitted by the President today is the result of work done by the Federal-Alaska committee recently in Portland on which the Territory was represented by Regional Forester B. Frank Heint-</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 January 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>zleman, of the Alaska Planning Commission, and Paul Gordon, in charge of Alaska affairs in the Division of the Territories and Island Possessions of the Interior Department. After this committee had drawn up the plan, it was transmitted to the National Resources Committee which in turn submitted it to the President. The plan was drawn up after a resolution was passed in Congress last year asking the President to offer a plan for Alaska development.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Jany 21st -</p> <p>Here is the outline of what Alaska must expect – not a mere abolishment of the Territorial Senate – <u>but a new Territorial Bureaucratic Government instead.</u></p> <p>I finished gathering the data the Washington Book Co. asked for and sent it on to their agent at St. Paul Minn. on last nights boat. In doing so, by a mistake I included my private copy of the Bibliography, containing my prices for the sale of my library of Alaska Historical books & had to write</p>

	<p>to the St. Paul agent to send it back to me!!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 January 22-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>I am just in possession of a copy of The Congressional Digest, published in Washington, D.C. by A.G. Robinson which contains much interesting data on the subject of the Unicameral Legislature. Gave title & address to Roden & I will also send for a copy. Nothing new.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Sunday at home. Stormy – nothing except Grace & I are going over my books fixing selling prices.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday – nothing new.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 January 26-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Working in the office every day as usual & at home in the library every night fixing prices on my Alaska books with Grace. Also getting my Ms. against the Dimond Referendum ready for publication by the Juneau Press & the Ketchikan Chronicle!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday – in the office and in the library at home with Grace in fixing prices on my Alaska books.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Same as usual in office: Finished my attack on Dimond Referendum & gave it to the Juneau Press today for publication.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 January 29-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Sunday: Grace & I spent the day in going through my Alaskana & pricing my books on hand, so that if a purchaser can be had the prices can be quickly added & a purchaser advised of the total amount we want for all we have on hand in the library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office, & at the library in the evening. Grace & the Hawke’s are greatly excited at the prospect of selling the mines located by Hawkes, Louis Dyrdaahl & wife & Capt Folstad & son, on Kuiu island, which D.B. Stewart & his associate</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 January 30-31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>Roahm, declared are valuable. Jack Hawkes will leave here on Tuesdays boat to go to New York to meet prospective purchasers of the mines – Dyr Dahl is to advance the expenses of the journey, on the advice of Stewart & Roahm. Grace has been given a 2% interest by the Hawkes in consideration of a years rent of their apartment in our house & other considerations - & she is equally as excited as Mrs. Hawkes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Jack Hawkes left on todays boat for New York as indicated in yesterdays writing. Writing on Cordilleran & Rocky Mt. Ms. about long paystreak from Cape Horn to Point Barrow!!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 February 1-2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-February 1.-</p> <p>Same as yesterday in office & library. Am preparing a “talk” before the Pioneers meeting, including the Auxiliary or Womens branch of the Pioneers, for tonight – also invited to Reception to Bishop Crimont (Catholic) to be held at their Parish Hall. A bad taku wind blowing! Attended the meeting of the Alaska Pioneer’s Lodge & made a short talk on Geography & History of Alaska, with special reference to H.W. Franklin, an early Juneau businessman who built the “Franklin Hotel,” and after whom Franklin Street in Juneau was named.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Feb. 2.</p> <p>Recd from A.W. Winden, Tacoma with \$500. on act. rents of ranch for 1937.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 February 2-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Pioneers Hear Judge Wickersham Speak on History</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham, Alaskan historian and scholar, last evening addressed the Order of Pioneers and the Pioneers’ Auxiliary on the history and geography of Alaska. The talk proved interesting, for the speaker, during his years of experience as judge for the traveling court of the second division, had ample opportunity to view the countours of Alaska first hand.</p> <p>Following the talk, there was community singing, with Wesley Barrett accompanying the group at the</p>

	<p>piano.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Same as usual in the office & library</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Writing letter to British Columbia officials in regard to the Estate of John A. Sargent, insane, confirmed in Essondale, B.C. Provincial Mental Hospital: Inspector of Municipalities, Victoria, B.C. asking what we can do with Sargent – who has a homestead on Public Lands of the United States, near Juneau.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office & library. Nothing new to report.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 February 6-8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Sunday – worked at home in the Library – a bad Taku wind blowing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>In the office – when the wind and zero weather permits.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Received a very pleasant letter from Mrs. J.T. O’Neill, Treasurer of the Washington Law Book Co. Washington, D.C. from their offices with West Pub. Co. St. Paul, Minn. confirming assurance of the publication of my “Ms. Old Yukon Trails,” etc. – also a very kind letter from Mr. Mercer West Pub. Co. along same lines & returning my Am. Express Co. check – money</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 February 8-10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>order, to prepay the returns to me of the Ms. in case it was not accepted for publication with assurance that it would be published soon – as soon as the “machinery” was set in motion etc. Also fine letters from Darrell, who wrote from San Francisco on his return from Mexico, - dated Jany 31st. He also sent me checks for interest on the bonds his mother willed to him.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office, & library</p> <p>Working on matter of gold mining in the Yukon</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Wrote letter to O’Neill acknowledging receipt of his letter about publication of “Old Yukon Trails” – also</p>

	to Darrell. Same as usual in the office & library.
Diary 46, 1938 February 11-12	-11 th - Wrote another letter to Darrell in answer to his nice long description of his trip by automobile to Mexico. -12- Lincoln's Birthday! reminds me that I lived in Springfield, Illinois, from May, 1877 to May 1883 – 6 years! and knew all the old members of the Bar that had known Lincoln = Hay, Greene, Hirudon, Palmer, Logan, etc. passed his home almost every day – saw Mrs. Lincoln & her son Robert, as they visited the store of C.M. Smith who was married to Mr. Lincoln's sister etc. & lived in the Lincoln atmosphere – for 6 yrs.
Diary 46, 1938 February 12-13	-Feb. 12, continued- Received 200 copies of my "Appeal" to the people of Alaska, to vote against the Dimond Referendum to abolish the Territorial Senate – which I will send out to prevent the mutilation of the Organic Act of Aug. 24, 1912, which I drew and worked through Congress – I fear it may pass, but I will do what I can to prevent that step. -13 th - The Republican meeting held last night to commemorate the birthday of Abraham Lincoln, was a success. I did not attend for it was called to permit the candidates of the party to be seen and heard – Stabler made a strong speech against the Dimond plan to destroy the Territorial Senate.
Diary 46, 1938 February 14	-14 th - Valentines day – as usual in the office. I am distributing copies of my address against the Dimond plan to abolish the Territorial Senate – Al White, the Republican candidate for Delegate called and I gave him a bundle of 50 of my address for distribution. It seems as if it will be the principal plank in the Republican platform & the most important one at that. I sent Mr. J.T. O'Neill, who has the project of printing my Ms. "Old Yukon Trails" photographic copies of letters from President Theodore Roosevelt, Atty. Genl Knox & Judge Day,

	supporting my confirmation for Judge in contest, to show him the power behind me in that matter – etc.
Diary 46, 1938 February 15-17	-15- The Taku windstorm which has been constant for a month have now abated. As usual in my office & library. Grace is a great assistant and aid in arranging my books – for sale if I get an offer – <u>fixing the prices to be used therein!</u> -16 th - Same as usual in the office & library. Working on study of production & history of gold in the 40 mile, Birch & Minook creeks. -17 th - Same as yesterday, Sending out copies of my Address against the Dimond Referendum on abolishing the Territorial Senate – to Darrell & friends in interior Alaska
Diary 46, 1938 February 18-19	-18 th - Same as usual – a Taku wind & snow storm – Felix Gray, U.S. Commissioner, today gave me a number of copies of the old <u>Alaska Mining Record</u> , 1895, also copies of the <u>Juneau City Mining Record</u> , 1891-4, for my Library. They are duplicates, probably from the old John G. Heid collection – but very interesting & valuable, for their Juneau & Territorial items. -19 th - Same as usual in the office – I did not attend Bar Assoc. today, Case vs Charles Waynor for Assault etc. brought out some interesting facts.
Diary 46, 1938 February 20-21	-20 th - Sunday – stormy, in the library all day with Grace fixing prices on my Alaska Historical Library – interesting. -21 st - I have a dozen copies of different issues of the old Alaska Times – fall of 1869 – valuable & interesting, also <u>an original copy</u> given to me by James Griffith Stevens (who married the daughter of Allen Francis, U.S. Counsel Genl from Springfield, Illinois to Victoria, B.C.) Am having George Simpson, Bookbinder, bind them. He tells me that Alaska books are greatly in demand –

	prices high & he sells all he can secure at such high prices!
Diary 46, 1938 February 22	-22- In the office as usual – Received a letter from J.T. O’Neill, with two copies of Contract for Publication of what he calls “ <u>Judge Wickersham’s Old Yukon</u> ,” which he suggests as the title to my Ms. “Old Yukon Trails.” I have signed the contracts & will return him the copy on first boat. I am not quite satisfied, yet, with the title, but maybe it will go better than I think! He asks for my reaction! It seems egotistic to me, but it will be understood by my Alaska friends, but what of the newcomers? Wrote a good letter to Darrell & sent him copies of new publication of my address!
Diary 46, 1938 February 23-24	-23 rd – Same as usual in the office. Working on arranging & binding newspapers. -24 th – Same as usual – my eyes, however are giving me much trouble with failing sight, and I am obliged to give them rest and refrain from too close work. Have returned the contract to Mr. J.T. O’Neill, St. Paul, Minn. who represents the publisher – the Washington Law Book Co. closely associated with the West Pub. Co. at St. Paul. I understand the printing will be done at the office – shop of the West Co. at St. Paul. I made no objection to the title suggested for the book
Diary 46, 1938 February 25-28	-25 th – Have secured bindings for the newspapers in my library from Simpkins – most of my papers – newspapers, are in the University of Washington, Seattle, and have long ago been bound. I will bind the remnants here & so arrange them that the few unbound ones I Seattle can be attached when occasion permits. -26 th – In the office: Bar Assoc. lunch. -27- Sunday – in the library at home. -28 th – Making out my Income Tax Act. nothing due the

	New Deal.
Diary 46, 1938 March 1-2	-March 1 st 1938.- Working in the office as usual. Sent Summons etc. to U.S. Marshal, Seattle, for service in <u>Salazar v Salazar</u> . Letter to R.L. Lewis, 410 Mills Bldg. S.F. asking for data in regard to <u>Howard Franklin, who discovered gold at Forty Mile</u> . -2 nd – The Tuberculosis Assoc. for Alaska made me the Chairman of the sale of seals this last year, and my name was widely used in all their correspondence for sales: the returns now show that we are some \$400. or more ahead of last year in receipts – which gives me much satisfaction! Also I paid
Diary 46, 1938 March 2	2 the bill to the Juneau Daily Press - \$1500 for printing the Appeal to the people of Alaska in opposition to the Dimond Referendum to abolish the Territorial Senate. The Ketchikan Chronicle printed the same appeal & sent me 500. copies for distribution – without charge- using my Press copy to print from. I blame Henry Roden for causing Joe Green to start the project to abolish the Senate, & the foreign unions organized by Roden for adopting it. Henry is a German Socialist, and dislikes our American Constitutional form of Government - & ought to be defeated this fall for Territorial Senator – but may not be, for he is foxy & treacherous!
Diary 46, 1938 March 3-4	-Mch 3 rd - In the office as usual. -4- Taru, a Japanese boy student came in to see my Japanese books relating to the shipwreck of his people on Unalaska Island more than a century ago – he is an artist, etc. but would not read the text of the old book! I am now preparing a map of Alaska showing the places where I held court, etc. during the years 1900-1908, and the Old Trails I traveled in doing – for use in my Ms. Old Yukon Trails – provided the publication will use it!

<p>Diary 46, 1938 March 5-7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Beautiful spring weather. I am also beginning on my chapter relating to the Discovery of Gold on the Klondike by George Carmack & Kate! I will not leave "Kate" out of the picture for she & "Skookum Jim" were more romantic & useful figures than George! who was generally called "<u>Siwash George</u>" owing to his long residence with Kate and the Tagish Indians.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Sunday: Working in the library on fixing prices on my books & papers.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Same in office as usual.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 March 8-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Westward steamer in today. My friends <u>Grant Murdock</u>, Fairbanks & W.M. M^cMullen, M^cGrath, called</p> <p>Received nice letter from Darrell S.F. Cal. & wrote him a like one.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Sent O'Neill, West Pub. Co. a good map of Alaska showing the boundaries of Divisions 1, 2, & 3 as they were while I was judge in Div. 3, marked with Alaska court towns where I presided from 1900 to 1907, for my "Old Yukon Trails"</p> <p>My old sourdough friend Bill Richardson visited me for 3 hours, talking the places we knew in the Early Days.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 March 10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. This afternoon Chappell, who is attempting to organize the Alaska General Insurance Company had a meeting in my office with Wallace George, John W. Jones, A.E. Karnes and The proposed organization was talked over for two hours – finally adjourned upon George's suggestion that Chappell prepare a Prospectus of the matter, with a statement of its probable business and profits – and then call another meeting with 25 business men & another "talk" for their use & judgment, etc.</p> <p>Earle Jamison called – he is Mrs. Roma Faulkner's brother & a newspaperman.</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 March 11-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Same in the office, & in home library</p> <p>W.M. M^cMullen, deputy marshal from M^cGrath, on the Kuskokwim river in the office. He stopped over one boat going west to go to Sitka, Pioneers Home, to procure a release of Bob Harts rights to placer claims on Candle creek – near M^cGrath. I drew the papers for him. -He failed to get Hart to sign and left papers wit me saying Hart would call & consult me later.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Bar Assoc. luncheon: Judge Alexander present – returned two days ago from Washington, where he had gone to secure reappointment as Dist. Judge for this Division – successful!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 March 13-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Sunday: Grace & I put the whole day in the home library, sorting, arranging & marking my Alaska material fixing prices on same, so as to leave a carefully prepared price list – in the event that I can get a sale for the same, and that if I should pass over the last divide in death the list can be used by Grace or my heirs in their use of the same.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Same as usual in my office: also making notes on the Discovery of gold in the Klondike – and other Yukon mines.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>my income taxes are prepared to date</p> <p>As usual in the office.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 March 16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Some days ago I wrote a letter to Rev. H.C.M. Grant, Carcross, Yukon Ter. asking for information about Kate Carmack, Skookum Jim & Tagish Charlie. Recd. letter today saying: "<u>Charles Tagish</u>, known as <u>Tagish Charlie</u> place of death – Carcross –age 40 years. Prior to death 3 years helpless from spinal injury – date of funeral service November 14, 1905.-buried by Bishop Bompas. <u>Skookum Jim (Mason)</u> – Date of death July 11th 1916 age about 60 years – cause of death – stricture of bladder several months. Buried by Archdeacon T.H. Carchawel[?]</p>

Diary 46, 1938 March 16	16 <u>Kate Carmacks</u> – Date of death March 29, 1920 – Age about 63 years – Wife of George Carmack. Cause of death – Pneumonia following influenza – 10 days, buried by Rev. A. Grasset Smith, M.D.” He informs me that this information “has been taken from from our Parish Registers” – and that he has referred my letter for further information about these three romantic figures who were so prominent in the discovery of the Klondike gold in 1896, to Mr. Mathew Watson – of Carcross. I send Rev. Grant a copy of my Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, complimentary!!
Diary 46, 1938 March 17-18	-17 th – At the request of Chappell, who is organizing the General Insurance Co. of Alaska, I went over & talked to H.L. Faulkner, and suggested that in the organization of the Company a new set of official would have to be elected or appointed & that some of them wanted him to take part as attorney or other officer, & pointed out the probability that the Company might be a success, etc. He said he would talk to Goldstein and Wallace & would consider the idea! Chappell was greatly pleased with my doing as he requested. -18 th – Same as usual in the office.
Diary 46, 1938 March 19-21	-19 th – Attended lunch Bar Assoc: present Attorney for the Labor Relation Board (U.S.A.) and a Mr. Rockwell, assistant. Present also, Senator O.D. Cochran, from Nome, who addressed the meeting. He denounced the Dimond Referendum to abolish the Territorial Senate, & declared it ought be & probably would be defeated – in the 2 nd Division at Nome. -20 th – Sunday – working on arranging & pricing my Alaska books. -21 st – Same in the office as usual.
Diary 46, 1938 March 22	-22 nd – SS. Mail in form south this morning. Letter from J.T. O’Neill, Mgr. West Pub. Co. St. Paul – says he

	is sending 125 first pages for me to Autograph for inclusion in “Old Yukon, Tales, Trails & Trials,” as they have now concluded to entitle my book – says it will be previewed & issued about June 6 th . (Letter from Darrell also) ONeill also approved my map of Alaska for the first pages – my own picture to be used as frontispiece of Mt. M ^c Kinley to be sued for that purpose. Have gathered reports of Territorial & Federal Reports in the Capital building to bring that list down to date.
Diary 46, 1938 March 23-24	-23 rd – Received a letter from Bunnell, of the University of Alaska asking me to renew our original plan of Alaska History Research, with my library as the basis. I shall not renew that task with him he did not keep his pledge before, but refuses to perform his obligations & left me in an embarrassing situation, so I will not give him further attention. -24 th – Writing on 125 blank sheets of white paper the words “In memory of Gold Rush days on the Yukon. James Wickersham, Mch 26, 1938,” for inclusion in the “Old Yukon Trails.”
Diary 46, 1938 March 25-26	-25 th – Same as usual in the office. -26 th – Wrote an answer to Bunnells saying that some months ago he had made an arrangement with me, and published his plans in the Juneau Empire to use my library in his – or rather <u>my</u> plan
Diary 46, 1938 March 26	26 to prepare and publish a history of Alaska – in conjunction with the University – that he would furnish funds to be obtained from Eastern funds, etc. but that as soon as he had secured an appropriation of \$17,000. from the Rockefeller Foundation – with my assistance he assumed to pass me & my library by & employ a group of New York & other writes & leave em out of the picture – that he had purposely forgotten to keep his pledges with me – that I had now made other arrangements with people who would not forget – that I am no longer interested in his plans etc. Am sending copies of his letters & mine in answer to Dr.

Diary 46, 1938 March 26	26 [pamphlet advertising Wickersham's book "Old Yukon." – original purchase price was \$4.00]
Diary 46, 1938 March 26	26 Stevens, the agent of the Rockefeller Foundation – to whom he – Bunnell – made similar pledges which he also forgot when he had the money safely in his hands, for his information. Also sent copies of both letters to Darrell. I have not told Darrell about the West Publishing Co.'s publishing my Ms. " <u>Old Yukon Tales, Trails and Trials.</u> " Latest from West Pub. Co. is that the book will be printed early in June. Sent the Co. 125 copies of sheets – pages- today with my legend "In memory of Gold Rush Days on the Yukon," signed by myself – for front page of that many copies of the book.
Diary 46, 1938 March 27-30	-27 th – Sunday – as usual in library -28 th – In office as usual. -29 th – Invited to address the High School classes tomorrow on "Seward Day" on the life and services of W ^m H Seward, by Mr. Dunham, for Mr. Phillips & accepted to fill an absent orators' failure to be present! <u>20 minutes!</u> -30- [clipping] Seward Is Subject Of Talk By Judge When William H. Seward negotiated the treaty with Russia for the purchase of Alaska in 1867, it was with a keen realization of the value of the Territory and with great foresight that he set about the task, Judge J. Wickersham pointed out today in a Seward Day address before Juneau grade and high school pupils. Seward felt a sincere interest in Alaska and was much more deeply informed on the subject than most men of his day, Judge Wickersham pointed out. In 1869, he visited the Territory, making a speech at Sitka in which he pointed out the vast

	possibilities of the newly-acquainted land. Mrs. John McCormick, president of the American Legion Auxiliary, also participated in the schools' Seward Day pro-
Diary 46, 1938 March 30	30 [clipping continued] gram, presenting prizes to the winners of the Auxiliary's essay contest. Prize winners in the high school on the subject, "What Constitutes National Defense for America?" were Mitchell Danilloff, first, and Richard Aikens, second. In the seventh and eighth grades, writing on the subject, "Obligations of Citizenship," Shirley Davis took first prize and Doris Cahill, second. [clipping] Seward Day Is Observed Here Seventy-one years ago today Secretary of State William H. Seward and Baron Edward deStoeckel signed the treaty transferring ownership of Alaska to the United States. Today, in commemoration of the event, Juneau banks, Territorial offices and Federal offices were closed, while Judge J. Wickersham spoke at a special Seward Day program at the Juneau Grade School. Grace copied a long list of the officers & members of the Alaska Pioneers from the Report for this year and sent it to O'Neill, publisher for West Pub. Co. of my <u>Old Yukon Tales</u> , etc. on the boat last night, to be used by them in sending out advertising prospectus's, - they asked for it, & got it. Anyway, I enjoyed talking to the children about Seward & his days – for 30 minutes, yesterday, 10 minutes over my allowance!
Diary 46, 1938 March 31	-31- [clipping] ● "Old Yukon," written by Judge James A. Wickersham, was reviewed by Ruth Coffin, the author's niece, at a recent meeting of the Alaska Yukon Pioneers Friday evening in the Alaskan Hall, Seattle. Former residents of Cordova, Valdez, Seward, Anchorage and Kodiak were special

	<p>guests. Pictures of the Yukon River country and dancing followed the meeting.</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Ruth Coffin sent me a beautiful hand decorated book in her hand writing, the "Cache" containing many pages of the copies of my writing – also D.A. Noonans alleged poetry, etc. with her loving compliments. A beautiful writing of early day material – she is deeply interested in the romance and tales of my pioneer work as judge, Delegate to Congress, etc. I am much pleased with its contents, and form and am writing her a letter of thanks. Grace is much pleased with the book!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 April 1-3	<p style="text-align: center;">April 1, 1938</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. 2nd</p> <p>Same as usual – gave papers in the John Sargent <u>Hd.</u> case into the care of Frank Boyle for his attention, - he will prepare Final Proofs. -3rd-</p> <p><u>Sunday.</u> Jack Hawks is back home – but did not succeed in connecting with capital in New York with which to open his mining claims on Kuiu Is. He is indebted to me for \$50⁰⁰ monthly rent for more than a year –and now has no money – no job. and begs me to get him work so that he may buy</p>
Diary 46, 1938 April 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>food for his family – helpless! The situation is bad: Judge Alexander gets \$10,000. a year – his wife has a governmental income (<u>I do not know amount</u>) for teaching music, under some bureau – his daughter Jane is employed in government office as a clerk, at \$250.00 per month - \$3000. a year, - while I cannot get Hawkes a job of any kind for any amount – to pay his rent or feed his family! Yet they call it a "<u>New deal</u>"!! -4th -</p> <p>Monday – working in library with Grace, fixing prices on Alaskan books etc. in the evenings – as usual in the office. Sent Dr. Grant, Carcross, letter and a</p>

Diary 46, 1938 April 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>copy of Ogilvie's Guide – and a request to locate the names of the Packers – Indians, carrying his packs over the Dyea-Chilkoot in his first appearance on the Yukon in -5th -</p> <p>Chappell, organizer of the Alaska General Insurance Co. scheme is just back from Ketchikan, with a good report of success there – he is an untiring worker and feels greatly encouraged. He got better support than he even expected! City Election Day – I voted for Krause, for Mayor, Wallace George, John Krugness and Curly Bayer for city council & Scott, for school Director.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 April 6-9	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Grace had a party of 25 ladies at our house – in honor of the supposed advent of a baby to Mrs. Dr. Pyle formerly a teacher in the schools – cards, and a present of bassinette to the expectant mother – they had a jolly function!! -7th -</p> <p>Harry Lucas Elected Mayor: with the aid of a group of radicals; Scott, for school director, Harri, John McCormick & Beistline, members of the Council. Catching up with my correspondence! -8th -</p> <p>Same in office as usual. -9th -</p> <p>Same as usual. Congress defeated the Presidents Govt. Reorganization bill!!! Good!!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 April 9	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th continued</p> <p>I wrote a Review and an approval of "The Story of Alaska," by C.L. Andrews, published by him & printed by The Caxton Printers, Ltd. Caldwell, Idaho, 1938, and recommended that it be introduced at Territorial expense into every public school in Alaska as the Standard History of Alaska. As soon as I can review my Review I shall ask the Juneau papers to publish it, & will make an effort to Get Gov. Troy to assist in its introduction as suggested. It is really a good book – the first History of the Territory yet published!!</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 10-11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th - Sunday – at home all day. -11th -</p> <p>Hustling around trying to get Jack Hawkes a job – saw the Governor, Forest Service & finally the new Mayor – Harry Lucas, who is a personal friend of Hawk's. He promised to use his influence with the City Council to get Jack on as a foreman in a new city work. I have prepared a Review of Andrews "The Story of Alaska," – a good History! I am approving it strongly & suggesting that it be adopted as a school book in the Territorial Schools!!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Closing up correspondence: Wrote to Darrell; to Leroy Sullivan, Nome to send me a list of Republicans in the Nome divisions that we might – send them political material; to Paul P. Obrien clerk U.S. Court of Appeals, to send notice of decision in Femmer v City of Juneau by Night Letter, to Faulkner only! Letter of recommendation to Mayor and City Council, to appoint him City Wharfinger or Assistant; Empire & Press both a copy of my review of C.L. Andrews new book "The Story of Alaska," recommending it as a good History of Alaska – for all public schools in the Territory.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13-</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALASKA HISTORY IS WRITTEN BY C.L. ANDREWS Judge James Wickersham Praises "Story of Alaska" in Review</p> <p>"The story of Alaska," by Clarence L. Andrews. With an introduction by Edmond S. Meany. 303 pages. The Caxton Printers Ltd., Caldwell, Idaho, 1938. \$4.00.</p> <p>Clarence L. Andrews, the author of "The Story of Alaska," was born in Ohio but has spent practically all of his life on the Pacific Coast. He reached early manhood in Oregon, began newspaper work in 1892. During his forty years of official and historical work in Alaska he compiled numerous</p>

valuable articles describing incidents in Alaska's history and its natural resources. One of his first writings, a description of Muir Glacier, was printed in the National Geographic Magazine in 1905. Other magazine articles have described the Copper River region, agricultural possibilities, and other resources of the Territory. He was for some years a regular contributor to the Alaska Yukon Magazine and the Washington Historical Quarterly. He prepared and published an interesting biography of Baranof, the builder of the Russian American Company, and in 1922 published an illustrated "Story of Sitka," picturing the Russian-American capital of the Territory of Alaska. His latest publication, "The Story of Alaska," just now off the press, is the best history of the Territory to cover the entire period from the earliest discovery by the Russians to the present day.

Mr. Andrews accompanied the Italian party of the Duke of Abruzzi on its successful ascent of Mt. St. Elias in 1897. He was Deputy Collector of Customs in Alaska for twelve years, serving in Skagway for seven years during the great Klondike Stampede. For two years he engaged in the work of the Bureau of Education at Wainwright, near point Barrow. He dug for gold at Nome and lived on the Yukon River for two years more. He resided at Sitka when studying the Russian language, translating its historic books and writing his "Story of Alaska." In general, he has had a wide and varied experience in many other parts of Alaska during his forty years acquaintance with the Territory, its people, and its resources.

Few men have had a wider experience or longer residence here than this modest student of Alaska history, and none has produced a better and more accurate story of the Territory. His "Story of Alaska" has been written from a wide personal knowledge of the country, its problems, and background; its text is supported and amplified by fifty pages of well-arranged notes of authorities and references; his accurate knowledge of Russian publications has enabled him to give the history of Russian period from Alaska's discovery in 1741 to

	<p>the date of its transfer to the United States in 1867 with unusual clearness and accuracy.</p> <p>This volume being filled with interesting and important descriptive pictures, is particularly well adapted to supplementary school reading and will doubtless be for many years the most authoritative book on the history of the Territory. It will be an invaluable aid to teachers and students alike as well as a general source book of information for all interested in the life and development of this Territory. It is an outstanding book and I recommend that it be adopted by the Territorial authorities as the standard book of Alaska history and that it be placed in all schools of the Territorial at public expense.- James Wickersham.</p> <p>I sent copy of Review to Darrell & Andrews & advised the latter to send copy of his book</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 13-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>to Gov. Troy & Karnes, Com. of Education. -14th 15-</p> <p>I sent copies of the Review of Andrew's History to Nome, Fairbanks Anchorage – &3 extra copies of the Review to Andrews himself. Grover Winn of Juneau School Board told me he read my review & would put copies of the History in the Juneau schools. I will call and get Karnes, School Com. for Alaska interested if possible. It will be a pleasure to help Andrews!</p> <p>Received a very fine letter from O'Neill, publisher of my Old Yukon Trails, promising every assistance in the early publications - & advertising!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 16-17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -17th -</p> <p>I have received a letter from J.T. O'Neill, officer of West Publishing Company St. Paul Minn. assuring me that my Ms. Old Yukon Trail, etc. will be ready for delivery about the first of June, and a very flattering approval of the book! It made me feel happy, and he declared it was going to be a success. However, I realize that it is not a love story – and will not rise to a “best seller.” The local Igloo of Alaska Pioneers appointed a Committee instructed to consult with me about buying my Alaska books, etc. by the Legislature</p>

	<p>and its preservation within the Territory</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 18-19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Femmer consulted me about leasing his wharf ground sufficient to enable an aviation company to use part of it for poles & wires for receiving radio & establishment of a hangar for landing airplanes to carry the mails & passengers to & from Juneau and Fairbanks. I have promised to prepare a contract with them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Working on Femmers airplane project. -Grace will write it for me on the typewriter! Politics will be active this election – primary – on Tuesday next. Much opposition among Republicans against Al. White – but Al. will be nominated - & that is what he wants.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Judge LeFevre advised me that the lawyers at the Bar Association will do something to aid in buying my Alaska Library – Grace & I are at work every night on an orderly listing & fixing prices. She is working at it diligently and doing a fine job – she is a fine mathematician and of a very great help to me. I could not do it alone – she is a jewel! I had o advise Judge LeFevre that my book would be ready by June 1, & to wait until it appears. he will keep the Bar Association quiet until that time – before they take action!!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 21-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Chappell who has worked long and industriously to organize the Alaska General Ins. Co. with Juneau as its headquarters, is becoming discouraged & talks of locating at Ketchikan, where he says there is greater interest in such a project. Juneau is not enthusiastic.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Grace is working rigorously in preparing a price list of my Alaska library! I give all the assistance my poor eyesight will enable me to give her. She is quick – a good statistician – mathematician, has knowledge of library work & a good view of Alaska History.</p>

Diary 46, 1938 April 23	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Judge LeFevre came in & suggested that I was to be discussed at the meeting of the Juneau Bar Assoc. meeting – that it might be as well for me to not attend. I did not! and here’s what took place!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">{Daily Empire} Wickersham Day Is Proposed by Bar Association Juneau Legal Profession Urges Setting Aside Aug- ust 24 to Honor Judge</p> <p>Setting aside of August 24 of each year as “Wickersham Day” was urged by the Juneau Bar Association in a resolution adopted at today’s luncheon meeting of the group in Percy’s Café, “in recognition of Judge Wickersham’s patriotic services to the Territory.”</p> <p>The resolution follows:</p> <p>Whereas, Judge Wickersham’s most signal achievement, among many, on behalf of the Territory was the enactment by the Congress of the United States of the “Alaska Organic Act” which was approved by President William H. Taft on August 12, 1912; and</p> <p>Whereas, the 24th of August, is also the birth date of Judge Wickersham, he having been born on August 24, 1857; and</p> <p>Whereas, it is eminently befitting that Alaska express, during Judge Wickersham’s lifetime, its appreciation of his services to the Territory, which include not only the drafting of the “Alaska Organic Act” but also the compiling of the Alaska Law Reports, the collecting of an exhaustive bibliography upon Alaska, many years of labor as Judge of the Alaska District Court and as Delegate to Congress from Alaska, and other deeds too numerous to recite herein:</p> <p>Therefore, Be It Resolved by the Juneau Bar Association that the 1939 Alaska Territorial Legislature be hereby petitioned, upon its convening, to create and designate, in recognition of Judge Wickersham’s patriotic services to the</p>
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	<p>Territory, the 24th of August of each year as “Wickersham Day,”</p> <p>And, Further, that the other bar associations, commercial, civic and fraternal organizations throughout the Territory be hereby requested to likewise petition the Alaska Territorial Legislature.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 April 23-24	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>Unanimously adopted by the Juneau Bar Association this 23rd day of April, 1938.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">H.B. LE FEVRE</p> <p>Attest: M.E. MONAGLE, Secretary.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24-</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALASKA DAILY PRESS ‘Wickersham Day’ Move Started By Bar Association</p> <p>To express the esteem in which Judge James Wickersham, former Alaskan delegate to Congress, is held by the citizens of the Territory, the Juneau Bar Association today passed a resolution calling for the designation of August 24, Judge Wickersham’s birthday, as “Wickersham Day”.</p> <p>The resolution will be presented to the Territorial Legislature when it convenes next year. Judge Wickersham will be 81 years old on August 24 of this year.</p> <p>Following is the resolution adopted by the association today.</p> <p>“WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska is greatly indebted to the honorable James Wickersham for many years of devoted service to its welfare and interest; and</p> <p>“WHEREAS, Judge Wickersham’s most signal achievement, among many on behalf of the Territory was the enactment by the Congress of the United States of the “Alaska Organic Act” which was approved by President William H. Taft on August 24, 1912; and</p> <p>“WHEREAS, the 24th of August is also the birth</p>

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<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>Evidently my friends think I am too old; they remind me of the story of the negro mother who was being examined by the census taker. He said “Why, Maudy, you report two children, one aged 4 years old and another 2 years, and say your husband died 6 years ago, how do you explain that?” – “Dat needs no splenation,” she replied “for I aint dead yet, if my husband is.”</p> <p>Anyway the Bar Associations act was friendly, and I appreciate their feeling of friendship another attempt to honor me; though it is just a little embarrassing!!</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 25-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th –</p> <p>The case of Femmer v City of Juneau, et. al. will be up for hearing in the U.S. Circuit of Appeals in San Francisco, today – on briefs of agreement for hearing signed by both sides – it will, of course, be referred to some member of the court to write an opinion – in a month or so, when we will be notified of the result.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Primary Election Day. I voted the straight Republican ticket.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Working in office drawing contracts & deeds for Femmer. Light vote at the primaries yesterday.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>The votes in each party are so nearly equal between the respective party candidates that it may require an official count to tell which of them are nominated – though the Democratic party leads quite fairly over the Republicans. The returns for the Democratic Representative in this divisions indicate that Roden is getting the Communistic-Radical crowd - the C.I.O. Unions while Mrs. Jeruse[?] has the organized vote – and they are nearly neck & neck! The vote for Frank Foster, Mrs. Hermann & Cash Cole is so nearly equal that it will require the final returns to decide!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th continued-</p> <p>Grace has rented my house on Franklin St. to a Mr. Johnstone, \$45⁰⁰ per month. The Wilcox’s leave it Saturday & the new tenant moves in the same day! Hawks and Dyrdaahl, for their Kuiu Is. Mining Co. must do their assessment work on or before July 1, for 32 mining claims. They have everything arranged except the food supplies & I have made an arrangement with Hawkes & Dyrdaahl to furnish \$300⁰⁰ to buy that food today. They are to allow – sell – me 2% of the entire group – undivided – one-fiftieth – for that money I will make a short receipt & agreement when I give them the money tomorrow.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 April 29-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Have finished deeds & contract for Femmer in the Bolm matters – sale &</p>

	<p>escrow with Stanwood Whitely etc. Mifs Harland is assisting Grace today at home in finishing lists of Russian books etc. in our price fixing of Alaskan! 30th</p> <p>I attended the Attorneys lunch, said nothing about the Resolution of last Saturday – passed the cigars paid for my lunch & returned to my office. No one mentioned the Resolution – it was apparently forgotten.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 1	<p>-May 1st, 1938.</p> <p>A quiet May day. Paid bills etc. writing up my day book of accounts. Have agreed with Jack Hawkes, for the Kuiu Island owners of Zinc mining claims to Furnish him – them the sum of \$300.⁰⁰ with which to buy food supplies to keep his – their – labors supplied while doing the Annual assessment work on their Kuiu mines on east shore of island during May & June \$100⁰⁰ per claim of work, labor, supplies etc. for which & other services the group agrees to pay me by the transport of two one hundredths -2%- 1/50 of its property interest – Hawks has charge in the</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 1-3	<p>1</p> <p>absence of Dyrdaahl & wife in California. D- will return in two or three weeks & will go to the mines – in the meantime Jack will act as agent for the owners of the group</p> <p>Hawks & family occupy the top story of my house – 7th & Seward – agreeing to pay \$50⁰⁰ per month – but are delinquent in payment for about 14 months & I am helping them out with cash for the group owners & trusting him for rent until he gets the money, probably out of the mines, probably never!!</p> <p>-2nd –</p> <p>As usual in the office.</p> <p>-3rd-</p> <p>Some excitement about establishment</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 3-5	<p>3</p> <p>of regular & permanent airline mail between Juneau and Fairbanks today. Mayor Nerland (Andrew's son) and Bob. Sheldon, postmaster at Fairbanks, are here (Juneau) to represent that end of the line - & a group of Juneau & postoffice officials will represent this end – the airplane will</p>

	<p>start the line – which does not persuade me, for too many fliers get killed, so I stay on the ground!</p> <p>-4th –</p> <p>As usual in the office. Judge Gore called – is making a round trip to Sitka.</p> <p>-5th -</p> <p>My old Nome friend & political supporter Captain Axel Olsen, called –“full as a tick”</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 5-6	<p>-5th continued-</p> <p>Wrote letter to Darrell, he & Jane had called on Dolores in Los Angeles – and I asked him to see Daniel next time!</p> <p>-6th -</p> <p>Grace & I work every evening until nearly midnight on examining my library & fixing prices on the various items. The Pioneer committee is taking an interest in the purchase by the Territory of the library – called & urged me to finish the sum which I will accept for it.</p> <p>I received a formal letter from the Sec. of the Juneau Bar Assoc. today sending me a copy of the Resolution of April 23rd favoring <u>Wickersham Day</u>”</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 7-8	<p>-7th –</p> <p>Delegate Dimond has introduced a bill in Congress to give a pension to retiring Territorial District Judges in Alaska. We do not know its contents yet – but assume it only applies to the present judges & is not retroactive! We had a warm time – politically – at the Bar Association today – between two disagreeing New Dealers! which we all enjoyed!</p> <p>-8th -</p> <p>Sunday. Jack Hawks went down with Grace to Jim Yorks cabin and asked him to come to the house this evening & talk to me about the Hawks</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 8	<p>8</p> <p>mine on Kuiu island – he came and we had an hours talk. Hawks offered to take Jim in on the project as powder man, and give him (Jim) a one percent undivided interest in the mining property to go with the proposed party next Saturday on Dr. Dawes boat the “Prince of Wales” to begin annual assessment work on the property. York said he could not accept the offer, and gave as his excuse</p>

	that he has a job looking after some rented property belonging to a friend, etc. that he would be obliged to employ a man to take his place, did not have the money to pay such
Diary 46, 1938 May 8	8 advances & still a better excuse that he was too old & feeble to work, - in short he would not go!! Hawks has Mrs. Wickersham worked up to a state of enthusiasm about the matter – she asked Woodrow Atkinson, a fine young miner who works at the A.J. Mine to come at a different hour & talk to her and Hawks, and they presented the same matter to him. It impressed him very well and he agreed to go with the party and work a month on the same consideration. I encouraged Woodrow by saying that I intended to furnish the food supplies. <u>But</u> ,
Diary 46, 1938 May 8	8 while Jim York was with us a few hours mentioned – some question about the Kennecott Mines came up & York pointedly asked Hawks if he (Hawks) knew Richelson, the mining expert and engineer for the Kennecott? Hawks answered “Yes,” that Richelson was an acquaintance – but said no more about him, - neither did Hawks, nor York. Today, however, York came to my office & recalled the inquiry & Hawkes answer, and told me that some months ago Richelson & his wife were in Juneau, at the Hotel and asked him (York) to come & have dinner with them. When York reached the
Diary 46, 1938 May 8	8 hotel he found Hawkes in the lobby talking to Richelson, who introduced Hawks to York, after which York went to dinner with Richelsons: Some time later Richelson told York that soon after that dinner he went to Kuiu island at Hawks request – or that of some of the interested parties, to examine the mine upon Hawks statement that it was a great body many acres. The he did examine it carefully as a mining engineer and found it to be a large kidney or lump of complex zinc ore, of worthless character, and so informed Hawks, and gave it no further attention.

Diary 46, 1938 May 8	8 That Hawks enthusiastic praise of the ore to us yesterday was not genuine – it was untrue. York said he had never seen the Kuiu zinc ore in place, but from Richelson’s very positive statements, after his examination of the same for Hawks, declares it to be his judgment that it is worthless. He said he asked about Hawks acquaintance with Richelson thinking he would tell about Richelson’s examination of the mine and his adverse report on its value. York says he listened to Hawks statements to us this evening about the sale of said ore as it is extracted from the
Diary 46, 1938 May 8-9	8 assessment & development tunnels to smelting companies with astonishment – that they are misleading & that it will be impossible to sell the ore at any such prices – or at all, he thinks. -9- The foregoing statements by York put me in an embarrassing fix – Luckily I have made no doubt about the truth of Yorks statements, and also luckily I have been careful not to encourage any one to work or invest in the project. I am so far in with Grace, however, that I may be obliged to pay for a months supplies – say \$15000 – which I will do to save her from embarrassment – but further I will not go without more evidence of the value of the contents of the mine.
Diary 46, 1938 May 10	-10 th - In the office as usual, working on contract & deed from Lockie McKinnon & wife for town lot to the Juneau Empire Company - \$2000. cash. Also contract for lease of Femmer wharf space to Marine Airways Co. Hangar, antenna poles, wires etc. I wrote the outline of a letter to Hawks cautioning him about taking up too many zinc mining claims on Kuiu island – instead of a few and developing them fully, instead of wasting money, labor & time on the many – took it home & read it to Grace. She became angry at my suggestions

<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 10-11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>so I promised to give her the \$300. and let her go into the project without me or my objections. It may be an experience with her efforts & she will be satisfied – which she will not be if I carry out my ideas.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>I gave Grace the \$300. this morning in the Kuiu mines project and she is spending it with the Hawks. I have begun a letter to Le Fevre, President of Bar Association acknowledging the making of the Resolution of appreciation of my services as Delegate, etc. That will close that matter agreeably.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 12-13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Worked on matters connected with the estate of John A. Sargent – citizenship etc. and a letter to Rodney Hamilton, his nephew at Ketchikan. Femmer contract with Marine Airways finished. Recd. bundle of old Dyea Trail papers from Rev. H.C.M. Grant Carcross.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Preparing my letter acknowledging receipt of a copy of the Resolution passed by the Bar Association commending my services as Delegate and suggesting the establishment of Aug. 24th each year as Wickersham Day – which I do not approve! out of fair modesty!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>In spite of the stories I hear against the value of the Kuiu zinc properties the Hawkes party will leave for that locality tonight on Dr. Hawes “Prince of Wales,” boat to do the assessment work for this year. Seven men including Hawks will stay their six weeks to work on the claims to do both assessment & development work. Grace is looking after our interest – I gave her \$300⁰⁰ with which Hawks purchased the food supplies at United Food Co.s store – 2nd & Seward. Brown, manager. The men who go to work secure an agreement for division of title to the property in compensation for their labor.</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>Jim. York says the zinc ore has no value. Hawks says it has great value. Grace is enthusiastic in the Hawks theory. I fear York is right – <u>Thats that!</u> Delivered letter to Judge Le Fevre this morning in re Resolution of Bar Assoc: <u>“Juneau May 14, 1938</u> <u>Hon. H.B. Le Fevre, President Juneau Bar Association. Juneau, Alaska.</u> <u>Dear Sir: I am in receipt of a communication from you under date of May 6 accompanied by a copy of a Resolution adopted by members of the Bar Association, commending my work while Delegate to Congress, in securing favorable action by that body</u></p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>in the passage of the Organic Act, creating our present constitutional form of Legislative government, and approved by the President on August 24, 1912.</p> <p>Naturally it pleased me greatly to hear the Bar Association express its public approval of the provisions of this Act which has safeguarded our liberties and directed the development of our Territorial Government for more than a quarter of a century, although I was somewhat embarrassed at the suggestion contained in the Resolution that the people of Alaska should feel indebted to me to such an extent that they should repay me by giving my name</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>this great prominence in Alaskan history. Such an honor would indeed be payment much fuller than I deserve for any services that it has been my privilege to render to the Territory.</p> <p>A greater tribute, however, would be mine, if I could know that the citizens of Alaska, among whom I have labored for nearly forty years, would always bravely defend those principles of constitutional government embodied in the Organic Act, and give their best efforts to prevent their destruction or abandonment, in whole or in part. Praise for author of the Organic Act for the part he had in the creation of our present form</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 14-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>of government, though personally deeply gratifying, will be both futile and empty, if those who deem the work worthy of commendation do not use their best efforts to prevent the destruction of the constitutional principles upon which it was based. Please convey my thanks to the members of the Bar Association for this Resolution of appreciation, for which I am deeply grateful.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sincerely Yours James Wickersham -15th -</p> <p>Working in library on price fixing it's a big job.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 16-17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Recd letter dated May 6th from J.T. O'Neill, West Publishing Co. St. Paul, sending with it copy of announcement of issuing my "Old Yukon, Tales, Trails & Trials" on June 1st, '38, also notice "To the Trade" bookseller prices, discounts etc. and boosting the Book highly. The contents gave me much satisfaction & shows the publishers are doing a fine job to get the volume to the public with a splendid advertising plan.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17-</p> <p>Jack Hawks is successful in securing miners on stock promises</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>I have given the money (\$300⁰⁰) to Grace and he and his associates are dealing with her to her satisfaction. Dr. Dawes has given them the use of his big boat "Prince of Wales," and they will leave Juneau tonight for the claims, loaded with supplies, the Dr. in charge to go to the mines to do assessment & development work on all 32 claims – 6 weeks work with seven men. They got away from her tonight late for the mines. They seem confident – and they seem to be a band of competent miners & prospectors. I hope they will succeed as they hope for, too.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 17-18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th - 18th -</p> <p>Recd. copy of "Cooks Third Voyage" from E. Hector, 103 John Bright Street Birmingham, England, price one pound 5 shillings – about \$6⁰⁰ which I will add to my library. Writing letter to J.T.</p>

	<p>ONEll, St. Paul, thanking him A Mrs. Noyes 85 years old fell down the stairs in Valentine Bldg. Mrs. Wickersham & a reporter & taxi man took her across the street to the Doctor Council clinic. Sent Hector, Bookseller, Birmingham, England \$6⁵⁰ re payments for Cooks Voyages. Wrote letter & sent lists potential buyers of "Old Yukon, Tales, Trails and Trials to J.T. ONEll, St. Paul, Minn.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Made out W. deed & Contract of sale of Real Estate for DB. Femmer & wife and Whitely & wife, took acknowledgment, all parties signed & papers placed in Behrends bank. Holden of Marine Airways Co. refused to pay for my services in Femmer lease. I was employed by Femmer - & Holden says he did not promise Femmer to pay for all services in the matter – but only for his own attorney – Monagle! Femmer says he will pay me as he agreed with me to do. Working on case of Howard v Warrack Workmens Compensation case!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Dr. Dawes returned last night from Jack Hawks mines on Kuiu islands. I called just after Jim York saw him. Jim says the Doctor gave him a poor report – the Doctor gave me a good one! He says they landed everything, got up their tents, etc. and had good weather!</p> <p>Working on Howard v Warrack, case. Smith the dairy man came in to report that Medosweet [Meadowsweet] Dairy at Tacoma have incorrect account – says he will bring me corrected one – which I will send to Gagliardi, their attorney.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Bar Assoc. went to Lunch at the glacier road house. I did not go. motion docket called in court, nothing.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 May 22-23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Sunday – working with Grace in the library on Price Fixing on my Alaskana!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p><u>In the Office: Have just read a long address by Delegate Dimond printed in the Congressional Record of May 11th, but not spoken on the floor – it is to be used for "Home Consumption," by Roden</u></p>

	<p><u>and the crowd of radicals which he organized here in Juneau, and their kind throughout the Territory. It is an appeal to that kind and is both adroit and dangerous.</u></p> <p>Faulkner has it.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 24-26	<p>-24th – 26th</p> <p>Yesterday I took Delegate Dimond's speech, found in the Congressional Record dated March 11th, '38, to Faulkner to read. Today he returned it to me saying that there was much opposition to it – also against his bonding bill & speech – and reports that the people of Fairbanks & other interior places are preparing to oppose both at the September election. I shall not make any answer to the "Unicameral bill," speech for fear that my further activity may cause Tony's friends to urge the Democrats – The "New Dealers" – to support both through a</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 26	<p>26</p> <p>political argument. Dimond has announced his abandonment of the Bonding Bill – which has weakened his support of the "<u>Unicameral</u> Bill." The public seems to be slowly growing opposed to both, and I will not aggravate the matter by any further writing for those reasons. The people are fully advised of the danger in the Unicameral Bill – so I will "watch and wait," and keep silent for the present. My "Appeal" has gone to every part of the Territory and the public mind is aware of the danger. Tony is losing ground on both!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 27-28	<p>-27th –</p> <p>Nothing new – the town is quiet and business at a standstill. Boats are running regularly, but the Union Strikers threaten to cut the fish canning down considerable – a bad thing for Alaska for the Territory depends on canning license taxes very largely for its support. Wrote a short note to Ruth at Seattle saying that I might come down soon. Darrell has written saying he will meet us there – to let him know when!</p> <p>-28th -</p> <p>Bar Assoc. luncheon – nothing new. Studying the facts in Howard v Warrack. et. al. Sitka Compensation case.</p>

Diary 46, 1938 May 29-30	<p>-29th –</p> <p>Sunday: mail from south. Received letters: J.T. O'Neil, manager West Pub. Co. in relation to the publication of my "Old Yukon, Tales, Trails and Trials." Also advertising matter about same & that will send me copies next mail. Also letters from Soliabakke & Mifs Lulu W. Fairbanks, Sec. Alaska Weekly with checks (4⁰⁰) each for copies of the book. All very satisfactory to me.</p> <p>-30th -</p> <p>"<u>Memorial day</u>." Grace & I answering O'Neills letter – sent him both checks & letters from "Little Lulu" – Fairbanks, request to send them each a copy of "Old Yukon."</p>
Diary 46, 1938 May 31- June 1	<p>-31st-</p> <p>Received copy of "Jacket" for my "Old Yukon Tales, Trails & Trials" from publisher, no colors but O.K. Young, Royal A. Gunnison, son of Judge Gunnison, declared tourist on SS "_____ " visiting Alaska, called at the office & gave them an autographed Jacket for my book: He (and probably she) is -are- writing an Alaska book & promised to send me a copy.</p> <p>June 1, 1938.</p> <p>Notices of publication of my "<u>Yukon Trails</u>." reached Juneau residents today. It is a good "<u>Announcement!</u>" and</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 1	<p>1</p> <p>seems to attract attention, as the publishers wish it to. But it does require subscribers to order from "<u>Washington Law Book Co.</u>" Washington D.C. when many seem to think they can order direct from me in Juneau! Grace is greatly pleased, and continues to send prospective purchasers names to J.T. O'Neill, manager in St. Paul. The Publishers announcement states that they are printing 6000 copies! The newspapers are writing up brief reviews. Both the Empire and the Press of this evening had good notices, and the President, Mullen and Cashier, McNaughton, of Behrends bank sent in orders.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 1-2	<p>1</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>Alaska Volume</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Is Published By Wickersham {Juneau Press.}</p> <p>Gleaned from the memory-laden files of the man who was the first to establish law and order in the Yukon during the days of '98, a new history of Alaska today was offered to the public –“Old Yukon”, by Juneau’s own Judge James Wickersham.</p> <p>The 500-page volume varies in mood and scope as its subtitle, “Tales, Trails and Trials”, indicates. Told in the accurate detailed manner which has made the author the most famous of all Alaskan attorneys, “Old Yukon” comes straight from the pen of experience. There are 30 chapters in the volume, each dealing with a different step in the progress of the golden North.</p> <p>There are tales of the gold rush days, of Soapy Smith and the vigilantes, of the men who rose to fortune and sank again to poverty in the Klondike. The story of the first trip up Mount McKinley, descriptions of the agonies and suffering encountered by the early pioneers, midwinter treks by dog teams across icy wildernesses and reminiscences of the Yukon winter trail – all these are embodied in Judge Wickersham’s smooth, ample recollections of those days and people.</p> <p>There are stories of pioneer justice in “Old Yukon”. It was the author who meted out justice for eight years after President McKinley had appointed him to the position of U.S. district judge in Alaska; it was he who guided the legal life of an area embracing 300,000 square miles. Judge Wickersham held the first floating court in the Territory and was the one upon whom fell the burden of establishing law in the Yukon.</p> <p>Were Judge Wickersham to count the “firsts” which have fallen to his lot, the task alone would take many hours of memory work. Instead, he has taken his experiences and knotted them together in a fascinating convincing pattern of early historical values. But not only to the historian will ‘Old Yukon’ appeal. Maintaining always a clear and lucid picture, unembellished by fancy, Judge</p>
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	<p>Wickersham has nevertheless managed to weave throughout the book a delicate, sober touch of the romance which has pulled Cheechacos and Sourdoughs again and again to the Northland.</p> <p>‘Old Yukon’ is published by the Washington Law Book Company, 810 13th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. (\$4.00, delivered)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-June 2-</p> <p>Filed Motion for Default and proof of services by Publication of Complaint in the Juneau Press, in the case of Susie Salazar v Andrew Salazar in District Court.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 3-4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-3rd – 4th -</p> <p>Received today (4th) letter form Mr. J.T. ONeill written May 26th) saying he has sent me copy of “Old Yukon” by express and expressing some criticism of the frontispiece – my own picture - saying it was not as good as he hoped because of poor paper in the original sent to him. At that it may look more like me that a better one would. Also letter from Allen, Fronde & Hilan, Grace’s Seattle Attorneys regretting that her letter objecting to the appointment of a Los Angeles Spanish lawyer as Daniels guardian.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 4-6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>I am afraid Dolores will get into the hands of a smooth scamp who will lead her to loan Daniels money to his <u>friends & associates</u>. The lawyer is a Catholic, who has secured a sentimental influence etc. just what Grace’s brother feared and sought to prevent!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Sunday – at home in the library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Received a copy – the first one – from the publisher – by mail today. We – Grace & I – feel as proud as a new father & mother over the advent of a new baby! It is</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 6-7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>a good looking book – well printed, beautifully illustrated, and quite satisfactory as we had anticipated. There seems to be considerable interest among the pioneers about it!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p>

	<p>Book stores received packages of "Old Yukon," and report prompt sales. Of course it will require some time to get advertising started! But I am interviewed by many friends who congratulate me on the public interest apparent in the book. Have read it and find it as good as I expected!</p> <p>Prepared Demurer to the Amended Complaint in case of Howard</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 7-9	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>vs Warrack, et. al. #4207A, and will serve & file it tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Received 14 copies of "Old Yukon" books today from publisher – Washington Book Company (West Publishing Company's subsidiary). So that's that! Served demurrer in Howard vs. Warrack, et. al. & filed in court.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Sent copies of my "Old Yukon" to Darrell (S.F.) Ruth Coffin, Jim W. Wickersham, Patoka, Ill. Jim O'Neill, 722 Seventh St. S.F. & to Hon. Frank Bentley, Madison Wisconsin.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 10	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Sent a copy of my "Old Yukon" with my compliments to Phillip S. Smith, Geological Survey, U.S. Washington D.C. Copies are selling here in Juneau well, and new orders are going to the publishers! Also sent copies of <u>Amended Complaint & Summons</u> to Hansen & Rowland Genl. Agents of London Guarantee & Accident Co. Tacoma, Washington – told them in letter that I would be in Tacoma about July first for consultation. Sent Ruth Coffin, Darrell & Jim Wickersham, Patoka, copies also. Sales are good – hope they continue so.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 11-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Luncheon with Juneau Bar Assoc. Grace is copying from Alaska Telephone books from Ketchikan to Fairbanks the names of prospective buyers of Old Yukon & sending to J.T. O'Neill, West Pub. Co. St. Paul, etc. busy as a bird dog in quail meadow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p>

	<p>Sunday: Charles E. Taylor and Andrew Nerland, Fairbanks arrived in Juneau by airplane – 5-1/2 hours called at house & took dinner with us at the Gastineau restaurant. – then to theater to see "Firefly." Jeanette McDonald singer.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 13-15	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Taylor & Nerland left on boat early this morning for Seattle – sent Lucille, Charles daughter – my sister Mays also, by mail copy of "Old Yukon."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>C.L. Andrews in town. Gathering funds for my Seattle trip – start June 24th – sent telegram to Darrell tonight giving him my leaving time. Letter from J.T. O'Neill about good sale of "Old Yukon."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Grace reserved tickets etc. on "Northland" for 24th. C.L. Andrews called – in amiable frame of mind.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 16	<p style="text-align: center;">-16-</p> <p>Grace & I attended dinner last night at home of Mrs. Arnold & son & son present Hawksworth, Bauer Mr. R.E. Robertson & Mrs. Robertson. It was a good chicken dinner cooked by Mrs. Cone, a famous Juneau cook.</p> <p>Received telegram from Hansen & Rowland, Ins. Agents, Tacoma in regard to case of Howard vs Warrack, Warrack Construction Co. & London Guarantee & Accident Co. instructing me special action for London Co.!!! Sent Tacoma Agent night letter – copy to Warrack – containing my answer to Night Letters!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 16-17	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th continued-</p> <p>A telegraphic dispatch in the Juneau Empire this evening announces that the Femmer case v City of Juneau, was affirmed by the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in S.F. today – <u>we lost!</u> Of course, I am disappointed! but not for the first time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Faulkner – his wife & son left Juneau this morning on the Canadian boat for a journey to Europe via his old home in Nova Scotia! The "Old Yukon" seems going O.K.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>The world goes along calmly as usual C.L. Andrews attended Bar Assoc. Luncheon</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 19-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Sunday – Worked with Grace in the library – she on making cards for listing Alaskana received since publication of “Bibliography” – for supplemented catalogue! Our friend C.L. Andrews came to dinner - Mrs. Helen Hawkes, also</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>In the office as usual. Getting ready to go to Seattle with Grace on the “Northland,” tomorrow evening. C.L. Andrews gave me a copy of his “<u>The Pioneers & Nuggets of Verse.</u>”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Middle of the Solar Year: Storm ended. <u>Ready to go to Seattle on Northland!</u></p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 21-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21 continued-</p> <p>Editor Atwood, Anchorage Times called with a copy of the Old Yukon which I autographed. Also a letter from E.A Brinmstool, of Hollywood, Cal. came saying he was a schoolmate friend of Dr. Will H. Chase, & wanted a copy of my autograph for his copy of Old Yukon, wrote and sent it with pleasure. We boarded the Northland at the dock tonight expecting her to go soon – but she was delayed.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>The steamer remained at the Juneau dock all night and only got going this morning late. Met friends when we landed at Hoonah – Comstock – a friend of Geo. Kerin Stewart from Trou[?]</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 22-23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>who had a son at Fairbanks. also met Henry Moser, fur trader Inspected Hoonah water front. My old friends Steve Kane & others not in sight – beautiful sunset.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Through beautiful Peril Straits & arrived at Sitka in forenoon. Grace & I and others walked out to Indian river – examined the totem poles, stopped at the Sheldon Jackson Memorial School – examined its interesting exhibit of books, curios, etc. Met Mrs. Condit – he had gone out early to fish & did not return while we were there. We met tow interesting half breed – Eskimo – Indian.</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>in Petersburg early this morning <u>when</u> I first saw Petersburg – in July 1900 a salmon cannery was in process of construction there by Peter Buschman, a vigorous fisherman from Seattle. It was locally called Peters cannery” – thence “Peters town,” & finally “Petersburg.” The name was this named after old “Peter” – the canneryman & had nothing in common with “Petersburg” of Russia. This information, came from Mr. H.S. Finch, fish buyer, who was agent for Peter Bushman, the canneryman at that time - & Finch was first Mayor – named all the streets – surveyed the town etc. Finch also told me of finding an old moss covered cedar board on the</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 23-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>divide been[?] Port Conclusion & Port Alexander reciting the presence in Port Conclusion of Vancouver’s H.M.S. vessels in 1793. Will call this fact to the attention of Forest Service at Juneau!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Landed at Prince Rupert B.C. this morning & unloaded many tierces of salmon for shipment via Canadian Northern Railway to New York – for Finch, fishbuyer. All day reading Irving Stone’s chapters in Saturday Evening Post, about Jack London – “Sailor on Horseback”- of his biography & travels - Life & Alaska writings. Continued south toward Seattle.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 June 26-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26-</p> <p>Grace is arranging cards & data on my Miscellaneous list of library & type writing same. She is a worker! This misc. list will include all books not noted in my Biographical 1924, list & Through Seymour Narrows.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>Passed though Active Pass. into Puget Sound, reached Seattle, this evening at 5 p.m. Darrell & Ruth waiting for us on Dock 5 – went to Frye Hotel.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Darrell & I went to call on Dr. Bentley – oculist. He examined my eyes carefully – said my vision is impaired by cataract growing on lens in my left eye – the</p>

Diary 46, 1938 June 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>lens in my right eye was removed by an operation about 15 years ago by Dr. Wilmer, Washington, D.C. & that I will be blind in my left eye by the cataract, but I can be furnished with good sight in the right eye by the use of a special glass which will act as a lense instead of the natural lens in the eye which was removed by Dr. Wilmer, years ago! That this renewed sight will cure the blindness and badly impaired vision in both eyes. I attended the Herbert Hoover banquet, accompanied by Ruth Coffin! The ex president met me kindly & remembered me instantly. Ruth & I also attended the speaking & banquet & enjoyed the evening.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 June 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Grace started to Los Angeles early this morning by through stage line to bring Daniel Vrooman (Vroman) back – he will go to Alaska for this summer vacation with us on our return. Of course a stage trip to Los Angeles is a long hard trip, but she is active, well & does not shrink from such trips – enjoyed them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Darrell, Jane & I went to Buckley today in Darrells fine automobile – saw Harry, Minnie France & family, Maude & Nellie – then to Enumclaw, had dinner with Harold, Dorothy, Helen McGovern (Harold's sister from Los Angeles) & their children (Harold 2 boys, Helen 2 boys). Then to Seattle.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 1-2	<p style="text-align: center;">July 1, 1938</p> <p>Visited office of "Alaska Weekly, saw Knight, Editor, Pat Colter & Lulu Fairbanks, assistants. "Little Lulu," accompanied Ruth, Darrell & me to lunch & then for a ride around the parks in Darrells automobile. The editor & his cheerful assistants are all friendly to me and give the "Old Yukon" good notices in reviews, etc. To Puyallup dairy ranch with Darrell Jane & Ruth</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2-</p> <p>Received my new eye glasses today – as usual they are strange, awkward & unsatisfactory, but I can see that they are according to the oculist's prescription & will work satisfactorily in time. 15 copies of "Old Yukon" book arrived from St Paul</p>

	today for Grace.
Diary 46, 1938 July	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 3rd-</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Law, 'As Was,' in Far North; Wickersham, Here, Reflects {Seattle Times, July 3.}</p> <p>It's been thirty-eight years since Judge James Wickersham took the law to the North Country, since he rented a log cabin to use as a federal courthouse in Eagle City, Alaska, and assumed jurisdiction over an expanse of wilderness, mountains and rivers as big as Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.</p> <p>Ever since that day he has been writing a book. For many years-all during the time he served as a judge and during the decade and a half he was a delegate from Alaska to Congress-it was a series of diaries. In 1928, believing his book was to be a history, he published a bibliography of Alaskan literature. He has a library of 10,000 volumes in many languages devoted entirely to the North.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Half History, Half Personal</p> <p>But much of the early history of Alaska is printed in Russian. Wickersham, refusing to use material gained second-hand from these works, changed his plans for his book. It became half history and half personal experience, and covered only the years since 1900.</p> <p>It was published a few weeks ago, under the title "Old Yukon."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, visiting in Seattle yesterday, talked about the book and some of the memories of early days in the North which it brings to life.</p> <p>"There wasn't any law of any description in all the territory along the Yukon River in 1900, when I went there," he said. "There was a judge in Juneau who handled the whole of Alaska – or was supposed to – but his influence didn't penetrate very far inland.</p> <p>"Eagle City was just a wild mining camp when I got there. I had authority to collect money for licenses and also to build a courthouse and jail –</p>

	<p>but no expenses from Washington, D.C.</p> <p>“So I collected a thousand dollars apiece from saloons for licenses and, in my capacity as judge, sent men out to get logs for buildings. There was a little mill at the Army post nearby. while the logs were cut and sawed and the buildings constructed, I held court in a log cabin.</p> <p>“My first case concerned a dog and I didn’t open a law book. A big Indian chief came down the river a hundred and fifty miles with a lot of braves all armed to the teeth. An Indian named Jack had stolen his dog and had come to Eagle City. After a lot of inquiring the chief decided I was Big White Chief and spent a half day describing the god and its theft.</p> <p>“After that I went down to a saloon where I knew I would find one of the deputy marshals, told him to get the dog away from Jack and then went out with the chief and sat on a stump. After a while the deputy brought the dog back, the chief led him away and I went home.</p> <p>“But trials concerning gold claims were something else again. Everybody in town and most of the people for miles around would attend. Then the miners concerned would start testifying. There was more lying and more profanity in those trials than in any other courtroom I ever saw. I never wore my robes and learned a new technique in administering the law.”</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, who is 81 years old, and lives in Juneau plans to keep on writing about Alaska “as long as I’m alive.” He will visit in Seattle for two weeks.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday. -3rd-</p> <p>Ruth, Darrel & I visited Greenlake Park – a good trip which we all enjoyed. Lunch with Ruths mother, all three. Ruth had dinner with Darrell & Jane & me at the Frye – where the Los Angeles stage came in bringing Grace and Daniel! Grace left Seattle on June 29th –early in the morning, rode day & night 29th & 30th when she landed in Los Angeles early on the morning of July 1st. passed July 1st in Los Angeles, leaving there on the Stage July 2, early, rode day & night arrived back in</p>

	<p>Seattle at midnight, on July 3rd. Darrell & Jane left for S.F. at 7 a.m. before Grace could see them!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 3-4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>Grace brought back with her a letter written by Darrell to Mrs. Miles, with whom Dolores & Daniel boarded in Los Angeles, giving his reasons for his refusal to bring Daniel north to Seattle at Graces friendly request!!!</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-July 4th 1938.</p> <p>Up early with Grace & Daniel, hoping to see Darrell & Jane before they left Seattle – they were gone an hour or more!!</p> <p>It was a fine 4th of July parade – Daniel carried an American flag which he waned[?] from the sidewalk. Dinner with Shel Wettach, sourdough – Autographed 8 copies of “Old Yukon” for him to send back to his friends Carrollton, Ohio!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 5th -</p> <p>Grace Daniel & I visited Tacoma. Consulted with Winden. Told him to sell my C. St. House & 66-2/3 feet lots for not less than \$4000⁰⁰. He paid me check for \$250⁰⁰ on collections. Called up Mave Olds who met us at the Winthrop Hotel – invited us to visit with her on Saturday. Gave her an autographed copy of “Old Yukon.”</p> <p>Called & consulted with Hansen & Rowland, Insurance agents – about case of Levi Howard v Warrack, Ins. Co. et. al. Back to Seattle to dinner at the Seattle Athletic Club with Shel Wettach & Lulu Fairbanks – a fine dinner!</p> <p>“Old Yukon “ books selling well!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Called to see Judge A.J. Balliet – whom I appointed U.S. Commissioner [?] at Rampart Alaska to get a line on the litigation over George W. Carmack’s litigation with “Kate” his Tagish</p>

	<p>Indian wife. He gave me some of his legal briefs on the law facts in that case. And suggested that I call on Frank E. Hammond the attorney for Kate for what he might have saved in the case. I called on Hammond who was in the law offices of Fred Wettrick, who told me that Hammond had moved the day before to a new office in the L.C. Smith tower building. I did so to be informed by Hammond that he</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>given most of his Carmack papers to Wettrick only "yesterday." Called up Wettrick again who said he had the Carmack papers, pictures, etc. & would bring them down to my hotel in an hour and give them to me! He did so, and I received a mass in that way. Hammond had just thrown a big bundle of letters written by Carmack, Kate & their daughter into the waste basket. He rummaged in the waste basket, yet standing open in his office & rescued a large bundle of the letters, dated about 1900, and gave them to me. In this way I received a complete record of dates, facts, etc. relating to Carmack & his troubles.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 6-7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6th continued</p> <p>Grace, Daniel & I went out to Kent and called on Mr. & Mrs. Faucher. Grace's sister Ida, & spent an hour with them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>A "Star newspaper reporter & photographer called – get a picture.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>Take away the government's "pump priming" money before it ruins Alaska – a country that has always paid its own way and supported its own citizens and always will!</p> <p>That was the plea today of Judge James Wickersham, noted Alaskan jurist and author, who was in Seattle for his brief annual "pilgrimage" to the states-a journey he has made each year for the past 40.</p> <p>The 81-year-old jurist, a walking advertisement for the healthy climate of a country he has played a vital part in building, has very definite views on</p>

	<p>government loans, and he doesn't mince words.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wants Sound Growth</p> <p>"Put a beggar on horseback and he's going to run a race," he quoted. "With the government scattering this largness in our midst – money we don't need – we're going to grow too fast and not soundly.</p> <p>"Our country must necessarily have a slow growth and we always grow soundly. Now, the government is scattering around up there for things we don't need – for the promotion of private schemes. If we're honest, we're going to have to pay that money back some day.</p> <p>"Another thing, we resent being put on the poor list. We have given the United States two and one-half billion dollars in trade in excess of what the government paid to buy Alaska. We have the undeveloped resources as they are needed to support Alaskans. And we should leave a healthy situation like that alone."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham conceded that some of the government money has been well spent – for roads and things like that.</p> <p>He favors opening up the Alaskan airways in preference to spending millions for what he termed a "spectacular international highway that could only be kept open six months each year."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">First District Judge</p> <p>"We need that road from the northwest – but we don't need it badly yet and its usefulness wouldn't cover the tremendous cost. Airplanes are the answer for a country geographically situated as ours – and the money we save by holding off on that international highway might well be invested in developing smaller roads into the interior."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, first district judge ever appointed to the territory by the government, has spent 40 years developing the country's judiciary machinery – and has written several books in this field. The latest, "Old Yukon," a bibliography of Alaska and Alaskan jurisprudence, is just off the press.</p> <p>He spent eight years on the bench, 12 in congress, and the balance "just trying to make</p>
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	<p>Alaska build itself into the country it can be.” “If folks will just let us alone, we’ll be all right,” he finished, with a decisive snap of his firm jaw.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This page (over)</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>[clipping continued] ‘Leave Alaska Alone {Seattle Star July 8, 1938} [photo of Wickersham lighting a cigar] Judge James Wickersham, noted Alaskan jurist and author visiting in Seattle, says too much government ‘pump priming’ money will spoil Alaska’s independence and stability. ‘Pump Prime’ Alaska? No, Says Wickersham; She’ll Prosper Alone</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th (including above)</p> <p>Judge Balliets partners, Mr. Steffens arranged for me to meet Mrs. Marguarite Carmack – Geo. W Carmacks second wife – today. We had a long and interesting conversation in which she told me much of her experiences with Geo. and gave me some more printed data, including a copy of her pamphlet - & pictures of Kate & her daughter by George.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Grace & Ruth arranging sales of “Old Yukon” on Alaska boats, good. Consulted Dr. Bentleys partners – oculist who advises patience & constant use of glasses – says I will become</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 8-9	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>used to them in good time. Graces Juneau friend Mifs Miller, government nurse called with Ruth to get an autographed copy of “Old Yukon.” Grace is looking up reservations on the American boats going to Alaska, finds it almost impossible to get one & we may be obliged to go Canadian. All copies of “Old Yukon” sold out.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9-</p> <p>Mave Olds and her aunt from Tacoma come over to Seattle this morning & Ruth & I went with them to visit my old town of Tacoma. We visited Fort</p>

	<p>Davis & all points on the plains where I used to live & gather in votes in the fall.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>She has now a copy of both my books – the Bibliography & Old Yukon. she used to keep a little school for the children who lived on “C” street near her including my son Howard, Dolph McClain, etc. etc. and both Debbie & I greatly admired her - & I do yet. Allen has given me an invitation on the part of the Seattle Com. Chamber of Commerce to have dinner with them on next Thursday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Resting my eyes and getting them accustomed to the change in glasses. Grace, Daniel & I went to theatre to see Snow White – a pen drawn childrens picture – very fine</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 11-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>After more Carmack material today. Grace & Ruth getting copies on the Alaska boats!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>Accepted my friend Allens invitation to attend Chamber of Commerce dinner – luncheon – on Thursday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>was nursemaid today for Daniel while Grace & Ruth went to the Washington University to examine my collection of Alaska newspapers. It was a big job and they could not finish it. I am anxious to get a complete list for my list of papers since printing Bibliography</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 14-15	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>sent autographed copies of my “Old Yukon” to Mrs. Sarah McPatton, Hoquiam, and Mrs. Dorothy Hanson and Mrs. Helen McGovern, Enumclaw. Harolds sister & wife, Enumclaw. Also copy to Mrs. Minnie Lake, my cousin, Buckley. Mrs. Lizzie Wickersham, my brother Edgars widow & her sister Pearl called & had dinner with us. Gave Lizzie autographed copy of “Old Yukon.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>O.W. Peterson, manager of proposed dedication of Alaska way on Seattle Waterfront called. He is son of my old friend Olaf Peterson who lived on Muck</p>

	Creek near Roy Pierce Co. Wash ^d
Diary 46, 1938 July 15-17	<p style="text-align: center;">15th continued</p> <p>Mrs. Maloney called – lunch. George E. Dilley, 39 South La Salle Chicago, sent copy of Old Yukon for autographing – Fairbanks family – signed & returned book to him. -16th –</p> <p>We left Seattle on Princess Kathleen at 9 a.m. via Victoria, P.M. General Farley left same hour on SS. Aleutian for Alaska. We changed at Vancouver B.C. on the Princess Charlotte – Saturday evening. -17th –</p> <p>Daniel was registered by mistake as Daniel Wickersham. Over 225 tourists on board our vessel.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 18-20	<p style="text-align: center;">18th = <u>at Alert Bay</u> July 19th</p> <p>Reached Prince Rupert, landed for much trouble in landing at Alert Bay & Prince Rupert. Left Prince Rupert early landed at Ketchikan 7 p.m. Called on Hunt & others. Passed Wrangell & Petersburg in the night.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>20th</u></p> <p>Boat visited Taku glacier this evening for the tourists, and Juneau reached about 430 p.m. & Home. Jack Hawkes met us at the dock with Dyrdaahl's automobile. Mrs. Hawkes had a good supper ready for us. We are all tired and glad to get home again.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DAILY PRESS, JUN. Rebie Harrington To Sail Up Porcupine Write Alaska Tome {July 20, 1938}</p> <p>Rebie Harrington doesn't think much of your airplanes, your dog-sleds or your open riverboats. She doesn't move very far off the beaten line of travel, not even when she comes to Alaska. But</p>

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Diary 46, 1938 July 21-24	<p style="text-align: center;">July 21st – 1938</p> <p>Much mail – at office early. Attending to belated matters. U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reported decided case of Femmer against me, but no copy of the decision reached me yet. Daniel Vrooman renewing his hearty – loud – playing with Jackie Hawkes. Minor Mills et. al. -22nd – Same as usual in the office. -23rd – Grace's Birthday. Daniel sleeps with Jackie Hawkes. Grace received birthday present by mail from Ruth. I gave her a remembrance also. District Court in session. -24-</p>

	Sunday, at home – writing up my diary.
Diary 46, 1938	<p>[inside back cover] [Another copy of advertisement pamphlet for Wickersham's book "Old Yukon"]</p> <p>[also poem:] <u>THE SQUAW DANCE AT PADDY MCCOSH'S.</u> From the Alaska News, Nov. 8, 1894.</p> <p>It is ages since Juneau, as I know and you know, Has had a squaw dance, like the one I relate; 'Twas at Paddy McCosh's, when the female siwashes Arrayed in gay calico, gathered in state.</p> <p>I was down from the basin, and just took a look in; I dropped in quite early so's not to be late. Sammy Bohem was callin' the figures, 'till bawlin' Had made him as hoarse as a raven could be. And Big Diller, the Daisy, who fiddled so aisy, Was whoopin' 'em up to the top nochest key; And besides 'em was Peter the Greek, a world beater, For settin' up whiskey, as if it was free.</p> <p>There was Chicken Ridge Fanny, Black Em and Black Annie, And Salmon Creek Kit, and more ladies I knew; All a 'twistin' and 'twirlin', chasse-sayin' and Whirlin' 'Twas like they'd been swiggin' Old Yank's hoochinoo- Amongst the whole outfit was never a shoe.</p> <p>We were runnin' ahead well 'till twelve by the Treadwell, When Danny the Watchman, came in feelin' fine; Sez he, "Boys, I am sorry to break up your sworry, But squaws cannot stay in the town after nine; So it's quick you'll be clearin' the house, for I'm fearin' Your klooches are getting too full of your wine."</p> <p>And wid that Crazy Sally, like girls in a bally, Raised up her bare foot and just kicked off his hat. Then Slim Sarah and Lilly soon had him knocked silly, And traveled all over him just like a mat. We were all so near dyin' wid laughin' an cryin' Before we could stop them they'd trod him out flat.</p> <p>When at last out of pity, we induced 'em to quit, he rose up and remarked, as he attered for the door;- "All my power is ended; the law you've offended,</p>

	<p>It never was trampled so hard on before. So you men and you ladies may all go to Hades, - I'll never set foot in this house any more."</p> <p>It's all botheration, this civilization, That's killin' the camp while it's makin' the town; Though the styles may be finer, whenever a miner, Comes down for a smile, he is met with a frown. They may rob me of pleasures, still memory treasures The Ball at McCosh's when Danny went down. ..J.S.B. (Judge J.S. Bugby)</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 20-25	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>[clipping again] DAILY PRESS, JUN. Rebie Harrington To Sail Up Porcupine Write Alaska Tome {July 20, 1938}</p> <p>Rebie Harrington doesn't think much of your airplanes, your dog-sleds or your open riverboats. She doesn't move very far off the beaten line of travel, not even when she comes to Alaska. But she gets around, aye, that she does.</p> <p>Visiting old friends here for a few weeks, Mrs. Harrington, who during most of the year is a self respecting housewife in the Berkshire Hills of Massachusetts, has very definite ideas about her next Alaska book.</p> <p>There will be no pictures of sourdoughs looking like ants crawling up the Chilkoot and Dyea trails. "Every book I ever saw on Alaska has some picture like that," Mrs. Harrington said. "It's getting to be a chestnut."</p> <p>Chestnut, according to Webster, means a stale joke east of the Hudson-which is something we didn't know before.)</p> <p>On her current trip to Alaska, her fourth, Mrs. Harrington will explore the Chilkoot River a bit, then head down the Yukon in a steamboat for a voyage up the Porcupine. She will probably choose this little-traveled river as the theme of her next book. A deeply-interested friend of Alaska, Mrs. Harrington recently published "Cinderella Takes a Holiday in the Northland", in which she narrates her experiences on the Yukon in naïve and interesting</p>

	<p>fashion. And when she returns to Adams-the town wher Samuel Adams made his incendiary speeches and talked a few peaceful farmers into starting a revolution over a tax – we trust she will give us an other pleasant glimpse into her northland.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Judge Wickersham Returns to Juneau {July 20, 1938}</p> <p>If a man is no older than he feels, Judge James Wickersham, author of “Old Yukon”, is right in his prime. The former delegate to Congress returned to Juneau yesterday afternoon from Seattle where he underwent successful optical treatment.</p> <p>Accompanied by Mrs. Wickersham, Judge Wickersham spent most of the time in Seattle and renewed acquaintances with many old friends. Ten days ago Judge Wickersham was honored at a dinner given by the Alaska committee of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce. He was the main speaker of the evening.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">July 20, 1938 <u>I see very poorly!</u> <u>Monday July 25, 38</u></p> <p>The S.S. Aleutian was in this morning early. Lulu Fairbanks party of tourists on board going south. They called us with loud ringing of the telephone & got us out of bed.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">July 25, continued</p> <p>Lulu brought about 20 up to the house – in 2 busses – we received them & they occupied the library for about 20 minutes – Froeessell(?) Judge of N.Y. Supreme Court & others had copies of the “Old Yukon” to autograph. I did autographing while the Aleutian’s last whistle blew loudly for their immediate return to that vessel. I enjoyed their visit and the complimentary remarks they made about my book & library - & they rushed away to their boat. P.M. Genl. Farley returned on the Aleutian but went on into Fairbanks with Dimond – on politics tent!</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26-</p> <p>The General Insurance Company being organized by John M. Chappell and associates of Juneau, has held me out as its proposed President for a year and more as its first President, but I have positively refused to permit my name to appear in its corporate papers now being prepared for filing. (1) because I do not have the necessary capital to invest, and (2) do not wish to assume the burden of carrying on the work for which I am so little qualified. The organization have been so informed, and have consented to supply another more competent official and release me.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 26-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>They will replace me with – probably – Mike Hennegan from Ketchikan, to my relief, and have also engaged R.E. Robertson, as their attorney instead of Henry Roden. The papers will be so amended and filed this week, as I am informed and approve.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Gathering data for the Study of Catherine First, second wife of Peter the Great. Have sorted my books relating to both of these Russians who organized the Bering Expedition in search for the American coasts, with the expectation of writing a volume about Catherine I, & her interest in the Bering – Cherikov voyages.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Working out my list of Russian books – English volumes – on Catherine I, and preparing the list of characters who were important in Catherines Life as Godmother for Alaska. Ruth – Graces neice is engaged in Seattle in spreading “Old Yukon,” for sale has promised purchases to furnish autographic copies to all purchasers. Grace sent her a telegram last night to sign my autograph to the books – for it would cost too much to send a thousand – or any number to me for my signature – so she must do the signing of my name for the Alaska function taking place there.</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th-</p> <p>In the office as usual. Recd. letter from Sandy Smith from Atlin, B.C. with Four (\$4⁰⁰) dollars for a copy of "Old Yukon," Stopped in Hayes Store to autograph remaining (3) copies of Old Yukon at Hayes request. Mrs. Wickersham is expecting more copies on first boat. Spent some hours discussing the parentage etc. of Catherine 1st. Invited to attend Bar Association at "The Inn," on the road to Mendenhall glacier tomorrow – dinner by Felix Gray, Commissioner & Robert Coughlin[?] court clerk to ride out with Banfield to attend the feast with him. <u>Accepted</u></p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th-</p> <p>While in Seattle the attorneys for the appellant Marguerite Carmack, Messrs C.H. Steffen and Andrew J. Balliet, and the attorney for Hermon S. Frye, Admr. of the Estate of George W. Carmack deceased, and Frank E. Hammond, Esq. and J.J. Sullivan, attorney for Rose Curtis, sister and Grahpie Grace Lafteg, married daughter of George McCarmack, dcd. in the matter of said Estate, informed me of the suit over said Estate, carried to the Supreme Court of the State of Washington. I wrote to the Clerk of said Court and asked for copies of Brief & Record of facts, etc. and received the first papers this day!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>July 30th</u>, continued</p> <p>The attorneys & Mrs. Marguerite Carmack gave me a series of letters written by George W. Carmack, about his affairs to parties before his death, and many letters by other people about George & his Estate, & the Copies of pictures, etc. etc. The Clerk of the Supreme Court under date of July 1938, wrote me a long and important letter about the suit and sent me the briefs & copies of the Facts prepared by the attorneys for both sides – and I now have an important and accurate account & record of Carmack's life, death & particularly of his mining experiences in the Klondike as the Discoverer of that great Gold Field.</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 July 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th continued.</p> <p>Bar Association at the Inn – on the circle road around Auk Lake – near the rifle range & C.C.C. boys camp a beautiful day – glorious mountain views. Rode with Frank Boyle in his fine automobile. Visited the home of Mr. & Mrs. Drake – a beautiful spot – with wonderful water views in front of old Auke camp sites.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">IMMORTALIZED SAM M'GEE IS ENROUTE YUKON Famous Character of Robert Service's Poem Heads "Home"</p> <p>The famous Sam M'Gee of Robert Service's "cremation" was in Juneau last night on the Prince Rupert on his way back to the Yukon, surrounded by admiring feminine friends, a rotund, white haired and jolly individual who in real life "never minded the cold a bit," is "very much alive" and "never even saw Tennessee."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">'The Northern Lights have seen queer sights, But the queerest they ever did see Was the night on the marge of Lake Lebarge I cremated Sam McGee."</p> <p>Though the character was real, Robert W. Service drew largely upon his imagination for the story of the picturesque Yukon miner from Tennessee, who is now on his way back to his old haunts in the Yukon Territory after an absence of 29 years, having been back for a few weeks twenty years ago.</p> <p>It is no wonder that Robert Service chose this man to immortalize in his national known poem and if he were to see him today he would find him the material for more than one poem, using his own words, he is "seventy years young," and is going back to the Yukon not the hard way which he knew in his younger days but in the new</p>
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Diary 46, 1938 July 30-31	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>revolutionizing way of boat and plane. "Yes, I knew Service," Sam stated, "that poem was published in 1907 but it was written sometime before that. At that time, he was a teller for the Canadian Bank of Commerce at Whitehorse and before that, he was at Dawson."</p> <p>In Whitehorse in front of his cabin which he built with his own hands in 1900, is a sign, "Have a cup of tea with the ghost of Sam McGee." Few who read Service's poem believe that Sam McGee is still living, but Sam is proving to be a very material ghost and should anyone believe him not to be the original, he carries with him the valedictory address presented when he left the Yukon in 1907. He is still looking forward to a great reunion with his old friends in the Yukon who still survive.</p> <p>Dick Corless, the "flying prospector," the pioneer of the gold prospecting by air in the Yukon is accompanying Mr. McGee. Mr. Corless and his son Tom, who is the pilot, have been operating airplanes from Fort George since 1928, prospecting solely by air. Corless and McGee will be partners in a gold mining venture at the headwaters of the Liard River, near Pelly River. In the old days it was impossible to mine that area as it took three months to walk in and that left no time to work if the prospector were to get back before the freeze up. "Now we can make it in one hour and twenty minutes," Corless said.</p> <p>[clipping] Judge Wickersham Boosts Sale of Latest Novel</p> <p>Autograph hunters were in luck last evening with both Sam McGee, famed character in the Robert W. Service book, and Judge James Wickersham, author of "Old Yukon," in town. Both, very obligingly put their "John Henry's" on books.</p> <p>It all started when "Sam" walked into one of the local Curio shops, purchased one of Judge Wickersham's books, and expressed a wish to obtain the author's signature, which wish Judge</p>
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	<p>Wickersham very obligingly fulfilled. When tourists discovered that the very aristocratic looking gentleman conversing with Sam McGee was the author of one of Alaska's most outstanding and recently published books, the sale of "Old Yukon" reached its peak in a very few minutes, and Judge Wickersham's pen was dry in no time at all. McGee also autographed, for many tourists, many of the books of Service's poems.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-July 31st -</p> <p>Sunday – writing letters to correspondents – acknowledged receipt of records, briefs etc. from clerk Supreme Court of Washington in matter of Estate of Geo. W. Carmack &</p>
Diary 46, 1938 July 31- August 3	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>sent for[to] the court – copies of my Bibliography of Alaska Literature & copy of "Old Yukon Tales, Trails & Trials," – complimentary.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">August 1st 1938.</p> <p>In the office as usual. No mail & nothing new. Daniel Vrooman rules Grace – who loves him like a real mother! He is bright & active child whose mind runs like a dynamo – always thinking & doing something far ahead of his years.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-August 2.-</p> <p>Same as usual – but find it almost impossible to see well enough to read.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-3rd-</p> <p>I have just learned that Andrew</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 3	<p style="text-align: center;">3rd continued</p> <p>Nerland some days ago wrote to Faulkner requesting the letter to collect from the Republicans the sum of \$100. or more and send to him (Nerland) to aid in printing an argument or advertisement to be published in the newspapers against the Unicameral Scheme of abolishing the Alaska Senate! Of course I favor the fight against the Unicameral Plan – and would pay my share of the publication of objections to its enactment. But if the opposition is organized in Faulkner's office, & he collects the sinews of war against it – <u>The Labor Party</u>,</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-3rd continued</p> <p>which favors the unicameral Plan, - & the New Deal crowd headed by A.J. Dimond, Delegate, will declare the money & influence both originate with the Cannery group, and the result will be great prejudice against our fight to prevent the adoption of the Unicameral scheme. The Faulkner is in Europe & Banfield has called a meeting of Republicans & others to meet in his office today to take action in collecting the money. I am not favorable to the Unicameral scheme. I am much opposed to it, but considering it very bad politics to do so I will not attend the meeting – but I will pay my share to oppose the Unicameral scheme.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th-</p> <p>In the office – nothing much doing. Jack Hawkes recently refused to accept employment from the Forest Service because it was not agreeable work – it was <u>work</u> on the overseeing laborers building a new trail on Nugget Creek on the north side of Mendenhall Glacier – the pay was \$140.⁰⁰ per month – and he wanted an office job – which they promised to give him later – he refused the job & prefers to loaf!! Both Grace & I urged him to accept the job – for he owes me for a years rent – over \$600. and I need the money – hence relations are just now strained between us!!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>I received a very flattering editorial review of “Old Yukon” from my friend Charles R. Settlemier, editor of the Fairbanks News Miner. He was formerly editor on the Dawson papers. I will write my appreciations! I am pleased to get many others!</p> <p>[clipping] {From Chas. R. Settlemier – Ed. Am mailing some papers also C.R.S.}</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FAIRBANKS DAILY NEWS MINER WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3, 1938 Discovery Day and “Old Yukon”</p> <p>The near approach of August 17 – Discovery Day of the great Klondike – revives in the minds of vanishing Pioneers of Yukon and Alaska the colorful trail-blazing days of those who in the</p>

	<p>intervening 42 years have established a lasting “Empire” in this golden Northland.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>To review the great drama as enacted by its earliest men and women and put it in form of a volume that is both an invaluable historic record and a fascinating chronicle of adventure is no small task. Only one who has been a participant and has observed the subsequent developments could undertake the task with any measure of accuracy and satisfaction.</p> <p>This has been done with remarkable success by Judge Wickersham, outstanding Alaskan in his recently issued volume of 500 pages entitled “Old Yukon.”</p> <p>Written at this period, 40 years after he came into the country and helped establish the first courts, participating in the founding of many of its outstanding towns and communities, has lent to the writer advantage of perspective that would not have been possible by a writer of an earlier day.</p> <p>The judge’s long experience in the territory as a pioneer jurist, 14 years a delegate to congress, and author of many legal and other works gained for him a knowledge possessed by possibly no other living Alaskan.</p> <p>A vast collection of many books, records and innumerable photographs touching the days of which he has written were an invaluable aid in his book.</p> <p>In “Old Yukon” Judge Wickersham has presented 30 fascinating chapters, with scores of pioneer Alaskan and Yukon pictures, a veritable treasure that he has made available to all.</p> <p>The symposium includes the stories of the founding of the cities of Skagway, Whitehorse, Dawson, Fairbanks, Nome – the discoveries and development of the great gold camps of the realm – vigilante days in these frontier towns and communities, sagas of the days of fur barons who ante-dated the gold seekers – an amazing panorama of fact and reminiscences, embellished</p>

	<p>with many a tale of pleasantry, revelation of ancient plots and strategems - and on the whole a permanent contribution of priceless value respecting the opening of the great commonwealths of Yukon and Alaska.</p> <p>Yukon and Alaska are fortunate to have had one of the tireless energy, the ability and the urge to do to have risen to the occasion and given to the present generation and to posterity such a splendid work of lasting value.</p> <p>Those who now come as visitors to Alaska and those who in future years will constitute the endless procession of tourists and the future population that will make the Northland a land of homes and permanent occupation are sure to prize and often refer to this volume –“Old Yukon”- as one of authority and rare charm – an historic institution and achievement.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 7-8	<p>-7th - {Maltby} [written in Red Pencil] Sunday: The “McKinley” came in today – Secretary Ickes & his red headed bride were aboard. Mr. Willard Maltby, Daniels teacher last winter came and will stay with us & visit Daniel for a short time.</p> <p>-8th - {Maltby} [written in Red Pencil] Same as usual in the office. We are getting acquainted with Mr. Maltby & Daniel seems happy to see him. Sunday evening neighbor Heisel took dinner with us & met Maltby. This afternoon & evening the “hiked” up Gold Creek & had a fine view of the mountains around its basin</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 9-10	<p>-9- I am recopying the first pages of my story about Catherines mother, and hope to get the story outlined soon. I am disappointed not to have received the Russian book from the Los Angeles book store. I think Grace asked them to ship it in time to reach me on my birthday – Aug. 24, and that it will not reach me before that date! <u>August 10, 1938.</u> Am greatly delighted today to receive by express the Russian book on the Genealogy of the Russian Czars and their families which Grace purchased for me from</p>

Diary 46, 1938 August 11	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th-</p> <p>Arranging chap. on Von Roseus plans to secure possession of Martha.</p> <p>[clipping {S.F. Chronicle, Aug. 1938.} A Bookman’s Notebook By JOSEPH HENRY JACKSON OLD YUKON. By Hon. James Wickersham. Washington Law Book Co.; \$4.00. JUDGE JAMES WICKERSHAM served, under appointment of President McKinley, as U.S. District Judge in Alaska from 1900 to 1908, with a district embracing something like 300,000 square miles. He has served in six Congresses, has edited the Alaska Territory Law Reports, compiled a bibliography of Alaskan Literature, which is practically a list of the 10,000 or so items comprising his own library, and been a frequent contributor to magazines, always on the subject of the Alaska he knows so well.</p> <p>Plainly, the recollections of such a man are certain to give the reader an inside view of Alaska, a personal and intimate picture of that country, from pioneer days on, which few men could draw. This volume does just that, in the rambling and informal style of a man remembering a great past. Lovers of Alaska and those interested in Alaska’s past will find in it much to interest them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * * *</p> <p>The AUTHOR, of course is not an anthropologist or ethnologist, but a man of the law. Yet he has an observing eye and a good memory for detail. Because this is so he gives his readers many vivid accounts of the life of the Indian, his religious ceremonies, his funerals, weddings, dances and legends. In 1903 he and four companions climbed Mt. McKinley, called by the Indians Denali, or “The High Thing,” and on that trip discovered and located the first gold mining claims in the Kantishna mining district.</p> <p>Here, too, are tales of great dog team men, of great dogs, of Carmack’s discovery of gold on the</p>
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	<p>Klondike. Her is the saga of Jefferson Randolph Smith, better known as "Soapy," one of the early day racketeers who had learned his tricks in the wild days of Denver and went on up to Skagway to practice them. And here – perhaps the best Americana in the whole book – are all kinds of yarns and tall tales told by the old – timers who liked to stretch 'em out and know no limits but those of their own imaginations.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>As a sample, there is, for instance, Dick Willoughby's story of the speed with which the big bears of the region around Glacier Bay could move. Dick, so he said, looked out of his cabin door one morning to see a huge bear coming straight toward him. He reached up and got his buffalo gun, the same one he had carried on the plains, and waited for the bear to come a little closer. At about fifty yards the bear suddenly saw him and stopped mouth open. Dick fired at that instant, his bullet striking the bear along the top of his tongue and ranging down along his backbone. Then, as Dick put it, "That b'ar was so almighty quick turning round that when the bullet came out it split the doorjamb within three inches of my face! I've always been grateful that he was an old b'ar so lively as he had been, else that bullet would've caught me square in the eye." * * * *</p> <p>Like its honored author, this volume of reminiscences, made up from his diaries and notes over more than a quarter century, will remain a permanent part of that incredible Alaska he saw and knew. In spite of the fact that the book suffers a bit from lack of proper editing and is not too well printed, it will be a source volume for many years for all who want to study the epic story of Alaska, its minerals and its men.</p> <p>Jack Hawkes & wife, Louis Dyr Dahl are much excited because they have learned that Stewart, Ter. Mine inspector etc. and Roahm, his assistant sent a boat to the Keku Mining claims last week</p>

	<p><u>secretly</u> to inspect them & give someone – <u>unknown</u> – a report of their values. They are much perturbed – and intend to have Satbler [Stabler], their attorney go with them to find out <u>who</u> and <u>why</u></p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Some time about a year ago the West Pub. Co. St. Paul, announced its intention to issue an Alaska Digest of all the Alaska cases deeded and published in the Alaska Reports, 8 vols. the Federal Cases, 2nd issue, and the Supreme Court of the U.S! it has been published & copies (5 vols) sent to the District Court Library, Juneau, but Clark Lewis informed me today that Judge Alexander said "it was not worth a woof," and sent it back to the publishers! On inquiry I find, however that it has been purchased by Stabler, etc. who praises it highly as a good book</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 12-13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>invaluable in An Alaska law library The court library will not contain it – but the Alaska lawyers must do so!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th-</p> <p>Jack Hawkes is complaining bitterly that the Alaska Mining Bureau sent its assistant, Rhoam, to inspect his Keku claims, secretly – by air-plane last week for some undisclosed mining party or corporation – at the expense of the Territory – or some one - & refused to give him or his associates any information about the matter. His complaint was made to Lee Griffin – who promised to look into the matter & report to the Atty Genl. U.S.A.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 August 13-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13th continued.</p> <p>It may result in Stewarts getting an official reprimand – or not!! Attended the Juneau Bar Association at Percy's restaurant – a good dinner & nothing else of value. -14th -</p> <p>Sunday: Mr. Gerald Fitzgerald, prominent scientist in the Geological Survey, U.S. spent two hours in our library today discussing books – he seemed pleased with my "Old Yukon," a copy of which he brought along for my autograph. We showed him our recent acquisition – the history of the Russian Czars – particularly the beautiful colored</p>

	photographs.
Diary 46, 1938 August 14	14, continued He was also much interested in my recent collection of original letters and other data belonging to George W. Carmack & his Indian wife "Kate" Carmack, a sister of "Skookum Jim" Mason, & "Kates" daughters. Graphic – Gracie Carmack, who was married off to the brother of Georges other wife, Marguerite, who married (?) George soon after he had located the rich Klondike gold mines in Sept. 1896-8 etc. Marguerite was a natural adventuress having traded with a gentleman friend in various parts of the Americas & Australia – as the records show I
Diary 46, 1938 August 15-16	-15 th – As usual in the office. Femmer came in – <u>friendly</u> , not to badly disappointed – asked me to cure a defect in his will be rewriting it. Working on Ms. about Catherine 1 st preliminary chapters, etc. Cards from Dr. Chase, Rep. candidate for Ter. Treas. Answered <u>friendly</u> . -16 th – I have this day examined vol 1, of the West Publishing Cos. Digest of Alaska law decisions, and find that it contains a full copy of the "A Brief Resource of the Judicial System and Courts of Alaska Territory" which the Company asked me to prepare by their
Diary 46, 1938 August 16-17	16 letter dated June 10, 1938. It is printed just as I wrote it and is signed by my name at the conclusion, an the front pages of Vol. 1 It may be that is the reason Judge Alexander refused to buy it for the Court Library!! <u>He would</u> . Copies of the Digest are in the libraries of Stabler, Faulkner & other attorneys but not in the court library. -17 th – 52 years ago today George W. Carmack, Skookum Jim and Tagish Charley, discovered gold in quantity on the Bonanza Creek, one of the south forks of the Klondike river and started the greatest Stampede in the North.

Diary 46, 1938 August 17-18	17 Grace, Miss Holbrook & I attended a musical function – publicly given by Mifs Matilda Holtz, a young Juneau girl, half breed Indian, who was one of the scholars in her classes when Grace taught school (public) in Juneau some few years ago, and enjoyed her songs. She has spent a year last past as the protégé of a famous Italian singer, at Milan Italy, and musical critics declare she has improved in voice culture & singing greatly and may become a famous singer herself. -18 th – Same as usual in the office. Writing preliminary Chapter about Catherine.
Diary 46, 1938 August 18-19	18 The "Aleutian," with a group of tourists came in this morning and my former acquaintance in Congress St. Louis, Mr. <u>W^m L. Igoe</u> – 63 rd 66 th Cong. tourist called, with his wife & spent a few minutes – renewing acquaintance between us men. Sec. of Int. Harold L. Ickes, is in S.E. Alaska and will be in Juneau soon. I do not remember ever to have met him. -19 th – Nothing new, I am writing a letter to Lulu Fairbanks to be read at the sourdough Reunion at Portland Sept. 1-3, to excuse my absence. Sold a copy of my Bibliography to the U.S. "Spencer" - \$4 ⁰⁰
Diary 46, 1938 August 20	-20 th – Many purchasers of "Old Yukon" come in to have me autograph their books – which I do gladly. Mr. Maltby and Daniel Vrooman will leave for the south and home on Monday morning early. Luckily Grace gave Daniel and his boy friends a farewell party yesterday – at 5 o'clock. p.m. Daniel is expostulating about having to leave Aunt Grace's to go to California which of course pleases her. She grieves at his going as much as he does at the necessity which compels him to go with Mr. Maltby, whom he loves too.
Diary 46, 1938 August 21-2	-21 st – Daniel and his tutor Mr. Maltby left on the midnight (4 o'clock this morning) for California where he will go to School near his mother in Los Angeles.

	<p>When he, Grace & Dolores left for the same place two years ago I had a hard chill that night & the same thing occurred yesterday & last night. My friends said it was a nervous chill resulting from sympathy – that he had to go. They were mistaken, my arggnosis [prognosis] was – Smoking too much! too many Cigars! -22nd-</p> <p>Nothing. Finished my silly letters to Lulu Fairbanks to the Int. Roughneck Reunion.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 22	<p>-22-</p> <p>Received a letter and a package of old newspapers, which I bought from Rev. James Condit, in charge of the Sheldon Jackson Museum at Sitka. He sent me 110 copies of the old Alaskan – 1885 & some later issues of the Review from Juneau of about 1894 – charged me 10 cents an issue – they are duplicates of the original files the museum has left but I needed them to complete my slim files. I sent him the price he agreed on & offered to buy all his duplicates at the same price. He has some good duplicates which I need.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 23-24	<p>-23rd-</p> <p>My old friend Mike Sullivan coma in to see me yesterday. He had just come in from Yakataga beach where he has long – since 1919, been, working on his oil claims. Says the Companies have had their experts there for several weeks and that they approve the value!! <u>August 24th – 1938.</u> My 81st Birthday.</p> <p>A beautiful summer day: Letters, papers, etc. from Ruth, who has been having the time of her young life with “Old Yukon.” She sent us a copy of the Tacoma paper with a</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 24	<p>24</p> <p>her sitting in a chair with her shapely legs most prominent in the foreground. The looked nice, of course, but she seemed to think not – also some copies of a fine advertising card she had made to be posted in places where “Old Yukon” could be purchased for \$4⁰⁰ etc etc. Grace & I spent the evening in writing letters to Ruth, Lulu, Chas. Settlemier, O'Neill, etc etc. about</p>

	<p>the meeting of the Int. Reunion of Yukon Sourdoughs at Portland, Oregon on Sept. 1-3. I wrote a letter to Loomis, President – also regretting etc. and introducing Ruth – as an Alaskan Pioneer & piano virtuoso a la Ed Mathews of the old Flora Dora Days</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 25	<p>-25th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Sent a copy of Old Yukon “To the University of Alaska, with my compliments,” at the special request of Mifs Meals, the Secretary of that institution – written, of course, at the command of Prof. Bunnell – who did not sign the letter Studying Catherine 1. and find it interesting. I am outlining the preliminary chapters – for they are fictional – but I think clearly based on facts: Historical data will follow – in large part through, as in an history must must be assumed. I think it is interesting proof of the earliest history relating to the discovery of Russ. Am.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 26-27	<p>-26-</p> <p>A Mr. & Mrs. Henning – he is related to Allens law firm – and had some part in settling the Est. of Graces brother Henry – Daniels father is in town. I asked them to dinner etc. at home tonight. Warrack advised compromise with Eli Howard claim for \$2000.⁰⁰</p> <p>-27th -</p> <p>Much mail about “Old Yukon” coming in – a fine letter from my publisher J.T. O'Neill, Mgr. West Pub. Co. with a check for \$427- royalty for June! Also letter from Winden, my agent at Tacoma with an offer for my old home on C. St.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 August 27-28	<p>27</p> <p>low but satisfactory for the Tax is amount – delinquent for about \$4400! – I think I will sell – a balance to me of about \$2000 – though the place cost me \$10,000 - 40 years ago! O'Neill also sent a group of friendly reviews & We – Grace & I, - have caught up with correspondence. Henning (lawyer from Seattle) & wife had dinner with us last night Bar association dinner – quiet.</p> <p>-28th -</p>

	Sunday – answering letters, & writing preliminary chapters on Catherine I – in which I am much interested – working out Serfdom.
Diary 46, 1938 August 29	29 th I am growing very impatient about Graces control of my income! She demands money to pay the Expenses of her management of Daniels Estate. I paid her \$300. out of the note we jointly made to the Behrends Bank for \$500. & she paid it to Jack Hawkes on his mining scheme at Keku, against my judgment & written protest! The other \$200, she took to pay her expenses to Los Angeles & return with Daniel, her nephew. Darrell sent me \$150, which I used to pay my expenses to Seattle & back. I paid her way out of it to Seattle & she paid my way back
Diary 46, 1938 August 29	29 out of her funds, & the collections from the sale of “Old Yukon,” etc. Today she demanded & took a check from me of \$56 ⁰⁰ because she said I was indebted to her in that amount for payment of oil bill for our home and an equal amount for interest on mortgage on my house back of the Presbyterian church, which she collected. She then twitted me with having paid my expenses back from Seattle – which Darrell sent me the money to pay and 250, I collected from Winden. Hereafter I will pay the bills against the House expense & keep my own accounts - & let her deep her accounts with the Bishop Apartments. Darrell is disgusted with me! for giving up so easy
Diary 46, 1938 August 30-31	-30 th – Working in the office as usual Nothing new. I am still angry, but there is little I can do about it. Autographed “Old Yukon” copy for Mrs. Marie Drake and bought a copy of her new book” Recd. a box of cigars from Joe. Wartl[?] with a birthday card. He is in Skagway. Writing a last of my preliminary chapters on “Martha,” Catherine 1.” -31 st Finished my preliminary sketch of Betrothal of Martha – birth of her child – death of C. for just reading

Diary 46, 1938 September 1	1 Recd telegram from AW Wadley[?], Tacoma, saying, “Secured reduction of interest on taxes you will receive eighteen hundred dollars less forty dollars abstracting one hundred fifty commission terms three hundred cash, twenty dollars monthly interest six per cent purchased (?) to pay taxes seems very cheap but buildings in bad condition what shall we do.” I answered saying “ <u>When will Washington tax laws bar and end my title to Broadway lots and house stop answer night letter collect.</u> ” I seems “cheap” to me also, and I want more information!
Diary 46, 1938 September 2-3	-2 nd - Same as usual in the office. Studying serfdom in Esthonia and Livonia – Russia – Reading “Livonia” London, 1701 – printed for Peter Buck bookseller – 1701. Check for \$10 ⁰⁰ payable to BM Behrends Bank. on Note. -3 rd - Bar Assoc. luncheon. Nothing new. Same as yesterday. Grover C. Winn <u>asks me to write short rejoinder to Tony Dimonds Answer to my appeal against Unicameral Legislative Referendum!!</u> I think the more one beats the dead carcass of an animal
Diary 46, 1938 September 3	3 the more offensive it smells. Hon. Earnest Gruening was at my house calling for an hour & he says after a months touring the Territory that in his judgment the “Unicameral Referendum will be defeated – that even the prominent Democrats are not favorable to it! So I think I will not write any response to Dimonds speech in its support!! In my talk with Gruening I found him interested in the Lincoln totem pole on Tongass island – also said he would ask Zimmerman U.S. Ind Affairs to call & let me talk to him about Indian land case & liquor laws!!
Diary 46, 1938 September 4-6	-4 th – Mrs. Tupper, Graces friend – old school teacher at Juneau – now in Fairbanks, took dinner with us & then they - Grace & Mrs. T. went to the theatre. I did not go on account of my eyes.

	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th –</p> <p>Labor Day – nobody at work. Parade & a tune by the band!! In the office as usual. Studying Catherine I, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Paid ½ my city taxes today \$112.⁹⁰ “ \$100⁰⁰ on Note for 500. at Behrends Bank Recd. copies of Juneau, newspapers from Condit from Sitka. Offered \$2000. compromise case Warrack v Howard. Winn will submit to defendant.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 September 7-9	<p style="text-align: center;">7th</p> <p>In the office as usual – offered to compromise the case of Eli Howard vs Warrack & Ins Co. for \$2000⁰⁰ Winn & Roden agreed to write to Howard at Sitka for his approval.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Studying Russian authorities – books, about Catherine 1.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Nothing new, except additional correspondence about “ Old Yukon.” Autographing books. – No court no business – politics growing warm. Dimonds speech tonight small crowd – dull meeting.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 September 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10th</p> <p>Dimond meeting last night reported poor. The “Empire” giving him but light support. He went to Skagway on days boat to hold a meeting there. Republicans doing but little. Al. White nothing! Tame campaign. Bar Assoc. luncheon today: quiet. “Jack” Hellenthal, Chairman Democratic meeting last night made the principal address - & today spoke at the Luncheon against the adoption of the adoption of the Civil Code, approved by the U.S. Sup. Court for Alaska, at his meeting last night Dimond approved the <u>Unicameral Scheme</u>, & declared in</p>
Diary 46, 1938 September 10	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>favor of <u>Abolishing</u> fish traps. Capt. Davis, candidate for Legislature on ticket with Dimond spoke <u>against</u> <u>Unicameral bill</u> & in favor of fish <u>traps!</u> The Democrats are divided & quarreling</p>

	<p>about these matters – but will probably be elected notwithstanding!! They are all in favor of Roosevelts <u>Appropriations</u> – which is holding them together – they divide on principles but agree on appropriations! We will see tomorrow (Election Day) which is the winning horse! Of course I will vote the straight Republican ticket – <u>for</u> principles <u>against</u> – appropriations, - the latter will win though, I fear.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 September 11- 12	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th 12th</p> <p>Sunday – writing letters. Grace does the reading & writing. I only articulate, for my sight is growing dimmer – I fear I must quit smoking cigars! I will consult Dr. Dawes tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Mr. D.A. Rockne (spell it) of the US. Dept. of Agri. called and gave me an interesting Diary (Record book) kept for the season of 1914 by the captain of the fishing vessel called – I think – Unimak, belonging to the Kasilof Cannery – found it on the site of the abandoned cannery. My visitor is a sensible man and acquainted with the Matanuska farming camp, says it is a “<u>dust bowl!</u>”.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 September 13- 14	<p style="text-align: center;">13th</p> <p><u>Election Day</u>. I am very much interested in President Roosevelts fight to defeat Senator Tydings, of Maryland & Senator George of Georgia, because they will not yield their judgment to his in his “New Deal” ideas. Hope they beat the President’s purge! We Alaskans are interested in our local election. I can look on quietly, for I am not a contestant.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Tydings, Senator from Maryland seems to have won his contest by President Roosevelt who fought his primary endorsement, because the Senator would not support some of his wild</p>
Diary 46, 1938 September 14	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>ideas set forth in the “New Deal” craze. The Democrats seem to have won their entire ticket in Alaska at yesterdays election. Too much public money spent for “relief” – a new form of bribery of the voters!! However the “<u>Unicameral Referendum</u> put out by Tony Dimond was defeated. Its purpose</p>

	was to abolish the Territorial Senate and leave us with a single House in the Legislature. I think my "Appeal" pamphlet to the voters printed & widely spread over the Territory had force in the result! Dr. Jenney's funeral today.
Diary 46, 1938 September 15	15 th Wrote an autograph in Mrs. Mary C. Godders "Old Yukon," and a letter to the County Clerk of Oconto County, Wis. inquiring for the relatives of Jack, – John, A. Sargent! Senators Tydings, of Maryland, & Senator George, of Georgia, seem to have defeated the "Purge" of President Roosevelt and were reelected notwithstanding his denunciation of both as "traitors" to his "New Deal" policies. I also look upon the Defeat of the "Dimond Referendum" to abolish the Territorial Senate in Alaska as a personal victory based upon my "Appeal" against it! dated Jany 1938.
Diary 46, 1938 September 16-17	-16 th – Letter to Chas. T. Peterson, Tacoma about value of my Tacoma House Telegram from Harrison & Rowland, Tacoma, asking for 3 copies of Alaska Insurance law – sent them last night by mail. Made out papers for my old Fairbanks friend, Charlie Sparm, to enable him to get a pension as an Alaska pioneer! He was one of the first prospectors on Dome Creek, when it was first staked. -17 th – Constitution Day! Attended the Bar Association day! Dimond was there & was treated friendly. I asked about Mrs. Dimond & sent Mrs. W's compliments, etc. which were reciprocated.
Diary 46, 1938 September 18	-18 th – Sunday. In library as usual. Letter from Ruth with many clippings from papers about the proceedings of the Pioneer's meeting at Portland. Grace reads the magazines to me. Juneau Territorial Fair lasted 3 days – nothing but buying tickets for automobile, & many lesser objects – no fruits or vegetables – no cultural exhibits – just a fake exhibition by which to spend

	the appropriation made by the Legislature. The returns of election show a Democratic – New Deal victory. Happily the Unicameral Referendum was defeated! I am glad of that.
Diary 46, 1938 September 19-20	-19 th – In the office as usual. Grover C. Winn offers to compromise the case of Howard vs Warrack & Ins. Co. – Workmans Compensation case, for \$2200: Warrack offers \$2000.- I will submit compromise to Hanson & Rowland, Ins. Agents Tacoma by telegraph tonight! asking instructions. -20 th – Answer from Hansen & Rowland, Tacoma, about case of Howard vs Warrack & Ins. Co. inquiring "Advise when Howard v Warrack will be tried" answer "after next November 15 th " & S[?] Letter from Dr. Chase, Cordova, saying
Diary 46, 1938 September 20	20 citizens there want my opinion about what to do about notice by Copper River & N.W. Ry. Co. abandonment of that railroad Octo. 15 th Have looked into the question carefully and have written Chase to await my next letter in which I will advise them fully to appeal to the President, Sec. Interior, Atty Genl. Gov. Troy, Delegate Dimond etc. to purchase the railroad and rehabilitate it for future use by U.S. Govt etc etc. I think a scheme of that kind can be worked out successfully and I will prepare a petition covering the plan – which may attract the Kennecott Copper Co. & I will undertake it!!
Diary 46, 1938 September 20-21	-Sept 20 th – Earl Knight & wife in town. I have invited them to lunch tomorrow – they want to examine my library! which I am anxious to have them do. -21 st – Long, fine letter from Ruth giving me the story of her trip to the Pioneer meeting at Portland, - with a picture of "Skiff Mitchell, Ruth on his right and Lulu Fairbanks on his left. Telegram from Darrell advising me to sell my old Tacoma home for \$3000 – less taxes & expenses – net about \$1900! I will do so for the Taxes etc will take it if I do not!

<p>Diary 46, 1938 September 21-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">21st continued</p> <p>Earl Knight & wife lunch with us at our home & inspect my library! They spent the afternoon with us talking books, examining & inspecting rare books, old papers, etc. They are both very pleasant & we enjoyed the visit very much. -22nd</p> <p>In the office as usual. Reading many histories of Peter the Great for data about Catherine 1st Finished Peter the Great by <u>Voltaire</u> by <u>Smallette</u> which is the best authority of its kind on that particular subject. Letter to Theo. Kettleson – Sitka about Warrack case by Howard.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 September 22-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">22d-continued</p> <p>Sent telegram last night to Winden, Tacoma, accepting offer of Windens client to buy my old Tacoma home for terms suggested in letter to Darrell! -23rd-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Nothing by telegram from Winden about sale of house. Letter about Vaith[?], Tacoma will. -24th-</p> <p>In the office: Judge Alexander rendered 3 opinions in court Juneau Bar Assoc. luncheon Percy's. -25th-</p> <p>Sunday. Reading etc. Catherine 1. 25 vols – arranging data.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 September 26-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>In the office as usual. Arranging Account with Femmer Case. -27th -</p> <p>Femmer will not consult with or talk about my interest in the city case – he is broke & cant pay me the fees for printing Records, etc. in case. Am gathering data about the proposed abandonment by the Kennecott Copper Company of its C.R & N.W. railroad from Cordova to Kennecott. I will call on Gov Troy & talk with him about the U.S. taking over – buying the abandoned line – bridges etc. and probably rehabilitating it as a wagon vs railroad for public use. Am to</p>

<p>Diary 46, 1938 September 27-28</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>call at his office this afternoon on that subject. Later, Governor says he has no satisfactory answer to the C.R. & N.W. Ry problem. Had a talk with Hesse, Ter. Road Supt. who wants something done at once, but does not know what can be done! -28th -</p> <p>Writing a Brief on the Right of the Kennecott Copper Corporation to abandon its Copper River & N.W. railroad & abandon that country. I think it is not lawful for them to do so and Roden agrees with me in that judgment. The people of Cordova are excited about the matter & ask my advice & assistance.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 September 29-October 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>In the office as usual – working on Cordova Ry. inquiry! -30th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday – on Cordova C.R. & N.W. Ry Co. plan to abandon the Railway. Preparing History of the origin, building, operating, by the Kennecott Copper Corporation. October 1.</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Dan Kennedy my old packer friend from Fairbanks came to Juneau, today, to consult me about recovering compensation for his land at M^cKinley Park Entrance Have known Dan for 30 years & know his land location, etc. Am consulting</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 October 1-4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>with him at my office tonight. He has a patent for the land taken into the Park by Act of Congress, same as Stubbs. 2-3.</p> <p>Working on Cordova Railroad matter. Dan Kennedy took dinner with us last night & is coming this evening to look at my Yukon pictures. -4th -</p> <p>Completed the Cordova Ry Rate & Abandonment matter, to the close of the Kennecott Copper Corporation Annual Reports close their records with turning their Alaska Ry & Copper reports into a Contraction with the Braden & Utah Copper Co.</p>

Diary 46, 1938 October 4	4	at the conclusion of their Annual for 1920. I suggested a continuation of the Cordova case to cover the abandonment of the Richardson Highway, and the connection with the Alaska Railroad and M ^c Kinley National Park transportation etc. but Roden, who has copied & corrected my Ms. to 1920, thinks it is immaterial to do so – <u>probably it is but it is exceeding interesting as showing the interests of Birch in the Alaska SS. Co. and the C.B. & Q Ry & the Northern Pacific with the Alaska Ry & the McKinley Park Transportation to Fairbanks – and their control of all freight & passenger rates in the Fairbanks region!</u>
Diary 46, 1938 October 5	-5 th -	Concluded examination of all papers and statements made and delivered to me by Dan L. Kennedy in relation to his claim for inquiry on the United States in taking into the Mount M ^c Kinley National Park of his land – 5 acres - & refusing to allow him to do business there as he had arranged to do etc. Also finished my statement in relation to the proposed abandonment by the U.S. Interstate Commerce Commission on the application of the Copper River & Northwestern Ry Co. with letter mentioning Roden as assistant & send him Brief & the letter today. It has been
Diary 46, 1938 October 5-6	5	a weeks hard job – and I am glad to have it ended and off my mind. I have used my file of the Annual Reports of the Kennecott Copper Corporation in the preparation of the Statement of Facts 1915-1926, & information from Parks[?] Manual on Industrials & Railroads – 1936. -6 th - Finished the Supplemental Brief in the Copper River & Northwestern Ry Co. brief in opposition to its application to abandon the road, and sent it with a letter to Dr. Will H. Chase, Cordova asking them to get it signed by the officials of the Chamber of Commerce by protocol and printed copies sent

Diary 46, 1938 October 6-7	6	to the President, Congress, Sec. of the Interior, Attorney General, Delegate Dimond, Interstate Commerce Commission & Governor Troy, etc. -7 th - Wannamaker, Indian minister from Angoon, Dick, a big fine looking Indian and two other Indians with them came in to talk about bringing a suit against the U.S. for injuries to these people in October 1882, by turning the Indian town of Hutchinoo “Bears Fort,” by Captain Merriman &
Diary 46, 1938 October 7-8	7	U.S. soldiers – Marines etc. in 1882. I told them I would not take charge of the case but would assist Henry Roden, whom they employed as their attorney in my presence and at my suggestion. They told him information as given to them by their old people who were present at the attack on the village where all their boats - cairns – winter food supplies, etc. were burned. Roden will talk the matters over with Dimond, the delegate to congress & write to them what he says. -8 th - In the office – doing nothing! Reading Americana catalogues: about prices on Alaskana books
Diary 46, 1938 October 9-11	-9 th - 10 th	Sunday – working in library. In the office as usual – working on a letter to Dr. Gruening, Director in Interior Department on Territorial matters – about Cordova River & N.W. Ry abandonment & connection of Alaska SS. Co. officials & Kennecott Copper Corporation influence over Alaska Ry. Mt. M ^c Kinley National Park etc. -11 th - Secretary of Hanson & Rowland, Tacoma Agent Ins. Co.’s in the case of Howard v Warrack, et. al. called – went to consult with Warracks
Diary 46, 1938 October 12	-12 th -	Mr. Zimmerman, Claude M. Hirst, & secretary called. Talked over Indian Affairs – Liquor question. Gruening & Totem poles etc. Friendly call – <u>nothing else</u> . C.W. Jamieson, agent of Hansen & Rowland,

	Insurance Agents Tacoma, Wash. is here in conference with John W. Chappell, organizer of the Alaska General Insurance Co. conferring about mutual relations between the Alaska Co. & English Co. for reinsurance of Alaska Insurance Co. business. I was able to bring them together – to talk about their mutual interests.
Diary 46, 1938 October 13	-13 th - Chappell & Jamieson are yet talking in my office about their matters. The latter is also engaged in an effort to compromise the case of Howard vs Warrack and the Ins. Co which Jamieson represents. Invited Jamieson and the Mr. & Mrs. Chappell to dinner. Jamieson is a student of History specializes on Aaron Burr & is a book collector on that line. The Chappells & Jamiesons had dinner with us & spent the evening in the library. The men talked over reinsurance etc & we enjoyed the visit.
Diary 46, 1938 October 14	14 th - In the office – conference with Jamieson in re case of Howard vs Warrack & Ins. Co. Jamieson sought to secure compromise & settlement of above case – but did not. He advises me to settle – not more than \$1500 – less if possible & in case no settlement that Robertson, who has long been the local agent for the Ins. Co. will try the case before jury etc. Jamieson will leave for home (Tacoma) on boat this evening. I am studying letter to Gruening about abandonment of C.R. & NW Ry & other wagon roads of whole.
Diary 46, 1938 October 15-16	-15- In the office – Hon. Bill Hesse Ter. Road Commissioner came in to talk Cordova Ry matter over he examined the copy of a statement written by him at Fairbanks some years ago, showing Nor. Pac. Ry. Co. Great Northern & Alaska S.S. Co. had secured a chattel mortgage for \$25,000 loaned to the Mt. McKinley Park Trans. Co. Galen etc. for stock in that Co. he said he had written the data! I will write to Charles E. Taylor for copy etc. -16 th - Sunday. Wrote letters to Chas. E. Taylor, Fairbanks, for copy of Chattel Mortgage for of

	N.P.R. Alaska SS. Co. & Great Northern Ry – security for loan of \$25,000. & exploration?!!
Diary 46, 1938 October 16-18	16 th continued. Letter to Arthur G. Thompson, Anchorage, asking for data about Ohtson, Supt. Alaska Govt, Railroad blocking street to prevent Cook Inlet Tr. Co. from landing freight from Seattle via Independent S.S. line for Anchorage merchants. -17 th - Working on Cordova matter. -18 th - Alaska Purchase Day, 1867. Working on Cordova matter. Collector Connors gave me the amt. of Copper shipped from Alaska to end of 1937 - \$245,116,715. Cost or Selling Prices??
Diary 46, 1938 October 19	-19 th - Same as yesterday. Talked with Ike Taylor about rates over Richardson Highway. Les Rox & Jack Lang, union men came in – they are opposed to the C.I.O. radical gang!! Jack Hawkes, George Kerin & their guide, an Indian who lives at Douglas, returned from a moose hunt to the Taku (Alaska) flats, this afternoon, having been detained there for two weeks by storms, etc. without finding moose or any game – they had a bad time –and glad to be home again.
Diary 46, 1938 October 20-22	-20- In office as usual. Working on Cordova C.R. & N.W. Ry. Co abandonment, etc. Connors Collector Customs assisting me with data about Copper output from Kennecott Mines. Ike Taylor gave me data, maps etc. same. -21 st - Studying import[?] and Joint[?] of the case of Keku Mining Case, reading authorities & find it interesting. -22- Same as yesterday. Conference with Hawkes – will get me a copy of Hosfords notice posted on Keku claims.
Diary 46, 1938 October 23-24	Oct. 23 rd 1938. Sunday. Worked in home library with Grace

	<p>studying my Alaska Library – prices of books, etc. for sale to buyer!</p> <p>Jack Hawkes gave me copy of Capt. Hofstad & sons Notice of Non-Liability posted on Keku claims – dated Nov. 13, 1937, posted on claims.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Oct 24, 1938.</u></p> <p>Called R.E. Robertson about Howard v Warrack etc. He promises to call and confer about his appearance in case with me for defendants.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 October 24-26	<p style="text-align: center;">-24-continued</p> <p>Turned the papers in Howard vs Warrack v Ins. Co. over to R.E. Robertson, for further work.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th-</p> <p>Called on Wellman Holbrook, U.S. Forest Service office in regard to the injury of Jack Hawkes, and claim, copies of records, advice, etc. He will make copies of original papers for me. Dr. Dawes reports that his lungs adhering to his ribs – great loss of weight – etc Will ask for medical examination soon.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th-</p> <p>Same in the office, also <u>Dentist</u> Good teeth, but need filling with</p>
Diary 46, 1938 October 26	<p style="text-align: center;">26</p> <p>concrete once in a while. Talked with Dr. Dawes today – said he would confer with Dr. Coffee, about the case & make affidavit that Hawkes has permanent injuries resulting from his accident while employed by the Forest Service! Hope to get the matter before Hon. A.J. Dimond, Delegate when he arrives in Juneau this week.</p> <p>Grace & I had dinner with Mr. & Mrs. H.L. Faulkner last night. Present Mr. & Mrs. Bowen & Mr. & Mrs. Trevor Davis – good dinner & singing by Mrs. Bowen who has a fine voice & a pleasant manner.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 October 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. I prepared and mailed to D.B. Femmer today a compromise offer to settle our accounts on a payment to me of \$111. try bring a partial payment to me of the sums I advanced at his request as cost of appeal in the case of Femmer vs. City of Juneau, et. al. cannot get him to meet me with the papers, books etc. and since I may never bring another case I want to</p>

	<p>settle this one without controversy. Recd. copy of papers from Forest Service Bureau in matter of the claim of Jack Hawks, for injuries in his accident a year ago. He is pre-</p>
Diary 46, 1938 October 27	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>paring affidavits for presentation to Dimond for use in making a claim to Congress, <u>etc.</u></p> <p>My old friend E.W. Griffin the Sec. of the Territory, and just now, the Acting Governor, in the absence of Gov. Troy to spend a month or more in California, spent an hour in the office talking over “old times” on the Yukon. Griffin was years ago a big man, as round as a barrel, as big as a hogshead. He is now in his old age a small man – but a happy, friendly spirit, and beloved, as he was on the Yukon by all who know him! a fine character I am very fond of him - he is a splendid character.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 October 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-Oct. 27th continued-</p> <p>Assisting in preparation of affidavits in John C.B. Hawks case – applying for damages in Congress for injury while working for Forest Service</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">OFFICIAL POLL SHOWS BIG VOTE ON SEPTEMBER 13 Sullivan, Republican, Beats Laiblin in Second by 24-Vote Margin</p> <p>A total of 12,581 votes were cast in the general election this year as compared with 13,702 two years ago, a presidential year, according to the official canvass completed by the canvassing board today.</p> <p>There was no change in the results as announced in the previous unofficial returns. Closest race was in the Second Division where Leroy George Laiblin, Democrat, for a seat in the Senate by 24 votes. Sullivan was the only Republican elected.</p> <p>Results for Territorial candidates were: For Delegate-Dimond, Democrat, 8,406; Grigsby, Independent, 2,160; White, Republican, 1,722; Treasurer-Chase, Republican, 3,618; Olson,</p>

	<p>Democrat, 7,846.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">First Division</p> <p>For Divisional officers, the official results show: First Division-Roden, Democrat, elected to Senate, 2,568; Stabler, 2,079, for House, Anderson, elected, 2,369; Barnes, 1,909; Davis, elected, 2,406; Foster, 1,802; McCall, 346; McCormick, elected, 2,728; Price, 1,615; Walker, elected, 2,111; Wasvick 568; Westfall, 479; Wilson, 1,519.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Second Division</p> <p>Second: Senate-Laiblin, 546; Sullivan, elected, 570; House-Anderson, 198, Bloomquist, 88; Cremer, 414; Dowd, elected, 584; Lyng, elected, 749; Martin, elected, 711; Porter, elected, 546; Seidenverg, 225; Taggart, 498.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Third Division</p> <p>Third: Senate – Bingle, 1,288; Hofman, elected, 2,160; House – Andressen, 1,070; Burleigh, 954; Carlson, 826; Coffey, elected, 2,098; Drager, elected, 1,702; Elvig, 707; McCutcheon, elected, 1,751; Nafsted, 845; Smith, elected, 1,811; Snodgrass, 1,052.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fourth Division</p> <p>Fourth: Senate-Joy, 1,021; LaBoyteaux, elected, 1,568; House-Colbert, 1,072; Fowler, 812; Gordon, elected, 1,502; Johnston, 1,102; Knuppe, 920; Lander, elected, 1,321; Rogge, elected, 1,521; Spencer, elected, 1,304.</p> <p>The one-house referendum was defeated over the Territory by a vote of 6,517 to 4,931, losing in all Divisions, except the Third, where it carried 1,686 to 1,633</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 October 28-29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Busy in the office. Prepared <u>list</u> & <u>prices</u> of U.S. Stat. L. from 1789 to 1931, for my supp. List of Alaskana – also lists & prices of Session Laws. Senate Journals & House Journals for the same use. Grace will insert them in her lists which she is now preparing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Same as usual in office. Lawyer Luncheon. Prepared list of Charters, Constitutions & Organization Laws – 7 vols. and Digest of International Law (Alaska) 8 vols for</p>

	<p>Supp. List of Alaskana books in my library</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 October 30- November 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th –</p> <p>Sunday. Grace & I worked all day on List of Alaska books & prices since publication of Bibliography in 1924. We find some rare old books in our lists of Wash. Or & Cal. Attended Movie Theater & heard Grace Moore sing & play her fine work: She is a beautiful girl & a sweet singer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-31st-</p> <p>L.C. Hess from Fairbanks called – we spent a pleasant hour or two talking over early days in Fairbanks. <u>November 1, 1938.</u> In the office as usual. Jack Hawks</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 November 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>papers – copies of statement about his injuries while working for the Forest Service – all returned by me – with Jacks approval – to Wellman Holbrook, asst. in Service. Jack reports that Brown, of United Foods Co. trying to borrow from Behrends Bank sum of \$1000.00 of his expenses to and from New York, in relation to Keku Mines – will let him know tomorrow morning!! Preparing affidavits for Dr Dawes signature as to Hawks injuries, etc. Mr. John H. Chappell, who is organizing the General Ins. Co. of Alaska came in – reports just arrived from Tacoma, in conference with Jamieson is confident of early success!</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 November 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Nov. 1, 1938</p> <p>Working to get Dr. L.P. Dawes to sign affidavit supporting Jack Hawks application for Congressional relief for injuries by Forest Service accident in last December. Grace & I work 3 hours every night after dinner on Supp. Alaska books etc. – descriptions & prices. Same old grind in the office. She is getting a dinner ready for Luther Hess, W.E. Griffin & his sister, & Mrs. Judge Paine of Paine Fox Farm, near Keku island Mines for tomorrow evening!</p>

Diary 46, 1938 November 2-3	-2 nd - Jack Hawkes & his son "Jacky," leave Juneau on the SS. North Sea," enroute -3 rd - They did not leave. The bank refused to loan Brown – United Food Executive – the \$1000. necessary to pay the expenses of the trip to S.F. N.Y. & return. Brown then undertook to borrow it from Mrs. Perelle – who first promised Brown the loan, but at the last moment changed her mind, so – they did not leave!! A good dinner – good company – Governor Griffin, his sister Senator Hess, Mrs. Paine & ourselves
Diary 46, 1938 November 4-5	-4 th - Grace's dinner last night went off successfully – it was a friendly party of old friends & long acquaintances & enjoyable My eyes are growing dim – but I am not to be blind – my right eye is without a lens, but oct has provided a lens with a good glass. [Wickersham's writing is getting more difficult to read probably because he cannot see to write.] -5 th - Saturday – Bar Luncheon. Arnold, Hess & Archie Shiels attended. Court calendar called this morning. nothing new. The American Federal Union & the C.I.O. radical group striking – fighting each other, and giving much trouble to people building houses. Gross, Krause, etc. other builders
Diary 46, 1938 November 6-7	-6 th - Sunday – working at home in library. -7- My client O.J. Hatland from Kilisnoo came to consult me about sale of his oil & Herring meal plant at Kilisnoo to Sam Young & other Indian associates through the Bureau of Indian Affairs – will call tomorrow morning at 10 am. Consultation with Mike Monagle about further consultation with Hon. A.J. Dimond – on SS tonight. Wrote memo, for Dimond to be delivered by Monagle – about Dan Kennedys land in Mt M ^c Kinley National Park

Diary 46, 1938 November 8	-8 th - <u>Election Day – in the States.</u> O.J. Hatland – Killisnoo Herring oil & Guano plant, Samuel G. Johnson, Angoon headman, came yesterday – today- to consider sale of plant to Johnson & Angoon natives. Hatland owns plant: Johnson & Angoon Indians want to purchase. I have advised conferences with Hirst, head of Bureau of Ind. Affairs & Hawksworth, assistant – Date of meeting arranged for 2 oclock p.m. today. Conference with Hirst, Johnson, & Bureau of Indian Affairs – they say they must wait for Special Agent Hoggerty to return form Montana, and his action
Diary 46, 1938 November 8-9	8 in organizing the Angoon Corporation, under U.S. laws. Hatland made contract in writing to pay me 10% -9 th - General election throughout the U.S. shows many gains for the Republican party – discouragement for the Roosevelt – New Deal. It is a set back – <u>not a defeat</u> for President Roosevelt. He deserved the set back – and it will cause him to be more careful – <u>it may be the forerunner of defeat in 1940! The people are not satisfied with his terrific expenditures & leaning toward Socialism.</u>
Diary 46, 1938 November 9	9 Some of his ideas and laws are good – his administration bad! He is a clever and fair statesman – his politics and politicians – a failure. Hon A.J. Dimond called in my office and I talked about the bill permitting Dan Kennedy to bring a suit in the Court of Claims for damages in including Dans tract of 5 acres of patented land in the Mt. M ^c Kinley National Park. He agreed to introduce a bill to enable Dan to bring his suit in damages for his land and other losses and will send me a copy of the Duke Stubbs case as guide for Dans case
Diary 46, 1938 November 10-14	-10-12.- Working in the office every day. 11 th was Armistice day – holiday I worked in the library. -13 th - Attended Attorneys Luncheon.

	<p>Much interest in proposed new Civil procedure Rules prepared by the Sup. Ct. of the U.S. Attorneys do not agree about adopting them & Judge Alexander has written to the other District Judges – Meeting of Attorneys agreed on when Legislature meets in Juneau about Jan 1st. -14th - I am busy in studying the matter</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 14-16	<p>14 of the Application of the C.R & N.W. Ry Co. to abandon its Copper River Ry Route & abandon its line – it will be a bad blow to that region from Cordova to Kennecott and throw 2000 miners, railroad men & Cordovans out of work and drive them to paupers relief. I am writing the outline of the facts to Hon. Ernest H. Gruening Director of Division of Territories in the Department of Interior. -15th - Same as yesterday – to Gruening. -16- Same study of Copper River Ry matter. Much trouble with my eyes, but stay on the job longer hours.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 17	<p>-17th - Same as yesterday Jack Hawks & son have arranged to go to New York, father to present Keku mining claims to Zinc promoters young Jack to consult physician about some bodily ailment. When father was hurt a year ago in falling from Forest Service crates & boxes on the Pacific Coast – Alaska SS. Co dock he received 4 broken ribs – when injury healed the casing of his lungs grew attached to a broken rib & he is left in a dangerous condition & must go to a surgeon for advice. Dr. Dawes says his injury is permanent & dangerous. Forest Service officials fear the same.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 18	<p>-18th - Letter of abandonment of the CR & NW Ry is a fraud – gives me much concern – for that reason. Am working on letter of explanation to Gruening, Director Territories, in the Dept. of Interior – but dout action. -18th - D.B. Femmer came in and paid me \$70.84 in full</p>

	<p>for all my work & expenses in the case against the city. It was accepted as a settlement – not as fair compensation for services & money, which I expended in the case. Still working on the C.R & N.W. Application for the abandonment of that Ry. right of way!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 19-20	<p>-19th - Saturday. Luncheon at the Juneau Bar Assoc. crowded by the 3 new lawyers just admitted Nothing new – just talking and good time. Am finishing up my letter to Gruening Director Territories in Dept of the Interior. Jack Hawks & son Jackie left last night for N.Y. in re the Keku Island mines. -20th - Sunday. Spent the day in my office studying the C.R & NW Ry case – it gives me trouble on account of the \$25,000. which was given or loaned to the offices of the Mt McKinley Park Transportation</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 20	<p>20 Co. case by the Northern Pacific Ry – by the Great Northern Ry & the Alaska SS. Co. presumably by Stephen Birch, director for each of those companies – in 1929 & represented by preferred stock which the Companies accepted later – but I cannot find out the whole facts – who – why & what for – I lack proof but have plenty of suspicions – same in prior cases – where poor Captain Jarvis, who committed suicide in Seattle after being indicted for a Kennecott-Alaska Syndicate offense. I am not satisfied that another crime is not hidden behind this Railroad matter of \$25,000. but no proof is at hand – though I have a suspicion. I think I will write what I know to Dr. Ernest L. Gruening, Director of the Dept. of the Interior & let him work out the facts. My eye sight is so bad that I cannot follow the lines in this record – nor write the above mentioned story clearly.</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 21-24	<p>-21st - At work in the office as usual. -22 & 23rd - Same old work, but completed my letter about Copper River & N.W. Rate matter at Cordova &</p>

	<p>Fairbanks today. Letter directed, with enclosures to Hon. Ernest H. Gruening, Asst. Sec. Interior today. 30 pages must be typed by Grace. It is long – but I fear no good from it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Nov. 24, Thanksgiving Day.</u></p> <p>Grace is typing my letter to Director Gruening. I hope it will attract his interest and secure his attention to the matters mentioned – the abandonment of the C.R. & N.W. Ry – the monopoly and greed of the Birch-Kennecott mines & the monopoly of the same interests in their</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>costing of the Richardson Highway & \$25,000 investment by the N.P. & Great Northern & Alaska S.S. Co in the Mt M^cKinley National Park & Gold fields of Fairbanks, etc. etc. I remember the gun assault by the Birch crowd on the Home Railway laborers in the Valdez canyon – the shooting of the laborers – the trial of Hazy – their gunman for that crime – the expenditure of Thousands of dollars to prevent his conviction – the suicide of poor Jarvis to escape trial on indictment for perjury in the Nome Coal frauds, the Congressional Committees investigation of the Alaska Syndicate for Coal Frauds, etc. and have</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>no confidence in the Birch-Kennecott honesty or honor where their interests are at stake. I still think they are now attempting to get control of the Alaska Ry, the Fairbanks-McKinley Tourist trade – the Fairbanks gold or at least a monopoly on the Steamship & Alaska Ry rates there such as they have long had on the C.R & N.W. Ry rates from Cordova to Kennecott & on the Alaska SS. Co. line from Cordova to Seattle. I hope to induce Gruening & Ickes to investigate their (Birch & Co.) present efforts to carry out the similar felonies in the Seward-Fairbanks country & to prevent its success. But?</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 24	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>November 24th 1938.</u></p> <p>Having now concluded by letter of warning to Gruening I am getting out my Ms. ready for continuing the story of the American Golden Paystreak from Cape Horn to Point Barrow! In the</p>

	<p>office at work as usual. Invited to a Thanksgiving dinner by someone. Grace has the name – Ive forgotten</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th –</p> <p>Renewed Russian America for gold.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Juneau Bar Association. The court trying criminal cases. I do not attend – not interested in such cases.</p> <p>The AFU & C.I.O. quarreling</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 26	<p style="text-align: center;">-26 <u>continued</u></p> <p>The A. Fed. L. & C.I.O. labor unions fighting each other – have stopped all work on Baranoff Hotel & other building in their quarrels. No trouble with the Employees – but fear the quarrels among themselves. Their internecine quarrels have stopped all building operation in Juneau – it's a question which Union shall control the Graft – Great damage to building without, so far, any good to either Union. The Unions will hold an election on Dec. 2, to settle their jurisdictional contest – in the meantime work is stopped – both sides picketing the other. The people do not act to protect the public interest!!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 27-28	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>Sunday – working on Letter to Gruening & Ickes – C.R. & N.W. Ry Grace is typing it for mailing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>My eyesight is gradually growing weaker & I have to depend on Grace to aid me in letter writing. Am trying to finish my writing of the story of the Golden Paystreak from Cape Horn to Point Barrow – but its dull work on account of bad eyes.</p> <p>I ate lunch today at the Café alongside of Acting Governor Griffin – he told me that Delegate Dimond had expressed the belief that Mooney [Thomas J. Mooney], convicted 20 years ago – or thereabouts for murder at the parade in S.F. was not guilty & ought to be made free!!</p>
Diary 46, 1938 November 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th –</p> <p>Letter from Darrell saying he is very sick – the doctor advises him he has a lung trouble like</p>

	tuberculosis and has ordered him to bed for 3 months. He writes he is very sick and seems much troubled about his condition. Have written him to obey the instructions & to write to me daily about his condition an if he cannot to have Jane do it, and if he grows worse to telegraph me his condition & symptoms & a gr[<u>great</u>] distress to me! Some time ago he wrote (over)
Diary 46, 1938 November 30	30 saying the doctor said he had the lungs of an old man & I fear they are growing slowly worse – dry and hard. Have finished my letter to Hon. Ernest H. Gruening, Director Dept. of Interior – with enclosures – about the Abandonment of the Copper River & NW. Ry. Kennecott Copper Corporation, with maps, etc. urging Senator Ickes to oppose the plan – also about the payment of \$25,000, to the Mt. McKinley Transportation Road matters – to the officials of the Roads in the Park by the N.P. Ry. the Great Northern Ry. & the Alaska steamship Co. Payment probably by Stephen Birch – representative Director for said 3 Corporations!
Diary 46, 1938 December 1-2	December 1, 1938. A fierce contest is being waged between Am. Fed. Labor organization & the new one, the C.I.O. as to which one shall be director in Union affairs – it is a jurisdictional contest – but both have called “strikes,” to prevent their members from working – laboring – on the new Hotel & other buildings – both claim the right to exclusive right to work – but will not do so in company with the members of the other – and work is stopped & riots are feared. So long, however, as they fight each other it is not so bad – we hope the disease does not spread! -2 nd - Union troubles quieter but still ready for battle – Letter about C.R. & N.W. Ry. evidence sent to Gruening! Finished chapter on Russian – America – Doroshin!
Diary 46, 1938 December 2-3	-Dec. 2- Mrs. Mildred Hermann, lady lawyer told me her difficulties with Judge Alexander – George Grigsby

	was drunk & attempted to open the trial of Smith for murder – Court had to appoint Roden to have charge of the defense! -3 rd - Cash Cole came in & told me he was having trouble with the Citizen Com. of which he is chairman: that he had arranged to have Quist, the contractor on the Hotel Building fill his want of laborers filled with C.I.O.s – sufficient to keep work going – but <u>Glass</u> the Presbyterian blocked the matters & I advised him to go ahead & do it anyway – otherwise the work – take the bull by its horns - & go ahead. Dont know what he may do – think Faulkner manages Glass – we want the work done!!
Diary 46, 1938 December 4-5	-4 th - Sunday – remained at home all day I am now interested in studying the feeble efforts of Soroshin, the Russian mining engineer who passed so much time & Russian roubles – 1848-1858, in convincing the Russian America fur Company that there were no profitable gold mines in Alaska – Russian America. I have read a translation of his Reports and studied his writings & am at a loss to understand how he could impress the Russians with his imbecile work & talk – he was more of a fool than an engineer engaged in a serious problem. -5 th - Glass & another member of the Citizens Committee to aid in the settlement of the
Diary 46, 1938 December 5-6	5 telephoned asking me to attend a meeting of 100 Juneau business men tonight to secure a settlement of the Strikes by the <u>A.F.L.</u> & <u>C.I.O.</u> Unions I will not attend – the official Conciliator sent out by the Government will arrive in Juneau on the steamship tomorrow and I advised that they wait until he reaches here before acting in the matter: They may do more harm than good by trying to force a compromise before his arrival. -6 th - The Citizens numbering more than 100 met in the

	Masonic Hall tonight – talked – talked & did nothing else. Robertson had prepared a City Ordinance to prevent picketing but the City Council refused to pass it - <u>So</u>
Diary 46, 1938 December 7-9	-7 th – Received letter from Lingo, Receiver U.S. Land Office – saying he had information that the Jack Sargent Hd. was clear – the official investigator had approved the case for final proofs, etc. I had already written a letter to George Hamilton, Ketchikan, asking for his evidence that Jack was a citizen & I will wait till I get his reply. Letter <u>also</u> from Chas. E. Taylor, Fairbanks about the Friss Estate – but have written for more information about that! -8-9 th - Same as usual in the office. Nothing new in the Strike of the Unions I find it hard to read or prepare data in the matter of mining material – one cannot think when cannot read.
Diary 46, 1938 December 10-12	-10 th – Good attendance at the Juneau Bar Assoc: Banfield delivered a very interesting talk about the Bull Fight he and Curtis Shattuck attended at Mexico City. Arthur C. Thomas, old sourdough sent a form to answer in support of a increase of pension – I cannot remember him & wrote a note asking him to call to renew my memory about him!~ -11 th Sunday- At home assisting Grace to write letters to the pioneers who attended the September Reunion etc. -12 th - In the office as usual.
Diary 46, 1938 December 13-16	-13 th – Received a Christmas Card from R.R. Geoghegan (Dick) today's mail! to my surprise – for I heard he had passed on!! Grace sent him a copy of my “Old Yukon,” by mail Also letter by Airmail! I am glad to hear Dick still lives! Working in the office!

	-14 th – In the office as usual. 15 th In the office as usual. -16 th - Friss letters from Charlie Taylor and my letter with \$10 ⁰⁰ to Harry G. McCain – per Harry P. Shepherd
Diary 46, 1938 December 17-20	-17 th – Sent Taylors letter of yesterday by midnight boat with letter of instructions & \$10 ⁰⁰ check to Harry G. McCain by Harry P Shepherd. -18 th – Sunday – Grace & I sending Christmas greetings to friends! -19 th – In the office as usual. Studies about American Paystreak – writing. Chapt. mammals & man. -20 th - Same as usual in the office. Grace busy sending out Christmas cards & some “Old Yukon.”
Diary 46, 1938 December 21	-21 st - Received letter & check for \$26649 balance due on sales of “Old Yukon” from O'Neill on today's mail Also telegram from McCain attorney, Ketchikan, saying Commissioner Austin, refuses to transfer Estate matter of Bernard Friss, resident of Fairbanks, from Ketchikan to Fairbanks in compliance with petition, motion, objections etc. sent to him by Shepherd on Saturday night boat. Will telegraph Taylor, Fairbanks, for further instructions! Advise McCain of my action by telegraph.
Diary 46, 1938 December 21-23	-21 st - Grace is busy with Christmas cards, packages, etc. “Old Yukon” is selling well. I autographed many copies for persons who give them to friends. -22 nd – Same as usual in office Writing notes on American Gold Prospecting on the Pacific Coast -23 rd - Same as yesterday. Grace has winter cold – sick spell. Telegram from McCain – says King verified

	fact that Friss, from Fairbanks was an inhabitant of Ketchikan when he died on Canadian boat. – false and fraudulent statement.
Diary 46, 1938 December 24-25	-24 th – Saturday. Bar Association Luncheon. Judge Le Fevre furnished the cocktails & the luncheon was abundant & good. Jack Hellenthal reported sick. -25 th – Christmas day – stormy and we remained quietly at home The Heisels – father Mother & Edwin had dinner with us – also Woody Atkinson, one of our miners – a few callers a little “Tom & Jerry” – the Hermann’s called – a pleasant hour – Grace read a new Book this evening. The Shining Mountains – Adventure by
Diary 46, 1938 December 26-29	-26 th – Monday – windy – cold, but not excessively so. In the office all day -27 th – Wind – Taku – calming down. At the office all day – writing on The appearance of Ancient Asiatic Mammals in America – particularly at Rancho le Brea tax[tar] pools at Los Angeles, Cal. Mr. D.J. Conway of Portland Oregon called spent an hour talking about the W.U. Tel. Co. Russian extension – sold him copy of my Bibliography – he will call at my home tomorrow evening to continue conversation! -28-29- Same as every other day – work.
Diary 46, 1938 December 30-31	-30 th – Mr. J.W. Conway, from Portland spent the evening with us at home. We talked books –Books & more Books. he is particularly interested in Books relating to Oregon & gains much information about them – he enjoyed our N.W. books & is a pleasant gentleman. -31 st – Edward W. Griffin, Sec. of Alaska & Acting Governor died suddenly last night at a banquet given to the Philippine citizens – Grace called on his sister. The Juneau Bar Association appointed a Committee – Judge Alexander, Geo. W. Folta &

	myself to prepare Resolutions. Gov Troy is in Seattle - coming
Diary 46, 1938 December 31	31 home on todays boat from Seattle. [clipping] In Memoriam A RESOLUTION WHEREAS, the Juneau Bar Association, and the people of Alaska generally, have heard with profound sorrow of the death of the Honorable Edward W. Griffin, Secretary of Alaska, and Acting Governor of the Territory, which occurred at Juneau, Alaska, on Friday, the 30 th day of December, 1938; AND WHEREAS, the Association well knew and appreciated the high character of Mr. Griffin, his conscientiousness in all the ways of his life, his devotion to duty and his friendliness with all his fellows; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that as a particular mark of our respect for the deceased, and in recognition of his distinguished public services, this Association desires to go upon record in appreciation of the same. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of this Bar Association transmit a copy of this Resolution to the family of the deceased, to the principal newspapers of the Territory, and that, further, he spread a copy of this Resolution upon the minutes of the Bar Association meeting of December 31, 1938. JAMES WICKERSHAM GEORGE F. ALEXANDER GEORGE W. FOLTA, Members of the Committee Edward Wellington Griffin, Secretary of Alaska and currently Acting Governor during the absence of Governor John W. Troy, died suddenly of a heart attack at 10:25 o'clock last night immediately prior to his scheduled address as guest of honor before a banquet of the Juneau Filipino community.

	<p>Slipping from his seat into the arms of another guest, Mayor Harry I. Lucas, the Acting-Governor died almost instantly. Although hurried to St. Ann's Hospital for emergency treatment, he failed to revive, according to Dr. W.W. Council, Director of the Territorial Department of Health.</p> <p>Fortuitously, Secretary Griffin's death came on the eve of Governor Troy's return from the States. With his daughter, Helen Troy Bender, the Territory's Chief Executive, recently recovering from a period of ill health, sailed today from Seattle on the Alaska Steamship Company's Baranof.</p> <p>As a consequence, Griffin's offices will remain suspended and unoccupied pending the Governor's arrival early next week, according to Harry Watson, close friend of the Griffin family and secretary to Governor Troy.</p> <p>Griffin, widely-known throughout Alaska since the inception of his career as a trader shortly after the Klondike gold stampede, passed away at the age of 70, bringing to the close the story of a man who had known 20th century Alaska as intimately perhaps as few other men have understood it.</p> <p>Present near his as he died was the friend who had been close to him since his earliest days in the Territory, Senator from the Fourth Division C.H. "Alabam" La Boyteaux, who was in Juneau preparatory to the convening of the Territorial Legislature on January 9.</p> <p>And La Boyteaux said this morning of his comrade of the great stampedes:</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1938 December 31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">31</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>"As far as I knew the man, he was not religious in the formal sense. His religion was the golden rule and he practiced it ardently."</p> <p>The instances of Griffin's kindnesses are many, but conferred so modestly that few even of his closest associates have know of them.</p> <p>He first appeared in Alaska, arriving in the Interior Gold towns via Dawson, about 1901. During the succeeding few years he became general auditor for the North America Trading and Transportation Company following association with</p>

	<p>copper interests in Butte, Montana.</p> <p>With Ralph H. Miller, now nationally influential as a paper manufacturer, he purchased the Chena station of the N.A.T. and T. company in 1906, and later assumed control alone as E.W. Griffin and Company.</p> <p>For approximately 10 years, then, he followed the great stampedes as a trader, operating on the fabulous creeks of the Interior, at Ophir, Kantish-</p> <p>In the years between 1914 and 1917, with ill-health overtaking him, Griffin commenced to sell out his interests, mainly to the Northern Commercial Company.</p> <p>In 1917, he went Outside for a year and upon his return launched a new ventures at Seldovia and later at Kodiak in herring and salmon packing.</p> <p>Then, 10 years later, his health failed again and he returned to the Outside. But he rebounded to Alaska again in 1929, and with W.J. Erskine became active again in packing at Kodiak. Mrs. Griffin died August 21, 1930 at Seward and was buried there.</p> <p>Friends have arranged that he will be buried beside her, as was his desire.</p> <p>In 1930 and 1931, Griffin's health forced him again to quit the North, and he did not return until his recess appointment as Secretary of Alaska in June, 1933.</p> <p>In the recess appointment, Griffin continued until January, 1934, and at the expiration of the period was requested to stay at the post for another four-year term. He was again reappointed in January, 1938.</p> <p>Griffin fell with his heart attack last night just as the toastmaster, M.G. Rayela, was preparing to introduce him as the principal speaker of the evening.</p> <p>What his message might have will never be known, but the colorful content of Griffin's past is legend to the old timers.</p> <p>Griffin financed the Tom Lloyd expedition's climb up Mount McKinley, first party to reach the summit of the peak, later claims notwithstanding. The Lloyd group topped the mountain, according to</p>
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	<p>newspaper dispatches of that day, at 3:45 o'clock in the afternoon of April 3, 1910, and among the party were Charley McGonigle, Peter Anderson, William R. Taylor and reportedly Hary Carstens, known also as the "Seventy-Mile Kid", who later became the first superintendent of Mount McKinley National Park.</p> <p>Griffin is survived by his sister Helen Griffin of Juneau, and two brothers, William V. Griffin of Chicago, and Frank Griffin, of Orlando, Florida.</p> <p>He was a member of the B.P.O.E. and an early moving spirit in the growth of the Pioneers of Alaska.</p> <p>The body is at the Charles W. Carter Mortuary.</p> <p>Juneau Elks will hold special services Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the B.P.O.E. Hall in his memory.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1939 January 1-2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Sunday. Jan 1, 1939.</p> <p>The death of my friend E.W. Griffin is regretted by the people of Alaska. Services will be held by the Elks Lodge tomorrow at their Rooms.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Jan 2nd -</p> <p>Memorial services for Gov. Griffin held today – a large attendance. The SS. Baranof came in after the Griffin memorial – Gov. Troy aboard – I am glad he is back to take charge now that Griffin is gone. Senator Larry Sullivan from Nome arrived tonight on the boat from Seward with his wife & 2 boys Larry is the only Republican elected to this Legislature.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1939 January 3-4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Jan 3rd '39.</p> <p>Met "Alabam" – L Boyteau – Fbks Senator Sullivan called with his son "Jimmy" – a fine boy. We had a heavy mail – from Ruth, O'Neill & many others.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Many members of the 14th Alaska Legislature coming in – some call – Senator Cochran, of Nome & Rep. Gordon, of Fairbanks – called, glad to see both. Working on my Ms. on American Gold Streak – it is interesting. Went with Grace to the theater to hear old time</p>

	<p>music. I cannot see playors on the Radio pictures satisfactory.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1939 January 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Arnold, Atty. from Ketchikan – called – lobbyist for Cannerymen, called - says his people want to be allowed to live in peace – to be "let alone" – etc. District Court in session, trying criminal cases. Nothing important – jury cases. I am getting weaker in eyesight. Can hardly read. My old friend John Hyducovich whom I knew at the McCarty or Big Delta in about 1906, came in to see me. I was very glad to see him again – we talked about Big Delta & Clearwater – when he took me fishing there the last time was at</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1939 January 5-6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>the Tanana crossing at that time He told me the story of how he found the last airplane – in which Nirdate – a man & his wife & the pilot were lost there some years ago. John is a fine man – and I was glad to have a visit with him.</p> <p>It is reported that <u>Bob Bartlett</u>, Fairbanks, Circle etc. has been appointed <u>Secretary of the Territory</u> in place of <u>Edw. W. Griffin</u>, who died last week. He ought to make a good officer!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Working on "The American Paystreak," etc. Felix Gray Commissioner came in with a copy of my "Bibliography" to autograph could not find a copy of "Old Yukon" at any place in town.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1939 January 7-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Legislators gathering for organization on Tuesday. A radical group has control – 23 members are "New Deal" – Democrats – Larry Sullivan is the only Republican in the body.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Sunday – at home – library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Quiet except much commotion over appointment – Bob Bartlett for Secretary in poor Griffin's place & dozens for places in the Senate & House.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p>

	Legislature organizing today. Senate quiet – House squabbling.
Diary 46, 1939 January 9-10	-9 th continued Mrs. Wickersham & I entertaining Senator Larry Sullivan & wife, the Wilcox (Mr. & Mrs.) John Hyducovich & Mrs. Paine from her island fox farm at dinner tonight. -10 th - Above named friends had dinner with us last night – an enjoyable evening. I was particularly glad to have a visit from my old friend John Hyducovich – whom I last visited at his roadhouse cabin at McCarty crossing the Tanana river at the mouth of the Big Delta river – 15 years or so ago. John is atypical miner, furtrader – trapper guide etc. a fine old character.
Diary 46, 1939 January 11-13	-11 th - Legislature organizing quietly. My eye sight getting worse. I can hardly see to read even with my best glasses. Working on Introduction to my Ms. regarding The American Paystreak from Cape Horn to Point Barrow! Slow & doubtful task. -12 th - In the office same as yesterday! A remarkable fine fall & winter – no wind – little snow – good weather. Working on getting Friss case appealed from Ketchikan for Taylor attorney for Friss heirs at Fbks. -13 th - Same as usual in the office.
Diary 46, 1939 January 14-16	-14 th – Bar Assoc. meeting: full attendance Robertson agreed to compromise the case of <u>Howard v Warrack, et. al.</u> Court busy hearing criminal cases. <u>I do not take part in any such cases.</u> Nothing but work & petty work at that & no money in any of them. -15 th - Sunday – Working with Grace in the library on listing my Alaska books & fixing prices.

	-16 th - Same as usual in the office. Received a rare old copy of a Russian book from Mrs. “Aukie” Anderson, from Sanak. Do not yet know it is – for it is in the Slavic type of Russian
Diary 46, 1939 January 17-19	-17- Working in the office as usual – on Ms. relating to Introduction Gold Mining on North Pacific Coast – Japan Ocean current – to America. -18 th - Recd copy by mail “ <u>13 Years of Travel & Exploration in Alaska</u> ,” W.H. Pierce formerly of Treadwell, etc. <u>1890</u> . Printed in Lawrence, Kansas by Prof. & Mrs. J.H. Carruth - \$7. ⁵⁰⁰ -19 th - On reading “13 Years in Alaska I am convinced that he was “non compos” – The fact are that he was suffering greatly – last half of book fell into “tuberculosis” or similar disease & dictated the latter part of his Ms.
Diary 46, 1939 January 19-21	19 to relatives who had no information about Alaska or his troubles & therefore muddled the facts so badly that his illusions became facts – the book for the first part is sane – the later part insane. His story about slaughtering a tribe of cannibals in the upper 40 Mile River region is pure illusion. Have a <u>bad</u> cold & remain at home – it is <u>bad</u> weather too. -20 th - Bad cold & bad weather coinciding I remain by the warm fire today. -21 st - Rain has carried off much of the snow so I go to the office. Bar Assoc. lunch.
Diary 46, 1939 January 22-24	-22- Sunday. At home in library. -23- In the office – nothing important. 24- The New Deal legislature and Governor Troy are in a real “New Deal” with the publication of a letter from Sec. of Interior Ickes dictated to the Governor and the Legislature demanding under threats from

	the Sec. (or may be written at the request of the President) that the Governor & the Legislature raise the rate of taxation on the mining interests in Alaska to 8% a raise from 3%. I am told
Diary 46, 1939 January 24-25	24 the Governor has written a letter of “transmittal” of the letter to the Legislature & has – or may – <u>resigned</u> Reports that other unhappy letters from Madam Secretary Perkins of the Labor Dept. has also been received – no public report on it has been made. Ickes threatens to cut Alaska appropriations for Alaska if his instructions are not complied with! -25 th - Ickes orders to Gov. Troy are imperative – the Gov. is complying slowly – just enough to keep his job – without enthusiasm!
Diary 46, 1939 January 26-28	-26 th – In the office as usual – nothing important – except row in the New Deal party – public opinion favors the Governor! -27 th - Reading Albert Gallatin's book on the ethnology of the mid American Indian tribes – studying also the southern migration of the Tena group, - also rereading “ <u>Old Yukon.</u> ” Loafing. -28 th - Recd. letter from Mrs. Jules L. Prevost, asking for a copy of my article – as she heard it – including Rev. Jules Prevost's pictures et. Sent her copy of my Old Yukon – she will be pleased with his picture
Diary 46, 1939 January 28	-28 th - The Juneau Bar Meetings while the Legislature is in session are merely “lobby meetings” – where our local lobbyists & the “big interest” crowd do their work. I shall not attend any more until after the Legislature adjourns! Winn, Faulkner, Banfield, Robertson etc. invite their friends to talk. Today the Lobby” including Judge Alexander was intent on putting through a Bill to increase penalties on subsequent convictions for crime! Judge Alexander, Geo. Folta, Dep. Dist Atty. Faulkner, Banfield and a crowd of their friends talked worked – but did not accomplish much. The Judge is

	powerful as a lobbyist.
Diary 46, 1939 January 29- February 2	-29 th - Sunday. Sent telegram to Harry McCain, Ketchikan – to send me papers from his office in Friss case. -30 th - Taku wind – first this years gathering Rowland of Hanson & Rowland, Tacoma called – agreed to settlement of Howard case. 31 st Prepared Statement of Facts & Bill for services in Howard case \$160 ⁰⁰ & sent to Robertson – for Rowland. February 1, 1939. In office at work as usual.
Diary 46, 1939 February 3-4	-2- Legislature busy (?) as usual, but one must not expect too much from a new Legislative body – it takes time to educate them & the people. -Feb. 3 rd - Grace is preparing to entertain the members of the Legislatures at buffet dinners - one half on Feb. 9 th – the other half on the 11 th ! The Governor gave Grace an honorary appointment with Bishop Crimont, on a flag sponsoring Committee – yesterday. Neither of us knows what it means. -4 th - In the office: Rowland – Hanson & Attys & Agents of Lloyds, London, Ins. Co. paid me \$160 ⁰⁰ in full services in Howard vs Warrack, Lloyds case. Attended Juneau Bar Assoc. request of Judge Le Fevre. Lobby Struggle – a nuisance & I wont go again.
Diary 46, 1939 February 5	5 Sunday – blizzard blowing. Senator LeRoy Sullivan, his wife and boys “Jimmy” & “Frank” had noonday breakfast with us. “Larry” is of Irish ancestry, tall, dark and quiet but a wise fellow – witness Senatorship in the Legislature: Mrs. Sullivan is a blonde – light – Swedish ancestry – both boys are equally marked. “Jimmy is 5-1/2 years old, dark & bright – like his father: “Frank” is

	about 3 years old with marked Swedish coloring & like his mother – they are fine boys – a fine family. I enjoyed their visit.
Diary 46, 1939 February 6-7	-6 th – As usual in the office. Ralph Merrill called – on southbound boat. The SS. “Baranoff” – going south Strike of “Captains, Mates & Pilots,” holding all U.S. Steamers up in Seattle & boats being tied up when they reach port. -7 th – Heavy “Taku” wind blowing. Temperature at zero – worst blow this winter. Grace sending out invitations for ½ members of the Legislature to take dinner with us evening of the 9 th . Hope the wind calms - but our big house helps – to keep us warm
Diary 46, 1939 February 8	-8 th – Goldstein Building Fire Six story concrete Goldstein Building burns this morning some fool set a bed afire with his cigarette while he slept. The took the mattress down into the basement & thought they had extinguished the fire – but it smoldered & burst out when they left – set the oil in the 6 story elevator shaft ablaze & before the Fire Dept. could act it was out of bounds. 60 or 80 people had rooms – but all escaped – but lost their household goods – clothing etc. while the building was outside -
Diary 46, 1939 February 8-9	8 concrete all the inner walls, floors furniture, etc. were wood & it made a great fire – enclosed within concrete furnace walls the geysers of fire rising 200 feet when the floors fell in looked like the outlet of a great volcano! It was a grand sight – to people who lived in houses high on the mountain side – far from danger & loss! -9 th – The scene around the center of the city – around the Goldstein fire looks disorderly and dirty this morning – but the high winds had calmed before the fire yester
Diary 46, 1939 February 9-10	9 day morning – which saved the main city buildings. If the high winds had not calmed the fire would

	have spread & burned the whole central part of town. Luck – or the Lord – saved us. -10 th – We had a gathering of 1/2 - 20 – members of the Legislature at our home last night – a buffet dinner – music & singing – a fine meeting – a good time – a meeting of many of my old political and personal friends – cocktail bumpers – cigars etc etc. They seemed happy – I was!
Diary 46, 1939 February 10-11	-10 th – continued. I presented Frank Heintzleman copy of my Bibliography to encourage him in gathering Alaska Books in place of four big boxes of rare Alaskana which he lost in the Goldstein Block fire! -11 th – Mike Sullivan, my old pioneer friend from Yakataga Beach oil fields came in on last night boat from Seattle – he has a plan to apply for relief from the Alaska Railroad dismissal – thinks he can recover reimbursement or pension. I am to prepare application for him: Senator Bone of
Diary 46, 1939 February 11	11 Seattle will support his demand. Rumor has it that Secretary of the Interior sent a new demand for 8% tax increase on the gross gold output from Alaska. The Senate (Territorial Com. on Mines etc.) introduced the Bill as Ickes telegraphed it to them – without even referring it to a Com. the Senate read it 3 times and then voted against it unanimously~~ - all in 15 minutes!! and wont Ickes be mad? I think the Governor’s removal will follow! Bad politics! If it the bill had been referred to a Committee – and a hearing held with loud utterances against it, the political situation would have been much better – The Governors health is
Diary 46, 1939 February 1-13	11 so precarious as to give the Senators good ground for removal as the matter now stands. Courteous treatment would have seemed the same insult and probably saved the Governor for the present anyway. Reports from Seattle mention <u>Emil Hurza</u> , for Governor! Grace has her dinner to the other half of the Legislature ready for tonight – with Frank Foster as

	<p>the leader of the Piano Music!! -12th- Sunday – at home. -13th- Another bad accident – the airplane from Ketchikan lost – <u>Chappell</u>, & 3 other persons</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 13	<p>13 Chamberlain, Clifford & Eb., mercantile salesman, with Cope, the flier in charge were lost in crossing the Taku air currents following the Canadian S.S. “Norah,” yesterday evening. The people on the “Norah” saw them flying – then lost sight of them - went back & searched for four hours but could not find any trace – the U.S. Haida took up the search – found nothing – darkness closed the efforts. Monday the 13th Febry Constant efforts made by boats to locate the airplane & passengers but no sign of the plane or passengers</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 13	<p>13 ½ hour past 2 oclock pm. -Monday Feb 13th- I telephoned to R.E. Robertson & he came to my office: My office safe was locked but R.E. Robertson assisted me to find the combination - & we finally got the safe opened. I told him that Chappell had left a package in an envelope with me some months ago with his insurance papers therein – we found it. In my presence and at my request Robertson opened the package which was not sealed – and found an Insurance (Accident) policy</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 13	<p>13 for \$5000 on Chappell life – we examined it & found it in original & good shape. R.E. Robertson read it & then went over to Hector McLeans office & inquired of McLean and was informed it was regular and in force and telephoned me. <u>I called up Mrs. Chappell and gave her that information.</u> Also expressed my sympathy for Mrs. Chappell and his mother who is with Mrs. Chappell at the Spickett Apartments, Tel. 501 No information of safety yet. 3 oclock, p.m. 13th Feb.</p>

	<p>All 5 men in the plane evidently lost!</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 14	<p>Tuesday 14th 1939 Nothing heard from the air plane with Chappell & companions! It now seems certain they were lost in the Taku current 2 days ago. <u>Consultation with Dr. Dawes – He examined my eyes some months ago – says they exhibit a degenerative character – that at my age he will not expect any recovery – thinks smoking may add somewhat to their failure – that he does not anticipate any recovery – that occultist might slow loss but thinks not, that I have read & used my eyes to an extreme etc.</u></p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 14-15	<p>-14th – Did not order me to quit smoking but suggested it – just worn out & may grow slowly worse until I will not be able to read at all! I will go to Seattle soon & see the occultist there again – Blindness? -15th- As usual in the office. Wrote letter for Mike Sullivan to Hon. Homer J. Bone, U.S. Senate Wash. D.C. about Mikes discharge from the Alaska Railroad & claim for pension. Nothing about loss of airplane in Taku Inlet, drowning of Chappell and five others. No trace of plane or men. All certainly drowned or lost!</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 15-16	<p>-15th continued <u>Mike Sullivan signed the letter to Senator Bone about his discharge & pension. I put it in Air Mail Envelope & Mike took it up to the Post Office with instruction to put stamps on it & Register it!!</u> -16th- Public Reception at the Governors mansion in honor of the Legislature We attended and took our friend Woodward Atkinson, as a guest. A large crowd present. The Governor feeble received sitting in a chair. His daughter Mrs. Helen Bender (Robert Bender) acted as hostess and gave a successful and beautiful reception to his guests.</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 16-17	<p>16 Grace assisted in serving the guests by “pouring”</p>

	<p>etc I enjoyed meeting many of my friends - & watching the crowd of beautiful women & well dressed men – in line and dancing etc.</p> <p>Nothing new about the loss of the air plane at Taku a week ago – a ceaseless search is carried on for traces of the plane and six last occupants but no sign of their fate has yet been found. We only know they are dead – thats all.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>In the office as usual. My eye failure is growing worse! R.E. Robertson, atty, who</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 17	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p><u>prepared Corporation papers for the Alaska General Ins. Co. telephoned me that he had just received information from Hennegan president of the Company, that the Ketchikan stockholders had determined to complete the organization notwithstanding the death of Chappell who was its original promoter.</u></p> <p><u>Mrs. Helen Hawks, wife of Jack Hawks – miner, has just received news from him in New York, saying he has succeeded in signing up papers for putting the Keku mines, on Kuiu islands on a business basis etc etc. & she and Grace are greatly excited in consequence.</u></p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>As usual in the office My friend Editor Wirt, of the Daily Press, called at my library & we talked about Jack McQuesten – he wants to prepare a biography of Jack. – I told him that Jack had written nothing – and was famous only for his good qualities of heart – he befriended the early prospectors and was a quiet home loving gentleman. That Gordon C. Bettles was the character he ought to exploit – a printer – a newspaper man – a story teller etc. etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Sunday – Took a walk - & worked in the library.</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 20-21	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>Writing letters – first boat to arrive for two weeks – 8 days mail!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Some very flattering</p>

	<p>Reviews by newspapers of my “Old Yukon.” Grace wrote letter for Mike Sullivan to Carl Beal authorizing him to make agreements for the dispersal of his oil claims in his discretion for opening same. Trying to get Zebal & Gergler to agree to take testimony in Friss case – it’s a hard case – since Zeigler & King are trying to job Zebel & the Friss Estate!</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 22-24	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Washingtons Birthday – holiday. In the office – writing on my Introduction to The American Paystreak from Cape Horn to Point Barrow, <u>Ms.</u></p> <p>Mrs. Hermann gave me a disagreeable account of Mrs. Wilcox’s review of my “Old Yukon” book – said it was a combination of my opinions in the Alaska Reports etc.!!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>Cash Cole, Pres. Pioneers of Alaska, Juneau, Igloo – just telephoned me asking for the prices we had fixed on my Alaskana library – told him I did not know – said he would telephone to Grace – last day to introduce bill, told him to let it alone – would not pass anyway!</p>
Diary 46, 1939 February 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>[clipping] <u>Judge Wickersham Offers Collection Purchase of Alaska Library Is Urged</u></p> <p>Purchase by the Territory of Judge Wickersham’s library, the finest on the subject of Alaska in the world, was urged in the last bill to be introduced in the Senate before the deadline expired yesterday, Senate Bill 98.</p> <p>Introduced by Senator Roden at the request of the local Igloo of the Order of Pioneers, the bill sets up an appropriation of \$35,000 to buy the library and place it permanently in the Alaska Historical Library and Museum.</p> <p>The library is considered by many experts to be worth over \$50,000, and is full of rare editions of books on the Northland, as well as many other sections of western America.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>As usual in the office. While Roden introduced the</p>

	bill in the Legislature to buy my Alaskana library, I am informed it will not be enacted into law – but I do not care – it will continue to be useful & increase in value!
Diary 46, 1939 February 26-27	-26 th – Sunday – Grace is preparing data for Cash Cole to use in his agreement in favor of the Legislature purchasing my Alaskana! She also copied my Notice to King, Ketchikan administrator of the Friss estate, notifying him of taking the Testimony of Rivers, Spencer & Landers, members of the Legislature from Fairbanks – in the Friss case – to show his residence in Fairbanks. -27 th – Busy in the office preparing to take the testimony in the Friss Case from Fairbanks & Ketchikan: prepared Notice of taking same directed to Zeigler, Atty.
Diary 46, 1939 February 28	-28 th – Served papers in Friss case on Zeigler – subpoenas for three witnesses – Senator Rivers, members of House, Spencer & Landers to prove Friss an inhabitant of Fairbanks when he died on board the Canadian SS. “Norah,” on his arrival at Ketchikan – where Zeigler & King attorneys secured his pocket book with more than \$1200. & King was appointed Administrator!! but sent Friss body back to Fairbanks – his home for burial. It’s a lawyer racket to make a bill for themselves by fraud and perjury.
Diary 46, 1939 March 1-2	-March 1 st 1939- My friends Bob. Bloom & Dr. Chase of Cordova came in on SS “Yukon,” today and I have invited both out to dinner. Cash Cole working to get data to present to Legislature on a Pioneers request bill to have the Territory buy my Alaskana library. -Mch 2 nd – Bob Bloom, left on the airplane this morning enroute to Fairbanks. Am preparing questions to use for depositions tomorrow at 2 p.m. in the Friss case. My friend Senator LeRoy Sullivan, from Nome came in to call – he spoke about the bill

Diary 46, 1939 March 2	2 which the Pioneers of Alaska, Juneau, requested Senator Roden to introduce making an appropriation to purchase my Alaskana library. I advised him not to take any part in the matter – to let the Pioneers & their friends do what they pleased about it – that I would be not do anything to urge its passage – he said he would act on my suggestion. Senate refused to pass Bill to buy my library: [clipping] Senate Tables Wickersham Library Bill A fervent plea by Senators Cochran and Sullivan of Nome to have the Territory purchase the famed Wickersham library
Diary 46, 1939 March 2-3	2 [clipping continued] was nullified by the Senate this afternoon, 5 to 3, as a motion to table carried. The bill requested an appropriation of \$35,000 to place the library in the Alaska Historical Library, and for the first time the University of Alaska’s act of ignoring the Wickersham library in preparing its Alaska history was brought to light. Senator Sullivan told how the Rockefeller foundation appropriated \$16,000 for the history of Alaska; and how the money was spent in New York translating Russian documents which had already been translated into English and were in the Wickersham library. Despite their declarations that it would be a tragedy to let the library leave the Territory, Cochran and Sullivan were voted down. Senator Cochran indicated he would ask for vote reconsideration. -3 rd – Depositions taken in Friss case. Zeigler stipulated that the two members of the House would testify the same as Senator Rivers – he stipulated everything we could have proved & thus shortened the hearing.

Diary 46, 1939 March 3-5	-3 rd – continued. Grace & I had dinner with Senator & Mrs. Leroy Sullivan – and their two fine boys! We enjoyed the dinner and “Larrys” fine family – the boys are bright, loving & happy. -4 th - As usual in the office. The Legislature refused to consider purchasing my Alaska library. Senators Cochrane and Sullivan and one other were friendly but the majority of the Senate had other ace for the Territorial appropriations – political. -5 th - Sunday – at home in my library studying Bering strait Indians.
Diary 46, 1939 March 6-7	-6 th – In the office as usual. Mr. & Mrs. Pat Mullan occupy rooms in Mrs. Wickershams “Bishop Apartments,” and have the care of the place. She fell on the slippery street & broke her leg, last evening and is suffering in the hospital with a badly broken hip. -7 th - Fox, whose wife owns my office, has agreed to have my office cleaned from the smoke and dirt of the Goldsteins fire – the Ins. Co. pays the expense, but hired painters to clean the walls with of whitewash – painters did a bad job – Fox did nothing – cultus!
Diary 46, 1939 March 8	-8 th - Grace & I attended dinner at Mr. & Mrs. Jack Burfords, in honor of Senator & Mrs. Leroy Sullivan and other Legislative friends of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Foster, parents of Mrs. Burfords. The Burfords have two fine boys which I admired. The Legislators will adjourn tomorrow – 14 th Session. Leroy Sullivan is the lone Republican in the Legislature – 23 Democrats – 1 Republican – just equally balanced! A competent observer. Mrs. Hermann says legislation is good – better than usual. A live lobby has worked as usual for paying interests.
Diary 46, 1939 March 9-10	-9 th – 14 th Biennial Session of the Legislature adjourned today – see Journals of Senate & House for

	particulars – Ball at Elks Hall last night but we did not attend. The Contractor is busy with a force of laborers and summers trucks in cleaning out the debris from the 6 story wreck of Chas. Goldsteins concrete fire proof (?) building They are moving the mass piled in the concrete walls rapidly! -10 th - Legislature still in session!! Signed & mailed my Income Tax Statement for 1938. Grace & I attended
Diary 46, 1939 March 10-11	10 the opening function of the Baranov Hotel. [card: The Baranof Name Judge Wickersham] Grace & I attended the opening banquet at the “Baranof” Hotel – 500 persons were present and it was a colorful and gay function. Gov Troy could not attend – but Mrs. Bender, his daughter & Harry Watson, his secretary were present. -11 th - At the office as usual: Attended the Bar Association luncheon: Crowd of Legislation – lobbyists, & others left Juneau for the south on last nights boat.
Diary 46, 1939 March 12-15	-12 th – Sunday – Home in the library. My blindness prevents reading but I can still write – badly. -13 th - Same as yesterday. Legislators scattering – most have gone home – others on incoming boats. Nothing to be proud of. Nobody seems to have won anything <u>except the lobbyists!</u> Mrs. Hermann, newspaper woman, thinks it was a waterhoul – for the fishermen, who are crying! -14 th – 15 th - Same as usual in the office. Mrs. Stewart interested in sale
Diary 46, 1939 March 14-17	14-15 of “Old Yukon” – at the book nook in the new Hotel Baranof! There is to be a flood of tourists – Rotarians – to Juneau from the States this summer and she thinks she can do a good trade in the book while they are in the Territory.

	-16 th –
	Same as usual in the office. Writing up note on the prehistoric mining in Japan and on the Pacific Coast of America.
	-17 th –
	I had great pleasure this morning to meet a Mrs. W ^m Williamson whose husband is a surveyor etc
Diary 46, 1939 March 17	17
	she informed me that she had been delegated by Mrs. Mildred R. Hermann to gather data for a short biography of my career for publication in the Womens paper for this season. Of course I gave her what little information she wanted but greatly enjoyed an hours conversation about our experiences in Alaska. She came here 21 years ago. I, 38 years ago. I referred her to Grace for particulars! <u>“Chick” Ashby, (Toms boy) found the airplane lost some days ago, carrying Chappell, Cope (Flyer in charge) & 3 others on the beach in the timber today.</u>
Diary 46, 1939 March 18	-18 th –
	The airplane last at the Taku crossing – opposite Grand Island was found yesterday – the SS. Haida officers & friends recovered all the six bodies - Cope, Chappell, Chamberlain, Eks, Lennon and all dead – fell in trees & all killed apparently instantaneously. Found a week ago by Chick Ashby, who could not get to Juneau on account of winds and bad storms. Chappells papers etc all safe in the plane by the side of his dead body. Meeting at Commissioner Felix Grays office to examine Chappells papers: Robertson & I invited to appear & examine papers.
Diary 46, 1939 March 19-20	-19 th –
	Sunday – at home all day in the library – working with Grace who is helping me to finish up the Introduction to my “Paystreak” Mss. Took a walk alone up the Goldstream to the first bridge in the Basin – came home wet & muddy – but a good walk.
	-20 th –
	In the office – Grace is writing letters to Jack Sargents sister – Mrs. Effie S. Drake, Malden,

	Mass. asking her for information about his citizenship – in aid of proving up on his Homestead on west side of Gastineau Channel above the big Douglas bridge.
Diary 46, 1939 March 21-22	-21 st –
	In the office: Am invited by my Masonic friends to be one of the honorary pall bearers at the funeral of John Chappell tomorrow. I will attend of course. Vernal Equinox – Spring. Telegram from Hawkes, N.Y. coming this week.
	-22 nd –
	A beautiful day with sunshine Attended John Chappell last rites – Masonic service. Sermon a beautiful tribute by Rev. Glasse at Presbyterian Church – burial in Masonic part of Juneau Cemetery Howard D. Stabler, Master, lodge in attendance – well conducted.
Diary 46, 1939 March 23	-23-
	Working on my final pages of my Introduction to the Ms. “American” “Paystreak” – my eye sight has become so dim that I am greatly hindered that even my mental energy coordination and thought are decreased – when one cannot see to read his own writing it affects his other powers, and I am thus afflicted. I have about concluded my first writing & possible scrutiny by someone who will need to go over the pages again who knows the history & facts better than I do. I am crippled!
Diary 46, 1939 March 24-26	-24-
	Office as usual – had my maps of Alaska on the wall down & cleaned. The First National Bank building across the Seward street first story wrecked & hauled away – dirt flying & big caterpillar truck carrying a power shovel – dirt & noise
	-25 th –
	Saturday. Court adjourned to go to Ketchikan term. Juneau Bar Association meeting. Grace comes to the office to assist me in typing law papers, etc.
	-26 th –
	Sunday. At home working in the library – bad tooth ache

Diary 46, 1939 March 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>For two weeks I have been very much interested in the excavation of the Goldstein basement in the great walls of concrete standing high above the burned and wrecked building at the corner of Seward & second street. The fire filled it with the debris of the 6th story Gross Block at the fire a month ago. – burned timbers ashes, remains of stores, offices, household goods, etc etc. A contractor took the job of excavation: took out a hole in the side, set a wide ramp from the street to the basement floor, put in a steamshovel, half a dozen trucks - & worked like good men for 2 weeks & now the job is almost completed!!</p>
Diary 46, 1939 March 27	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>Have written a letter to Knight, the Editor of the Alaska Weekly, Seattle, and sent him a clipping copy of a fine – resume of the activities of Senator Leroy Sullivan, of Nome, on his work & influence in the legislature which adjourned ten days ago – the 14th biennial session. It is a highly complimentary story – well deserved. It will help build Sullivan up in the Republican party - & will do the Party as much good as it will Sullivan. He will be a solid rock in the Territorial political foundation. If he takes it as modestly as I think he will for he can do the territory much good as a leader.</p>
Diary 46, 1939 March 27	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>[clipping] Grist from the corridors - -</p> <p>This is the last of the “Grist” columns, and while it has been a long time coming out, the idea has been “in committee” for a long time Early in the legislative session we began studying the individual lawmakers in an attempt to determine just who was the most valuable member of either House or Senate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>At first it was difficult; some of the boys were grandstanding, other were holding back. But during the last month it became apparent that the really brilliant legislators, who were not only able</p>

	<p>but willing, could be named on one hand: In the House, Speaker Howard Lyng; in the Senate, Messrs. Cochran and Sullivan.</p> <p>And of these, the ONLY ONE who took a consistent, impartial, universal interest in every piece of legislation that came before his body was Leroy Sullivan, the junior senator from Nome.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>The Democratic contingent from the Second division was a little ashamed of the fact that it had elected the only Republican to the legislature. It should not be any longer. The Second division should be proud that its two senators, both lawyers from the little city of Nome, were the outstanding members of the upper house, the only ones, in our opinion, not interested in the pork barrel or the gravy list.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>It is interesting to note that Mr. Sullivan was the only new member of the Senate, with the exception of Alabam; yet he was practically running the upper house inside of a few weeks, conducting most of the inquiries into the deeper significance of the legislation, questioning speakers from the gallery, grilling lobbyists, and showing withal a keen, analytical mind that dug quickly to source matter and extracted all possible information on the subject. Then he went to work and built up a case pro or con, based strictly on the bill’s merits.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>He showed House members where they had erred in drafting their bills so expeditiously that they were confounded into agreeing with him. He took a determined stand against advance portioning of road funds and thereby incurred the wrath of all five of his colleagues from the northwest, while at the same time they could not help admiring his sincerity.</p> <p>Leroy Sullivan was elected by a margin of 24 votes. His Democratic rival, George Laiblin, could have defeated him in a walk if he made any attempt to campaign throughout the Second division, but he just didn’t seem to give a hoot. Our thanks to Mr. Laiblin.</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>Senator Sullivan was not always right, but he was as honest as a mintkeeper. Although he hated liquor, he dissected and amended every liquor bill that was presented in an attempt to make it workable, should it pass. He solved the question of "Who is an Indian" with a specious amendment to the LaBoyteaux native liquor bill, and he personally strangled about 20 bad bills that came through from the House.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>Furthermore, he had nothing</p>
Diary 46, 1939 March 27-28	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>[clipping continued] to do with the last-night finagle that killed the fish trap memorial and the wholesale liquor bill, for he had been against them from the start, and his opposition had already been reckoned with.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>As a matter of fact, the Democrats forgot that he was Republican most of the time, so impartial were the man's arguments. Not once did the party issue cloud proceedings. Sullivan accepted New Deal agencies as established and tried only to improve them. He made a strong plea to place dependent children under the Department of Public Welfare, but lost.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">* * *</p> <p>There were other good men in the Senate, and in the House, too; but some of them lacked Sullivan's ability as a lawyer, and others his insight as an impartial observer. He came to Juneau without a single axe to grind, without a single "promise" to fulfill, and he left as he arrived. It will be a pleasure to welcome back the city attorney of Nome two years hence for his second term, and let's hope he is not silenced by being elected president of the Senate. What this Territory needs is 24 Leroy Sullivans in the legislature.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Raining & snowing – yet the men are working cleaning out the Goldstein basement – the steamshovel is finished & gone – though the heavy trucks and shovel men are clearing out the corners</p>

	<p>and piles of ashes.</p>
Diary 46, 1939 March 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>Working on writing Introduction to my Golden Paystreak from Cape Horn to Point Barrow – slowly! Very impatiently waiting also, for Hawkes to return from New York with prospects about capital to open the Keku mines. I do not have much confidence either in him or the mine! I am the only doubting one – Grace, the Kerns, Dr Dawes – Dyrdaahl & seem to think its a good prospect! Hawkes continues to boost by letters – but no money yet, and he has occupied the top floor of our residence – 7th & Seward – and owes \$1200. rent to date – no money.</p>
Diary 46, 1939 March 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>At the office as usual but I cannot read a book or even correct typing which Grace does for me. I can write as this witnesses, - that is all, and I am discouraged in consequence Dr. Stewart dentisting my teeth! Grace answering letters for me in the Jack Sargent Hd. matter – writing to another of his sisters – Mrs. Catherine Griffin, 185 Pond St. _____ Avon, Massachusetts.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Attended the funeral of Mr. H.R. Shepard, at the Episcopal Church – old Washington Terry. friends.</p>
Diary 46, 1939 March 31- April 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>My eyes have failed in sight so much that I cannot see to read a book or writing – not even with glasses. Also have to keep up my teeth – with dentistry. They – my teeth – are sound but well worn. The old one hoss shay fell apart in a day – but my timbers are yet sound and strong.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-April 1, 1939.-</p> <p>Snowing and raining – Carpenters on flat roof across the street busy in the snow nailing on boards Luncheon at Percy's café with the Juneau Bar Association.</p>
Diary 46, 1939 April 2-3	<p style="text-align: center;">April 2nd 1939</p> <p>Funeral of Mrs. Olds – Palmer. Very windy & cold</p>

	<p>– honorary pall bearer with A.W. Fox, Dr Dawes, John Reck & two others. It was attended by many of the old friends. Her maiden name was Prior, she was married to John Olds before 1880, - on his death to Dr Palmer, a Canadian who survives. By her marriage with John Olds she became the mother of several children – who survive her, - a fine good woman.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd-</p> <p>Windy – Taku hurricane last night. In the office as usual – doing little</p>
Diary 46, 1939 April 4	-4 th -
	<p>E.B. Collins, of Fairbanks and his friend Huson, of Cordova called – they are passengers on the SS. “Alaska” – bound for the interior – home. The Collins had an adventure with an automobile in the Yakima valley. Mrs. Collins had arm broken & her collar bone. While E.B. – being large and fat just got rolled & bruised. She is in the hospital at Seattle, not badly hurt – just something to talk about. A fine morning, wind calm – sunshine bright.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">J.C.B. Hawks & his son</p>
Diary 46, 1939 April 4	4
	<p>“Jacky” arrived on the Northland this morning, on their return from a four months trip to New York where senior went to work up the sale of the Keku mines – to parties who may be interested. The local parties who have advanced money, work, etc. to prospect same are hopeful! The Hawkes have lived in our house for 2 years or so, without payment of rent & Grace is hoping he will be able to pay rent long overdue!</p> <p>Andrew Nerland, the leading Republican in Alaska, a fine man and my friend came to call – he is on the</p>
Diary 46, 1939 April 4-5	4
	<p>SS Alaska, going home, Fairbanks. We talked over the political situation & found no hope of getting rid of Al. White – who will undoubtedly try to control the next Republican convention as he did last one by unfair means. Rasmusson of Skagway’s the only influence which can be expected to exert any power independent of White</p>

	<p>– but he is too cowardly and weak – cannot stand alone – White can control him.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th-</p> <p><u>Guy McNaughton</u>, manager B.M. Behrends Bank for many years died at the St Anns Hospital</p>
Diary 46, 1939 April 5	5
	<p>last night. For nearly 40 years he has been cashier of the Bank and second only Behrends himself in the successful management of that sound and important institution. A man of the highest character he has always had the confidence of the people of Alaska and given stability to the bank and Juneau. His death is a decided loss to the business interests of this city.</p> <p>Hawkes is highly pleased with his success at New York in the Keku Mines matter. He had a personal interview with J.P. Morgan and reports him much interested!</p>
Diary 46, 1939 April 6	-6 th -
	<p>Hawkes has related the story of his successful interview with J.P. Morgan to Grace, the Kerns & Woody Atkinson and they are all greatly excited over the prospects reported to them. If his statements are correct he has gotten the mining venture in good shape and secured the necessary aid to have a competent mining engineer come to the mines in May 19th to report on its value to Morgan and expect on such report to have the project taken over by capital and probably organized by the Morgan influence for future development & exploitation!</p>
Diary 46, 1939 April 7-8	-7 th -
	<p>Spent the day writing a letter to John Bremner, 3rd the Grandson of John Bremner 1st who was the first mining prospector to search the Chitina region for copper. The grandson of the first copper prospector on Copper river resides at Yakutat and wrote me a nice letter on March 28th – which I answered.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th-</p> <p>Luncheon of Juneau Bar Association in honor of the Birthdays of Hon. H.B. LeFevre, President, Felix Gray, U.S. Commissioner, Juneau, Big attendance & pleasant time. LeFevre is 83 years</p>

	old today!
Diary 46, 1939 April 9-10	-9 th – Sunday – at home resting & reading. Grace did the reading which does well and I listened with much pleasure. Read Biography of Meriwether Lewis, leader of the Lewis & Clark exploring Expedition from Washington D.C. to the mouth of the Columbia river We had finished biography of Sam Houston, of Texas. -10 th – At the office. Wrote a letter to Knight, editor of Alaska weekly in support of Leroy Sullivan – as a Republican leader in Alaska.
Diary 46, 1939 April 10-11	10 I can still write – my fingers can still move the pen along a line and record my thoughts though my sight is growing so bad that I cannot read a book or writing after I pass it by, except dimly and painfully with the use of a magnifying glass. I must await some money from Winden, my agent at Tacoma and go there or to Seattle for assistance from an eye specialist for treatment. -11 th – Letter from Darrell says I must sell something to procure money for eye treatment – he is hard up! After 6 years of the New Deal!!
Diary 46, 1939 April 12-13	-12 th – Attended Funeral of Guy McNaughton, for 30 years connected with B.M. Behrends bank here in Juneau, at Elks Hall. It was a large audience, the ceremonies were solemn and worthy of the kind and highly respectable man who passed away. He was my friend during all the years of our acquaintance and I paid the full measure of my respect to his memory and our friendship. -13 th – Wrote letter to Gordon C. Bettles & interviewed Harry Watson and Hawksworth about his pension
Diary 46, 1939 April 14	-14 th – Beautiful sunny day! Grace is copying my Introduction to the Golden Paystreak! Wrote letter to Ruth, Easter Card.

	I went up to the office of W.B. Kirk, who has charge of the issuance of pensions for old Alaskans and presented the application of Gordon C. Bettles. Kirk was not present but Jane Alexander, Judge Alexanders daughter was in charge and said the application would not be allowed until Bettles returned from Seattle and presented it - & showed he was a present resident – where he has lived for more than 50 years
Diary 46, 1939 April 14-15	14 she said she would write to him & state the reasons for refusal, that Harry Watson, the Governors secretary had been in to urge the application but had been given the same refusal. -15 th – In company with A.W. Fox, atty. I interviewed Truitt, Atty. General of Alaska about refusal of Kirk Director Public Welfare to accept application of Gordon C. Bettles, for 50 years a resident of Alaska, and to allow him pension under the laws of Alaska – Atty. Genl will take charge of case and try to get results I want – pension allowance
Diary 46, 1939 April 16-18	-16 th – Sunday – at home. -17 th – In the office as usual but too blind to read or write. Had dentist work done on a broken tooth by Dr. A.W. Stewart. Grace is assisting me with such work as I am obliged to do. -18 th – SS. Alaska from Seattle. Hess & wife aboard: Took Fairbanks plane – did not see him – wrote him letter go on next airplane, asking payment of anything due me on Homestake mine – sale: Tom, Walton long story about Fox farm on Aaron Island & mines on Admiralty Island – good story!
Diary 46, 1939 April 18-20	18 th continued Ralph Merrill on Alaska another long story about rich mine! Received \$125 ⁰⁰ act. rentals from A.W. Winden Tacoma – Ranch! -19 th – As usual – in the office – nothing. -20 th –

	<p>Received from M^cCaine & Stearns Ketchikan, copy judgment in the Friss Estate, Fairbanks, annulling & declaring void the Probate proceedings in the Ketchikan precinct, allowing M^cCain & Stearns \$150.⁰⁰ atty fee in the case allowing me \$100⁰⁰ atty fee & adding balance due Friss Estate to be paid to the Fairbanks Administrator.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1939 April 20-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th – continued</p> <p>Wrote letter to Charles E. Taylor – Estate attorney Fairbanks sending him papers sent me by Mc & Stearns Taylor will make his own accounts in the Fairbanks case to the court there. It was a bad case – for the Estate, but was so held by Judge Alexander on his judgment. Recd. from A.W. Winden, my Tacoma agent \$125⁰⁰ on act rentals of Puyallup ranch!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st-</p> <p>In the office as usual – nothing important.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd-</p> <p>Bar Association Luncheon. At the office as usual.</p>
<p>Diary 46, 1939 April 23-26</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd-</p> <p>Sunday – at home walking</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th-</p> <p>In the office as usual, writing answering correspondence with Graces assistance. Princess boat with several days mail</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>Same as yesterday – in office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th-</p> <p>We are getting up courage to go to Seattle – next week!</p>