

<p>Diary 45, 1936-1937</p>	<p>[Front cover]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>1936-'7.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Diary of James Wickersham From February 11th 1936. - to - September 27, 1937.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Howard Franklin Discovered Franklin Gulch <u>40 Mile</u> – 1884.</p>
	<p>[inside front cover – clipping] Alaska Weekly</p> <p>One of the surprises of the New Year was the receipt of greetings from Thomas Gale, Alaska's <u>first</u> delegate {second} now retired and at the age of 87, enjoying life at his home in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. To Alaskans everywhere he sends this message –</p> <p>I've passed the 87th Mile Post, And as I wearily ramble on I often think of the good old days I spent In that beautiful land of the Midnight Sun.</p> <p>As I glance into the past Along life's weary way, I'm cheered by kindly greetings From friends I can never repay.</p> <p>When we are young and full of life, It seems Life's road will never end, We only think of earthly strife- We do not clearly comprehend.</p> <p>But when we see with vision clear We find life's but an earthly span To give us hope and heavenly cheer, To serve our God and fellow man.</p> <p>I'm nearing the eighty-eighth milepost,</p>

	<p>That points to the celestial "West"- Where the burdens of life are laid aside To enter the Haven of Eternal Rest.</p> <p>The sun of life is growing dim, But the star of hope still lights the way, And smoothes the path of early strife Which leads us all to the final day.</p> <p>Many are the thoughts that enter my mind- As I'm nearing eternity's dim shore. All sorrows and griefs I'm leaving behind To enter the life where time is no more.</p> <p>The journey was long, but time flew past While I struggled for earthly gain; It was sweet and alluring while time did last So – I have nothing of which to complain. THOMAS GALE. Ex-delegate.</p>
	<p>[next page] Mike Zharoff, Valdez I appointed Mike janitor of Valdez court house in 1905 – still there in 1937!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 February 11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>February 11, 1936.</u></p> <p>Miss Virginia Beherends, the wife of B.M. Behrends, banker and merchant, died at Ketchikan last evening about 7 o'clock. Behrends & Mrs. B went south a month ago, she remained in Seattle while he went on to New York on business. She started home a week or ten days ago with her daughter Mrs. J.T. Mullen, & her husband, took sick on the boat was taken off at Ketchikan, hospital & died there: before B.M. Behrends could reach there. He will get to Ketchikan this morning. she was a loveable, modest, home loving wife and mother.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 February 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13 Alaska – Juneau Empire Feb 12, 1930.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>Republicans Honor Lincoln; Score New Deal at Banquet of Young G.O.P. Club Here</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Role Emancipator Played in American History Told by Speakers</p> <p>Vivid and interesting descriptions of Abraham Lincoln, sixteenth president of the United States, and the part he played in holding the union together and freeing the slaves were given last night at the Lincoln Day banquet of the Young Men's Republican Club of Juneau and Douglas. Judge James Wickersham told of how Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation resulted in freeing the Indian slaves in Alaska. Judge H.B. LeFevre related his own recollections of the great man and Howard D. Stabler compared Lincoln's policies with those of the present day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WICKERSHAMS ADDRESS</p> <p>In a learned address Judge James Wickersham, authority on Alaska history, told how Abraham Lincoln abolished slavery in Alaska.</p> <p>"The Indians of Southeast Alaska were the first Americans on the Pacific Coast to honor Abraham Lincoln in raising a monument to his memory as the liberator of slaves in American territory," Judge Wickersham said. "A great totem pole at the old Indian village at Tongass still stands and supports atop its wooden pedestal a statue in heroic size of the martyred President erected by them in 1870, in remembrance of their loyal appreciation of his proclamation abolishing slavery in America.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 February 13-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>"Before 1880, when Lincoln led the people of his country to battle against slavery, Southeast Alaska, from Dixon's Entrance to Yakutat was slave country. Long before the Russians established their fur trading posts along its coasts, slavery was an old and fixed policy and custom among the Indian tribes in that region. These slaves were generally Indians captured by great carved war canoes commanded by cruel but courageous chieftains, manned by brave but brutal warriors, descending in fierce forays upon the innocent and unsuspecting villagers around Puget Sound and the Strait of Juan De Fuca."</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Seward Visit</p> <p>Judge Wickersham interestingly related incidents and court action leading up to the freeing of the slave Indians in the Territory.</p> <p>"In August, 1869, William H. Seward, the former Secretary of State in Abraham Lincoln's Cabinet, who signed the Emancipation Proclamation as Secretary of State, and who drew the treaty for the purchase of Alaska from Russia, visited Alaska," he said. "He was royally entertained by the people of Sitka, saw the total eclipse of the sun from Klukwan and paid a special visit to and made a talk to the Tongass Indians. The Tongass village site fronts south from the island on which it stands, from which you may look directly into the nearby beautiful Lincoln Channel. That view and the story which the Tongass refugees told Seward must have given him an hour of deep satisfaction. Either he or the officers of the army or customs stationed there, gave the Indians a war-time picture of Abraham Lincoln, who brought liberty to all Alaskan slaves, and so powerfully impressed their imagination that soon thereafter they raised a totem pole with a carving in heroic size of Lincoln's statue on its summit over the door where Seward had entered as the friend of the free Tongass people."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham showed the assemblage a picture of the Tongass totem, explaining the "statue surmounting the pedestal shows Abraham Lincoln standing, arms akimbo, dressed in his long-tailed coat, wearing his well known top hat and black beard, all so plainly shown that no one acquainted with his personal appearance can mistake the man.</p> <p>The picture was certified by Harriet E. Hunt, widely known pioneer Alaska woman.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 February 14-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>I called & had a long talk with Harry Watson, Sec. to Gov. Troy about our mutual friend R.H. (Dick) Geoghegan, of Fairbanks. Dr. Bunnell, Pres. of University of Alaska, wrote to me from Wash. D.C. that he had a letter from G- saying he was sick, and out of money, etc. & could not undertake to do</p>

	<p>the work on the History of Alaska etc. I wrote on the last boat to G- to encourage him & today took up the matter with the Governors office through Watson, who is a long time friend & as much of an admirer of G- as I am. He suggested that the Governors Office might now give him employment – that I could let him in an apartment in my house next to my library & we could between us get him at work on the Hist. of Alaska. Said he would consult with the Governor at once, & it looks like we might together get him to come to Juneau & accept the work mentioned.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>My old friend Bill Casey passed over the western divide yesterday – 84 years old. Am arranging a group of Interior friends as pall bearers for old Bill!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 February 16-17	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Attended the funeral of Mrs. B.M. (Virginia) Behrends today at the Northern Light Presbyterian Church. Music: song by Mrs. Judge Alexander, organ by Mrs. Davis (Trevor) Sermon by Rev. M. Glasse: prayer by Rev. David Waggoner – masses of flowers.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17-</p> <p>A group of Alaskans from the Yukon country who have known W.J. (Bill) Casey at Fort Gibbon & other places in the interior agreed to conduct his funeral & give him a Pioneer burial, but it seems he was born a Catholic & tho, he had quit the church and we are now told that on his death bed he recanted his errors, took the last rites as a churchman</p>
Diary 45, 1936 February 17	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>and Father Vassuer, S.J. will now conduct the church service etc. which is quite agreeable to United States but will attend tomorrow at 2 o'clock at Carter's Mortuary, - not the Catholic church - & show our respect for old Bill as a pioneer while the Father gets him into the golden streets by the back door. Its all right with us – for Bill was a good citizen, a better mule driver, & deserves to go to the Happy home if any tough miner from Forty Mile, Fort Gibson & the Yukon is allowed inside the</p>

	<p>pearly gates. We will boost Father La Vassuer's game, because we all liked Bill, all of us acting together may get him past St. Peter – for he is entitled to a better comfort after serving the Yukon for so many years!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 February 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18-</p> <p>David Morgan, Indian from Hoonah & Sec. Com. in Indian Suit came on & I explained the situation as shown by the Act of Congress & other records to him. He took the Report of the Board of Indian Commissaries, dated Sitka, Alaska June 30, 1885, signed by Gov. Kinkead & M.C. Hillyer away to read it carefully overnight. Attended Casey's funeral!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. David Morgan returned Report of Board of Indian Com. signed by Gov. Kinkead & M.C. Hillyer, said he had read it and seemed greatly interested in it. Is interested in having suit brought soon. Explained why not brought yet to him.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 February 20	<p style="text-align: center;">-20-</p> <p>Conference with Hawksworth, of the Indian Affairs Office, about the suit for the Tlingit & Haida Indians. He told me that Delegate Dimond had offered the work of representing the Wheeler-Howard Act work for the Indians in Alaska to Frank Peratovich – and had passed Wm L. Paul by in doing so. That he thought Paul would not be employed by the Indian Affairs bureau to work in Alaska, etc. I asked him to prepare copies of the Minutes of the Wrangell Meeting of the Indians where they appointed a Committee of Five to employ Attorneys to act for them in the suit over the Indian Lands &</p>
Diary 45, 1936 February 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>secure certified copies for me signed by Com. of Indian affairs & the Secretary of the Interior, to be sent on to Washington with orders & directions to the Committee to employ an attorney. Also told him I would not serve as an assistant attorney under Paul, but only as general attorney in charge of the entire litigation & I told him why and that I would explain the matter fully to Paul when he</p>

	returns to Juneau if he objects to my serving as general counsel:-that I would not object to Pauls serving as assistant attorney under my guidance etc. I left with him a copy of the minutes of the Wrangell meeting and requested him
Diary 45, 1936 February 20	20 to have his office force copy it, and he to get it certified (4 copies) by the permanent Chairman & Secretary for transmittal to the Sec. of the Interior & Com. of Indian affairs so they might approve the action of the Meeting in appointing the Com. of Five to employ the attorney for the Indians. It may be that Dimond will also conclude that I ought not to be employed as the attorney in the case & that one of his Democratic supporters would do a better job than I in that position? Maybe? I noticed in the Empire (or Press) on yesterday or the day before, that Bob. Peratovich – Franks brother had been (over two pages).
Diary 45, 1936 February 21	-21 st - As usual in the office. Mr. & Mrs. Jack Hawkes & son Jackie spent a pleasant evening with us in the library. He is very much interested in the story of the Lincoln Totem Pole statue at Tongass Island about which I spoke in my address on Feb. 12 th Lincoln day. He wants to go down to Tongass island & get it, but I have not been there since 1923 & it may have been carried away – or fallen down through [?] decay! so I do not consent! He offers to do it at his own expense – but I prefer to see it done by some public Bureau – the <u>Forestry</u> – <u>Indian</u> or <u>other</u> - & then there is the claim Starr Indian family to consider.
Diary 45, 1936 February 20-23	<u>Feb 20</u> (see two pages back – mistake) been arrested on indictment at Ketchikan & brought before Judge Alexander, for embezzlement of Post Office funds. Also Frank is a liquor seller under Territorial license at Klawock

	etc. (back to end of Feb. 20). -23 rd - Sunday Mail! <u>Recd. letter form Judge Bunnell, from N.Y. dated 13th marked "Confidential" saying has conferred with Dr. Sterns etc. about money for doing preliminary research work or Alaska History & feels "sanguine" that he will get it soon – very hopeful!</u> Also some interesting business mail.
Diary 45, 1936 February 24-25	-24 th – Prepared copy of Minutes of the Meeting of the Tlingit & Haida Indians in re Land Suit at Wrangell Alaska, Nov. 16 & 18, 1935 – typed at my request to C.W. Hawkesworth, Office of Indian Affairs, Capital Bldg. – send letter to David Morgan, Hoonah, and Judson Brown, <u>now</u> at Klawock, with request to certify to four copies of same and return to me at once. -25 th - Prepared & Had printed 2 pages of Acceptance of Offer by Tlingit and Haida Indians to employ me as chief counsel and attorney in Land Suit under Act of Congress June 19, 1935
Diary 45, 1936 February 25-28	25 Sent printed copies of Acceptance signed by me this date to all natives named in said Acceptance, also to Hawkesworth, Cyril Zuboff, Judson Brown, Sec. and David Morgan, chairman. 21 copies by mail, with stamped envelopes, kept copies, <u>etc.</u> -27 th – Same as usual in the office. -28- A group of White Russian employees of the A.J. Mining Co. called at our house last evening & some scholars examined my library – especially Russian books, etc. Music, smoking – singing – a pleasant evening, which we greatly enjoyed.
Diary 45, 1936 February 28-29	-28 th continued- Received a letter from the local inspectors of Bureau of Navigation & Steamboat Inspectors in the matter of which Darrell wrote – extortional bill for damages to the "Annette"- an inquiry under Maritime Ins. case, - <u>which I will send to him</u> – it gives a basis for judging of the correctness of the

	<p>claim.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Grace met with an accident yesterday – I learned of it when I went home in the evening – she was curling her hair with an electric curler – very hot – and it fell against her eye & we feared had badly injured her vision in the right eye, but the physician says now that no permanent injury will result, only a painful horn[?] Nothing new in the office.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 March 1-3	<p style="text-align: center;">Mch 1st 1936.</p> <p>Graces eye is recovery very fast & well. When she first turned it and while waiting for the Doctor to come she put wet tea leaves on the burn & that seemed to afford considerable healing relief. I am working on my too small Income Tax Statements. Worked all day (Sunday) in library on studying the 6000 mile long gold paystreak from Cape Horn to Point Barrow!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Mch 2nd -</p> <p>As usual in the office. Income Tax statement etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Recd. from Darrell, relief 50.00 “ “ “ “ 245.16.</p> <p>Paid Waynor for letter file. Same as usual in the office but some business coming in.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 March 4	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Wrote a letter to Darrell. Attended the funeral of Olaf Torkelson, one of my friends. A beautiful ceremony in the Lutheran Church. Attended Elk's Lodge tonight. Robertson & Monagle. (Monagle Exalted Ruler) put through a resolution for the A.J. endorsing the A.J. Co. Union against the Striker's Union. Frank Foster fought their scheme but it went through – many of the A.J. Union are members of the Elks. I voted with the A.J. scheme, because the Strikers Union is composed of radical communists, etc. and while I did not approve the scheme thought it less harmful than the radical organization. The A.J. Union is composed of working Juneau Miners.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 March 5-6	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Paid balance of my 1935 City Taxes - \$17⁰⁰, office rent etc. doing all I can to help Grace out who</p>

	<p>helped me pay the former ½ of my City Taxes last September. She has enough to pay her tax of \$180⁰⁰ with interest since Sept. She pays on the Bishop Apartments – Cor. 5th & Franklin – I own our home & my other house between Bishop Apt. and the rear of the Presbyterian Church.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Attended funeral of Eddie Miller! <u>Fbks</u>. Working on making up my Income Tax Statement. Mrs. A.B. Phillips, wife of Supt. Juneau Schools is reported to be passing away at the Hospital – from fall on icy street & childbirth.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 March 7-9	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Mrs. Phillips passed away. She was a fine woman with a wide circle of friends – death caused by fall on icy street & childbirth. Working on Inc. Tax statement.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Sunday: Funeral of Mrs. Phillips today at the Presbyterian Church. Phillips will take her remains to Seattle tonight on SS. for cremation! We attended ceremonies – in church. Sermon by Mr. Glasse – songs by Mrs. Alexander & Mrs. Faulkner & choir.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Grace & I signed & filed our Income tax statements. Grace paid taxes \$180⁰⁰ On the 6th I borrowed \$300.⁰⁰</p>
Diary 45, 1936 March 9-11	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>from Behrends Bank to pay my taxes etc. paid our bills in full.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Prepared Complaint in Divorce for Mrs. Zuboff – who insists on pushing her marital troubles to a conclusion. The Republican Young Mens Club, held a meeting last night & had a row. Faulkner & Robertson leading in their interests. Al. White trying to control so he can get to Nat. Rep. Convention, and control of Republican appointments in Alaska in case Republicans win National Election next year – as they may.</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1936 March 12-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. -13th –</p> <p>All papers prepared in Zuboff case. -14th -</p> <p>I am engaged these days in making a study of the discovery and development of the gold pay streak along the Cordilleran and Rocky Mountains from Cape Horn to Point Barrow, and in writing short sketches, particularly, of these discoveries and developments in Peru, Mexico, California British Columbia and Alaska. It is an interesting study, and one that I greatly enjoy. It may be valuable in the preparation of a History of Alaska – in part at least.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 March 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>I suggested to Frank Foster & Grover Winn, friends of Al White, that a committee composed of members of each of the political factions – in the Republican party, be appointed – and that the agreement be entered into for the settlement of local differences, so the Convention to be held at Douglas on April 9th could be held according to the agreed division of offices etc. Similar to the one Shackleford and I had in Washington in 1916 for the appointment of Alaska judges etc. which worked out fairly well! Answering correspondence! Barbara Herman & Mary Stewart – girls from Grade School, called with an invitation to me to speak before their class on Friday, 27th on the life & services of Wm H. Seward – it is Seward day on Mch 30th address to be given at 2:45 to 3¹⁵ at Public School.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 March 18-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday in the office. City politics growing warmer and that of Republican Territory boiling. I listen and keep out of both. -19 – 20-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. I am taking osteopathic neck treatments from Dr. Vance for a “crick in the neck.” Conferred with Watson, Gov. Troys secretary yesterday in relation to the purchase of the Tongass Indian Village Totem pole carrying on its</p>

	<p>submit a statue of Abraham Lincoln – trying to secure funds to buy it from the heirs & get it removed to Juneau and reset on the Capital grounds.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 March 21-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p> <p>Same in the office. Bar Assoc. luncheon. Working at odd moments on “Stampede” story -22nd -</p> <p>Sunday – first day of spring. Funeral of Fredk. Rowe – attended a Masonic funeral for him at 2 oclock Received a letter written by W.M. Paul in Washington, D.C. on March 12th but deposited in the post office here in Juneau this morning expressing dissatisfaction with my having printed & sent out to the Indian Council my acceptance of his office – for the Indian, A.N.B. and Indians generally – to become the leading counsel for them in their land suit! There is no present answer!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 March 23-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23-</p> <p>Concluded chapter on Gold Mining by Cortez, in my study of Gold Mining Stampedes along the Cordilleran & Rock Mountains from Cape Horn to Point Barrow. In the office as usual. -24th –</p> <p>Ralph Merrill, Debbies nephew enroute to his mining claims near Valdez called. -25th –</p> <p>Working on redrafting Complaint etc in Nance v Marion Twin Gold Mining Co. -26th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office -27th -</p> <p>Short address to Grade School on Russian America under the Russians & Alaska under the United States Govt.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 March 27-30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>Wrote to Carl Boettcher, Evansville, Ind. about Ivanhoe Mining Co. – asking for information about its owners & officials – address etc. since I want to get an option on part or all of the mining claims belonging to the Ivanhoe Co. I enjoyed my talk to</p>

	<p>the school children. -28th – Saturday – Meeting Bar Association. Sent complaint, prepared summons & \$5⁰⁰ for filing for the Clerk District Court Valdez, case Nance v Marion Twin G.M. Co. -29th – Sunday. Home all day reading. -30th – 69th Birthday of Alaska: Treaty Purchase Mch. 30, 1867. In the office as usual</p>
Diary 45, 1936 March 30-31	<p>-30th continued Sent A.W. Winden, Tacoma, my check for \$62⁸⁰ to pay Nan's dues for board to the womens Club, etc. at the time of her death, with instructions to send to me by freight via Alaska SS. Co. the books etc. held by the Club as security for her debt. Some of these books, etc. belong to me & I do not see any other way of getting the Club paid – for the estate is held up indefinitely by Harry's refusal to produce & probate her will. -31st - Met the SS Alaska at 7 a.m. & had a talk with Cadwallader, from Wasilla, about case of Nance v Marion-Twin Gold Mining Co. case. Seward complaint etc.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 1-3	<p>-April 1st – As usual in office, paying Mch. bills. -2nd – Assisting John Wagner to worry about his Hd. & Mining claims. Looking up the record in the Records office. It is a bad mess & I don't blame him for worrying. He is old, careless and has been sadly neglected – has wasted a fortune by inattention to business rules. -3rd - Interested in getting Femmer case ready for trial when court meets here in another week. Grace keeps track of my bank account & today she found where I had made an error of a hundred dollars – against myself!!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 4-5	<p>-4th – Darrell sends me a check for \$50⁰⁰ on the first of every month – one today!</p>

	<p>I have a bad cold – but getting better. -5th - Confined with cold. Working in library studying mining history of mountain range from Cape Horn to Point Barrow – interesting. Had Mr. & Mrs. Jack Hawkes & son & Mifs Mayo a friend to dinner. They are good friends of Ruth Coffins & Graces. I found Mifs Mayo an interesting and well educated young woman – her family came from Maine & is, I think, closely related to Capt. Al. Mayo, pioneer fur trader on the Yukon River – 1873 – with Jack McQuesten, Harper & Hart! I gave her Mayo daughters address – California: Mrs. Craig</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 6-7	<p>-6th – Remained at home all day with cold – studying mountain range mining! Received nice long letter from my old friend Joe Anicich, who resides at Tanana – gave me a biographical sketch – 42 years – 1894-1936 on the Yukon. -7th - Juneau City election day! Also the Republican Territorial Convention forces – delegates are gathering – convention at Douglas day after tomorrow, 9th! Judge Bunnell, Pres. University called – he is returning home from Washington, where he has been for some months on business relating to the University.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 7	<p>7 He tells me he has been promised support in the matter of securing funds with which to begin the preliminary work on the History of Alaska – promised – but no money The delegates to the Ter. Rep. Convention are having an interesting time trying to iron out their troubles. (1) Al White has a group of friends & delegates – probably one half of those from the 1st Division ready to support him: Arnold, Faulkner, et. al. have the other half against White. The Arnold crowd have the proxies from the 2nd (Nome) Div. and a few from the 3rd Div. These two factions have somewhere near an equal number of delegates – neither can control. (2) Andrew Nerland, from</p>

	Fairbanks, has the entire block of proxies
Diary 45, 1936 April 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>from the 4th Division – and can control the results by plumping them with either faction. The White faction is supporting Rasmusson for Rep. National Committeeman – the prize they all want, while the Arnold following (Goodall, & others) are bitterly opposing Rasmusson. The point to the contest is to get Nerland to take the Nat. Committeeship himself and settle the contest – if he will!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Andrew Nerland came in with Arnold & we had a long talk about Andrew accepting the Republican National Committeeman & not endorsing Rasmusson. I appealed to him in the strongest way I could to take</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>the position – he was very reluctant to do so. I urged that Rasmusson, White & all their followers voted for Dimond 4 years ago – that Rasmusson refused to support me and left the Territory a month before the election, let the Rep. campaign go to pieces – that White did the same, but returned on election day, an hour before the polls closed & voted for Dimond, that all of their (Al's) U.S. Deputy marshals, worked & voted for Dimond etc. and there is no assurance that either White or Rasmusson will support the ticket this fall etc. that he, Nerland, is the leading Republican in the Territory & that it is his duty to step into the</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>breach & save the party from these party traitors etc. My appeal was personal, direct, and position & it may produce the necessary effect – <u>I do not know</u>, but hope it will. I have also told him that Kellar was coming to Fairbanks this winter to teach school – that he had a scheme in his head to supplant Bunnell as head of the University – that the thought was that of Rasmusson was successful & a Rep. National victory should happen, & Rasmusson be appointed Governor of Alaska, he would fill the Board of Regents with friends of</p>

	Keller's who would remove Bunnell & appoint Keller!! This suggestion started
Diary 45, 1936 April 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>Andrew & it may set him to thinking along that line, for Keller is moving to Fairbanks for that purpose – with that end in view!! Anyway I did all I could to persuade Andrew to cut loose from Rasmusson & White! He left, however, without giving me a direct promise, but with his mind very much disturbed, and I shall feel very much disappointed if he refuses to follow my pleadings! Theile, Goodall & Arnold came out to my house this evening – they feel they are beaten in the scrap with Rasmusson & White – they cannot get any assurance of support from Nerland – <u>he wont talk</u>. Faulkner has gone over to Rasmusson too!!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 9-10	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Republican Territorial Convention, met at Douglas this day, 10 oclock. Mr. Al. White in charge. Rumors that the delegates are having a hard time to agree. Al. wants to run things. Hear that Andrew Nerland & Al do not agree!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>The row in the Rep. Convention is loud and bitter. Al. White is attempting to throw out enough proxies form the 2, 3 & 4th Divisions & even in the 1st. to give him a majority of those present sufficient to elect the Delegates to the Nat. Convention – but the other interested parties – holding proxies, are holding on & fighting – so they will win!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 1-12	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Rep. Ter. Convention still in agony! Al. White, representing a minority of all the delegates honestly & legally elected, through his control of the situation keeps the Convention from acting. He & his Com. on Credentials threw out enough opposing votes to keep Al in an apparent – but buglarious – majority & thus held the convention in a deadlock for 3 days. The White faction had less than a majority. The opposing majority will begin to organize tonight to take over the power by organizing all their forces into a unit & perfecting an independent convention!</p>

	-12 th -
	Easter Sunday – went to the Presbyterian church with Grace to enjoy the music.
Diary 45, 1936 April 13-14	-13 th -
	The anti-White forces in the Rep. Ter. Convention perfected their organization today – appointed Delegates to the National Rep. Convention adopted a platform & completed their work. The White faction did the same & now we have two groups of Ter. Rep. Delegates to the Nat. Con. etc.
	-14 th -
	The friends of the Republican party – Nerland, Goodall, Faulkner, Arnold & many others have made up a fine record in the proposed control that Al White & his small faction threaten to begin in the Cleveland Nat. Convention & 3 delegates elected by them will go to the Convention to present their case! I think the public opinion is favorable to them & against White! I hope so!
Diary 45, 1936 April 15-16	-15 th -
	The delegate to the Rep. Ter. Convention have all gone home – everything is quiet, but both sides are getting records ready for the appeal to the Rep. National Committee, each hoping to be seated in the Nat. Convention. I am urging Harry Watson, Sec. to Gov. Troy to go to Ketchikan & secure the title to the Lincoln Totem, standing at the old Tongan Indian village on Tongass Island. He wants to go but is very busy – promises to go! Business is getting somewhat better in the office – not good enough though! Have drafted & prepared an Amended Complaint in the case of Femmer v Juneau.
	-16 th -
	Working in the office as usual – getting cases ready for coming of court on the 22 nd
Diary 45, 1936 April 17-18	-17 th -
	Working on pleading sin cases to come on for hearing when court meets on 22 nd . A Mr. Dona, a Hollander, tourist on his own yacht with his brother spent the evening with us, listened to the Advertisement – musical – of the S.E. Alaska Musical Tournament to be pulled off next week by the Juneau schools - & talked Dutch ancestry with

	-18 th -
	<u>Grace!</u> Quiet rumors have been around for two or three days that Arnold of Ketchikan got drunk over at the Rep. Con. at Douglas & lost his private bag containing all his -& the Republican – letters, papers, etc. Reports are that the papers constitute
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	a dynamite shock – and the opposition organization, controlled by Al White & Stabler have possession of them & are spreading the poison to break down the Faulkner –(Arnold)-Nerland-Chase delegates & their control before the Rep. National Convention at Cleveland! & to seat the White delegates. If half of the reports are true it is a bad mess & will probably defeat the Faulkner ticket & delegates at the National Convention & the whole Rep. Ter. ticket this fall. I am doubly glad that I kept out of the whole contest!!
	-19 th -
	Sunday – spent the day reading Hist. of mining in northern Mexico - & trailing Cabeza de Vaca from Florida to Calif.
Diary 45, 1936 April 20	-20 th -
	Same as usual in the office, - filing pleadings in cases in contest. My old friend Bill Finn, from Fairbanks and Brown from Valdez & other old sourdoughs from the interior called at my office this morning while the Seward boat was at the dock – glad to see them! My! but they are looking gray & old!! There is a rumor that among the letters stolen with Arnold's portfolio is one from Faulkner to someone saying he can control me, & that I can control Bob. Bloom!! No doubt Faulkner thought that, because it was generally known that I was denouncing & opposing White & his plans!! so
Diary 45, 1936 April 20-22	20
	he could play that statement quite safely, though he never asked me to try to control Bloom – <u>which I did not</u>
	-21 st -
	Busy in the office working on pleadings in the case of Femmer v City of Juneau, and Thomas Hd. Co. v Gorham – they are both interesting but hard

	<p>cases to win!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Attended - with Grace the S.E. Alaska Musical Festival, composed of musical scholars from Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg, Douglas & Juneau. A crowded house – we were pleased because Ruth has taken the leading pail with her classes in singing. It was a very interesting evening of song and instrumental music.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 23	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>As usual in the office – studying Thomas v Gorham case. I am just in receipt of a letter from Darrell asking me to get the gold Bracelet which Stephen Birch gave Debbie years ago after I had decided the Kennecott copper case, with which he was connected – and send it to him for Jane. This embarrasses me, for after Debbie's death I gave all her jewelry, etc. to Darrell except her watch, which I bought for her & this Birch bracelet – these I gave to Grace, but she would never wear them, but finally gave the bracelet to Ruth & now I cannot get it back – so I am obliged to explain the matter to Darrell. I think Ruth will have more pleasure in it than Jane will, anyway, so that's that!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 24	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>Sec. E.W. Griffin loaned me his copy of a new book as I passed by his office this morning. J.A. Hellenthals, "The Alaska Melodrama" – Liveright Pub. Co. N.Y. just off the press! Some books are written by careful reference to historical data found in other and preceding volumes by authors who gather exact facts, and draw exact, or nearly so, conclusions, while some are dictated to stenographers out of a general mass of half digested material contained in the "dictators" memory! After reading "Melodrama" I can shut my eyes and hear Jack's exact and well known voice dictating it to his stenographer! I has little historic value, but is</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 24-25	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>especially good reading to one who knows Jack Hellenthal! It's a good stump speech! – against Conservation!</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>Busy in court on getting pleadings corrected in Femmer v City of Juneau case – succeeded, Bar Assoc. lunch at Terminal Café and we – Grace & I – attended the last musical of the combined schools of Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg, & Juneau, at the auditorium! Music good & we were proud of Ruth's part in the works performance. It has been unusually bright sunshine all week & the children have had a glorious time - & a ball tonight. Many of these children have never been to Juneau before & so have enjoyed their visit exceedingly.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 26-29	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Sunday – at home in my library. Mr. Hawkes brought his friend Cortelyou to visit my library & we had an evening of good cheer – cigars- & discussion of books</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Nothing new.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Primary Election day. Many speeches over the radio last night – Al. White, Jack Wilson, Mrs. Hermann spoke. Much interest by both Democrats & Republicans.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>At work in the office as usual. The Primary election yesterday exciting, but returns are slow in coming in – paper tonight will give some news, but not sufficient to enable us to be certain of results.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 April 30	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>The Democrats seem to have a greater aggregate vote based on present returns from the primary election, in the Territory, than the Republicans. Judging from these partial returns it appears the Democratic candidates may be elected this fall! The same result is forecast from the returns in the nation wide primary – that Roosevelt, having more supporters in the primaries, may be elected in November!</p> <p>Ruth Coffin, Grace's niece, worked too hard in the musical for two or three weeks & is now down sick as a result!</p> <p>Attended a reception at Gov. Troys mansion to Rear Admiral Craven, U.S. Navy last night – a</p>

	pleasant affair!
Diary 45, 1936 May 1	<p align="center">-May 1, 1936.-</p> <p>Studying the value of the Spanish “Ordinances of the Mines of New Spain,” (1783) in their relation to the development of the Western mining territories – writing a chapter on the general subject. They constituted the skeleton of the best principles embodied in the U.S. Federal Mining Statutes of 1866-1872 & subsequent Acts of Congress in relation to mining on the U.S. public domain. I am to make a few remarks to the Boy Scouts tonight – Judge Alexander is to preside – at the court room in the Capital building. No Boy Scouts meeting – Judge Alexander, presiding official, was not able to attend – sick?</p>
Diary 45, 1936 May 2-5	<p align="center">-2nd –</p> <p>Saturday – Bar Association at the Gastineau Hotel – too crowded – unsatisfactory!</p> <p align="center">-3rd –</p> <p>Sunday – at home in library studying settlement of California – first pueblos, etc.</p> <p align="center">-4th-</p> <p>In office – Motion to Strike from complaint in Bond v Dyrdaahl & Nelson served on Faulkner.</p> <p align="center">-5-</p> <p>Am authorized to appear for Nelson in the Bond case, - by Nelson, but Dyrdaahl must pay for my services – Mrs. Dyrdaahl agrees. Our Washington friend – Sargent of the Geol. Survey spent the evening with us last night – papering & repairing the house. Grace is preparing to go to Fairbanks.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 May 6-10	<p align="center">-6-</p> <p>As usual in the office. Preparing pleadings in Bond v Dyrdaahl Authorized to appear for Nelson in Bond case</p> <p align="center">-7th –</p> <p>Same in the office – reading mining law – Spanish carried to California by Ordinances of New Spain – 1783. After Treaty with Mexico – in 1866-72 transformed into U.S. Statutes, Mines. We are repairing the house – papering – roof</p>

	<p>repairs, etc.</p> <p align="center">-8th –</p> <p>Paid balance April Accounts!</p> <p align="center">-9th & 10th -</p> <p>Sunday: Grace & helper worked all day cleaning up the 3rd – top – floor so the Hawkes family can move in.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 May 10-11	<p align="center">10</p> <p>repairing, repapering etc.</p> <p align="center">-11th -</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Arthur C. Hobbble, of Barcelona, Spain, asking Grace to send authority to Dolores, -Henry H. Vroomas [Vroomans] widow to use credit of his estate with which to secure funds to pay inheritance tax on Estate in Spain – or lose 30% penalty. Telegram sent by Grace – signing as Executrix & Trustee – cable I also send all papers.- and Petition to admit his will to probate in Seattle & appoint Mrs. Ido V. Faucher – Graces sister administratrix with Will annexed – Grace cannot qualify since she does not live in King Co. or State of Washington – send papers & instructions to <u>Edward W. Allen, Atty</u>, Seattle, to act for Estate!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 May 12	<p align="center">-12th -</p> <p>Sent all papers Estate Henry H. Vrooman decd. – Graces brother to Edw. W. Allen, atty, Northern Life Tower Bldg. Seattle. Grace prepared to go to Fairbanks on SS “Alaska” today. Very much pleased at beautiful weather & prospects of an interesting trip. After Grace’s boat had gone I received another radiogram from Hobbble, Barcelona, saying they must have a written power of Attorney from Mrs. Wickersham, to settle affairs of the estate of her brother Harry. I answered asking to have the power of attorney they wanted prepared & sent by air mail to Edward W. Allen, attorney, Seattle. <u>I dont know what they think they want!</u></p>
Diary 45, 1936 May 13-17	<p align="center">-13th –</p> <p>Busy today sending copies of the radiograms between Grace & Hobbble in Barcelona to Edward W. Allen, Seattle. The house is pretty lonesome without Grace’s</p>

	<p>footsteps and cheerful presence. -14th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. -15th –</p> <p>Busy with some law matters – new ones. Ruth & I take dinners at Mrs. Modu's, though tonight she is at dinner with some of her teacher – friends.</p> <p>-16th –</p> <p>Quiet in the office. Lunch with the Bar Assoc. at Baileys old café.</p> <p>-17th -</p> <p>Sunday – at home. Mr. & Mrs. Hawkes</p>
Diary 45, 1936 May 17-18	<p>17</p> <p>Jackie – 10 years old, & Mifs Mayo, secretary have the 3rd floor rooms in our house. Ruth & I had dinner with them. I read all day.</p> <p>-18th -</p> <p>SS. Alaska just in from westward. Dr. Chase, Cordova, Republican friend, is aboard enroute to the Cleveland Nat. Convention. Chase, Faulkner & young Nerland are the three Delegates chosen at the Douglas convention: Al White etc. represent the opposition: Faulkner went on ahead a week ago with the record of the local convention, to prepare the contest. Contest will begin June 2: at Cleveland & I hope Al. White & his crowd are defeated – but!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 May 18-19	<p>18</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>Alaska University Commencement Today</p> <p>FAIRBANKS, Alaska, May 18.-The Fourteenth Alaska Commencement exercises of the University of Alaska are being held here today in the new concrete gymnasium. There are seventeen graduates, among them being Richard Dale, Albert Dorsh, Donald Fowler, Glen Franklin, George Henton, Reino Hutalla, Winnifred MacDonald, Helen Linck, Aben Shatlitt, Louis Smith, Edwin Stevens, Leonard Thompson, Joseph Walsh, Paul Wickstrom.</p> <p>Addresses Dr. Ernest H. Gruening gave the</p>

	<p>Commencement address and is also to speak at the banquet tonight. Guests include Gov. John W. Troy, Otto F. Ohlson, Ike Taylor, Harry G. Watson and regents from the various cities including Mrs. James Wickersham of Juneau.</p> <p>Three of the graduates are from Washington, one each from Oregon, Montana, Indiana and the remainder from Alaska. Fourteen gained all credits.</p> <p>Dr. Gruening will try and visit McKinley Park tomorrow, fly to Nome Wednesday and return here and leave by plane for Juneau with Gov. Troy on Thursday.</p> <p>Mr. and Mrs. George A. Lingo came to Fairbanks with the party.</p> <p>Juneau Daily Empire, May 18, 1936</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p>\$17,000 Grant Is Made to Alaska Univ.</p> <p>FAIRBANKS, Alaska, May 18. – President Charles E. Bunnell announced at the Commencement ceremony at the University of Alaska today that he has received word that the Rockefeller Foundation has awarded the University \$17,000 for Alaska history research to be diversified by Dr. Bunnell.</p> <p>This sum will largely devoted to cataloguing and translation of Judge James Wickersham's library. Three persons will be employed for two years, including the translation and a considerable portion of this time will be spent in Juneau with Judge Wickersham.</p> <p>-19-</p> <p>The above clipping looks like Judge Bunnell is getting his eastern financial friends interested. Grace will have the story in mind when she returns from Fairbanks. I have sent Darrell a copy of the Empire – it will interest him also. Recd. following telegram from Judge Bunnell:</p>
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<p>Diary 45, 1936 May 19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th continued-</p> <p>[telegram] Fairbanks James Wickersham Juneau Notified yesterday Rockefeller Foundation has made grant for history research Charles E Bunnell</p> <p>Sent Schwartz, local attorney for Nance v Marion – Twin G.M. Co. Los Angeles, Cal. also Cadwallader, letters about taking testimony etc. on trial of that case. Replied to Judge Bunnells telegram: "Juneau, Alaska, May 19, 1936." Chas. E. Bunnell, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Alaska. I am much pleased with your telegram notifying me that you have secured funds for research work stop if you deem it necessary to have conference for preparation of agreements and outline of plans for work suggested please advise me how and when it can be brought about. <u>James Wickersham</u></p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 May 20-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>Busy in the office. Business coming in better. Preparing articles of Incorporation of the <u>Crystal Gold Mining Company of Snettisham</u>. James Toby, S.A. Wilson & Lynn Burleson, incorporators. -21st –</p> <p>Ruth had telegram from Grace yesterday saying she would be home on next boat from Seward – on Monday, & also that Dr. Gruening, Asst. Sec. Dept. Interior would be here today & might wish to see my private Historical Library etc. He did not arrive. -22-</p> <p>Preparing Articles of Incorporation & papers for Crystal Gold Mining Co. for the Snettisham miners – busy in the office etc.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 May 23-24</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd –</p> <p>Attended (with Ruth) reception to Dr. Ernest Henry Gruening. Director Div. of Ter. & Island Possessions, U.S.A. at Governors – a goodly crowd of specially invited guests. Had a good talk</p>

	<p>with Dr. Gruening – he wishes to come & visit my library soon. I found him a shrewd, business man – a scholar & I think a competent administrator. The Gov. & Watson, secretary, report seeing Grace – but she seemed to be sick – quiet at least - & that could only result from sickness! They returned home on the airplane she is coming on the SS. due here Monday morning. Nothing new on the matter. -24th -</p> <p>Sunday – Dr. Gruening came this evening & spent two hours or more going over</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 May 24-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>my library & discussing Alaskan matters. I took occasion to go over the matter of my employment as attorney for the Tlingit & Haida Indians vs. United States in their claim for their possessory rights in S.E. Alaska. On Friday Dept. U.S. Attorney George Folta filed charges and disbarment proceedings in the U.S. District Court against W^m L. Paul, who is pretending to manage this Indian Land Case, and he may be disbarred – which will end his interest in that matter. The whole matter was discussed with Gruening – "<u>but no decision arrive at,</u>" as the Congressmen say in action. -25th -</p> <p>Grace got home this morning at 3 a.m. She had enjoyed a bad cold mixed with sea sickness & felt the <u>mixture</u> badly.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 May 25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>On the mail I received a letter from Earling, Mgr. of the Fairbanks Exploration Co. offering to pay me \$2500⁰⁰ for my ¾ interest in the Daly bench on Ester Creek - & to pay Mrs. Patterson 1/3 as much for her ¼ interest. It does not seem a satisfactory amount – it is well work [worth] \$10⁰⁰⁰ (Ten thousand dollars) – but I will consider it. Grace had no news other than Bunnells newspaper announcement about work on the History! It seems to me that much of the Judges enthusiasm on my part of the work is getting rather cool. Of course I will wait and watch for other news from him. Grace saw many of our friends in</p>

	Fairbanks & at other towns but did not report a pleasant trip!
Diary 45, 1936 May 26-27	-26- Prepared notices for Dyrdaahl warning laborers, materialmen & contractors not to construct improvements on Lot 5, Blk 15 Juneau, (less 20 feet sold to Nelson) without consent in writing from Dyrdaahl – etc. Also prepared Release of Deed of Trust to B.M. Behrends, Trustee, in Bond issue paid in re Bonds for McKinnon Investment Co. Flora gave me copies of photos made by him of Lincoln totem pole at Tongass Is. -27 th - J.A. Hellenthal presented me with a copy of his new book The Alaska Melodrama – in return I presented him with a copy of my Bibliography: Charlie Jones, one of Al. Whites supporters came in to get the address of Ogden Mills, Republican delegate
Diary 45, 1936 May 27-28	27 N.Y. & showed me copies of letters out of the stolen lawyers jacket – that contained Arnolds secret letters etc. that disappeared here during the last Republican Ter. Convention. He evidently had complete files of letters etc – but apparently no originals. He read and showed me to read copy of Andrew Nerland's letter to White – 1932 – to me & also copy of Dr. Chases letter to Arnold & attached note. -28 th - Secured Release Deed from B.M. Behrends, trustee for bondholders, to McKinnon Investment Co. of the lots covered by trust deed to secure payment of bonds & coupons, etc. Release Deed was recorded by Locke McKinnon in records office.
Diary 45, 1936 May 29- June 1	-29 th – Lockie is of the impression that nothing more is necessary than the Release Deed from Behrends to the McKinnon Investment Co. The Inv. Co. now has a warrantee deed & the McKinnon Apts: Lockie has had the Ins. made over to himself – while the

	Inv. Co. is title owner: A mortgage to Mrs. McKinnon for \$10000 is signed by Lockie & Mrs. McK. –title in Inv. Co.- a mess – but he thinks its O.K. so I cannot do more than explain to him! -30 th – Memorial Day – business closed. Remained at home all day in library. <u>June 1, 1936.</u> Sunday – at home in library all day.
Diary 45, 1936 June 1	<u>June 1st 1936</u> -continued- Grace sent letters to Judge Bunnell with clippings etc. in relation to the establishment of a Dept. of Music in the University – recommending Ruth to have charge of the department if established. - <u>June 2nd</u> - I received a long letter from Dr. Bunnell, Pres. of the University of Alaska in relation to the proposed use of the Rockefeller Fund for working on data for the History of Alaska. He has employed stenographer etc. research worker, not named and has place the matters in the exclusive control of a Prof. Robe, whom I do not know, & leave the impression that everything is to be done and results belong to the University.
Diary 45, 1936 June 2	-June 2- No suggestion is made that I am to be considered in research work – or to have any support or compensation or work for the 2 years during which my library & my own researches are to be under the control of strangers – for the sole benefit of the University.- it occurs to me to be rather a one-sided suggestion. I gave all my years of work to the University – Ag. Col. & Sch. of Mines – in the Bibliography – and I hesitate to give so freely of the large amount of cash, time and labor I have invested in the Historical suggestion. I do not quite like the situation, especially when by my will I have given the library to the University. I will look into the matter more fully!
Diary 45, 1936 June 3-4	-3- Gov. Troy promised me yesterday he would give Ruth a temporary job in his office – today she went to work.

	-4 th -	On the 29 th ultimo Lockie McKinnon objected – in a way – to any further action in transferring title back from the McKinnon Investment Co. to himself & his wife – just let the McKinnon Inv. Co. die – the Auditor will stricken from his record, etc. Anyway I did get a Release of Deed from B.M. Behrends, Trustee, back to the McKinnon Inv. Co. & started to “unscramble the eggs” back to Lockie & his wife so as to cut off the threatened Corporation Taxes by the U.S. but on
Diary 45, 1936 June 4-5	4	objection I stopped proceedings <u>Today</u> , however. Mrs. McKinnon came in and instructed me to go on with the matter and return the title of the property to Lockie & herself, and I will go ahead and do so. It ought to be done on account of the \$10,000. mortgage which Lockie & Mrs. McKinnon have given to Mrs. Heckman. It makes a bad record for Mrs. Heckmans mortgage – for the McKinnon Inv. Co. is the record owner of the property – not Lockie & Mrs. McK – who gave the Heckman Mtg! -5 th - Telegraphic information from Al. White at Cleveland says the Com. on Credentials
Diary 45, 1936 June 5-6	5	of the Rep. Nat. Convention has seated the White delegation – 100 to 2!!! That is a tough blow to the Cannery Interests! but will please Dan Sutherland, while Al. White will be 8 feet high when he returns to Juneau. Am informed that the Rep. Nat. Committeeman from Wash & Cal. supported Al & fought Faulkner!! -6- Writing up Minutes of Meetings of the McKinnon Investment Co. for sale to Lockie & Mrs. Martha L. McKinnon of the real & personal property belonging to the Co. for the return of the Capital Stock – then it is proposed to dissolve the Corporation. McKinnons have mad a clean and very successful conclusion out of their project of constructing the McKinnon Apartments.

Diary 45, 1936 June 7-8	-7 th -	From what we can get out of the news paper dispatches it seems as if Al. White has succeeded in getting his three delegates seated in the Rep. Nat. Con. Now if the Republican candidate is elected President Al will be the Alaska boss!! -8 th - Drew Warranty Deed for McKinnon Investment Co. transferring all of the property put up as security for \$40,000. bonds issued in the name of the McK. I. Co. to build the McKinnon Apartments. Yesterday drew Minutes of Board of Directors of McK. I. Co. authorizing drawing of Deed. Mifs Meta Bloom, daughter of my friend Bob. Bloom, Fairbanks, left there yesterday at 9 a.m. had lunch at Whitehorse, dinner with us at 6 p.m. & took the boat here for Seattle at 8 a.m. this morning.
Diary 45, 1936 June 9	9	[clipping] TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1936. ROBE TO COMPILE ALASKA HISTORY University of Alaska, Property- fessor Leaving Seat- tle June 24 Prof. Cecil Francis Robe of the University of Alaska, who has been at Yale the last two years doing post graduate work, has been named as one of the men to compile a history of Alaska, and is scheduled to leave Seattle June 24 for Juneau. The Rockefeller Foundation has given \$17,000 to the University to do the history work, much of which will be based on the fine library of Judge James Wickersham. Professor Robe will come here to work with Judge Wickersham. Mrs. Robe, who is with her husband at New Haven, Conn., will not come north probably until fall, according to information to Mrs. Howard J. Thompson of Juneau, a close friend. No specific arrangement has yet been made with me about placing Dr. Robe in charge & dispensing with my control of my library. Any way, I do not know Robe & just wonder what he knows about

	Alaska & its History!
Diary 45, 1936 June 10-11	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th –</p> <p>Executed papers transferring the property of Lockie & Martha L. McKinnon from the McKinnon Investment Co. corporation back to the McKinnons. They conveyed this property to the Investment Co. B.M. Behrends, trustee, it was mortgaged by the Co. and Behrends to secure \$40,000. in bonds to construct McKinnon Apartments – that has all been accomplished – bonds paid, & I am now assisting them by “unscrambling the eggs” & returning the property to McKinnons. It has been a highly successful profit & I feel proud of the record. In the mail!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>As usual in the office. Letter to Hy Schwartz about case of Nance, v Marion Twin G.M. Co.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 12-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>Made & served Motion to Strike parts of Answer of Defendants in case Femmer v City of Juneau. Recd. telegram from Pyle, witness in Nance v Marion Twin G.M. Co. on SS. McKinley on boat tomorrow morning, 10³⁰</p> <p>Wrote & delivered at Empire Office, review of Jack Hellenthals book “The Alaska Melodrama”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Saturday, Attys. Association. Met with Pyle & conferred full about Nance v Marion – Twin G.M. Co. case. He had some copies of Judgment which Schwartz sent me for guidance in case. Pyle know facts, understands case – will employ Thompson atty, Anchorage, to assist me</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 14-17	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>Sunday – at home all day in library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th –</p> <p>In the office as usual. Zuboff, Pres. A.N.B. came in to discuss Indian land case. Says he is going westward to visit the Indian organizations – A.N.B. – Nothing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th –</p> <p>Working on chapter “Gold Stampeters” – in</p>

	<p>California, B.C. Alaska, etc. -17th -</p> <p>Working in the office – as usual. Recd. my sister Nan’s genealogical library several days ago & we are preparing to put in new shelves in Graces room so she can use it in her genealogical work on the two families!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 18	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>I am just in receipt of a letter (2 letters) from Dr. Bunnell, Pres. University of Alaska informing me that Prof. Robe will reach Juneau from Seattle to begin work on the History of Alaska, etc. But I am not yet informed, though I anticipate Prof. Robe will be prepared to do so, whether I am expected to assist in the research work or not! His statement seems to be that other persons than myself will be employed, <u>that after two years</u> this work will be at my disposal to write the History! but I am not satisfied with that! The short of the matter is that all my data, my time & labors are to be donated. – I have not so understood it that way.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 19	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Subscribed for Nations Business – renewal for 3 years. \$6⁰⁰</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">HISTORY OF ALASKA TO BE WRITTEN IN JUNEAU {Juneau Press – June 19, 1936}</p> <p>Wickersham Library, Museum to Be Consulted in Huge Undertaking Authorized by Rockefeller Recognition of the importance of research in Alaska history has been resulted in an appropriation authorized by the Rockefeller Foundation on May, 15, 1936, it was announced today by Charles Bunnell, president of the University of Alaska.</p> <p>The sum of \$17,000 was made available to the University of Alaska to cover a two year period beginning July 1, 1936.</p> <p>The application for this appropriation was made through Dr. David H. Stevens of the Division of Humanities of the Rockefeller Foundation and has been under construction for two years.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">Library Provided</p> <p>Hon. James Wickersham, author of a "A Bibliography of Alaskan Literature," 1724-1924, has made his extensive library available for the research to be undertaken.</p> <p>Former Professor Cecil F. Robe, on leave of absence for the past three years while doing graduate work at Yale, has been appointed director of this research. He is sailing from Seattle for Juneau on June 24, and during July and August will be working in Juneau organizing the work.</p> <p>Two assistants who will spend most of their time in Juneau during the two year period will be appointed soon. One will be assigned the duties of translating Russian publications and manuscripts; the work of the other will be devoted principally to research in publications, documents and manuscripts written in English.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Miss Reinkka Named</p> <p>Miss Hilja Reinkka of Douglas, graduated from the University of Alaska in the Class of 1936, has been appointed secretary to Director Robe.</p> <p>Although the major portion of the work will be done in Juneau, the translator of books, documents and manuscripts in Russian will probably have to spend some time in the Manuscript Division and Rare Book Section of the Library of Congress, in the archives of the Department of Sate, and in libraries on the Pacific Coast.</p> <p>Already many now resident in the States, and who came to Alaska in the "gold rush days", have become interested in this work and its importance, Bunnell said.</p> <p>The university of Alaska is provided with a fire proof vault</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 June 19-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>[clipping continued] in which all important data can be safely kept. Special service is provided to receive all books, documents, manuscripts, diaries, letters and data that can be donated or loaned for the work at hand.</p> <p>Last summer Mr. George Pilcher of Fortuna Ledge forwarded to the University a large box containing his diaries covering a period of 35 years</p>

	<p>on the Yukon and Kuskokwim.</p> <p>On the last mail Mr. Harry Cribb of Anchorage forwarded a copy of "Official Programme" of a celebration held in Dawson, August 9, 1902, in honor of the Coronation of King Edward VII.</p> <p>George Wesch of the First National Bank of Fairbanks presented a volume of the Fairbanks Daily Times, containing all the issues for the months of November and December, 1907.</p> <p>So closely is the history of the Pacific Northwest, British Columbia and the Yukon Territory connected with the history of Alaska that in their records are to be found valuable stores of information the historian will highly prize.</p> <p>Generous cooperation is earnestly solicited. Everyone can be of assistance in gathering the data necessary to write the complete history of Alaska.</p> <p>I do not know who prepares these articles nor who secures their publication. Tow in the "Empire" May 18, and June 9th!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-June 20th -</p> <p>We had Mrs. John F. Maloney to dinner last night. She is here attending to the reconstruction of her block of old buildings on the Block east of the St. Ann's Hospital. She is an interesting old Juneauite!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">21st</p> <p>Sunday. Home all day in the library. Nothing exciting.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 June 22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>The longest and most beautiful day of the year. In the office as usual. Tacoma banker of Commerce on SS. Baranof in harbor. Mr. C.E. Garland, Ch. Alaska Development Com. called with papers relating to the Dora Gold Mining Co. on north side of Gold Creek for information. Gave me description of claims: Visited U.S. Land survey – map & Patent office: got descriptions. Called at Recorder's office for examination of title – Auditors office for Corporation records etc. and will prepare report & give it to Garland about July 1st as the Tacoma crowd go south – they are now on their</p>

	way to the interior – Fairbanks etc coast towns. Will also consult B.D. Stewart, geologist.
Diary 45, 1936 June 23	-23 rd - Prepared Motion for Default, Affidavit & record on Motion: Sent on SS. “Alaska” to Clerk District Court Valdez, copies with letters etc to Arthur Thompson. Anchorage – who was employed by Q.A. Pyle, to assist me in case of Nance v Marion Twin G.M. Co. Valdez. Are examining the record for a group of Tacoma owners of the Dora Gold M. Co. claims on Gold Creek – part of the Ebner group of claims above “Cape Horn” – 11 claims – their owners do not know what to do with them – they adjoin the Alaska Juneau Co.’s rich claims – but it is a problem for the Tacoma owners – it will cost a large amount of money to develop them & then it may turn out that they are without value!
Diary 45, 1936 June 24-25	-24 th - Wrote to West & Wheeler, real estate to sell my lots 25 & 26 Blk. 45, Denny & Hoyts Add. Seattle for \$500. purchaser to pay taxes delinquent assessments. Roden wanted me to sign agreement by Matheson heirs to sell enough of Matheson property at Wrangell to pay Henry \$500 ⁰⁰ Si Hellenthal \$250 & myself \$250. I refused – until the 3 heirs first signed it. -25 th - Wrote letter to Col. J.J. Crossly, atty. Portland sent him copies of letters from Boettcher in re. “Ellen Millsite” in our effort to secure option to buy – connection with “Mexican” & “Horrible” lode claims in Berners bay district and asked him to secure extension from Mrs. Katz to purchase two mining claims – for 6 months!
Diary 45, 1936 June 26	-26- Letter to W.L. McCormick, car C.C. Garland Tacoma Chamber of Commerce, containing map & information asked for about 13 lode claims known as the Ebner, later the Dora group on Gold Creek, Juneau. Advised owners to have claims examined and reported on by mining expert etc before spending money in attempted development.

	[clipping] JUNEAU, ALASKA, FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1936 THE ALASKA DAILY PRESS, JUNEAU Dr. Cecil Robe Will Return to Alaska Faculty Dr. Cecil F. Robe, who has been appointed director of an Alaskan history research project which will be conducted in Juneau this summer on a large scale, will return to the faculty of the University of Alaska next fall, it was announced recently by Dr. Charles Bunnell, president. Dr. Robe has been a member of the faculty from 1929 to 1933, as a professor of history. He was granted three years’ leave of absence to do graduate work at Yale, and is en route to Juneau now on the first leg of his return to Fairbanks. As announced in The Press a week ago, the Rockefeller Foundation has set aside \$17,000 to enable Dr. Robe to conduct this research, a complete record of early Alaskan history being the ultimate aim.
Diary 45, 1936 June 27	-27 th - Prof Cecil F. Robe arrived Juneau at noon on the SS. McKinley came to my office with Mr. Thompson, U.S. weather bureau friend – received a telegram & his mail, 2 letters & package with two books. He is a young man, probably 30-35 years of age, slender, low stature, brown hair, and seems to be a pleasant & friendly individual, smooth face I invited him to come to my house and inspect my library & have dinner with us. Told me he met Mr. Hugh A. Morrison my friend in the Congressional Library while in Washington. Ruth was in with Waynor – conferring with Roden – Waynors attorney etc. Robe came up
Diary 45, 1936 June 27-29	27 and spent the evening at my house. He does not seem to have any plan arranged for working the History – he will have to “plan out a plan” – though he is a kindly gentleman, and I can see a lot of work in him if and when he gets acquainted. -28 th -

	<p>Sunday, at work on charter on California – nothing new – walk!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Recd. a letter from Judge Bunnell, Pres. U. of A. in relation to work with Prof. Robe on Alaska History. Robe was in before the letter came. It looks like we may get my matter in re. employment at present worked out satisfactorily! Also</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>received letter from Clerk District Court Valdez, informing me court will convene at Anchorage on July 20. Sent a telegram notifying Hy Schwartz, Los Angeles of fact and asking him to sent me \$150⁰⁰ for expense round trip to try Nance case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">June 30th '36.</p> <p>Long conference with Robe about my connection with the work of preparing my library material for use in the History of Alaska under the Rockefeller Fund obtained by President Bunnell's Briefly the matter is: They wanted me to donate all my work library etc. to a group of strangers for 2 years to prepare what they think is a history – from which I am to be excluded: these people utterly</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 30	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>ignorant of the Territory & its history! are to be paid big salaries for doing the work of arranging, accumulating, etc, etc. while I am to hold the material subject to their use – while they take away 2 copies – for the University - & leave me one for my use! <u>That is far from the promises made to me by Bunnell.</u> I am greatly disappointed, but will not allow them to gain by it! I donated al my work, expense & the Ms. for the Bibliography, gave the University (the A.C. & Sc. of Mines) the credit, though it did not pay a cent, nor do one hours work on the preparation of the work – now they demand I make this sacrifice – I wont do it.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 30	<p style="text-align: center;">(Mistake, corrected in date, JW) June 30, 1936.</p> <p>I am determined that I will not turn over my historical data to the organization outlined by Bunnell – his plan leaves me out as the owner of my library – he takes entire charge of it for 2 years with only a vague promise (in poorly promised)</p>

	<p>letters signed by him to do things for me, which cannot be made to support my right for they (his letters) promise one thing then promise others – there is no enforceable agreement for my protection. The benefits are all for the University – they can use my material – get possession and use it independently & crowd me out, so I sent him tonight following</p>
Diary 45, 1936 June 30- July 1	<p style="text-align: center;">30</p> <p>night letter telegram: Juneau, Alaska, June 30, 1936. Hon. Charles E. Bunnell, Fairbanks, Alaska. <u>Your director has just informed me that my services and material for research and preparation as historical data must be entirely complimentary stop budget shown me today for first time is not satisfactory stop unfair to ask that my material be given over entirely to well paid strangers having slight knowledge of Alaska history with my exclusion form participation in research.</u> James Wickersham -July 1, 1936-</p> <p>I had a long talk today with Prof. Robe & told him I must insist on having Ruth in charge of my books, etc. to ast also with research workers & salary of equal amount.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 1-2	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>Also that I must have a written agreement, covering my rights in Ms. & writing the History. He came out and had dinner with us this evening – his purpose being to talk to her & get a line on her ability as a scholar capable of aiding in research. She was busy & he only had a few minutes talk at dinner & later half an hour. But I am determined & his judgment must give way to mine. He seems to take the view that the whole matter rests with Bunnell – they will learn that I am one party to the agreement, with equal authority to agree!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-July 2nd -</p> <p>Received telegram from Bunnell in answer to mine of 30th in which he says, rather weakly:</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1936 July 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>“Fairbanks, Alaska, July 1, 1936</u> James Wickersham – Juneau. Yours received am unable to come to Juneau until <u>after July twenty exceedingly regret this unfortunate situation I thought it was doing exactly what you wanted done to make all procurable matter most serviceable to you I trust even so serious a misunderstanding can be satisfactorily adjusted. Charles E. Bunnell.”</u> Robe was greatly disturbed over the matter, but Bunnell’s telegram quieted him very much. Ruth has concluded to go home to Seattle, the first of next week, but will return if desired. Ruth & I both agree with her that she must go & see her sick mother, and in the meantime take 6 weeks of intensive work in typewriting lessons.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 July 3-4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 3rd 1936.</p> <p>Wrote to Schwartz, atty, Los Angeles, informing him ready for trial of Nance Case, also to witness, Wasilla & Anchorage.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>A glorious day of sunshine, noise & marching – downtown. I remained at home, reading & “riting” on Stampeters along the Rocky Mt.s – <u>Peru to Point Barrow.</u> Ruth is packing her trunks to go home Monday morning on the southbound “Northwestern” <u>I intend to put her in charge of my historical library in the research work for the Alaska History, under Prof. Robe for the University of Alaska. I will not turn my historical material over to strangers who do not appreciate Alaskan books!</u></p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 July 5-6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>It was a beautiful, noisy 4th!! no rain, no fires, no accidents – just fun, -& noise. Spent the evening getting Ruth ready for the morning boat. We had dinner with Mrs. Hawks & family – he is out prospecting!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Grace sat up with Ruth to take the “Northwestern” at 2³⁰ a.m. but the person on the boats changed her to the “Alaska,” and we saw her off at 8³⁰ this morning. <u>I intend to insist on her appointment as</u></p>

	<p><u>my representative custodian of my historical library & research work in the Rockefeller Fund project of writing the History of Alaska. I will keep my thumb on that work!</u></p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 July 7-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Wrote letter to Bunnell, Fairbanks, that I would go to Anchorage to court on the 20th & preferred to see him later, - in Juneau. I want the agreement made here in the presence of Robe – who is going to begin work on Kashaveroffs material at once – in a room in the Legislative halls in the Capitol.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>In the office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Bunnell saying: <u>“Although both time and expense are important items for consideration I can arrange fly Juneau Sunday for conference unless you can suggest a better</u></p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 July 9-10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p><u>plan stop would have to return first plane north we are all very busy kindly advise by wire. Charles E. Bunnell.”</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Answered Bunnells telegram: N.L. Juneau, Alaska, July 9th, 1936 Charles E. Bunnell, Fairbanks, Alaska <u>Am compelled to leave Juneau early Tuesday morning on important business stop my letter to you arriving Saturday will explain this stop if you think advisable we can meet here Sunday and Monday for conference stop or if you prefer you can come later when I return home.</u> James Wickersham.</p> <p>Received a letter from Lizzie, Edgars wife saying he must soon pass away. Frank & Helen are there to support her.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 July 10-11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">10</p> <p>Poor Edgar is 70 years old, but disease has made great inroads on his strength and he may go soon. Engaged in preparing Agreement to be suggested to Dr. Bunnell when he comes for signature by us for the control and protection of my library against loss or improper use of any kind.</p>

	-11 th -
	<p>Received night letter from Bunnell saying: <u>“Fairbanks, Als. July 10, 1936.</u> <u>James Wickersham, Juneau, Als.</u> <u>Yours of ninth received conferred with members of</u> <u>executive committee and we agree that trip</u> <u>planned for Sunday better be postponed until after</u> <u>your return stop right now weather conditions</u> <u>none too favorable.</u> <u>Charles E. Bunnell.”</u></p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 12-13	-12 th -
	<p>Sunday. At home in library all day. A Mr. Jones, student at Dartmouth College, on the SS. as a tourist came up to the house last evening – said his professor told him to call – enjoyed his visit – he is enroute via Skagway, Dawson, Circle to Fairbanks</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Jack Hawkes & “Jackie” his 10 year old son, left Mrs. Hawkes & Mifs Mayo, at home, 3rd floor of our home, & started enroute to New York – this morning. They will be gone for 6 weeks or two months – on business.</p> <p>The SS. “Chelan,” U.S. came in this afternoon – with an Indian Sub-Committee; Senators Thomas of Oklahoma, Senator Frazier, of N. Dakota & Senator Shipstead of Minnesota – to study</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 13-14	13
	<p>the Indian question!! “Billy” Paul seems to be in charge! Since I am obliged to go westward to Seward, via Anchorage to court in the morning I had a hearing at 9 p.m. this evening. I made a short statement urging the bringing of the Indian Land Suit – protecting the Indians in fishing etc As I left Senator Frazier told me if I could not get action in the Indian Land suit before Congress convened this winter to write to him & he would try to hurry it up!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>I leave on the SS Yukon this morning for Anchorage to try the suit Nance v Marion Twin Gold M. Co. – set for the 20th. Left Juneau at 8³⁰. On board Todd, U.S. Marshall Valdez. Tony Dimond, Delegate from Alaska.</p>

Diary 45, 1936 July 14-15	14
	<p>Judge Gore, Republican candidate for Delegate, and many others whom I knew – young Frank Funchion, son of “Jimmy” Funchion – and early 40 miler etc. The voyage after we passed out of Icy Straits like traveling on a mill pond.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Reached Cordova this morning at 6³⁰ pm. Went up town & visited around with friends. A group of Republicans met Judge Gore & arranged for him to remain over & have a political meeting tomorrow evening. Saw Mayor Vance, Charlie Goodall, & many other of my old friends. The SS. Yukon. Mount McKinley & others at the wharf. The noisy winches ran all night unloading and exchanging cargoes – noisy & little sleep.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 16	-16 th -
	<p>Left Cordova early & reached Columbia Glacier about noon – gave the big group of School man tourists an “eye full,” of the most beautiful glacier in America, just far enough from the caving, crashing ice falls to prevent them from falling on our deck – an hour & then sailed for Valdez. Remained there all afternoon – visited the fine old court house I built there in 190_. Met Mike Zashovf whom I appointed custodian in 1904 – he has charge of the court house as janitor to this day. Judge Si Hellenthal, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Kehoe, & some additional officials & passengers got on for Seward going to court at Anchorage. Saw Joe Derringer my life long friend. He begin to look old – all his family has passed away.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 16-17	16
	<p>Wrote letter to Grace & sent it back on the Yukon.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Arrived at Seward early – breakfast at 4³⁰ a.m. Visited with friend Urback – merchant and one of my early political supporters. Left at 7³⁰ a.m. on the early train filled with tourists going to the new town of Palmer – Matanuska. Of course I stopped off at Anchorage at noon. Had much trouble to get a room at the hotels – finally took an apartment room at the Shonbeck Apt – for 4 days. Mrs. W’s friend Mrs. Tupper had an appointment there took</p>

	her to dinner & the Movie show at Lathrops Theater – visited with some of my friends – Judge Hellenthal in Anchorage to hold court on Monday.
Diary 45, 1936 July 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>Called & had conference with Arthur G. Thompson, my assistant attorney in the case of Nance v Marion Twin Gold Mining Co. case – had lunch with him. Called at the Clerks office inspected the record in the Nance case, & called on other lawyers.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Pyle, agent for Schwartz, Atty. at Los Angeles, explained about 7 quartz mining claims involved in Nance v Marion Twin Gold M. Co. case, & the more he explained the facts about the claims the less I think of their validity! The persons who brought the claims, for whom Nance appears, have been badly defrauded.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 20	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Court met in special session today. Called the motion calendar – few cases. My case went over till tomorrow. Mr. Q.A. Pyle, appearing here for Nance. Plft[?], my client here, & we spent much time in preparing a plan for filing Amended Notices of the location of the mining claims belonging to the Marion Twin Gold Mining Co. defendant, so that we might take them under execution & sale to pay the debts due to Nance. It is the worst mix up I ever ran into, and requires much skill to secure results satisfactory to both parties. Also a Mr. McDonald consulted me about undertaking a case for him.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wickersham Says Alaska Could Support Ten Million</p> <p>Alaska is capable of supporting “ten million people easily,” said Judge James Wickersham, Juneau, former Third division judge, in an interview here today.</p> <p>“Norway, Sweden, Finland and northern Russia support millions of people by agriculture,’ said Judge Wickersham. “Alaska has more favorable land for cultivation than much in these countries</p>

	<p>and we can support millions here just the same as they can.”</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, who has been in the territory for 36 years, has “more faith in Alaska than ever.” He predicted a steady growth in population, not as rapid as the western states “and therefore much better.” Alaska has better agricultural possibilities than many of the states, he said.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Fishing Can Develop</p> <p>Mining will be a main source of development in the territory in years to come, due to the use of machinery and advanced mining methods, in Judge Wickersham’s opinion. Alaska has “more coal than Pennsylvania,” he said, which awaits only development.</p> <p>He does not believe the fishing industry has reached its full development. Many varieties of fine fish other than salmon are in Alaskan waters, he said, and at present are not utilized. An eventual utilization of these added varieties will add materially to the fishing industry of the Northland, he stated.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham’s life in Alaska as judge, congressional delegate and lawyer, has paralleled the history and development of the country. He came to the territory in 1900 as judge of the old Third division, appointed by President McKinley.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Was Delegate</p> <p>He was sent to Nome in 1901 to take over the bench there when Judge Arthur Noyes was disbarred and many men sent to prison for practices which furnished the subject of Rex Beach’s famous novel, “The Spoilers.”</p> <p>Judge Wickersham was on the bench eight years, during which time he held court all over Alaska. He now carries a gold watch bearing the date December 31, 1907, and inscribed to him by the members of the Fairbanks bar association.</p> <p>A year after Judge Wickersham retired from the bench he was sent to Washington as a congressional delegate from Alaska, which office he held for 14 years. To his efforts, Alaska owes such development as the bill for the Alaska</p>
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	<p>Railroad and the University of Alaska. Judge Wickersham also wrote the Organic act of Alaska, creating its legislature and method of government.</p> <p>It is fitting that a man so vitally connected with the history of the Northland should be interested in the preservation of written material and an accurate history of Alaska. He has perhaps one of the most complete libraries on Alaskan material ever assembled. In 1927 he published a "Bibliography of Alaskan Literature," containing the title and some notice of practically every book, magazine, periodical and article ever written about the territory from 1724 to 1924. There are more than 10,000 of these mentioned in the bibliography.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham is in Anchorage for the opening of court here Monday, a case in which he is interested being on the calendar. He expects to return to Juneau next week.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 21	<p style="text-align: center;">21st</p> <p>Got the case of Nance v Marion Twin G.M. Co. case concluded by final judgment signed by Judge Hellenenthal to my entire satisfaction today – also to satisfaction of Q.A. Pyle, the agent of plaintiff Nance. Am pleased and much relieved.</p> <p>Attended dinner of Lawyers Club, - made short talk – fine meeting.</p> <p>Am also employed as attorney in case of Chas. Isaacs vs. Ralastla Mining Co. – compensation case by defendant. At my request Arthur G. Thompson employed to assist me. Cannot go to Seward until Thursday.</p> <p>Dinner with Mrs. Tupper.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 22	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Most beautiful summer weather.</p> <p>Concluded details of surveying and amending location mining notices of the Marion Twin lode mines etc. with Pyle & grammairre surveyors, instructed Pyle in matter of notices sale of mining property under the judgment Nance vs Marion Twin G.M. Co. case signed by judge in court yesterday.</p> <p>All matters with McDonald, in case Isaacs vs Bralaska injury case left with Arthur G. Thompson, Atty, on 50-50 basis. Dinner with Business Men Club & ride out to Lake where hundred people</p>

	<p>were bathing. Met many friend & enjoyed Anchorage.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 23-24	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd –</p> <p>Working with A.G. Thompson on the case of Isaacs vs. Bralaska Min. Co. damages in compensation case. Am to examine corporation records in the Auditors office. Have copy Complaint to guide me in the work at Juneau. Left Anchorage at 1³⁰pm. fine trip on Alaska Railroad – Turnagain Spencer glacier, Loop area, arrived at the Seward & room for the night at Joe Badgers Hotel Van Bibber.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd continued-</p> <p>Trouble to get space on S.S. Alaska. Left Seward Late in a small, uncomfortable stateroom – crowded by young Mr. Condit a fine young fellow, related Dr. Condit, Sitka preacher Indian School.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 25	<p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Prince William Sound – Cannery.</p> <p>A Mr. Chick from Seattle was introduced to me by Mifs Fairbanks, in charge of a group of tourists from Seattle – he told me he knew Grace – that he was a school director in Charleston – Bremerton – and gave her her first school at that place. He is a fine old man – 84 years old, etc. Heard Father Kashaverof deliver his address to the tourists on board the "Alaska," – it was <u>dull and uninteresting!!</u></p> <p>Judge Hellenenthal & Jack Newman stenographer from Juneau, on board. Arrived at Cordova at midnight</p>
Diary 45, 1936 July 26-27	<p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>At Cordova but so early in the morning that I did not see anyone.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27-</p> <p>Across Gulf of Alaska. Enter Icy Strait at 3 oclock p.m. Another address by Kashaveroff last night – about Indians. Another meeting tonight – amateur among the Young folks – in the social hall. I told Dick Willoughby's "bar tale."</p> <p>Grace was waiting for me at the dock with Holbrooks automobile. Mr. Chick – her early friend from Charleston – Bremerton – who gave her her first school – came off and renewed his acquaintance, etc.</p>

	My own bed was restful after a hard trip.
Diary 45, 1936 July 28-29	-28 th – Letters from Darrel advising me not to let Dr. Bunnell and his eastern historian employees into my library pleased me. I also received through Col. Crossly an extension of 6 months of contract to purchase the two mining claims in the Berners Bay mining camp which Jim York & I have been working on. Busy in the office. -29- Received a telegram from Hobbie in Barcelona Spain, saying: "Barcelona July 29, 1936. James Wickersham, Juneau, Alaska. Dolores Vrooman and son expect to sail August 15 th . Hobbie." I hope the Revolution there permits it.
Diary 45, 1936 July 29-30	29 th continued. We had Dick Lewis & wife and Edw. W. Allen, Seattle, at dinner last night. Long talk with Lewis about the old case of Frauds in the sale of the Bears Nest Mining Claim, Douglas Island to group of London Bankers by Carroll & others - & the beginning of the Nome Scandal in the U.S. Senate with both of which he was familiar. He promised to write the story out for me. -30 th - Letter to Schwartz, L.A. Cal. in re Nance case. Have Mrs. Elsie Blythe (Jensen) typing. Faulkner agreed yesterday to buy my 826 vols, U.S. & Fed & other Reporters at \$1 ⁰⁰ per volume! L.C. Andrews at dinner – Library – tonight, pleasant.
Diary 45, 1936 July 31- August 1	-31 st – Had L.C. Andrews & Mifs Miller to dinner. Gregg called – and we had a real visit in the library – pictures etc. Wrote a long good letter to Lizzie & Edgar. In her letter to me Lizzie says Edgar is very sick – and she thinks he is failing fast. Having 5 first chapters of Stampedes Peru, Mexico, Cal. B.C. & Alaska copied.

	-August 1, 1936- Bar Assoc. lunch, - all our members: also Edw. W. Allen, member. Halibut International Com; Congressman form Ohio: Hon [clipping] Rep. Byron H. Harlan of Ohio, Col. Charles March, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission; Kingman Brewster, special attorney for the Trade Commission; Rufus Wood, publisher of the Wenatchee World; Guy Brown, Wenatchee banker, and Victor Bell, son of the commissioner and crew member.
Diary 45, 1936 August 2	-Aug 2, '36- Sunday. At home studying the origin of mining for gold in British Columbia. Late this evening Judge Bunnell called on the telephone – he had just reached Juneau by airplane from Fbks. Will meet me in the office in the morning. Attend Pres. Church farewell the to the Nowells. -Aug. 3, '36- Had a conference with Bunnell about beginning research work on the material for the History of Alaska He made many statements about securing the funds from the Rockefeller Fund, and the limitations placed on its use by Dr. Stevens who controls it. Sorry none of it could be used to assist in writing the History – but only for the
Diary 45, 1936 August 2	3 research work. I told him in reply that I would not give my consent to the use of my library, manuscripts, etc. by his young assistants from the colleges in the East, and would insist, that if my material was to be translated & copied it must be done by myself and assistants under my immediate guidance and management, with payment as had been promised in our former correspondence. He expressed great regret that this could not be done under the terms by which he had obtained the Rockefeller grant of \$17,000, and wanted me to say what could be done under my ultimations. I suggested that he then move his employees back to Washington and begin the copying &

<p>Diary 45, 1936 August 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>translating – of research there, where there was a mass of valuable historic material to work on, and let my Ms etc await his suggestion that he procure an appropriation from the Territory of Alaska, by legislative action, for the printing & publishing of the History under my supervision, with salary, etc. he finally consented to this course, and I fear that ends my connection with his project. Anyway that is no worse than to permit his “brain trust” employees from the east to take over my library, manuscripts etc. without any consideration for all my labor and material as a gift, and with no assurances that it would be protected for my future use!!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 August 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BUNNELL HERE FROM COLLEGE, RESEARCH WORK Plans Announced for Staff -To Go to Washing- ton for Duties</p> <p>Flying with the Pacific Alaska Airways from Fairbanks Sunday morning, President Charles E. Bunnell of the University of Alaska is a Juneau visitor. The trip was made in 4 hours, 15 minutes flying time and is described by Dr. Bunnell as being perfect in every respect.</p> <p>Today Dr. Bunnell has been in conference with James Wickersham and Prof. Cecil R. Robe, Director of the Alaska history research now being carried on as a result of an appropriation of \$17,000 to the University of Alaska by the Rockefeller Foundation Prof. Robe has been in Juneau ever since July 1 making a survey of available material in this city.</p> <p>President Bunnell states that Judge Wickersham and he agree that for the present the research can be undertaken most advantageously in Washington, D.C., where a vast amount of history material must be translated from the Russian.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Names Translator</p> <p>As translator for the research project President</p>

	<p>Bunnell is appointing Tikhon I. Lavrischeff, a former resident of Alaska. The appointment of Warren R. Reid of Yale University as research assistant is also announced. Miss Hilja Reinikka, of Douglas, University of Alaska graduate, secretary to Prof. Robe, will be retained as secretary for the research project and will leave for Washington, D.C., in the near future.</p> <p>In the meantime Judge Wickersham who is enthusiastically giving his support to this history research will continue with the work he has been doing for three decades on Alaska history. His constructive advice on this project and his suggestion that the work be done in the Library of Congress ought to be done first meet with the approval of Professor Robe and Dr. Bunnell.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Alaskans Interested</p> <p>“Alaskans,” President Bunnell states, “are greatly interested in the history research project. Source material in the form of papers, letters, diaries, books or in fact in any form, including photos, is greatly desired. It all helps those engaged in research to do a good job. If owners do not feel that they can give such material to the University, a loan of the same will be greatly appreciated. During the last month some splendid material has been donated to the University library.”</p> <p>President Bunnell will leave for College, Alaska, on the PAA Lockheed Electra tomorrow.</p> <p>Bunnell & Edw. W. Allen took dinner with us this evening. Bunnell seems very friendly, but he seems also to follow robe in his plan – but I suppose he cannot do otherwise – he must follow his agreement with the Rockefeller trustees.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 August 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>August 4, 1936.</u></p> <p>I have had Mrs. Elsie Blythe (Jensen) doing typing for a week – copying my rough draft of several chapters on the Stampede stories – Peru to Alaska – “Barrett Willoughby,” who writes Alaska fiction stories has asked to come to my house soon to talk about a new story she is locating at Juneau. I asked her to dinner but she had many engagements ahead – but will accept later!</p>

	Wrote to Darrell & sent him a copy of clipping (Aug 3), which will please him, for he strongly opposed giving my Mss. books etc. to Bunnell, at this time, which is now concluded in that way by our agreement of yesterday!
Diary 45, 1936 August 5-8	-Aug 5 th – Busy in the office – law work. -6 th – Argued my motion to strike portions of defendants answer in the case of Femmer, vs City of Juneau, and the court sustained the motion & struck the offending provisions from the pleading -7 th – Order to Strike form City's answer in Femmer v Juneau, made and served on Faulkner today. -8 th - Above order amended by Judge Alexander in a slight particular, signed & entered of record. Barrett Willoughby, fictional writer – will call to look at house today!
Diary 45, 1936 August 9-11	-9 th – Sunday at home writing a short political address to be read before the radio on Wednesday (12 th) to the Republicans. Received from the Tacoma Lodge No. 22, T & A.M. a letter dated Aug. 5 enclosing a gold "50 Year" button, and an invitation to attend the ceremonies there on Sept. 18 th -10 th – Same in office as yesterday on my Address. Prof. Robe, research worker on Alaska History called to say good by, left for Washington on boat at noon to continue that work in Congressional Library -11 th - Finished writing my impromptu radio address criticising the Demo's New Deal to be read tomorrow evening to the public.
Diary 45, 1936 August 12	-12- Finished my political (Republican) address and will speak (read) it into the Radio at 10 oclock, p.m. It was my second effort on the "mike" and I found much difficulty in speaking clearly & satisfactorily – cooped up in an uncomfortable attitude in a chair. I

	can talk so much better – easier standing. I was not satisfied with my talk etc, its delivery, rather than the matter. I tried to persuade my Republican accomplices to support the nominees of the ticket, which many of them do not intend to do!! <u>I will.</u>
Diary 45, 1936 August 12-13	12 <u>B.M. Beherends died at Cordova last night.</u> -13 th - I received in this mornings mail a large well bound book entitled "The Lucky Bag of 1936," Naval Academy beautifully illustrated etc. with the card of "James Wickersham McCauley," ensign whom I appointed to the Academy while I was Delegate to Congress some years ago. The future admiral is a handsome boy and has given me much satisfaction in his success as a student there. I am proud of him and have told him so in acknowledging the receipt of the book. I wrote an earnest letter today to A.B. Trites, Vancouver, B.C. for Jim York, asking this wealthy mine owner to give Jim York assistance!
Diary 45, 1936 August 14	-14 th - Busy on correspondence for Jim York on Trites & Ivanhoe Min. matters. Also, telegram from McDonald about compromise of case of Isaacs & Bralaska Min. Co. at Anchorage. Notice from Empire last night that Bill Paul has been given job of spending money for the Indian Bureau in Alaska. Wont Billie make it fly! Probably the Democrats will now dismiss their recent charges against him in disbarment proceedings for robbing his clients. Still he will not waste the public money under his control worse than other great economists under Pres. Roosevelt do so, so why complain.
Diary 45, 1936 August 15	-15 th - I wrote a nice letter to "Admiral Jim" – James Wickersham McCauley, U.S.N. whom I got appointed to the Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland, some 4 years ago, and who is now entering on his official life work in the Navy, as Ensign on the U.S.S. Richmond at at San Diego Navy yard, California. He sent me his copy of the Lucky Bag containing his record and picture. I am pleased with his success and proud to have

	<p>another boy carrying my name in that service. Mr. B.M. Beherends, Alaska's foremost businessman, will be buried tomorrow and I am invited to be one of the honorary pall bearers. He was a good friend.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 August 15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">DAILY ALASKA EMPIRE, SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 1936 PAUL TAKES NEW POST NEXT WEEK AS INDIAN AGENT First Move Will Be Enrollment of Indians to Determine Communities</p> <p>William Paul, who has been appointed field agent in the Indian Bureau in connection with the administration of the new Wheeler-Howard act in Alaska, is expected to assume his new post the first of the week, probably being sworn in Tuesday.</p> <p>Paul said that his first plans in connection with the work will be the enrollment of the Indians to determine just who make up the various Indian communities. The work probably will be started in Southeast Alaska and later will spread throughout the Territory. Paul said he expected to have five communities under the act by next year.</p> <p>Oscar Lipp of the Washington Indian Office is now reported enroute to Alaska and he will work on the initial setup. There are actually two divisions of the work, Paul explained, organization and credit. The first makes the necessary arrangements for qualifying the communities under the act and the latter whether loans should be granted. This latter division is under the Indian Organization Act, a division of the Indian Service.</p> <p>Section 10 of the act sets forth the major provisions as follows:</p> <p>"There is hereby authorized to be appropriated, out of any funds in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$10,000,000 to be established as a revolving fund from which the Secretary of the Interior, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, may make loans</p>

	<p>to Indian chartered corporations for the purpose of promoting the economic development of such tribes and of their members, and may defray the expenses of administering such loans. Repayment of amounts loaned under this authorization shall be credited to the revolving fund and shall be available for the purposes for which the fund is established. A report shall be made annually to Congress of transactions under this authorization."</p> <p>Under the act \$3,500,000 of the \$10,000,000 has been appropriated to carry on the work this year and of this amount Alaska gets approximately one tenth, or about \$350,000.</p> <p>I can see Paul distributing the Indian money in schemes to secure profit! By this plan the real Indians will not get anything out of their Land Bill & if they do it will be applied to losses on the Wheeler Howard Act wasted by Paul!!!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 August 15-16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LAST RITES FOR B.M. BEHREND'S 2 P.M. SUNDAY Multitude of Friends Expected to Gather for Presbyterian Services</p> <p>Friends of B.M. Beherends, who died August 12 in Cordova, where he was stricken with pneumonia on his return to Juneau after a trip through Alaska, will gather tomorrow afternoon at the Northern Light Presbyterian Church to pay their last tribute to Alaska's foremost citizen.</p> <p>The Rev. John A. Glasse will deliver the eulogy and preside at the services which will begin at 2 o'clock.</p> <p>Mrs. George F. Alexander will sing two selections, "In the Garden" and "Happy Day." She will be accompanied by Mrs. Trevor Davis.</p> <p>To accommodate the many friends who will attend the services, a public address system has been arranged so that those who cannot be seated in the auditorium of the church, may hear the services in the church parlor.</p>

	<p>Honorary pallbearers will be: Gov. John W. Troy, J.J. Connors, Edward Griffin, Charles Goldstein, Mayor Isadore Goldstein, John Reck, James Wickersham, H.L. Faulkner, R.E. Robertson, George A. Parks, J.B. Warrack, W.S. George, H.I. Lucas, R.F. Lewis, L.H. Metzgar, W.S. Pullen, H.R. Shepard, the Rev. A.P. Kashevaroff, John McCloskey and Lockie McKinnon.</p> <p>Pallbearers will be Guy McNaughton, George Kohlhepp, George E. Cleveland, John Krugness, James McNaughton, Douglas Oliver, John W. Morrison and H.J. Turner.</p> <p>Norman Banfield, Curtis Shattuck, M.S. Whittier, R.R. Brown, John Keyser and Harold Gallwas will be ushers.</p> <p>Burial will be in the Masonic plot of the Evergreen Cemetery, the universally loved Juneau pioneer being laid beside Mrs. Behrends, who died just six months ago.</p> <p><u>Sunday Aug. 16th 1936.</u></p> <p>Was a beautiful sunny day and the people turned out in great numbers to Mr. Behrends funeral. Rev. Glasse delivered a fine sermon – full of biographical material etc. Governor Troy & the official body attended. The town will seem greatly changed now.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>Busy in the office. A long talk with Al. White, tried to persuade him to get his forces to support the full Republican ticket – he talks loudly about his loyalty to the party – but will not say that he will support the Gore-McCain candidates. Most of his talk is spent in loud denunciation of Faulkner, and those who opposed him in the Douglas convention and in the contest over his election at Cleveland. My judgment is that he will do just what he did four years ago, oppose the candidates of our ticket!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Busy with preparation of pleadings in law cases engaged my time today.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 19-21	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday – also making notes & reading historical data on mining on the Frasier river – 1857-1860.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>Preparing pleadings in Femmer v City & Bond v Dyrdaahl – for the court, also making notes, etc. in Fraser river mines for use in chapter on Stampede to B.C.</p> <p>Faulkner & Banfield preparing to take over & pay for my U.S. Fed. & other law books. Grace & I intend to go to Seattle as soon as I can get business in court arranged to allow me freedom to go.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Busy in the office as usual. Suit of John v John, divorce begun.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 22-24	<p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Saturday – lunch at Bar Association. Making notes on mining days in the British Columbia Cariboo country. I am enjoying reading up on the Cariboo for the first time.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23-</p> <p>Sunday. At home reading data on the Omineca mining & prospecting on the headwaters of the Peace river.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>August 24, 1936.</u></p> <p>My 79th Birthday. I am in excellent health – strong and vigorous, but I am obliged to say that I cannot walk as far or as fast as I could when I marched [marched?] along the Yukon trails thirty years ago. Received a nice present this mornings mail from Darrell and some others from friends.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 24	<p style="text-align: center;">24</p> <p>[clipped off birch bark card]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A HAPPY BIRTHDAY</p> <p style="text-align: center;">It must be a supreme pleasure to be able to look back on 79 yrs. of wholesome, active life and to enjoy the good health and vitality for many more years, active years, makes this doubly so.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Your Admirer F.J. Waite</p> <p>With this card came a beautiful box of excellent “1886” cigars. I sold my U.S. Sup. Ct. Federal Reporters, Fed. Cases, all digests with reports and the Pacific</p>

	Reporters & digests to H.L. Faulkner and N.C. Banfield, today and they paid me \$826. ⁰⁰ one dollar a volume, for them. I am glad to get them sold for it costs so much to keep up the sets and I do not longer need them, they are all in the Court Library anyway & I want to get rid of that expense!
Diary 45, 1936 August 24-25	<p>Aug. 24th continued</p> <p>Paid note Mch 6, 1936 at B.M. Beherends bank, amounting with interest to \$305.²⁰ leaving cash balance to my credit \$582.83 Gave Grace check for \$50⁰⁰ for good winter dress.</p> <p>-Aug 25th -</p> <p>Barrett Willoughby came to the office and we spent two hours or more talking shop. She offered to assist me in correcting a story about my early days in Alaska – if I would write it out and send it to her for that purpose.</p> <p>Recd telegram form Alliance Ins. Co. – think is from Darrell about some boat Insurance! Letter will be on todays boat etc.</p> <p>Showed Barrett Willoughby my copy of the Yukon Press – paper, printed at Tanana in 1893-8 & She was greatly interested and advised me to write a biography!!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 26-27	<p>-26th -</p> <p>Answering correspondence today. Grace got Gov. Troy to send telegrams to Com. Genl. Immigration yesterday asking for information about Mrs. Dolores Vrooman & her son, Daniel, Barcelona Spain – answer that matter had been referred to the State Department for action. When we woke up this morning we found Ruth, Grace's niece had arrived at 6 a.m. & was in the house – we were told the boat would arrive at 10 a.m.</p> <p>-27th -</p> <p>Telegrams from Darrell & letter about a salvage case in Ketchikan. Sent one to the Mgr. New England Fish Co – answer suggesting that I come & I will go on first boat ad do what I can to settle the salvage claim under instruction from Darrell.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 27-28	<p>-27th continued.</p> <p>Judge Gore, McCain – candidates, respectively for Delegate & Attorney Genl. in town busy talking to our Republican voters.</p>

	<p>-28th -</p> <p>Faulkner taking all my U.S. & Fed. & Pacific Reports – sold for one dollar per vol. & glad to get rid of them at that price – 816 vols. It cost me more than two hundred dollars per annum to keep them up & the Court house has them all & I can do best without them.</p> <p>Attended Republican rally tonight at the Coliseum – a bigger crowd than the New Deal (Democrats) had the night before Gore & McCain made good speeches. The audience seemed satisfied & they ought to have a fair vote here.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 29	<p>-29th -</p> <p>Gov. Troy received telegram today in answer to his asking State Department about Mrs. Dolores Vrooman & son, at Barcelona, Spain. Grace got them to inquire and answer very satisfactory. viz. "Washington Aug 29, 1936. Hon. Governor of Alaska, Juneau, Alaska Telegram from Barcelona Aug. 28th reports Dolores Vrooman & son enroute San Francisco will arrive middle or end of September. Yordell Hull, Sec. of State." We are glad they are out of Spain! Will go to Ketchikan for Darrells Ins Company litigation of salvage claim v "Caleb Haley."</p>
Diary 45, 1936 August 30- September 1	<p>-30th -</p> <p>I am going to Ketchikan on the "North Sea" tonight to try to compromise & settle the salvage claim against the Fishing boat the "Caleb Haley," which Darrell telegraphed me to attend to. The Ms. "<u>Gold Mining in British Columbia</u> is about done, and I will leave it for Grace & Ruth to copy & read.</p> <p>-31-</p> <p>Enroute to Ketchikan – visited Petersburg & Wrangell while the boat was at the wharf at each place.</p> <p>-Sept. 1st -</p> <p>Reached Ketchikan at 2 a.m. to bed for 6 hours in Ingersoll Hotel, and then busy visiting the small boats</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 1</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>“Caleb Haley” and “S.F. Iman” of interest in the salvage adventure at Security Cove on August 4, 1936 The “Caleb Haley” left that dark cove late – 10.³⁰ p.m. greatly overloaded with salmon for Ketchikan – just outside the Cove she struck rough <u>tide rips</u> & bering low in the stern the waves mounted her back deck and filled her hull so she almost sank. She called for help and the S.F. Iman answered her call & helped haul her back into the Cove. Iman has filed a libel against the Haley for \$10,000!! for services and the Alliance Insurance Co. must defend the libel for her own interest! The owner is the New England Fish Co. of Ketchikan.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Sept 2-</p> <p>Busy trying get a compromise with Iman, libellant Zeigler & King, on the “Caleb Haley” salvage matter. They exhibited affidavits - & read them to me – signed by the captain & crew of the “Caleb Haley,” and the captain Iman & his single deck hand, to convince me that they saved the Haley & its crew of five from wreck and a watery grave, etc. but they only convinced me that the New England Fish Co. its attorney, W.C. Arnold & the Iman – Capt. & deck hand are in a dishonest & collusive scheme to rob the Alliance Ins. Co. of an outrageous sum by unfair means! Advised the Ins. Co. of my conclusions by telegraph, and refused to recommend payment of sum demanded.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Employed Harry G. McCain, to assist me in “Caleb Haley” case – divide fees with him. Had an interview with Rev. Paul Mather, the Tsimpsean Indian minister, Episcopal Church about (1) Indian suit vs U.S. in Court. he wants copy of Act of Congress: (2) about the Lincoln Totem pole at Tongass – which I want the Indians to donate to the Territory for removal to base at S.E. corner of the Capital building – they to be paid \$250.⁰⁰ for it, to the heirs of the Indian who erected it at Tongass in 1870(?). Left Ketchikan late tonight on the SS “Northland” for Juneau.</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 4-6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>Boat landed at Wrangell & I called on friends while in port, and later this evening same at Petersburg.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th –</p> <p>Reached Juneau early this morning & found Grace & Ruth waiting for me, and Mrs. Jack Hawkes and Mifs Mayo waiting for her husband and Jackie her son, who had a long talk with Ohmer, the shrimp and crab canneryman at Petersburg last night. It was a happy meeting all around.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Received a surprising letter today from Darrell, enclosing copy of a letter from David H. Stevens to Judge Bunnell, as follows:</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">San Francisco, Cal August 28th -1936.</p> <p>Pres. Charles E. Bunnell. University of Alaska Fairbanks, Alaska. Dear President Bunnell,</p> <p>Your letter of August fifteenth adds useful data to those in a letter from Mr. D.P. Wickersham of San Francisco. As by good fortune I was in San Francisco today on my way home from a conference, I have talked with Mr. Wickersham before writing you. The plan for a history of Alaska was, as you may recall, first put before me by Judge Wickersham’s son. The nature[?] of our work makes it impracticable to cooperate with individual workers, an your own proposals for a university method of work. I considered a fine modification of the first plan to meet our conditions.</p> <p>Now I feel strongly that the place as set up is to lose much of its essential value and that steps should be taken to assure full cooperation from Judge Wickersham. The method of work as given in your letter is fair only in the first stage. Then, I feel, you will need the cooperation that he can provide. Consequently I am quite ready to ask our committee to make a separate grant-in-aid for Judge Wickersham’s benefit for twelve months. The University, on its part, should first agree</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>to pay an equal amount to him for a second year – from its own funds <u>or from our grant</u> – and to credit him as one of the two authors of the furnished manuscript. Publication is not our concern, but yours, and I know would be easily arranged.</p> <p>I am sending a copy of this letter to Judge Wickersham in the hope that he will [give] you his general consent to these proposals. That would obviate another journey for you and expedite action. It seems desirable that you write him first, however, so that further steps will be taken from your office.</p> <p>I cannot assure favorable action from our committee, obviously, nor do I wish to reopen the matter until definite assurance from all concerned are in hand. But I would be ready to propose a grant of \$3000. for the year from date of our action, on assurance of countering payment at the same rate for a second year from another source on pledges of the University. I shall be back in New York on September tenth and shall await word from you there.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Sincerely yours, David H. Stevens.”</p> <p>The copy of the above letter from Mr. Stevens came to me with a letter from my son, and an explanation would be quite as long as his letter so I will quote it in full instead of writing my own explanation – it will be more satisfactory to give his letter in full and thus preserve the original thought as stated by him . (over to next page for letter).</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p style="text-align: center;">San Francisco, Calif. Aug 31, 1936</p> <p>Dear Father: Sent you a wire this p.m. to Ketchikan marked to relay to Juneau if you were not in Ketchikan – all re “Caleb Haley.” Am a little worried as the “Caleb Haley “ is due to sail for Seattle September 1st. I trust you got my letter of Aug 18th and wire of August 24th in time to act. I wrote Grace a personal note to the effect her sister-in-law & nephew were not on the passenger list of the SS. Feltre. I wrote her because I felt you would be in Ketchikan. I will call on the steward of</p>

	<p>the “Feltre” Wednesday and see if he can give me any information. I had callers yesterday (Sunday) – Mr. & Mrs. Charley Ask and two daughters – she was the daughter of Aunt Caroline, mothers oldest sister – you will remember Aunt Caroline and Susie visited us in Tacoma in 1892. Aunt Caroline, although the oldest evidently lived the longest – she died in 1928. They are motoring through the west – visited Uncle Jont and Ivy in Olympia – they say Uncle Jont although 94 years old is in perfect health. – Mr. Stevens changed his mind and sent me the copy of his letter to Bunnell – you are to get six thousand dollars altho Bunnell has to scrape \$3000 of it up – he should get it from the \$17,000 already set aside to him. Stevens letter is perfectly clear and I trust that Bunnell and yourself will be able to get the details worked out – as far as Bunnell is concerned he will have to because Stevens idea in the whole thing was to be</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 6-8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>centered about you & your library. Stevens said a lot of things to me he did not put in his letter and his note transmitting the copy was most evidential & promised to keep me advised. My secretary said she felt I made quite a “hit” with Stevens. Sorry about your having to go to Seattle on account of your eyes, but you must take care of them. If you miss the crew of the “Caleb Haley” in Ketchikan perhaps you can get them in Seattle. Enclose check for \$50⁰⁰. Keep me posted and advised on the “History,” and have your agreement with Bunnell in writing. Love, Darrell.”</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-7th -</p> <p>Labor Day – Holiday – but I am busy preparing my Answer for Defendants in Bond v Dyr Dahl & Nelson, No. 3902A, in District Court – equity case over Bergman Hotel property – covering contest relating to overlap between lots four (4) and five (5) in Block fifteen, (15) Juneau townsite.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-8th -</p> <p>Territorial Election Day. I voted the</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 September 8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>straight Republican ticket, for Gore, Delegate, McCain, Atty Genl. Cole, Auditor, etc. all</p>

	<p>Republicans though I do not anticipate they will be elected! The Democrats have allotted great sums of Govt. funds for bridges, schoolhouses, roads, etc. for every part of Alaska on a wide expenditure to induce the voters to cast their ballots for the Democratic ticket</p> <p>Recd. telegram from Darrell saying he has information that Mrs. Dolores Vrooman, & her son Daniel are enroute to San Francisco on board the Italian steamer "Rialto" from Marseilles, France – he will send them on to Vancouver, B.C. where Grace will meet them – about the end of this month.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 September 9-11	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th –</p> <p>In office same as yesterday. <u>Democrats won the Territorial Election only 2 Republican members of the Legislature saved in the wreck!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th –</p> <p>Finished Answer in Bond v Dyrdaahl. Elsie Blythe, stenographer aided me. Also Reply in case of Femmer vs The City of Juneau, et. al. <u>Reservation of SS. tickets for "Yukon" to Seattle made by Grace for Monday's voyage.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Served copy Answer in Bond v Dyrdaahl and Nelson on Faulkner & Banfield, also Reply in Femmer v City of Juneau – both cases now at issue & ready for trial – when I return from Seattle.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 September 12-13	<p style="text-align: center;">12th –</p> <p>Agreements today with Ohlers, Berg & Morgan, about repairs on my house – between Church & Bishop Apts. \$1300⁰⁰ indebtedness with 5 years to pay \$27. per month.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th –</p> <p>Sunday – In the office getting matters ready to go to Seattle on the "SS Yukon" if we can get tickets & a stateroom. <u>We, Grace & I signed contracts for repairs on Bishop Apartments & my house, between Bishop & Church, & contractors will go to work at once.</u> Received a fine letter from Darrel about the "History of Alaska" controversy he and Grace are worrying about – also a check for \$100⁰⁰ in aid of</p>

	<p>my trip to Seattle.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 September 14-17	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>Grace & I left Juneau at 4 p.m. for Seattle on the SS. Yukon. Noisy & very uncomfortable on the boat – Noise of radios – singing, drunks, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th –</p> <p>Reached Ketchikan tonight. On Board Messrs. R.H. Sargent, & Gerald Fitzgerald, both U.S. Geological experts enroute back to Washington after a summers work in Alaska, with a large number of Alaskans</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Came into Seattle at noon – Frye Hotel, tired & worn out with the blatant noises of machinery, radios of all grades of noise singing, dancing, drunken men etc. Good visit with Mrs. Governor Annie Hall Strong.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 September 17-18	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>Called on Edwd. W. Allen, with Sargent & Fitzgerald – talked maps! Met Mrs. A.W. Lipkeg, from Seldovia. She talked to us about securing the attention of Wilson Randolph Hearst, N.Y. Editor, to my Bibliography & Historical data!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Grace & I went to Tacoma. I attended Masonic Lodge luncheon at the Scottish Rite Temple – met group of <u>50 year old</u> members – Walter J. Thompson, Henry Drum, A.E. Nanbert, Self, another – whose name I do not remember, never saw him before. Wm McIntire, not present. We were met at the Masonic Temple, at full meeting of all Masons in Tacoma, presided over by Grand Lodge officers –</p>
Diary 45, 1936 September 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>where we were told at great length what fine men we were, and given "50 year" Masonic pins, with much ceremony and applause. I was agreeably surprised, also, when my nephew Harold W. Hanson, from Enumclaw appeared at the meeting. I enjoyed the meeting, the presentation. Grace and I went back to Seattle on the midnight bus line.</p>

	-19 th -
	Met attorneys for the Alliance Ins. Co. at the office of the Ins. Co. of North America and conferred at length over the facts in re Iman & New England Fish Co. salvage case against the "Caleb Haley" fishing vessel. This afternoon
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	Mr. H.R. Sargent, Geological Survey map maker had dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Edw. W. Allen, at home, and examined Allen's fine collection of maps of Alaska. Sargent was greatly impressed!! Grace out to visit her sisters, Mrs. Ida Faucher, and Mrs. Belle Coffin (Ruth's mother) at Kent. Received telegram from James M. McDonald, Vancouver, B.C. to withdraw offer of compromise to pay \$500. ⁰⁰ authorized some days ago, in settlement of Isaac's v Bralaska Min. Co. Sent telegram tonight to L.V. Ray, Isaac's attorney, Seward, withdrawing offer. I do not understand reason for his (McDonalds) action – but acted as directed.
Diary 45, 1936 September 20-21	-20 th - -21 st -
	Sunday – rested & read. Went to Dr. Bentleys – for my eyes. He thinks my right eye is practically useless as the left one is o.k. but the right one is useless since Dr. Wilmer removed the pupil years ago. Says if the left becomes covered with a cataract as the right one was, a proper lense over the right will give me good service. Attended meeting of the Alaska Committee of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce & heard Murchison, Indian mayor of Metlakatla urge support for harbor appointment there. In short talk I supported him. Bought some Alaska books at Shorey's Bookstore.
Diary 45, 1936 September 22	-22 nd -
	Grace & I went to see Dr. Bentley – got prescription for glasses for my eye – then went over to Tacoma, lunch at Winthrop hotel – out to Mrs. Wm Hoppings, poor Will died 2 years ago – she said there were four boxes of books belonging to me in her garret – "La Perouse's Charts," etc." original was on top of first box & Grace brought it

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	away. We went to the State Hist. Soc. Rooms kept by my old friend Bonney & Grace & Mrs. Lewis, curator made a full list of Indian baskets, artifacts, etc. there belonging to me – placed there 40 years ago. I am much pleased to get this list for I may wish to see the collection. Grace has about concluded to go to San Francisco to meet Dolores & Daniel!
Diary 45, 1936 September 23-26	-24 th - -25 th -
	Dr. Bentley's - glasses from Riggs Optical Co. Over to Tacoma. Saw Winden about ranch & my old home on C. St. Spent an hour with Ins. Co. of N.A. on conference with Admiralty suit – Bucey, atty present. Dinner with Mrs. Strong at the Greek restaurant. Trip to Buckley – saw Harry, appears better than formerly. Visited with Minnie and family – Maude and Nellie. Dinner with Harold W. Hanson, my nephew & Dorothy his wife & baby boy.
	-26 th -
	Grace left Seattle this morning early on trip to San Francisco – to meet Dolores & Daniel as they reach there from Spain
Diary 45, 1936 September 26-27	26
	through Marseilles, France aboard the SS "Rialto." We have had much correspondence with Darrell about her arrival in S.F. and difficulties about entry as a <u>Spanish</u> citizen – money, etc. and finally we concluded it best for Grace to go with money, official papers relating to Dolores estate, accounts etc. She left here early on Bus Line – will take her all day – tonight & tomorrow at 2 oclock. p.m. she will reach S.F.
	-27 th -
	Sunday – remained at hotel most all day so as to receive telegram or other information, if any should come from either Grace or Darrell about time of arrival & point of landing of "Rialto"
Diary 45, 1936 September 28	-28 th -
	Grace reached S.F. yesterday, according to time tables – but has not telegraphed at noon today – joust pris[?] in Oregon!

	<p>Mail from Juneau. Letter forwarded from L.V. Ray, atty, Seward – declines to accept offer compromise in Isaacs vs Bralaska Min Co. – Vancouver. Conference with Mr. Buery, lawyer here for Alliance Ins. Co. in re case of <u>Iman v.</u> N. Eng. Fish Co. Ketchikan, salvage “Caleb Haley;” also with C.L. Harrison in case Isaacs v Bralaska Min. Co. Anchorage. Lunch with Clyde Morris, at the Arctic Club. No news from Grace – she reached S.F. yesterday at 2 o'clock p.m. – expect telegram tomorrow morning.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 September 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Went over to Tacoma today – to the Tacoma Cemetery – visited the graves of my family – my <u>father, mother, wife, sons, and my sisters, Nan, Clyde & Jennie.</u> It was a sad day, and I felt old & unhappy, a spot is left for me to fill. Called on Winden, met Harshberger whom I had not seen for some years – he too, looks old and failing. When I returned to Seattle I was cheered on the receipt of a letter from Grace who had reached S.F. on Sunday at 3 p.m. in safety.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Reunion at the Frye Hotel – sent Graces last letter to her sister Ida by mail.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 1	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Oct. 1, 1936.</u></p> <p>Not hearing from Grace I sent a telegram this morning to Darrell asking if steamer “Rialto” had reached S.F. and when Grace would start north: Received reply saying <u>“Grace and relatives arrive Seattle tonight nine twenty Cascade train.”</u> Grace, Dolores & Daniel came on the 9²⁰ train. I met them & we are now in our rooms after a drink of milk – Dolores is small but bright & good looking. She and the boy are worn out from traveling. Grace is tired, too. Darrell met the boat with Grace & quickly got them through the immigrations office.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 1	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Famous Sourdough Judge, 79, Says Good-Bye to Politics</p> <p>At 79 years of age, the honorable Judge James Wickersham of Alaska has finished with politics.</p>

	<p>But he's not through with life, not by any means, the judge said today as he marked time in his room at the Frye Hotel, waiting for Mrs. Wickersham to rejoin him within the next few days.</p> <p>But Judge Wickersham, who once was probate judge in Pierce County in territorial days; who once was Tacoma city attorney: one time district judge in Alaska, and Alaskan delegate to Congress for fourteen years, says he no longer can keep up the pace set by younger politicians.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sprightly, Mind and Body</p> <p>His appearance and demeanor belie his words. It was only September 24 that he celebrated his seventy-ninth birthday anniversary, but he looks the same as he has on many previous visits to Seattle – sprightly, alert and interested in the world, with Alaska first in mind.</p> <p>The judge's visit to Seattle this time is for personal business only. He had not been here since 1934.</p> <p>Mrs. Wickersham is in San Francisco to meet her sister-in-law, Mrs. Henry Vrooman, a refugee from war-stricken Spain.</p> <p>“I've reached the conclusion that I'm old, or at least, at 79, I ought to be,” the judge said, “so I've retired from politics to enter private practice of law. Mrs. Wickersham will rejoin me in two or three days, and I think we'll return to Alaska. We believe we'll make it our ‘permanent’ home.”</p> <p>Judge Wickersham has lived in Alaska since 1900. His wife is the former Mrs. Grace Bishop, widow of the United States marshal at Juneau.</p> <p>Mrs. Vrooman, Judge Wickersham explained, is a native Spaniard who married Mrs. Wickersham's brother, Henry Vrooman, in Barcelona about eight years ago. Mr. Vrooman, a member of the pioneer Vrooman family of this vicinity, died last year, leaving his widow, Dolores, and a 6-year-old son.</p> <p>Mrs. Vrooman and the child will make their home here after settling the estate. They escaped from Spain to Marseilles, France and then went to California.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham, who in 1928 published “A Bibliography of Alaskan Literature,” still is writing.</p>
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	<p>His present work, unfinished, is a complete history of Alaska, dating back to the reign of Peter the Great of Russia.</p> <p>The judge believes there is a great future for Alaska, which, he thinks, is starting to develop rapidly only now. He thinks aviation has done wonders to increase Alaska's usefulness, both in the mining and fishing industries, Alaska's two great mainstays. American youth should look toward the North, the judge believes.</p> <p>As he explained: "I took the judgeship in Alaska in 1900 for a two-year probation period, and well, I'm still there."</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 2	<p style="text-align: center;">-Oct. 2-</p> <p>Daniel, Grace's nephew, fell on the SS. Rialto, first day out from the Mediterranean, and broke his arm – wrist: It was bound up by the ships surgeon, and he was in that condition when he & his mother arrived here in Seattle last night. They took him to the surgeon this morning, who advised taking him to the Providence Hospital this evening for careful inspection and possible operation in the morning. The surgeon says the operations on board the ship was badly performed and that his wrist must be straightened or it will grow worse and probably leave him with a crooked arm for life. We took him to the hospital tonight and</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 2	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>left him and his mother for the night. Was invited to attend a press Club function on Thursday & accepted. Attended a meeting of the Yukon Order of Pioneers 1923-1/2 First Ave. tonight. Made a talk about McQuesten, Mayo, Harper & Hart & party & their trip from the Cariboo mines in 1972-1873, to Fort Yukon & the orderly growth of the fur trade, merchandising, and Mining which grew up on the Yukon after 1873. There was a big crowd & much interest. Darrell will be in Seattle next Tuesday & Wednesday – "Ivy Crouch" – called – and will bring Uncle Jont over on Tuesday to see us – he is 94 years old – <u>President Hoover's friend.</u>"</p>

Diary 45, 1936 October 3	<p style="text-align: center;">Oct. 3rd 1936.</p> <p>Grace went to Providence Hospital – the doctor performed operation on Daniel's broken wrist – reset it successfully. Dolores must be worn out, but will bring him back to the hotel tomorrow Mr. Faucher & Ida, Grace's sister, came from Kent & spent the afternoon. we will go to Kent to visit them Wednesday. Darrell will visit us tomorrow – Sunday night & remain two days. Called on McQuesten – city department & got a better line on "Jack" McQuesten, the uncle of the Seattle McQuesten (?) He gave me copy of a letter written by "Jack" about his experiences in coming west – and trip via Cariboo to the Yukon</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Sunday. Dolores brought Daniel to the Hotel today. He is getting along fine – arm – wrist break reset. Darrell came tonight on the 9²⁰ train. He looks fine – in excellent health.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">5th -</p> <p>Visited with Darrell! Called on Bucey attorney for Darrells Co. in the Caleb Haley case – also general offices. Spent hours in the City Library searching for Alaska Times data in 1870, also visit from C.L. Andrews on same subject. Having good visit with Darrell who will go home tomorrow afternoon. I am greatly pleased that he came to see me – first time in two years.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 6	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Went out to the University of Washington with Darrell – met C.L. Andrews and Librarian Smith & studied the newspaper connection between the Alaska Times 1869-1871 and the Seattle Post Intelligencer for use in my address before the Seattle Press Club. Pete Stance of Gig Harbor, son in law of Sam Jeresich, and his Indian wife, whom knew at Gig Harbor in 1886-1888, etc. Jonathan (Jont) Crouch, married to Margaret Bell, Debbie's sister before Debbie & I were married at Rochester (Springfield, Illinois) in 1880. Jont is now 94 years old. Clear in mind and eyes, lives in Olympia. President Hoover was office boy for Jont</p>

Diary 45, 1936 October 6	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>and his partner, in real estate, in Salem, Oregon, many years ago, when Hoover was a boy! When Jont was very sick, during Hoovers term as President, he received a telegram from the President urging him to be strong and recover – which he did! and loves Hoover accordingly! I was the guest of honor at the Seattle Pres Club tonight & made a short but effective talk in recounting the story of the joinder of the Alaska Times with the Post and Intelligencer, in 1871, and the rise of the P.I. on the basis of the Alaska times press and type. The Press Club stood & cheered at the conclusion of my talk. Darrell went home to S.F. this evening.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Left Seattle at 8²⁰ a.m on N.P. train arrived at Portland, Or at 2²⁰ p.m. spent an hour and a half in Col. Crossleys office; left Portland at 4²⁰ on N.P. train, arrived at Seattle at 9²⁰ p.m. 13 hours, expense train fare \$2⁰⁰ each way, total \$4⁰⁰. Grace met me at the train on return. Consulted with Col. Crossley, attorney formerly U.S. Attorney at Fairbanks, about Jim Yorks scheme of securing options on two mining claims in Berners Bay district and the "Ellen" Millsite, there.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>The Seattle Times published the following picture and articles about Dolores Vrooman and Daniel her son today.</p>
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Diary 45, 1936 October 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>Although headlines tell of disaster and strife in civil war-torn Spain, cause her to shudder, Mrs. Dolores Vrooman, a Spanish refugee, was happy today in the feeling of security that she is safe in Seattle.</p> <p>Mrs. Vrooman, widow of Henry Vrooman,</p>

American electrical engineer at Barcelona, was unpacking in her room at the Frye Hotel. Her 6-year-old son, Daniel Enrique Vrooman, cannot speak English, but he put on an Indian feathered headgear and waved an American flag.

“It is so good to be here, too good,” Mrs. Vrooman, a Spaniard, said, smiling. “It is, too, so peaceful, and I have had such a terrible year.”

Husband Died in November

Mrs. Vrooman’s husband was a brother of Mrs. James Wickersham, whose husband formerly was delegate to Congress from Alaska. Mr. Vrooman died last November 24 in Barcelona. Scarcely two months later, Mrs. Vrooman’s father died. And in April her mother passed away.

The civil outbreak had just commenced in Barcelona when Mrs. Vrooman fled to Marseilles, France, only 193 miles away, August 14.

Mrs. Vrooman speaks but little English. Her eyes tell more eloquently than words, however, of the tragedy which forced her to leave her native land “for always.”

“We could see rebels in town from our home. They signaled to other rebel troops on the outskirts of Barcelona from our terraces,” she said in faltering English. “It is hard for me to say it, but, of course, we were frightened. Militiamen discovered the signals and there was shooting in Barcelona’s beautiful streets.”

Tears came to Mrs. Vrooman’s eyes as she told how she was forced to flee hurriedly, leaving behind trunks of precious personal belongings. She has only one trunk and the clothes she wore. August 26 she sailed from Marseille on the Italian steamer Rialto for San Francisco. Daniel fell while aboard the vessel and broke his right arm. It was improperly set and had to be reset in San Francisco [Seattle] – more trouble for the little Spanish mother.

Will Visit in Alaska

In San Francisco Mrs. Vrooman and her son were met by Mrs. Wickersham. They will accompany Judge and Mrs. Wickersham to Juneau for the winter, returning to Seattle in the spring “to

live here always.”

Mr. Vrooman’s estate included a ranch near Kent, but Mrs. Vrooman will not live there.

“It is too alone and I want to be near many people,” she said.

Even before the rioting Mrs. Vrooman had planned to leave Spain, but her passage was booked on the Italian steamer Feltra, which was not allowed to berth at Barcelona. Nevertheless, her previous plans expedited her speedy escape, since her passport was in order when the trouble broke out.

Mrs. Vrooman and the Wickersham s leave for Alaska within a week. On her return Mrs. Vrooman will make plans for her son’s American education in Seattle.

We were told today that the Alaska S.S. Co. had canceled its sailings & we then purchased our tickets on the Canadian SS. line to sail Saturday the 10th. We then went out to Kent to visit Graces sisters where we returned to the Frye Hotel we found a card and some Spanish

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literature of a lurid color saying the caller one John Romagoy would call to see her again at 11 o'clock tomorrow. This call and the red colored Spanish papers scared Dolores & all of United States for Communist influences are strong here in Seattle since the Longshoremen's strike & one has to be careful who threatens – but we will wait till he comes back tomorrow. His card however gives his telephone number & residence address, which helps some.

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Romagoy, Spaniard called – I met him and talked awhile, he turned out to be a good man – Mason – American principles etc. and I sent for Dolores and they visited

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THE ALASKA WEEKLY,
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1936
WICKERSHAM IS
HONORED HERE

	<p style="text-align: center;">AT PRESS CLUB MANY OLD TIME ALASKANS ATTEND DINNER FOR NORTHERNER BEGINNING OF P.-I. TOLD</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Judge Claypool, Blake Mills, William Gilmore, Capt. A. J. Goddard, Col. W.T. Perkins Among Dinner Guests</p> <p>Judge James W.[?] Wickersham was the guest of honor at a dinner Tuesday evening given by the Washington State Press Club, which was attended not only by the newspaper fraternity but by many of his old Alaskan friends, among whom were Judge Charles Claypool, William Gilmore, E.F. Medley, Col. W.T. Perkins, Eric Lucas, Blake Mills, Capt. A.J. Goddard and Frederick J. Wettrick. E.W. Knight presided as toastmaster and Judge Claypool introduced the distinguished guest.</p> <p>In spite of his arduous labors over a long period of time as a jurist in the Territory and his many years in Washington as Alaska's delegate to congress, Judge Wickersham has found time to follow his bent as an historian and is a recognized authority on all things Alaskan, including the bibliography of works and papers on Alaska. "About the time the American flag was hoisted in Sitka," said the Judge, "a young Irishman by the name of Tom Murphy started a newspaper. It was written in longhand but it was none the less a good paper and copies, although rare, are still in existence. A little later he amassed sufficient funds to get some type and a small press and blossomed out with printed copies of the "Territorial Dispatch." Adversity overtook him, however, and he finally boxed up his press and his type and started for Seattle, where he got out two issues of his paper before the sheriff again caught up with him. By that time he had attracted the attention of certain Seattle men who joined forces with him and the paper was born which, after various vicissitudes, became the Post-Intelligencer."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham spoke at some length concerning the tremendous service which had</p>
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	<p>been rendered the community and Alaska through the years by the Post-Intelligencer and deplored the local conditions which brought about its suspension.</p> <p>He also gave his listeners a graphic picture of the value to Seattle of the Alaska trade and urged a broader understanding of the possibilities of the Territory and a continuation of the newspaper support which had proven so helpful in the past.</p> <p>Albert Wilson, a Seattle boy who has spent the past seven years in Europe for the Associated Press and who has just returned from covering the recent Ethiopian fracas, was also a guest of the club and gave a very interesting talk on his experiences in that strife-ridden country as well as his opinions on the present European situation.</p> <p>I went over to Tacoma and secured \$150⁰⁰ from Winden, act. rents. We had dinner with Mr. Harry Athens at his restaurant.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 9-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>this evening – Mrs. Strong, Grace, Dolores, Daniel & I. – a good Greek chef dinner.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th –</p> <p>We left Seattle this morning on a Canadian steamship via Victoria to Vancouver, where we changed boats at 9 p.m. for Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>Crossed Queen Charlotte's sound – and came into Prince Rupert – thence to Ketchikan – reached Wrangell at 2 am. Met a Mr. Beats and some other good Alaskans. Left papers with McCain at Ketchikan.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>We reached Juneau at 9³⁰ this morning – Dolores and Daniel glad as we were to reach one good home on top of Chicken Ridge. The evening</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 12-13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">12</p> <p>papers gave quite a story about Dolores & the boy as refugees from Spain!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>At work in the office in an attempt to get my cases ready for trial when Judge Alexander returns from his special term at Ketchikan beginning on the 19th.</p>

	<p>Arnold from Ketchikan called – has been in close conference with Faulkner in organizing their fight to prevent Al. White & his supporters to control the Republican nominees of Territorial officials <u>in the event that Landon is elected President on Nov. 3rd</u>! He gave me a careful examination about my connection & acquaintance with Senator Copper etc. to see if I had any</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 13-14	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>possible influence with Landons friends in case the latter is elected. I got but little information, for I could not find out whom he & Faulkner were intending to support in that event. I do not have much confidence in Arnold – who is a cunning cuss! Banfield, President of Juneau Chamber of Commerce came and invited me to say a few words to the Chambers meeting tomorrow – I promised to do so.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Jim York called. I gave him Trites letter coming to me through Faulkner saying he was not indebted to York either equitably or legally for what assistance York gave him (Trites) in</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 14-15	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>the purchase of the Berner's Bay mining claims: told me that he had gone to Stabler in relation to the matter, that Stabler had strongly advised him to sue Trites and the Company acting with him in the purchase for his services in that sale. I gave York Trite's letter and Faulkner's letter about the matter & I gave both to York and told him I would not take part in the case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Thursday 15 -</p> <p>I attended the luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce & repeated much of my address delivered before the Seattle Press Club a week ago. Phillips, Supt. of Juneau Schools asked me to repeat the story of the Alaska Times & Seattle P.I. story at Alaska day before the Juneau High School on the</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 15	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>celebration of Alaska Day, which occurs on Sunday – celebration on Monday. Dolores & Daniel are attracting much attention and</p>

	<p>talk. They are resting quietly at our home. The Catholic priest called yesterday evening – Dolores told him she had been a member of his church in Spain, but that her husband told her, before his death not to join here in America!! I gave Henry Roden the papers in the case of Femmer v City of Juneau, & he promised to go to work immediately in preparation for trial as soon as Judge Alexander returns from Ketchikan. I am anxious to get the case tried for appeal if we have to appeal it.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 16-17	<p style="text-align: center;">-16-</p> <p>Working in the office – as usual. Catching up with correspondence. Writing instructions to Thompson, atty, Anchorage about disposal of Isaacs & Nance cases, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Sent Hon. Rufus Wood, Wenatchee World newspaper, copy Bibliography as I promised when we had dinner together in Seattle. He had just returned from a long trip in Alaska with the U.S. Com. of Fisheries party – filled with enthusiasm about the country. Attended Bar Assoc: luncheon. Newspapers here report action carried on by U.S. Dist. Atty. Grigsby defending against Billy Paul, Disbarment proceedings.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 October 18	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th – (Sunday).</p> <p><u>October 18, 1867</u> – the fine, sunny day at Sitka, when the Russian officials lowered the Czaristic flag, and General Lovell H. Rousseau's son George L. raised the flag of the United States in its place, and Alaska became United States territory! – 69 years ago. Received yesterday two boxes of old books, law and History, which I left in Tacoma, when I left my home there on July 1, 1900, to come to Alaska to assume my judicial duties as U.S. District – Territorial Judge at Eagle City, 100 miles below Dawson. Will open them on Monday, after delivering my Alaska Day speech at the High School.</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 19-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th –</p> <p>Made a 15 minute address to the scholars of the Juneau High School – much devoted to the subject of American form of government – in connection with the establishment of that form in Alaska. Unpacking two boxes of my old library left in Tacoma when I left for Alaska in 1900.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Received a telegram from Mr. H.T. Reid, editor of West Pub. Co. St. Paul, Minn. asking “<u>Please examine Alaska Judicial Directory volume seven Alaska Reports stop kindly indicate necessary changes and forward copy soon for volume eight</u>”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">H.T. Reid</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 20-22</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>Took matter to Clerk of Court who will prepare the desired list for me at once. In unpacking two boxes of books received from Tacoma, found several volumes of Alaskan history. – La Perouse, & others. Grace, Dolores & Ruth attended tea at Governors house yesterday – enjoyed a pleasant occasion – Dolores met many ladies & was immensely pleased.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p> <p>Elsie Jensen-Blythe, stenographer typist copying chapter on “Mining in British Columbia” – 2 copies.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Finished typing above chapter today, but I will reread and correct it at my leisure – wish I could get Victoria mining man to read and correct it!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 23-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd –</p> <p>In the office at work as usual – also examining 77 Vols. English Common Law Repts which I wish to dispose of – if possible.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">24th</p> <p>Same as usual in office: examining & making English Com. L. Repts.; Bar. Assoc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th –</p> <p>Sunday – at home in library. Organizing data for writing the outline history of the beginning of gold mining in Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday – in the office. <u>Daniel Vrooman went to school today. – First day.</u></p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Called at the Governor’s office and had a long conversation with Harvey Watson, the</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>Governors secretary and Mr. C.M. Hirst, Director in charge of Education in the Bureau of Indian Affairs, about the Lincoln Totem pole, standing at the old Tongass Indian village site on Tongass island, near Cape Fox, below Ketchikan. Both are very much interested in that object, and will now take every reasonable effort to purchase it from the Starr family of Ketchikan – whose ancestors carved[?] the pole about 1870-71, in honor of Abraham Lincoln who freed the S.E. Alaska Indian slaves!! Hoist will go down to Ketchikan in a week or so and will talk to the Starr’s about it! The idea is to bring the old pole to Wrangell, and have it rehabilitated there by the Indian carvers and then brought to Juneau and set up at the SE. corner of the Federal Building</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 28-29</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Talked to Parks in U.S. Land Survey office about Jack Sargents Hd. near Juneau – at south end of Douglas Bridge and wrote fully to Jack, who is in Seattle about the matter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>The longshoremen’s Strike is about to be put on – the boats – steamers from Seattle etc. will tie up – and we will be shut off for supplies, freight & passenger service – for how long only the strikers and companys know. In the office as usual – with but little work to do. Am now rewriting chapter on “Gold Mining in British Columbia” National Election to be held on next Tuesday Roosevelt against Landon – I am for Landon – but he may not be elected!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 October 30-31</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th –</p> <p>Maritime Strike declared last night – the struggle is on!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Saturday – Bar Assoc. Lunch. At work in the office as usual. Daniel H. Vrooman, Grace’s nephew is a character – he has learned more in the English language than some foreigners do in a lifetime! –</p>

	but he is a sassy cuss. He is going to school just like an American boy of his age – and learns much quicker than the average. If he can be kept off the rocks, and will continue to study & learn as he has done for a month he will be a well educated & valuable citizen – as his dead father hoped he would!
Diary 45, 1936 November 1-3	<p style="text-align: center;">-Nov 1, 1916-</p> <p>Sunday – at home all day in the library.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Nov. 2-</p> <p>The radio is ringing all the time with campaign speeches – Roosevelt, Landon & their supporters – for the election tomorrow. The Longshoremen in strike is on and they will not unload the</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nov 3rd 1936. National Election today.</p> <p>Also Cyril Zuboff called & asked me to & I did – write a letter to David Morgan, Pres. Central Com. Indian Land suit, in re contract as attorney to represent the Tlingit-Haida people in the Land suit. Zuboff will deliver the letter to Morgan, who is</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 3-4	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>on his way to attend the meeting of the Indians interested in said suit at Metlakatla this week. I also sent a copy of my printed Acceptance of the case, Feb 26, 1936, which I sent there by mail to the Committees. I have said the printed Acceptance was not a contract & asked them to have the Committee meet me in Juneau and agree on the terms of the contract etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Roosevelt re-elected President by a Landslide majority. Well, he scrambled the national eggs – let him unscramble them!! Paying bills – borrowed \$250, from Beherends Bank.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 4-5	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>I have sold my “Daly Bench” mine at Ester Creek, Fairbanks to the Fairbanks Exploration Co. for \$2500⁰⁰ and will not get my money for a month, so I borrowed the \$250, to use paying bills in advance of my recovering the price of the Daly Bench payment.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>I advised the manager of the Beherends store last night that I was of the opinion that the merchants could secure delivery of their goods, etc. off the “Northland,” where it is restrained by the Longshoremen on a “Strike,” – by a civil suit in Claim & Delivery or Replevin. McNaughton, however, objected & nothing has been done.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 5	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>Beale, mgr. of the Juneau Theaters, called me on the Telephone & I told him that my judgment was that he could recover the possession of his film rolls shipped from Wrangell to Juneau for him & advised him to employ Banfield – Faulkners partner, in the absence of Bert, from Juneau, to bring the suit. At noon Banfield called me over to his office & I assisted him on outlining the papers, and he agrees to bring the suit for Beales Company. The “Northland” is still at the dock this afternoon. I will be interested in the result of the application to Judge Alexander! and in the action of Mahoney, U.S. Marshall if the writ is placed in his hands for enforcement.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 5	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>The grocery stores are about out of butter & have only meat enough for three or four days is in the butcher shops! I am urging Grace to lay in a supply of provisions – as much as she can buy! Zuboff and David Morgan, Pres. & Sec. of the Indian Native Brotherhood were in and I urged both of them to act in the Indian Land Suit, by persuading their Committee to employ lawyers to come to Juneau soon and talk about the same. I am inclined to think that the Paul influence is trying to prevent them from employing me – and Morgan seems inclined to be acting that way!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 6	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Am thinking over the objections made by David Morgan the chairman of the Indian Committee on the employment of attorneys for the Indians to have charge of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Land suit to be brought under the Act of Congress of June 19, 1935. I determined this morning to send</p>

	<p>Morgan a telegram today explaining my self in answer to his objections. I prepared the following telegram:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Juneau, Alaska Nov. 6, 1936</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>David Morgan, Chairman Metlakatla Indian meeting. Ketchikan, Alaska. Suggestion that maximum limit on attorneys fees of fifteen thousand dollars be placed on each cent of percentage authorized</u></p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 6	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p><u>by section nine Tlingit Haida act stop that committee on attorneys contract come to Juneau time fixed by general meeting authorized by resolution to agree on contract before officials Indian bureau. James Wickersham"</u></p> <p>I then telephoned to the office of U.S. Indian Affairs, and Mr. C.M. Hirst Chief of Education answered, asked if I could call & he said yes – so I did. As soon as my voice was heard Mr. William L. Paul, who was engaged in the next room came in and heard the whole conversation. Briefly I told Mr. Hirst who has charge in the local office about the conversation of yesterday with David Morgan & Zuboff – that there seemed much doubt about what I was to have as attorney in this</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 6	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>suit, and that I had written the above message to Morgan to clear the matter up. Paul at once referred to <u>the last six lines in my statement of the facts of February 25th 1936 (printed) and urged that those words gave me a priority over other attorneys who might be employed (probably someone chosen by Paul in Washington, D.C.) – that if the Court gave the Attorneys only five (5) per cent on the final amount judgment, that I would get it all, and the remaining attorneys nothing.</u> That was the same argument made to me yesterday by David Morgan, & he had probably got it from Mr. Paul! I explained that I had no such intention that my intention (and the language use and criticised by Mr. Paul could bear no</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 6	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>construction, that I agreed that the fee found due by the Court of Claims should be divided equally –</p>

	<p>five per cent for my services – five per cent for the other attorney or attorneys. Mr. Hirst saw that we agreed – Paul & I – on what we wished done, and said he and Paul were going down to Metlakatla on the Indian Affairs boat in time to attend the meeting at Metlakatla and he (Hirst) would look after the whole matter in accordance with the views we expressed unitedly. What Paul wants, though he is careful not to say it, is an agreement with the Indians, in which he will be associated with me (1) in the control of the suit, (2) with a lump sum of a fee to us unitedly, so he</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 6-7	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>can get behind both in control and make me do all the work – and let him have a controlling chance to get the fees before I do! I will make no such an agreement, my contract and services must be provided for in a separate and independent agreement (3) and my fee must be fixed independently of his or any other attorney (4) or I will not enter the case!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. Luncheon at Juneau Bar Association. Am to have Mr. Hirst, U.S. Bureau of Education for Indians. Dr. Van Auken & their wives to dinner tonight. Grace, Ruth and Dolores Vrooman. Hope to show them my library etc.</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 7	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>Mr. & Mrs. Hirst & Mr. & Mrs. Doctor Van Aucken had dinner with us – also Dolores & Ruth – it was a very good dinner. We adjourned to the library & spent a very pleasant evening. Exhibited the books, photographs etc. valuable in the Indian – Tlingit & Haida Land suit – to the gentlemen – both employed in the Indian Affairs Bureau - & both interested in the suit. Hirst accidentally saw the ancient certificate of Pension on my walls, to Terry McHaney for Revolutionary War services - & told me he and Judge Edgar McHaney, of Little Rock, Ark. were warm personal friends. Judge McHaney was nearby relative (2nd Cousins) of my mother, Mary Jane McHaney – Wickershams</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 8-9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th –</p> <p>Went to Presbyterian Church with Ruth & Dolores. Latter was born in the Catholic faith, but Henry Vrooman, Graces brother and Dolores husband so prejudiced her against that church that she promised him that when she came to America she would attend the Protestant church & raise their son, Daniel in that or other non-Catholic faith! Remained at home all day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>At work in the office. Since the seamen struck & quit work a week ago no American vessels from Seattle in port – but the Canadian SS. carrying the mail – big mail last night. Letter from Darrell Mrs. Dolores Vrooman, for whose estate Grace has some responsibility</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 9</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>as executrix of Henry Vroomans Estate received drafts through the law office of Allen, Fronde & Hilien, Seattle, Wash. and Grace advised her to deposit part or all of the money in the First National Bank of Juneau on time deposit –(2% ?) or whatever the rate is, and some of it on checking account. I have refused to have any responsibility in the matter of Henry Vroomans Estate, and suggested employment of the Allen firm (1) Because they are in Seattle – the Estate is located in King County, where Henry's folks all reside & where he owned lands at the time of his death; and (2) because being a resident of Alaska it would be more expensive if I undertook to attend the business.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 10-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-10th –</p> <p>Served notice, demanding Bill of Particulars in Femmer case! on Faulkner & Banfield.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th –</p> <p>In the office as usual, also preparing some data on mining laws of Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. I am much interested in Daniel Vrooman – 6 years old nephew of Grace's brother Henry. He is rapidly getting along in his classes in school though a month ago he could not speak, read or write a word in English.</p>

	<p>He is quick mentally, forceful in character and promises to be a bright an. His "ount" as he says "aunt" is very fond of him - & spends much time teaching him</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 13-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th –</p> <p>Same as usual. We are trying to sell our house on Franklin St. first in the rear of the Presbyterian Church – for \$6,500. Raining and threatening to snow – much to Danny's delight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>In the office as usual – nothing new. Still gathering historical data on the northern trend of gold stampeders. We Republicans are gradually regaining our recovery over the great victory won by the "New Dealers," in the national election on Nov. 3rd. It was a Landslide and we did not expect it so much that way.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Sunday: Attended Motion Pictures with Grace Sweet Rose Marie – beautiful!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 16-17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16th –</p> <p>Airplane in from Fairbanks. <u>Bunnell aboard</u>. I called at his hotel and inquired about date of letter written by George E. Pilz – said he would write to University for the same. Am writing notes or Mining law & history in Alaska - getting same typed!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>The longshoreman's strike has stopped all American steamers from running along the Alaska coasts – we have only a weekly Canadian steamer from Vancouver via Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg and Juneau to Skagway, carrying Canadian goods to these towns and for the Canadian Ry. to Dawson & other interior Canadian points. Dr. Bunnell called & we had a long and friendly conference in relation to the work being</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 17</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">17</p> <p>done by Lavrischef, his Russian translator Mifs Reineke and Mr. Reid in examining a mass of Russian Church records in the Congressional Library & the official Russian records – about 80 volumes of script – in the State Department. I</p>

	<p>invited him to come to the house this evening to call on Grace, Dolores, Daniel & Ruth & he promised to call! He still promises to recognize my assistance, provided, he can get the Territorial Legislature, this winter to make an appropriation on \$3000, to match the Rockefeller Foundation \$3000 suggested by Dr. Stevens. – any way he was friendly - & so was I. He called this evening & spent an hour saying nothing. I have no confidence in his declaration that he will arrange a plan to give me assistance in writing a History of Alaska – But?</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Received notice that Mrs. Patterson had sent her deed to the U.S. Smelting etc. Co. at the First National Bank, conveying her one fourth interest in the Daly Bench placer, so I sent my deeds for my $\frac{3}{4}$ interest today to the Bank – with instructions to deliver on payment of the price agreed on for mine - \$2500.⁰⁰ & send money to B.M. Beherends Bank here in Juneau. Busy in the office.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> OPPOSITION TO PAUL FEATURES A.N.B. SESSIONS Wheeler-Howard Act Not To Be Touched By Brotherhood </p> <p>William L. Paul is facing repudiation by the natives of Alaska as their leader.</p> <p>This, in brief, was the message brought back here from the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood convention at Metlakatla after 36 sleepless hours in close quarters were Claude M. Hirst, director of education for the Bureau of Indian Affairs; Oscar H. Lipps, Paul, George Penny and Dr. J. F. Van Ackeren, bureau officials, and Clarence Rhode, assistant executive officer for the Alaska Game Commission.</p> <p>It was reported that Paul's attempt to get the A.N.B. to administer the Wheeler-Howard Act for the economic betterment of Alaska natives was overwhelmingly voted down at the convention.</p>

	<p>The proposal was made by suggested amendments to the constitutions of the brotherhood and sisterhood, submitted to the executive boards by Paul. This was defeated.</p> <p>Continuing its efforts to re-affairs of Alaska natives, the</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>brotherhood elected a new group of officers, many of whom are outspokenly opposed to Paul. The latter was appointed administrator for the Wheeler-Howard Act in Alaska by the federal government.</p> <p>The new officers are: Frank G. Johnson, Ketchikan, president, Herbert Bradley, Wrangell, first vice president; Sylvester Samaken, Cordova, second vice president; Judson Brown, Klawock, secretary; Don Miller, Wrangell, treasurer; Norman Guthrie, Ketchikan, sergeant-at-arms.</p> <p>The executive committee was elected as follows: Peter Simpson, Sitka; Sam G Davis, Hydaburg; Frank D. Price, Sitka; Thomas Skeek, Kake; Frank Peratovich, Klawock; Andrew Wanamaker, Angoon.</p> <p>Among the many speakers at the four-day meeting was Director Hirst, who touched on the four phases of the Indian service, medical, educational, social and the Wheeler-Howard Act. Other officials also made addresses. Warden Rhode gave a talk on wild life conditions and laws to protect game. He found the natives generally satisfied with the restrictions but full of questions on certain details.</p> <p>If the above story is a fair report on the action of the Indians at their Metlakatla meeting they are to be congratulated, for Wm L. Paul is a selfish and mean fellow – he is interested only in making money for himself out of their native troubles for his own personal benefit, and does not merit their confidence or trust!!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1936 November 19-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Working in the office as usual. D.B. Femmer, came in to consult about his financial affairs. He owes Behrends Bank \$7000.⁰⁰ mortgage on his</p>

	<p>wharf property – also note for \$500, unsecured but wants an additional Thousand. Behrends death has left the banks officials & their authority unknown to Femmer & the public & he is in trouble to know who has power to attend to his wants, and now asks me to go and talk to Faulkner, attorney – formerly – for the bank and supply him with information and advice – I will try in the morning. -20th -</p> <p>Saw Faulkner for Femmer - & he saw Bank officials – they suggested that Femmer come & see them! I told Femmer & he will see bank first of the week. -21st-</p> <p>Saturday – in court but cases not ready & court adjourned until Jan. 5th.</p>
Diary 45, 1936	<p>[inside back cover – clipping] THE TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE, SATURDAY, JULY 18, 1936 50 Years Ago</p> <p>Touring the courthouse on C street, the reporter found Judge Wickersham keeping numerous estate cases straight; Deputy Clerk Wilt engaged in routine work; Auditor Kelly and Assistant F. Gloyd rushed with work. Deputy Lowe attends to the inside, and Sheriff Byrd and Deputy Granger to the outside work of the sheriff's office. Treasurer Murray keeps a keen eye on the taxpayer. Assessor Macready, assisted by his father and W.B. Curtis, are pushing the assessment rolls to conclusion.</p> <p>L.F. Thompson of Sumner brought in 20 cars of hops.</p> <p>Rev. L.J. Garver, who has been preaching at the Y.M.C.A. hall, leaves for Port Townsend.</p> <p>The new German Lutheran church, South 13th and I streets will be dedicated tomorrow.</p> <p>Plans are presented to the city council for a wharf at McCarver street to cost \$1000.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Northwest</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">NEWS BRIEFS Of 25 Years Ago {Nov. 1936} August 10, 1910</p> <p>JUNEAU – Incomplete returns from yesterday's election indicate that Delegate James Wickersham, Independent Republican, has been elected to Congress over Ed S. Orr, the organization Republican candidate, by a large majority.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WICKERSHAM HONORED WITH MASONIC EMBLEM</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham, of Juneau, was one of several Masons who were presented with a Masonic emblem honoring their 50th Anniversary in Masonry, at a Masonic gathering last week in Tacoma, Washington. {Sept. 18, 1936.}</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 22	<p style="text-align: center;">-Nov. 22, 1936-</p> <p>A bad landslide came down the mountain side into Franklin Street – and piled up against the Juneau Cold Storage concrete building. It started on the line of the A.J. Mine Co. line about the head of Ewing St. spread and carried down several houses – rumors are that a dozen or more unfortunate persons are dead. A very heavy rain has fallen for many hours, thoroughly soaking the loose dirt rock on the side hill – the slide took place about 7 oclock – or 7.30 & gave no warning – men are digging frantically in the great mass of debris – but darkness & bad weather prevents good results – though several who could be located in the wreckage of the houses have been rescued and taken to the hospital. Ruth & Mrs. Hawkes were at a dinner with friends on the boat "Easterner" which belonged to Hawkes & had a dangerous journey around the slide – came home almost hysterical!</p>
Diary 45, 1936 November 23-24	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Four or five bodies of victims of the slide down the A.J. Min. Co. front hill have been recovered. It is a horrible accumulation of debris in Franklin St. – 15 feet or more deep in the street & held back by the solid concrete walls of the Cold Storage plant.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p>

	A little girl was taken out of the broken timbers of her home in the upper part of the slide today – alive but injured badly & may die. About a dozen are known to be dead. It will be a dismal Thanksgiving day for the town – the Longshoremens strike is making it worse.
Diary 45, 1936 November 25	-25 th - Same s usual in the office. Nice letters received from my nephew D ^e Vere Wickersham, steamboat engineer in New York harbor – some tramp boat. He is Franks son, & a good worker. D.M. McQuesten writes to me about his uncle “Jack” – the father of the Yukon I am outlining biographical and historical data relating to the discovery & development of the Juneau mines, 1880, giving special attention to the most interesting character of all – George E. Pilz! He devoted 45 years of his active life to the development of mining in Alaska, located the Juneau camp – deserved greater credit than any other S.E. Alaska Pioneer!
Diary 45, 1936 November 26-27	-Nov. 26 th – Thanksgiving day! We had a fine home dinner prepared by Grace – present Mr. Arnold and his mother – 84 years old. Mrs. Saurez and her son Manuelito, Mrs. W. Ruth & I enjoyed the tow fat hens prepared instead of Turkey for the meal. After dinner Grace & I escorted Mrs. Arnold down to the nearby home of Mr. & Mrs. A.E. Robertson to call, especially on his mother - years of age, where met their guests & spent a pleasant hour. -27 th - Mail and some interesting letters and among the printed matter I received a file of Leslie’s Weekly, Jany 5 – to Feb. 3, 1898, containing “An American girls trip to the Klondike by
Diary 45, 1936 November 27	27 Ester Lyons: Unfortunately the article is not complete – other chapters are to be found to complete the story – if possible: That’s what makes collecting Alaskana so interesting – you are never finished, and sometimes you come across a finish of an exciting story – and then you are

	happy. I am writing to an agent at Yonkers, N.Y. to get me the remainder of this story – maybe he will – maybe he wont. -27 th - The removal of the awful slide of mud & rock from the mountain side into Franklin St. down Ewing, has resulted in the death of fourteen men, women & children – and the rest of the inhabitants
Diary 45, 1936 November 27-30	27 on the slope are vacating & removing to safer places, for it is not safe any when in that vicinity. -28 th – Same as yesterday – the new Deal has given way to the strikers and soon they promise us boats from Seattle to carry provisions mail & passengers. -29 th – In the office as usual – nothing new. -30 th - Cyril Zuboff, former Pres. of the Alaska Native Brotherhood, told me today that when the matter of the employment of an attorney to bring the land suit for the Tlingit & Haida Indians vs the U.S. came up at the Metlakatla meeting recently Frank Price objected to my employment
Diary 45, 1936 November 30	30 and said Billy Paul told him that he, Paul, had begun some arrangement while he was in Washington this fall to employ an attorney or attorneys there – <u>who agreed that if he or they were employed he or they would finance the case</u> – Price said I would not agree to do that, etc. Zuboff said nothing had resulted etc. Of course Paul wants now to control them matter because I will not take him in on the case and divide with him – which I will not do. I think I will not be employed for Paul has a strong influence both with the Indians and with the Commission of Indian Affairs – if he is not disbarred in the proceeding against him as the District court here in Juneau
Diary 45, 1936 December 1-3	-December 1 st – Same as usual in the office. Went to theater to see – and hear – “Old Man River” – play. The Negro who sang that part of the play is a fine singer & actor – the rest is just the common place stuff.

	<p style="text-align: center;">-2nd –</p> <p>Tried little divorce case for Jimmy P. John – interesting from ethnological standpoint. John, plaintiff seems to be a good character – his main witness Mrs. Mary D. Johnson – a grand daughter of old Kowee, Auk chief is a fine specimen of the better class of Indians.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">3rd</p> <p>Rented my house, back of Presbyterian church on Franklin St. with possible chance to sell it if the renter thinks he can make payments</p>
Diary 45, 1936 December 3-6	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>John Harris, ½ breed son of R.H. Harris discoverer of gold in Silver Bow basin, 1880, loaned me a bundle of letters & papers written by his father and George E. Pilz in the early '80s in relation to the locations of the Juneau mines. I am to copy them, and return the originals to John. They are interesting historical material and I am glad to get them.</p> <p>Busy, also, on some law matters.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>Rain has ceased – taku wind blowing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th –</p> <p>Snowing today after a cold night. Working in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Sunday, went to the Episcopal Church</p>
Diary 45, 1936 December 6-8	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>with Ruth & Dolores (Mrs. Henry Vrooman, Daniels mother) to hear Rev. Rice preach. It was cold outside – hot in church & I had difficulty in keeping awake though the minister made a fine story about the Good Book, its writers & influence on the growth of religious development in the world.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th –</p> <p>Busy in the office, letters etc. from Arthur G. Thompson about our cases at Anchorage, writing to our clients in Seattle to forward funds so we can prepare their cases for trial.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Wrote letter to Gov. Troy calling his attention to the Indian Land suit</p>

Diary 45, 1936 December 8	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>and requesting a conference on the same. I do not intend to urge my appointment with the Indians if I am obliged to have a contest over same with even a small majority of them headed by Paul. The attorney who conducts that case will need the support of the whole of the tribes, nor will I undertake it with Paul in control of the law side of the case, - only if I am given full control as leading lawyer! It may be the Governor can persuade the Commissioner of Indian affairs and Sec. of the Interior to look after the interests of the Indians and make Paul understand that they are to be given an independent representative in</p>
Diary 45, 1936 December 8-9	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>preparing the case for the Court of Claims. The Charges now pending against him by the U.S. District Attorney are too serious to overlook - & then he is under the control in that matter by George Grigsby – which makes the situation worse! I would not assume the task with those two scamps in charge of the case! But I do not feel like abandoning the Indian's rights voluntarily, or until the Department is advised & will take a full and fair interest for the Indians who still seem to wish to be rid of Paul's domination.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Received a printed copy of the proceedings of the Wickersham</p>
Diary 45, 1936 December 9	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>Family Association Meeting Fourth Reunion at the London Grove Meeting House (Quaker) on October 5, 1935, in which they copied my whole letter of September 15, 1935, addressed to the Association on the History of the Wickersham's in the Far West.</p> <p>Gov. Troy just called me up over the telephone and said he had received my letter of yesterday and would like to see me any time. I arranged to meet him in his office tomorrow. He is friendly to me and I feel quite satisfied will assist me in securing a contract by which I may have control of the Tlingit & Haida land case. He can bring influence on Paul, I think.</p>

Diary 45, 1936 December 10	-10- Brought two divorce cases today for two Petersburg Indian women. They are sisters, married to two full blood Indian men. One of these women has 4 children the other has five – both men are worthless, get drunk, loaf and the girls have had to live with their mother – they are sisters. The old lady is quite tired of supporting these eleven extra members of the family and sent the girls to me to get them separated from the men. I suppose to stop both expenses and more children. They brought money & instructions, so I am inclined to assist in the affair.
Diary 45, 1936 December 11-12	-11 th – Governor Troy was busy today and asked me to call tomorrow at 11 a.m. & talk with him about the Tlingit & Haida suit & Paul's part in it. -12 th - Saturday. Called & had a conversation with the Governor – gave him a copy of the Hearings before the Senate Com. on the Tlingit & Haida Bill & told him the general situation, etc. He advised me to write the matter out clearly & said he would write to the Sec. and give me any assistance possible, & I have concluded to take his advice & write the facts for him.
Diary 45, 1936 December 13-14	-13 th – Sunday. I spent the day planning my statement for the Sec. of Interior on the Indian Land Suit matter. -14 th - Same as yesterday. Wrote letters to Senator Frazier & Delegate Dimond asking each to tell me who suggested the amendment in the Indian Land Suit Act cutting out the clause I wrote in the original bill to pay the the Indians per capita, & inserting the Amendments to pay the sum of the judgment through the Sec. of the Interior out for plans for canneries, stores etc. by associations - & not to the Indians!
Diary 45, 1936 December 15	-15 th - Working on letter to Sec. of Interior on the Tlingit & Haida land suit. Find that after sending me copies of bills, providing that the judgment in that case should be divided

	pro rata per capita among all the Indians Dimond and Paul prepared another H.R. 2756, 74th Cong. leaving the judgment to the control of the Sec. of Int. & Bureau of Indian Affairs – to be controlled – <u>but none of it ever to be paid to the Indians in Alaska per capita.</u> Sec. 8 of the Act of June 19, 1935! This means to be managed by Wm L. Paul, with his record under Disbarment Charges now under examination - in
Diary 45, 1936 December 15-18	15 District Court – Charges by U.S. District Attorney Holzheimer & his Asst. Folta! I am writing letters on tonights mail to Senator Frazier & Delegate Dimond for copies of the bill containing the <u>joker</u> , and I have the other papers: In the meantime I will do nothing more about writing letter to the Gov. as Asst. Sec. of Interior. -16 th – 17 th – Working in the office as usual. -18 th - Mr. Claude Hirst, in charge of the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Alaska in Juneau, telephoned me today that he had authorized Gideon Duncan, of Hoonah,
Diary 45, 1936 December 18-19	18 authority to come to Juneau to take up the matter of a contract with me as the representative of the Committee chosen by the Indian meeting at Wrangell held on Nov. 16, 1935, appointed specially to contract with me under that clause in the Act of June 19, 1935, authorizing them to do so. Mr. Hirst informed me that Duncan would be here this next week for that purpose, and I asked Mr. Hirst to come to my office with Duncan and he promised he would do so. -19 th - I got the Femmer v City case set for trial on Jan 7 th 1937. Sending out Christmas Cards etc.
Diary 45, 1936 December 20	-20 th - Mr. Claude Hirst, head of the Bureau of Indian Affairs – Education – has invited Grace and me to dinner at his house on Wednesday evening & Grace accepted. Worked in my library today on the discovery of Gold at Gold Creek by Harris & Juneau, as grubstake employees of George E.

	Pilz. Grace is copying a bunch of original letters and papers written by Pilz to Harris in the early '80s. They are very interesting and support Pilz statement of 1921, written by the old man before his death at Eagle City in 1925. I have also written a letter to R.F. Lewis, 410 Mills Bldg., San Francisco
Diary 45, 1936 December 20-23	20 who was an early day Juneauite & knew the parties to give me the particulars of some charge against Pilz by Fuller, Treadwell, and others who sought to keep in jail in S.F. for some offense which I do not have information about. Pilz letters in my possession do not explain the matter, but he complains to Harris bitterly about their injustice & I want to know what it is all about. Probably Lewis Knows & I hope he will explain the facts to me. Busy in the office as usual. -21 – 22 – 23 rd - Same as usual in the office. Grace, Dolores & I had dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Claude Hirst, of the
Diary 45, 1936 December 23-24	23 Bureau of Indian Affairs this evening. Mr. & Mrs. Hawksworth & their little daughter – also Clyde Hirst – the [?] son. A fine turkey dinner & a pleasant evening in conversation followed. -24 th - Christmas Eve & Santa Claus & a fine Christmas tree. Everyone got presents. A great fat Santa Claus with sleigh bells around his paunch came & gave the young-'uns, much fun. Besides our family Malcolm Faulkner & his father, Jacky New Marker, Jacky Hawkes assisted Daniel to enjoy the first Santa Claus he ever saw: They do not have that boy saint in Spain, it seems
Diary 45, 1936 December	[Blank page.]
Diary 45, 1936 December 24-25	24 Ruth & her girl & boy singers came & gave us some music – it was a most delightful evening & a glorious Christmas tree – brought by William Holbrook – Grace, & the boys, & well lighted with

	electric bulbs. -25 th - Christmas Day – Dinner in the evening Besides our own family, Judge LeFevre, Mrs. Britt, Mrs. Marshall, & her son Roy Asborn[?], Mrs. White, assisted us to enjoy a big fat corn fed turkey! and all that usually disappears with the great American diner bird. Christmas days have been perfect. Clear, cold, no wind & plenty of snow on the ground.
Diary 45, 1936 December 26	-26 th - Fine winter day – no wind, snow, cold. At work as usual in the office library Wrote a nice Christmas letter to Darrell. Letter from him yesterday informing me that my brother Edgar had passed away at Pasadena, California, where he has lived for many years, on Dec. 14 th . Edgar went to sea & made two or three voyages to Asia when he was about 18-20 years old. On his last voyage Charles Edward Taylor, of about his age, an English boy came home with him & lived with Edgar at the home of my father & mother at Buckley, Washington. Neither of them went to sea again. Taylor
Diary 45, 1936 December 26	26 worked in the saw mills etc. at Buckley – finally married my sister May about 1889. Both boys went to the Klondike Gold stampede about 1896-7. Edgar was probably the first regular brakeman on the White Pass & Yukon Railroad – one of the first men in surveying & construction work on that line & remained in the Ry. employ until I was appointed U.S. District Judge at Eagle City, June 1900, when he came down the Yukon & was appointed Deputy U.S. Marshal at Circle City – later at Fairbanks, He was married to Mifs Lizzie Chamberlain before he went to Alaska – she lived with him at Circle, Fairbanks & Survived him at Pasadena. Taylor was engaged
Diary 45, 1936 December 26-29	26 in the White Pass & Yukon Ry offices in Dawson – came down into Alaska studied law, was admitted to the Alaska bar. My sister May died at Buckley, where their home was maintained. She – they

	<p>have one daughter Lucille – born at Buckley about 1891-2, married & lives in Beeville Texas. Edgar & Lizzie had no children.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>Sunday. Resting at home, nothing new.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th –</p> <p>Working in the office as usual – stormy.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th -</p> <p>Spent the day in the U.S. Commissioners office examining the first mining records books – 1880, especially</p>
Diary 45, 1936 December 29-30	<p style="text-align: center;">29</p> <p>The Juneau mines were first located & records first made in Oct. 1880 & 1881. They are very interesting in connection with my present study of the Mining Stampeders to Cal. & U.S. points – to British Columbia, Alaska & N.W. Ter. in Canada. The Klondike stampede, making notes for use in my chapter on the Juneau & Treadwell mines, etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30-</p> <p>In the office as usual. Mr. Chapel, who is preparing to open & operate an Alaska Insurance business, in case the Legislature will pass an Act authorizing the organization of such a company under Alaska law was in & talked about his aims, came in & talked about the matter. <u>He seems ok.</u></p>
Diary 45, 1936 December 31	<p style="text-align: center;">Dec. 31st 1936.</p> <p>Received the sum of \$2481²⁵ in full for my interest in the Daly Bench Placer mining claim at Ester Creek, Fairbanks Alaska. Also received Mrs. Pattersons check, which I have just put in the mail. Registered & directed to Mrs. Mariam A. Patterson, 1229 Hendricks Ave. San Diego, California – her check amounted to \$827.⁰⁸ I am glad she ahs it for she has been sick for a year & needs it badly I can now pay my delinquent taxes.</p> <p>Many friend called this evening we had good eats & good cheer music & dancing – saw the old year out & the New Year safely in.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 1-2	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January 1st 1937.</u></p> <p>A comfortable warm winter day. I am spending some time writing material about the discovery, location and opening the Juneau – Silver Bow Basin gold mines by Richard T. Harris and Joe</p>

	<p>Juneau – how they double crossed George E. Pilz & stole all the credit due to old Kowee – Auk Indian Chief who discovered the Juneau Mining deposits & saved the lives of Harris & Juneau from the attacks of his tribesmen – and how the whites secured all the credit & gold!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2-</p> <p>Bar Assoc. lunch – the food is bad, the company without wit or other interest & I do not care for the gatherings, but</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 2-5	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>attend to keep track of what is going on – which usually amounts to nothing.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd –</p> <p>A bad snowy day and I remained at home. We had Holbrook over to our family dinner & all but I went to the picture show. These shows are executed by electric lights which play so rapidly that my eyes can hardly deep up with their movements. I do not often go. Reading in the library monthly magazines.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>Paying monthly bills, and in the office busy as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Busy in the office. Paid my ½ Real Est taxes for last year. Getting ready for the</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 5-7	<p style="text-align: center;">-5th –</p> <p>trial of the case of Femmer v City on 7th. Wrote Lizzy Wickersham, Edgars widow 475 Wyoming St. Pasadena, California a letter of condolence. Edgar passed away on Dec. 14th.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th –</p> <p>Getting ready for trial of Femmer v City of Juneau, tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Spent the afternoon in trial of Femmer v City. Roden examined the witnesses & the record of the evidence is fairly in support of our allegations – closed late & the court will hear our arguments on the law tomorrow at 2 oclock. Roden & I do</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 7-8	<p style="text-align: center;">7</p> <p>not quite agree on one point much urged by Faulkner viz = That Femmer must show an injury</p>

	<p>or damage personal to himself, before he can maintain the suit. I disagree with that & hold that he only needs to show an illegal threat to use – or the illegal use of the funds of the city – or the use of acts ultra vires, or beyond the power of the city officials!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>I think I have brought Roden around to a proper appreciation of the correct rule – Crampton v Zabruskie[?] – 101. U.S. 601:25L. Ed. 107</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 8-10	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>On conclusion of arguments in the Femmer case, by Roden & Faulkner I had to reply to Faulkner, but by that time it was so dark in the court room that I could not see well enough to read my notes, and made a poor presentation of our case. But the court ordered us to file briefs on the law – gave us ten days on the side to prepare and file them.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>Gathering data – reports, decisions, etc. for that purpose.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p><u>Sunday</u>, but worked in the office all day preparing brief.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 11-16	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>At work on Femmer brief – by courtesy – for it is growing unbriefly long, but I have confidence.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12-13th -14-15-</p> <p>Same –working on Femmer's Brief. Finished writing Brief in Femmer case today.-15th</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16-</p> <p>Filed Brief in Femmer's case in court. Stabler urging trial in Gorham case; Bond case ready – Faulkner for Bond, but says knows Mrs. Dyrdahl – my client is sick. These two cases must be attended to.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 17	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>Sunday. Clear, calm, good roads. Took a walk over the Douglas Bridge & roads. Cold & roads resemble those in the Interior after they are used for a month and beaten down for the winter. In the library reading about early mining days in Juneau, Treadwell, Gold Creek.</p> <p>Grace's nephew Daniel Vrooman is growing – in</p>

	<p>stature & in education, very fast. His mother gives him lessons in Spanish in the evening – she seems determined to keep him up in his native tongue – while he is learning English rapidly at school. He is a bright kid but badly spoiled – as most boys are.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 18-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Faulkner served copy of his Brief for the city – in the Femmer case. He relies entirely on our failure to prove damages as a taxpayer! On Saturday at meeting of the Bar assoc. I urged rebinding of the old Juneau-Treadwell records of locations and transfers of the mining claims, and Judge Alexander promised to have it done. I have examined them again & find them badly in need of rehabilitation-but very interesting historically!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Talked to Bender, Ed. Empire about the publication of some of Faulkners propaganda</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 19-22	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>in the Empire on Saturday & asked him not to let the City fill up the Empire in favor of the City's case in Femmer v City & Northland Co – he promised to suppress such efforts! I explained to him that the case was now submitted to Judge Alexander on briefs and that it ought not to be prejudiced by quotations from interested parties & he agrees that it should not be done!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20-21-</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Grace gave a nice dinner to some of our Legislative friends: Senators Cochran (Nome), Roden (Juneau) Representatives Mrs. Scott (Seldovia) & Andrew Nerland (Fbks) and our family made up the party.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 23-25	<p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Saturday: Attended court this morning Nothing important – Gorham case called by Stabler for trial – he knows the Gorhams are not here – but are temporarily in California hence his urgency to set case for trial. I think it is an equity case – he declares it is a law – jury case – it went of without date fixed.</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th – Sunday-</p> <p>Bad day – remained in my library reading – Juneau-Treadwell data</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th -</p> <p>Mrs. Alice Nakamoto – mother of the two Indian girls from Petersburg who are here for divorces! Picknell v Picknell & Bailey v Bailey, No. 8. 4008-4009</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 25-26	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>appeared with the girls. I went to the court house – got cases set for trial tomorrow afternoon. The mother brought their children (some of them) here to put them in a childrens (Indian) home at Douglas & to take her daughters back to her home at Petersburg. She has had to care for their nine babies, feed & clothe them for years - & is anxious to get the cases closed up – tomorrow!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Judge Alexander heard the divorce cases – Picknell & Bailey – this afternoon. The mother of the two Indian girls - & they, were the witnesses. Court granted the divorces & I am to have papers for his signature tomorrow.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 27-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-27-</p> <p>Judge Alexander signed decrees of divorce – Findings etc. in the two Indian divorce cases from Petersburg which he tried yesterday afternoon. I gave them certified copies, and some pointed advice – they paid me \$100.⁰⁰ – owe me \$28²⁰ & went away happy. The old Indian mother – grandmother of a brood of 10 grandchildren is a fine woman, a good worker, clean & decent – well dressed. I sent Harry \$20⁰⁰ today & a letter.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29-30-</p> <p>Finished up delayed correspondence in law matters - Anchorage cases & Iman v “Caleb Haley,” admiralty case for Alliance Ins. Co. (Darrells case)</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 30	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>District court in session – with a Grand Jury & Trial jury, <u>all week</u> Legislature also in session – quiet & little doing. Taku wind blowing, cold but little snow. Selye got 45 years – for raping step daughter – morally O.K.</p>

	<p>but law fixes 20 years as limit – but on 9 counts in the indictment – a plea of guilty – a shell shocked man. I am not satisfied the penalty – the verdict is good!! Verdict of Guilty of Perjury in the Barrett case, in which Mike Monagle, young lawyer is also caught, rouses much interest. Mike is very popular & technically guilty, too bad.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 January 31- February 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-Sunday. 31st-</p> <p>At home all day: SS. “Norah” in from south. Judge Bunnell aboard!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-February 1st 1937.-</p> <p>The Geological Reports on interior mining points often speak of “Franklin” who discovered gold in “Franklin Gulch” in the <u>40 Mile</u> district, but nowhere that I can find do they mention the given name of that miner – just “Franklin.” Senator Powers, member of present Territorial Senate, just in the office, tells me his name was “<u>Howard</u>” – Howard Franklin/ Recd letter from A.W. Winden, my agent for years at Tacoma in the management of property there, sent</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 1-2	<p style="text-align: center;">1</p> <p>by Darrell to me, giving annual account of rents & taxes for my use in making up Income Tax Statement for 1936 – also check for \$300. on act. of rents & \$24⁵⁰ act. Int on his mothers bonds, which left to him by will, but which he sends me – “when necessary” – for my relief. In his letter sending Windens check Darrell <u>asks</u> if he need to send me the check monthly – of \$50⁰⁰ since it is “not necessary” – he is <u>right, of course</u>, & I will stop it until a year from now when such monthly checks will become “necessary” – if not before.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2nd -</p> <p>Bad Taku wind – blizzard.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 3	<p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Taku wind blizzard ended – beautiful day. Yesterday I spent two hours in the Commissioner's office reading the early mining records of Nov. 4th 1880. – and I've come to the conclusion that Harris, the locator of the first claims in in the Silver Bow basin, in 1880, was a slick one! and the decision of Judge Brown in Fuller v Harris, 29 Fed.</p>

	<p>814 was correct!! Grace attends the party given to her lady friends by Mrs. Judge Alexander this afternoon & “pours” – whatever they drink at such functions! Daniel –our Spanish boy – Graces nephew is in bed suffering from what he call “dis chickens,” meaning Chicken Pox!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 February 4-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Ordered typist to make copies of the first mining records for me from the earliest locations books.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5-</p> <p>Grace is in the midst of a party for Dolores – a group of ladies to meet at our house to get acquainted with, etc. Have invited a group of Legislators to take dinner with us tomorrow evening. Wrote letter to Darrell today telling him my financial condition – <u>good</u>, & asking him to refrain from sending me a monthly check for \$50⁰⁰ until further advised. – Judge Bunnell is in town – said he would call – soon!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 February 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Judge LeFevre, I and Grover C. Winn were appointed by Judge Alexander today – in open court a Committee – to hear the evidence & Report on the charges brought against M.E. Monagle, attorney, by the U.S. Attorneys office for misconduct of some character. I do not know the charges. LeFevre is chairman & will probably get copies of charges soon.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">ALASKA HISTORY RESEARCH WILL BE EXTENSIVE Dr. Bunnell Receives Re- port of Workers-Church Collection Is Important</p> <p>Five years is the estimated time that it will take to complete the translation from the Russian of the material on which the Alaska Historical Research workers are now engaged in the Library of Congress, in Washington, D.C., according to Dr. Charles E. Bunnell, president of the University of Alaska, who returned recently form a trip to</p>

	<p>Washington and New York. Members of the research, which is financed by an appropriation from the Rockefeller Foundation, now working in Washington, are Dr. Tikhon I. Lavrischeff, translator of Russian, and Warren R. Reid. Miss Hilja Reinikka, of Douglas, a graduate of the University of Alaska, is secretary. While in New York City Dr. Bunnell met Dr. David H. Stevens, director of the Division of Humanities of the Rockefeller Foundation, who went to Washington with him to inspect the work being done and to see the amount of material available.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 February 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“Church Collection” Large</p> <p>The largest collection of manuscripts, is the “Alaska Church Collection” which is stored in 702 boxes in the manuscript division of the Library of Congress. It contains about one million pages of records; vital and financial statistics; history of the establishment and development of the various missions, churches and societies; diaries of the missionaries; reports on conditions in the Russian settlements, native settlements, etc.</p> <p>This collection of manuscripts in the archives of the Department of State contain, according to a letter to Dr. Bunnell from Dr. Lavrischeff, the following: 25 volumes of the letters, orders and instructions of the Board of Directors of the Russian American Company to the Administrator-General of the Russian colonies in America (about 20,000 pages); various letters exchanged by the Administrator-General and the Board of Directors; 17 volumes of the log books of vessels of the Russian American Company; several volumes of diplomatic correspondence, some of the letters of which have been previously published in connection with the Bering Sea Arbitration.</p> <p>A large collection of photostats and copies of documents kept in the archives of Russia, and embracing the period from 1722 to 1870, is included in the material upon which the Alaska Historical Research is working.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Russian Publications Valuable</p>

	<p>Russian publications which afford a valuable primary source of information on the early history of Alaska are available in book, pamphlet and magazine material and in the Complete Collection of Laws of the Russian Empire (1848-1881). Code of Laws of the Russian Empire and Collection of Laws and Enactments of the Government.</p> <p>The last group of publications contains the laws under which the legal status of the natives was determined at the time of the purchase of Alaska, and consequently, when at present questions arise about the right for the aborigines of Alaska, Dr. Lavrischeff wrote to Dr. Bunnell, they are often decided according to the laws in effect at the time of the transfer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Amazed at Interest of Alaska</p> <p>Mr. Reid, whose work on the research is with material available in English, reported to Dr. Bunnell that the first reaction of those he questioned as to source of material was "a blank stare of amazement that anyone should be interested in Alaska, coupled with the positive statement that little or no material existed."</p> <p>However, search in the National Archives revealed the following, all of which contain Alaska material, Mr. Reid said:</p> <p>Ships' logs and logs of U.S. naval vessels, extending from 1801 to 1861; Presidential proclamations and executive orders; Post office files; Bureau of Lighthouses; Bureau of Fisheries; Census of 1920; U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey and Weather Bureau records.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">War Department Papers</p> <p>In the War Department, which governed Alaska from 1867 to 1884, Mr. Reid found six volumes of 1,000 pages each and a collection of files, each and a collection of files, the extent of which, he said, could "only be expressed in terms of cubic feet."</p> <p>In view of the absence of newspapers and other sources for this period, Mr. Reid said that he believed this material would probably constitute the most valuable single collection in Washington.</p> <p>Much additional material is also available in the</p>
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	<p>Bureau of Education and the Department of Indian Affairs which have preserved reports since 1885.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Other Material</p> <p>Other important sources of material reported by Mr. Reid include miscellaneous business letters of the Alaska Bureau of the Seattle Chamber of Commerce, 1897-1898, contained in 14 volumes of the Library of Congress; monthly reports of the Alaska Engineering Commission; Brooks' papers property of Dr. Alfred H. Brooks, geologist in charge of Alaska Geological Survey, chiefly scientific data, but also including notes on various phases of Alaskan life as observed during many trips to the Territory.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 February 6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>[clipping continued]</p> <p>The Dall papers, property of Dr. W.H. Dall of the Smithsonian Institute contain 20 volumes of the newspaper clippings, 1867-1892 and the entire 8 volumes of the Alaska Herald, 1868-1876.</p> <p>Jackson Papers include private letters of Dr. Sheldon Jackson, 1877-1908, newspaper clippings, etc.</p> <p>The Brady papers, property of Miss Mary Brady, of Poughkeepsie, N.Y., contain letters, notes, diaries and original manuscripts of articles to have been included in a history of Alaska by ex-Governor Brady.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Material Sent Dr. Bunnell</p> <p>In the meantime, Dr. Bunnell is receiving letters from people all over the country, who have learned about the Alaska Historical Research being conducted by the University of Alaska under the Rockefeller Foundation appropriation and who send him information and leads as to where to look for important historical matter.</p> <p>Dr. Bunnell is grateful, he said, for any information he receives as to source material of early day history. All such material, letters, diaries, photographs-assists the Alaska Historical Research with the extensive work it has undertaken.</p> <p>Bosh!!</p>

	I sent a copy of above to Darrell & told him to drop the whole matter. Nearly all the material he mentions is disclosed in my Bibliography, & most of which I have in my library. It will make a valuable mass of original material, but must be boiled down by the writers of History to become fit to insert in a History, though it will be good material to preserve in the U. of Alaska. The plan, however, of using all of it is far beyond anything I had in mind.
Diary 45, 1937 February 7	-7 th - Sunday. As usual at home in my library. We gave a few of our friends from out of town, members of the Legislature a dinner last evening. Present: Mr. & Mrs. Dan Green, from the Manley Hot Springs, on the north side of the Tanana river, about 100 miles below Fairbanks; Mr. Dan Kennedy, who was raised & educated in Juneau, but is now a resident of Anchorage; Senators Patterson, from Valdez, and Senator Powers from Eagle City; Mr. Art. Henning, city clerk Juneau, Mrs. Vrooman & Daniel, Ruth & Grace & myself. We had a good dinner, music & dancing & spent much time in the library – all were very much interested in my historical picture books.
Diary 45, 1937 February 8-10	-8 th - As usual in the office. Attended a public reception given by Governor Troy at his official home. Grace, Dolores & Ruth with me – a great crowd, after the line up reception, refreshments etc. there was music & dancing to a late hour. All officials from the Governor down the U.S. and Territorial – the Legislators in a body. – it was an interesting evening & greatly enjoyed by all who attended. -9 th - In the office as usual, but nothing startling – just the ordinary run of work. -10 th - Have talked with LeFevre and Grover C. Winn today about the charges
Diary 45, 1937 February 10	10 made in the District Court against Michael E. Monagle for alleged misconduct as a lawyer in cases pending before the court in the Barrett divorce & perjury suits. So far nothing has been

	done about appointing us (3) as a Committee to to ascertain the facts etc. except last Saturday Judge Alexander unexpectedly announced that he appointed us by that oral statement in open court. No other notice has been served on United States no one appearing to have any authority has mentioned the duty to United States no copy of charges against Monagle have been called to our attention, nothing
Diary 45, 1937 February 10-11	10 is known to LeFevre or me except a newspaper mention of our appointment (I was in court when Judge Alexander casually appointed United States but Le Fevre was not – I do not know about Winn) If the matter is suggested Saturday I will call attention of the judge to the necessity for charges, notice, service etc. I will not be a party to a “fishing trip.” There is a fair way to conduct such a proceeding (see U.S. v Pratt 3 rd Alaska page 400). In the office as usual. -11 th - Mrs. Grover C. Winn came in to talk over the historical part of her book for children yesterday – she needed to!
Diary 45, 1937 February 12	-12 th - Lincoln day! In the office as usual. Grace has been suffering from a severe cold, but seems better today. I have just completed a short story of the story around the many names of Juneau Dzunt-y-g’ee-heeny, Harrisburg, Rockwell & Juneau, as they are connected with Kowee’s discovery of gold in the upper basin of Gold creek, & the recent survey of the old Indian village of Dzunt-y-g’ee-heeny by Charlie Wagner addition to Juneau! I promised Jack Hellenthal to let him read my Bar Assoc. paper “The Constitution of China.” delivered at Spokane, Wash. July 20 th -1898 – but did not deliver it today!
Diary 45, 1937 February 12-13	-12 th continued- Received letter from Judge Alexander today notifying me that he had appointed Judge LeFevre, myself and Grover C. Winn a committee in the matter of the charges against Monagle & suggesting he he was anxious to have a prompt

	<p>action in the case!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>LeFevre, Winn & I met & insisted that the Monagle case was not quite in legal form for us to begin to take the evidence –that the court ought to make an order for beginning the hearings etc. The judge agreed to reinforce the matter as we suggested & will probably get to work the last of this week. I gave Charlie Wagner a copy of my transcript about the early Indian <u>camp</u></p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 13	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>where the Auks lived & its connection with the original discovery of gold at Juneau. He wanted it for use in putting his addition (on the Sheldon Homestead) on the market. Of course, it's a mere historical description of the surroundings. Dr. Bunnell, of the University of Alaska came in & talked an hour or more about the history of Alaska- but I did not commit myself to anything – just let him talk & finally he went away without any conclusion. I have lost all confidence in his promises & will not act without he is specific & in writing, if I do then. I am inclined to forget the whole project & let the matter drop. He is full of what he has found in Washington – <u>a vast amount of immaterial matter!</u></p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 13-15	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>He suggested that I take hold of that part of the Alaska material relating to (1) the development of the American law and lawyers in Alaska (2) the first 20 years of the Alaska Legislature work! I am quite satisfied <u>not to do it!</u> It would be a large job of hard work – only to be cast aside, finally, or rewritten and credit claimed by the rewrite artist.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Sunday – at home all day reading.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Was attacked with bad case of sneezing – cough – cold – flu & the whole family of related diseases & am at home in bed enjoying all of them enmassed, so to speak.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 18-20	<p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Have been in bed with the aforesaid diseases – but am up this morning though with strict order to keep</p>

	<p>warm & not not overdo – not even smoking cigars!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>In the office as usual – not doing much except trying to throw off my cold & flu symptoms.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Attended morning session of court. Grigsby, as attorney for W^m L. Paul, who is under charges presented by the U.S. Attorney, for embezzlement of court funds, filed an affidavit of prejudice against Judge Alexander</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>and requested a change of place of trial to some other court. Paul admits in papers & pleadings that he is guilty of the crimes charged against him, but <u>The Bureau of Indian Affairs sought to secure control of the affairs of the Tlingit & Haida Indians in S.E. Alaska under the provisions of the so called Wheeler-Howard Act of Congress, which permits the Government to loan large sums of its funds to the Indians for so called economic purposes!</u> It meant great extensions of bureau power through the Alaska Indians, and the Bureaucratic officials organized the scheme in Washington to gain power to control through the these Alaska tribes – to that</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 20	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>To secure influence with these Indians it was necessity to get some of the influential Indians in the organization – Bill Paul seemed – truly – to have more influence & less honesty than anyone the investigators sent here to spy out the conditions could find, so he was offered an official position and his influence gained by the Bureau of Indian Affairs – which holds him in the job while the U.S. Atty & other officials are trying to secure his conviction for embezzlement & other offenses – felonies – which he practically admits – the Bureau of Indian Affairs defends, shields & protects him – though his guilt is notorious!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 21-23	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>In the library reading!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Washington's Birthday! Beautiful day – 2 feet of snow on the ground, sun shining, children building snow igloos – houses – in my yard. Happy – active</p>

	<p>– excited. Battle between Washington’s army – in my yard and British forces outside – all day battle – but, of course, Washington won. illumination – candles in tin cans, after dark in honor of American victory!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Woke at 7 a.m. to see the town of Douglas on fire. Taku wind scattered blazing brands & most of the town - some 30 houses burned. Senator River’s</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 23	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>from Fairbanks called at the office to talk about my Alaska library – asked me what my library was worth & I told him \$15,000. – that I would sell it but thought some State University would be a better purchaser! He said it might be added to the Library of the University of Alaska, etc. nothing definite! He smiled at my suggestion of \$15000 and said that must be the maximum subject to consideration of cutting to the real price. I smiled back & said no that was the minimum subject to a raise to its real value when I would gather the bills showing the cost price etc. I think the legislature will not do anything – <u>they did not.</u></p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 23	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>This week “Jack’, C.B. Hawkes, who with his family occupies the rooms in the third story of my house 7th & Seward, told me the story of how Myshe Hofstead, & his partner found a manganese placer deposit on the summit of a flat bench – 400 feet above a harbor – does not know just where it is – it was found and located by Hofsteads partner – Hofstead has not yet seen it, but his partner – who resides in Petersburg examined it – took samples a month ago. Hofstead brought samples to Juneau, when he came here to serve on the jury. It consists – so Hofstead says of a high bench cut by the sea – harbor for 2 miles, on top of the flat a dark sand slides down the front - samples</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 23	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>were gathered by Hofsteads partner – black sand lies under tundra covering a foot or so in depth – sand 2 or 3 feet deep – 2 miles long by a mile or so wide. Samples sent by Hawkes to the Am. Carbide</p>

	<p>Co. report very rich deposit of high grade manganese! of high value. Hofstead talked to me at the time about his prospects – Berylium – gave me samples. I talked about Hofstead & his prospecting to Hawkes – gave him the Berylium samples & he also had some which Hofstead had given him, Hawkes, 2 days before he gave them to me.</p> <p>Hofstead met Percy (E.P.) Pond on the street – friendly conversation. Percy</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 23	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>has known Hofstead for many years – knew he was a prospector – inquired about “anything new” & Hofstead carelessly told Pond about the manganese! Percy at once “muscle in” and began the “we” talk – urged Hofstead to cut it “4 way” with Percy in 25%. They met in Hawkes rooms in my house – I was not present – Friday evening Feb. 26 – and Percy insisted he was “in” – for that day Hawkes had received an assay etc. form Am(or Union, I don’t know which) Carbide Co. saying the manganese was rich in quality & very valuable! which Percy learned & urged that he must have 25% which Hofstead refused to admit – no promise or</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 23-28	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>service between Percy & Hofstead – not even location of the ground by Hofsteads partner. Hawkes & his wife came with Mrs. W- to see me in my sick bed & told me the situation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Had another long talk with Hawkes – about Percy and his claim to 25% of Hofstead’s – in my library tonight. Hawkes says Hofstead is much worried about Ponds action & wants to talk to me</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Hofstead & Dyrdaahl came to my office & we talk manganese matter over. I advised Hofstead not to talk any more with Pond etc. Hofstead says Hawkes is to have charge of the matter for</p>
Diary 45, 1937 February 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>him & is to prepare all papers etc. Atty at his (Hawks) own expense, & will consult me! Hofstead said he had not yet seen the prospective</p>

	<p>manganese sands – that his partner has seen & prospected them by digging etc. and procured the samples which Hawkes sent to the Carbide Co. Anyway the project is yet in a chaotic condition – no locations - & Hofstead is waiting impatiently until he can go to Petersburg at the end of this week & organize his party & go and locate the mines. If it is what they describe it it will be another great producer of wealth in S.E. Alaska – but always there is that what “if” – and the slips in the law! I hope it is a success!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-March 1, 1937-</p> <p>I received a letter from the Clerk of the District Court today notifying me that Judge Alexander had appointed me one of three referees in the case of U.S. v Paul, to take the testimony in connection – copy of order of reference enclose with his letter. I immediately wrote a letter t the Clerk asking him to say to Judge Alexander that I could not serve – first on account of my ill health & secondly because I had recently written a letter (in the Indian case) refusing to associate with Paul as attorney in the case – a fixed prejudice.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 2	<p style="text-align: center;">-Mch 2nd -</p> <p>In bringing the coffee to the dinner table last night – it accidentally slipped from Grace’s hands and in the fall the whole scalding hot water flew into her face and burned her severely. I sent for Dr. Dawes & after examination he said that while the injury was painful it had not done any lasting damage to her face. I was scared that it might injure her sight by he said not. She is suffering some today but thinks it will pass quickly – I hope so. Ruth read a radio address last evening, publicly, on Atuctic[?] color[?] & its impatance[?] etc.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 2-3	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>she did it very clearly and well & we were all pleased at her success. Mrs. Grover C. Winn sent me a Mss. to read. I have not yet had time to scan its contents, but intend to do so at once, and hope it reads well, she is a fluent conversationalist and a clever scholar.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>I was quite pleased today when Harry Watson,</p>

	<p>Chappell & Karnes, came as a committee from a group of prominent business men to ask me to become the President of their organization of an Insurance Co. under the new Act of the Legislature authorizing the formation of such a Company. <u>Also</u> I received a letter from Darrell containing</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 3-5	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>the printed announcement of his resignation as the special agent in the Loss Department of the Insurance Co. of North America, where he has been employed – in San Francisco for 14 years. He seems to be tired of the work & wants a rest and probably a new line of work.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>My cold – flu – is better & I am about recovered. Indians call at the office – complaining that Wm L. Paul has robbed them – they are witnesses against Paul in the case against him U.S. v Paul – for disbarment proceedings.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office – working – reading on Juneau – Treadwell development.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 6-7	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Legislature grinding wildly – nothing of importance. U.S. Com. office prepared copies of early mining locations Gold creek basin for me. Danny Vrooman had a birthday party for his boy friends – raised hell as usual!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Sunday – long walk. <u>Mrs.</u> & <u>Mr.</u> Grover C. Winn & Susie – spent the evening in my library. Mrs. Winn has written & Ms. on Barbara’s trip on the “North Star” to Point Barrow last summer & gave it to me to read. She is a fluent writer – does her own typing – and the story is a girls trip, of course, with some adventurous material thrown in – not bad – but I am no judge – and the publisher <u>may</u> or <u>may not!</u></p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 8-9	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Robertson, attorney, was appointed as one of the 3 referees in taking the testimony of witnesses in the case of U.S. v Wm L. Paul, disbarment proceedings. He and I both declined to sit as referees – Judge Alexander appointed Nostrand &</p>

	<p>Stabler in our places. A.W. Fox is chairman, and the case began this morning in the court room. I do not attend – Mrs. Paul is appearing as principal witness for her husband. Geo. B. Grigsby is Pauls attorney. Folter, Asst. Dist. Atty for prosecution.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-9th -</p> <p>In the office as usual. <u>Preparing my Income Tax return for 1936!</u></p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 9	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th – continued.</p> <p>Steamer from South in this morning. My old friend John Duncan, of Rampart came in to see me while the boat lay at the wharf – he looks fine! Says he saw old Capt. Newcomb of the Yukon river packet “Susie” in Seattle – is 90 years old & looks fine! Some of us old fellows hold on well! Ruth read another radio address last night over the “Kiny” local radio on the subject of “colors” – applicable to homes, etc. it was well done! Dr. Bunnell getting appropriations to suit him for the University of Alaska. He is an active lobbyist for his school. Got \$200. fee from Schwartz for self & Thompson send \$100. to Thompson, Anchorage.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 9-11	<p style="text-align: center;">9</p> <p>[clipping] N. Amer. Man Retires D.P. Wickersham is retiring after nearly fourteen years’ service with the San Francisco office of the Insurance Company of North America as head of the marine claims department. W.V. Hall is being promoted from the Los Angeles office of the company to fill his place, and is due in San Francisco about February 17th. He will spend the next few weeks familiarizing himself with his new surroundings, and will take over his new duties on April 1st. So another familiar and popular figure passes (we hope only temporarily) from the Street. “Wick’s” deliberate, unruffled demeanor at loss meetings and his sound, cautious counsel will be missed. The best wishes of the Street follow him into retirement. Lieutenant Commander D.P. Wickersham retired from the United States Navy shortly after the</p>

	<p>termination of the war, and joined the head office of the Insurance Company of North America in Philadelphia in 1920. In 1923, he was transferred to the San Francisco office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th –</p> <p>Attending to Johnson v Johnson in court for McCain – nothing, had to correct & serve new amended complaint & summons – tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Paid my city of Juneau ½ taxes \$117⁰⁰. Paid Graces city of Juneau ½ taxes \$90⁰⁰.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 12-13	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>Preparing copies of pleading to be used in an Indian divorce case in court tomorrow – Johnson v Johnson, No 1820 KA, from Ketchikan which I am attending to for Harry G. McCain. The Indians are becoming so much civilized that they want divorces as well as proper marriage rites according to laws.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Court in session: tried the Indian divorce case for McCain – based largely on the ground of incompatibility of temperament – the woman plaintiff is a Haida, from Hydaburg – the man deft. is Tlingit – from Klawock. Both</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 13-15	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>are well educated – of good character – just wont live in the same house!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p>Sunday – remained at home all day – reading in the library & making notes on discovery of gold in the Gold creek basin.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Committee of Referees appointed by Judge Alexander to hear & report testimony in the matter of charges of wrong doing in court matters by M.E. Monagle. Met today & formally opened case. Some witness for prosecution called & case went over for the day till tomorrow. Had John Harris & Frank Johnson to dinner – both Tlingit Indians & we</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 15-16	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>spent the evening in examining photographs of Indian scenes, books etc. in my library. Both are well educated in English & are fine linguists in</p>

	<p>Indian. I enjoyed the evening with them they seemed both interested in examining the books & pictures & in discussing the many photos – with which they seemed familiar.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Case against Monagle continued – it does not seem very conclusive against him – but shows a careless office business. It is almost impossible to tell who is lying – but there is considerable carelessness with the truth. As I view it the Robertson-Monagle office has long been both greedy & careless!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 17-19	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>Steamer from westward going south. Court officials going to Ketchikan. Hawkes mining expert went to Petersburg to attend to location of supposed manganese sands with Myhre Hofstead – somewhere – not disclosed to the public – hope ok.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>Andrew Nerland & Chappell were in the office & talked insurance co for an hour. Chappel said they were to make me President of the Co. – pro-tem.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>The plan of President Roosevelt to cripple the U.S. Sup. Court by Adding new members of known views to sustain his unconstitutional</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 19	<p style="text-align: center;">19</p> <p>demands is attracting the attention of the people of the country & dividing the Democratic members of his party is interesting. I am strongly opposed to his demands, but fear it may prove successful, for he has almost dictatorial powers over the great majority of Congress. It is a dangerous proposal, and if carried through it may of great harm to our government – especially if used in opposition to our Courts by dangerous radical elements which may possibly succeed him in a few years. It ought to be done, if done at all, by Constitutional Amendment, as provided for by the Constitution itself – by a majority vote of the People of the United States.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 20-22	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>Saturday – I had a confidential talk with my young attorney friend G.W. Nostrand – and urged him to</p>

	<p>open a law office – he is doing bookkeeping etc. – is 30 years old – has a fine wife and small family – is competent and ought to be at work in a law office – or quite thinking of ever doing so. I suggested that he come into my office – that I would assist him to get a start – he said he would consider the matter!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st –</p> <p>Ruth is out to their cabin with the Holbrooks – she has been working too hard in school.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>Had a good visit with B.D. Stewart</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 22-23	<p style="text-align: center;">22</p> <p>geologist, mining inspector for Alaska, about the early history of the Chichagoff mining camp. – got much data on history of mining development in Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23rd -</p> <p>Mrs. Dolores Vrooman & Daniel are with us this winter. She is the widow of Henry Vrooman, Graces deceased brother & she is guardian of Daniel by Henrys will. He has received good schooling in the Juneau Public schools. Dolores pays Grace \$7000 per month for rooms, food etc. for herself and Daniel. He is left almost wholly in Grace's charge – she loves him as one would expect a childless woman to love the only son of her younger & only brother. They</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 23	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>have all of Henrys property near Seattle, at and near to Kent - & Grace is obliged to choose his summer school. Dolores & her Spanish family at Barcelona were all Catholics – Henry was a Methodist, and gave Dolores and Grace positive instructions to raise the boy as a member of his church & not as a Catholic!!</p> <p>The question now troubles them about sending him to a military school near – south of Tacoma – near Camp Lewis. But it is managed by Catholics. I have urged them to comply with his fathers wish and send him to a protestant school – and they are studying the matter! He is young impressionable & his mother & all her people are Catholics. I think a year at such a school will undo all his father had</p>

	done!
Diary 45, 1937 March 24-27	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th –</p> <p>Grace & Dolores went the Russian dinner at the Thurseth's[?]. We went to a Masonic function last night. Am drawing near the end of my article – chapter – on the Discovery and Development of Mining in S.E. Alaska. It has been a laborious task – but at that an interesting one.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25th –</p> <p>Worked in the office today – mostly on the Ms. of Mining in S.E. Alaska.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th –</p> <p>Same as yesterday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday. Attended Bar Assoc. Luncheon.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 27-28	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th –</p> <p>Attended the Ball given by the Members of the Legislature to the people of Juneau in return for the hospitalities we have extended to them during the session. I attended & took Grace, Dolores and Ruth. Being “free to all” there was a big crowd present, but little enthusiasm. Grace did not dance, but both Dolores and Ruth seemed to enjoy the ball!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>Sunday – Easter – we all attended the Methodist church. Dolores was raised a Catholic, but Henry, her husband & Grace’s brother was raised a Methodist & begged that Daniel his son should be brought up as a</p>
Diary 45, 1937 March 28-31	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>member of the Methodist church and so they attended that meeting – though what Daniel will do later is not even to be guessed at now. Ruth went out to the Holbrooks country cabin for a 3 days holiday!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>Worked in the office as usual today.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th –</p> <p>Holiday. <u>Treaty with Russia!</u> In the office as usual. <u>Mining Ms.</u></p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">-31st -</p> <p>Recd. Letter from C.L. Andrews containing copy of long letter from Geo. E. Pilz to Dr. Brooks, U.S. Geol. Alaska in relation to his –Pilz- connections with Discovery etc. Gold creek mines!!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 1-3	<p style="text-align: center;">-April 1st 1937-</p> <p>Examining facts in case of Bond vs. Dyr Dahl, - title Lot 5, Blk 15, Juneau. Preparing brief on the facts & the law!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2-</p> <p>I have had a bad attack of intestinal flu – and worse last night. I am dosing with something to reduce the flow and hope to get some relief tonight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Am much better today – feel almost normal & hope the worst has passed. Worked all day in the office as usual. Chas. H. Warner, prominent business man backed off the wharf yesterday evening - by mistake – in his automobile & was drowned.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 4-6	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>Sunday – at home in the library. Mrs. Tilden – Daniels schoolmarm took dinner with us.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th –</p> <p>Received copy from Dep. Clerk Lewis in the Monagle case, have read most of it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Grace is cross & very much out of sorts about Torell – who today gave her notice he was leaving the small house between the Presbyterian Church and her apartment House – on April 15th etc. She is also mad at me at some remark I made when I was sick three weeks ago about spending our income & came to the office & “roasted me”</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 6	<p style="text-align: center;">6</p> <p>of course, I explained, apologized etc but in vain – she referred to her want of a new coat – she had never mentioned her need of a coat. I drew a check for \$10000 & will give it to her tonight in the hope of getting her in a better humor, - for she is overworked with Dolores Daniel & Ruth to cook for & house to keep etc. I will be glad when school is finished so they can go to Seattle & relieve her from her burdens & I will do all I can to keep her</p>

	happy until that time. I will not allow her to have any one to cook for but ourselves – if I can prevent it – but she is hard to keep from overworking – she works all the time & spends hours every day on the genealogy of the Vrooman family – typewriting etc.
Diary 45, 1937 April 7-8	-7 th – Working in the office as usual. Am now in receipt of records in the case of U.S. v Monagle –wherein LeFevre, Grover C. Winn & I are referees on charges against Monagle for deceipt etc. on disbarment. I have read the accusations, the evidence etc. and I am not inclined to find a judgment of disbarment – on technical points! -8 th - Another divorce suit – Indians – Lucy Johnson v Albert Johnson – suit brought by Mrs. Mildred R. Herman, Attorney for the Indian woman – who is living at Douglas with an Indian man by the name of <u>Harris</u> ! It is an Indian mess – she is a drunkard recently injured in an automobile accident!
Diary 45, 1937 April 9-10	-9 th – Worked all day on reading the records & written evidence in the case of U.S. ex Rel[?] Folta vs M.E. Monagle – proceeding for contempt etc. -10 th - Luncheon with the Juneau Bar Association. We all congratulated Judge H.B. LeFevre on his 82 birthday – last Wednesday! Johnny Harris, painter, and the son of “Dick” Harris, who located the first gold mines on Gold Creek in 1880, gave me the original bills for the supplies used by Harris & Juneau on that trip. Supplies purchased from store kept in the name of N.A. Fuller, Sitka, July 17, 1880 and paid for by Hill – Pilz Co. as shown by receipted bills. Took the original
Diary 45, 1937 April 10-13	10 receipted accounts to Ordway, photographer, today to have him make photograph for my use – also I am to retain the photographic negatives – originals to be returned to Harris. -11 th – Sunday, at home reading etc. -12 th –

	Reading the record in the Monagle case & making notes for Findings of Fact therein. -13 th – Working on Barrett case preparing Findings in the <u>case against Monagle</u> , three cases in one. Perjury- vs Barrett!
Diary 45, 1937 April 14-15	-14 th – Same as usual in the office. Working on the Monagle matter! -15 th - Working on Monagle brief – judgment Jack Hawke, Hofstead, Dyrdaahl & Hungerford returned today from a long, weary & a months trip to locate some manganese ores or oxides – on some beach or rocky mountain flat etc. They had trouble with Hungerford – who now claims to have discovered the deposit long ago – a year or so ago - & sent specimens to a company in N.Y. – he located 8 or a dozen claims out of the heart of the mass & wont play with their – Hawke’s – marbles!
Diary 45, 1937 April 16-17	-16 th – Mr. & Mrs. Koons, Indians brought her old mother into my office today for consultation over the Indian title to an ancient Indian house & lot in the Kolosh village in Sitka. Other parties claim against the old woman whose husband bought it in 1911 from a meeting of the Kokwantons – an Indian clan & paid \$110 ⁰⁰ cash for it. Now these people oppose its sale to an oil Co. which wants to buy from the clan & not from the heirs (widow) of the purchaser – he and his wife (he being dead) have paid Sitka town taxes on it since 1911. Still working on the Monagle case! -17 th - Same as usual working on Monagle case. Bar Assoc. dinner.
Diary 45, 1937 April 18-19	-18 th – Sunday, working in the office on the Monagle case – preparing facts and <u>Findings</u> for Referees to sign. -19 th - Finished writing the Findings of Fact in the Monagle case & sent the result to Judge LeFevre & asked his stenographer & typist to copy them so the other two Referees can read & understand

	<p>them. Ruth went with her “singin skewl” to Ketchikan on the boat this morning for a weeks class work with the music students there. Beers returned form his trip to Connecticut to show off his baby to its two grandma’s. Sent Darrell copies of organization papers in the Alaska General Insurance Co.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 20	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>A beautiful sunshiny day! Our neighbors Mr. & Mrs. Wellman Holbrook celebrated their 25th anniversary of marriage tonight – they live first across a narrow cliff edge street fronting our house – and did us the pleasure to divide their gayeties with us by using both our homes for the beautiful function. Probably 100 of their friends trooped through both homes – drinking, eating, talking, dancing, etc. It was a beautiful evening & [?] by the crowd of our mutual friends. “Drinking” means only light drinks – but I fear some of the hardier ones indulged in darker drinks later!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 21-23	<p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>John Harris, son of Dick Harris, who with Joe Juneau located the first mining claims in the Gold Creek basin in Oct. 1880 <u>loaned me the two pages of the Grubstake account</u> for supplies sold to the H&P Co. (Hill & Pilz) for use on their trip to search the coasts about the Taku and Berners bay & Gold Creek. Had them photographed by Ordway. Keep both negatives – 2 copies of each & returned originals to John today.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22nd -</p> <p>In the office as usual.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23d-</p> <p>LeFevre is getting the report I wrote for the Board of Referees in the</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 23-24	<p style="text-align: center;">23</p> <p>Monagle case typed for our signatures – if they all agree on it.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-24th -</p> <p>I brought the original statement of Account of the grubstake supplies bought by Hill & Pilz dated July 17th – 1880 at store of N.A. Fuller, Sitka, <u>which they bought for Harris & Juneau when they started next day for prospecting from Sumdum to Berners</u></p>

	<p>bay – where they located gold first on Gold creek – gave John a good photograph copy of the original accounts and the sum of Ten (\$10⁰⁰) dollars for the two sheets of this rare historical document!!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 24-26	<p style="text-align: center;">24th continued.</p> <p>Also gave Johnny Harris – half breed, but a good English scholar a copy of my “<u>Bibliography of Alaskan Literature</u>”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>Sunday – at home till noon. In the office later looking up some law matters.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26th -</p> <p>Judge LeFevre delivered my findings in Monagle case – typewritten – said he had read whole record carefully & corrected typed copy. I compared the original with copies & corrected small typographical errors – delivered copy to Winn for reading and suggestions. Hope to get 5 copies signed tomorrow & filed with clerk of the District Court!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 27	<p style="text-align: center;">-27th -</p> <p>LeFevre, Winn & I signed the Findings of Fact in the Monagle case in my office today. Winn took the official report up to the Court House – he will file it with the Clerk of the District Court & give a duplicate copy, - one to the U.S. Atty. We called Roden in & gave him a duplicate here & had him acknowledge service. Winn will secure same from U.S. Atty. & that ends our duty & service in the matter. The report is, of course, “Not Guilty,” on every charge made against Monagle – a just verdict we all agree!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 April 28-30	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th -</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MONAGLE FOUND NOT GUILTY OF MISPRACTICES Bar Association Committee Clears Attorney of Mis- conduct Allegations</p> <p>M.E. Monagle, widely known Juneau attorney and Divisional Chairman of the Democratic party, has been completely exonerated by a Bar Association committee named by Federal Judge George F. Alexander to consider the charge of</p>

	<p>professional mispractice which had been placed against him.</p> <p>The committee, made up of Judge H.B. LeFevre, Judge James Wickersham and Attorney Grover C. Winn, found that Monagle was not guilty in any way of conduct which it had been alleged at the hearing was unprofessional or unethical as an officer of the court.</p> <p>The charge arose out of the Harold Barrett case in which Barrett was found guilty of perjury and is now in McNeil Island penitentiary serving a sentence. It was alleged that Monagle failed as a practicing officer of the court to properly certify certain witnesses. Findings of the Bar Association committee refute the allegations.</p> <p>Meeting of the partners in the quarrel between Al. White and Dr. R.H. Williams and his father over the White-Williams accounts in re the Sea View Apartments in my office today – just a threat on Whites side, to gain a settlement to suit himself.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>[blank]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-30th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Williams returned Whites papers to me. – I asked Henry Roden to work them over!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 April 30</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-30th continued –</p> <p>Nelson I. Beers, who studied law with me – admitted, married etc. went back to Conn. some months ago – took his wife & baby back to visit his family – returned to Juneau, 2 or 3 weeks ago – left today with the private announcement that he was going to Washington, D.C. His family did not return with him – still in Conn – probably on the hunt for a contract – or an office! Anyway he closed up his business here – sold his office furniture – he had sold his home before he made his last trip to Conn. Evidently he intends to remain for a long stay in the east!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 1-3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">May 1st 1937.</p> <p>Grace & her sister-in-law, Mrs. Dolores Vrooman, Daniel & Ruth are all getting ready to go to Seattle about the last of May – Grace & Dolores to settle</p>

	<p>up the Estate of Henry, Graces brother – Dolores former husband – Allen, Fronde & Hilen, attorneys are looking after the Estate – and doing it well, too.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-2nd –</p> <p>Sunday. Same as usual on Sunday.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Letters from Stoll, in Isaacs v Bralaska case and he will be here in a week on first boat & <u>wants me to go to Anchorage to try Isaacs case</u>: Also sent copy of Deposition of McDonald in that case for me to see etc.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-4th -</p> <p>Jack Hawkes, Dyr Dahl & Hofstead returned today from their prospecting trip to Kuiu island searching for Hungerfords alleged location of manganese wad which he told them he found there: Jack comes back with doubts etc. & says Hungerford misled them etc. but declares that Dyr Dahl found some two miles away from the supposed manganese a great body of Cobalt, of enormous size & value. I have heard so many wonderful “finds” of minerals by prospectors that I am always skeptical until assays are made by my competent experts that I am always doubtful at first – it may be true and it may not! New its cobalt & silver – he says it is in volcanic outflow – which may really exist there as it probably</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 4-5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">4</p> <p>has connection with the volcanic conditions of the south end of Admiralty island – which the geological maps do show. He is to have the rock examined by B.D. Stewarts expert today – which may show whether it is cobalt & silver or not. I hope he is correct in his diagnosis - <u>but</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-May 5th 1937-</p> <p>Received a long and very persuasive letter from Darrell urging me earnestly not to go into the Chappell’s Insurance scheme of organizing a Territorial Ins. Co. which he desires me to do as the President of the Territorial Corporation & as a stockholder. I am inclined to accept Darrells judgment and withdraw from the company, before I get in.</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-May 5th 1937-</p> <p>Jack Hawkes, Capt. Hofstead, Louis Dyrdaahl, have heretofore secretly consulted with me as their respective Atty in relation to the law touching the location of placer deposits on Kuiu & other islands west of Petersburg, Alaska, which they were considering prospecting and locating for Manganese, Nickel, Silver or other minerals associated therewith. When Capt. Hofstead first called & talked to me about these prospects I told him to consult with Hawkes, who makes a specialty of searching for such metals & he did so. Hawkes made also a special trip to Glacier bay some weeks ago – consulting with me about the scleration[?] there. I gave him books</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>pamphlets, with many photographic drawing f the conditions in Glacier bay to study in connection with his visits there. On that trip he visited one of my friends who lived on Lemesurier island, off the mouth of Glacier bay & talked manganese and other rare minerals over with him, etc. etc. Later – 3 or 4 weeks ago Hawkes, Hofstead, Dyrdaahl and [Hungerford] (Hofstead and [Hungerford] both reside in Petersburg) Hawkes & Dyrdaahl in Juneau visited Kuiu island & made some locations – of supposed manganese – they quarreled because [Hungerford] claimed he had made the original discovery & he located six claims for himself and seems to have declared his rights to be</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>be independent from the other members. Within the last month Hofstead, Hawkes & Dyrdaahl made another prospecting journey to Kuiu island, and prospected alone in a distant part some 2 or 3 miles or more away from the locality where they had been with [Hungerford] and found a new prospect. they 3 located some 16 claims which they found to be Cobalite, Nickel and associated mineral, and returned to Juneau last week with many samples for assay – specimens examined by the U.S. expert in D.B. Stewarts U.S. office, & are very much excited over this new discovery. Hawkes & Dyrdaahl came to my library this evening</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>and conferred with me about the law relating to the location of such lode claims. I advised them that their former staking was not in accordance with the U.S. Statutes and told them it was the best thing to do to go back to the island at once and amend their plan and stake the ground, mark the boundaries etc. to comply with the U.S. Statutes in such cases. Dyrdaahl went home and Hawkes told me of his own troubles in relation to locating lode claims & asked me to assist them – himself anyway – to secure correct and legal location so that his wife might locate with Hofstead & Dyrdaahl, by Power of Attorney. Mrs. H- was present and conferred with us and urged legal locations in her own name</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>by power of attorney, so that Jack could escape his obligations with a N.Y. broker with whom he had entered into a contract when he was last in N.Y. trying to dispose of the Percy Pond gold claims on the south side of Berner's Bay, & other obligations – probably the suit brought by Beers for his wives family to recover the amount loaned to Jack to build a boat which lies in the Juneau harbor – attached by creditors etc. I advised Jack & his wife to get their various affairs relating to the Kuiu Is. mines reduced to writing – to hire a lawyer & do things in writing so as to avoid lawsuits in the future. Jack told me he had employed Frank Foster & had advised with him – Foster told him</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 5</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>the most recent locations of Cobalt & nickel – that the Notices of location were bad – not in compliance with law & I scanned the sketches of ground and plan of locations – distances etc. and told him Fosters advise was correct & that the claims ought to be correctly discussed in the Notices etc. He and Mrs. Hawkes, said they would get me to go over their papers and reduce their business affairs with Dyrdaahl & Folstad to writing etc. I think Jack is erratic and vulnerable in business, and mining too – he told me eh did not know what mineral was represented in the specimens they brought from Kuiu Is until the</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 5-6</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>expert (Rowan?) in Stewarts office told him it was cobalt & nickell!! He owes me for 5 or 6 months rent – sleeps till noon and has no money! He is conducting his business “on a shoestring” basis, & keeps no records!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-6th -</p> <p>Jack Hawks, true to his usual habits told me this evening that he had concluded not to have his agreements with Dyrdaahl & Hofstead reduced to writing as I advised, but, as he said “would just let it ride.” He has “illusions of great wealth,” the shoe string is gold to him. I hope he wins and pays his rent anyway! In the office as usual.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 7</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>Chappell, organizer of the Alaska General Insurance Co. called & talked over his success in securing stockholders at Sitka. He seems enthusiastic about getting talk promises at Sitka from Kettleston & others. I am getting doubtful about the matter & told Harry Watson so this morning but said little to Chappell. I urged to Harry that I thought the Company ought to have a younger man as President of the Company. He thought I ought to take the office – but recognized my suggestions as to age etc. as worthy of consideration. I feel that Darrells ideas are much better than my own inexperience & I may conclude to withdraw from connections with the Co.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Saturday – Bar Assoc. Luncheon. Grace has been busy when not working at home in repairing and getting my house between the Pres. Church & Bishop Apts. ready for occupancy – she is an industrious creature – busy looking after our houses. Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Hellenthal called & spent last evening at our home. Dolores is preparing her clothes & Daniels for her journey on May 20th to Seattle to arrange her home there for the future. Grace will go with her to close up the estate of Henry Vrooman, - Graces brother who died in Spain 18 months or so ago. Grace is executrix & Guardian of Daniel etc.</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 9-10</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-9-</p> <p>Mr. W.W. Stoll, Sec. for Bralaska M. Co. defendant in Isaacs v B.M. Co. passed through Juneau today on the Alaska SS. boat & came to my office for a conference in re. that case. We went over it carefully – I sent all my papers in the case by Stall to Arthur G. Thompson, at Anchorage where Stall is going – he will telegraph me when the case will be heard and asked me come there at that time and try the case – with Thompson assistant. He carried all the necessary evidence with him.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th -</p> <p>Recd. letter from Luther C. Hess, Fairbanks containing check for \$204¹⁶ due me on sale of Goldstake mine on Little Eldorado creek in which I own 1/20 interest.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 11-12</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>[clipping] Famed Attorney Here to Get Brownie Trophy Slipping away from his San Francisco law practice which has won him national recognition, J.L. McNab arrived this morning to practice another art-the art of putting a bullet in the right place to stop a brown bear. With “Red” Williams as his guide, the widely known attorney was making arrangements today for a bear hunting expedition to Admiralty, Chichagof and Baranof Islands. While here, Mr. McNab is the guest of former Mayor Goldstein. Present at the affair this evening will be Gov. John W. Troy, George Parks, Judge and Mrs. James E. Wickersham, Mr. and Mrs. H.L. Faulkner, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goldstein and Grover C. Winn.</p> <p>Same as usual in office. Enjoy dinner with Mr. & Mrs. Goldstein & company & particularly hearing Mr. M^cNab talk law cases to the gentlemen while the ladies played bridge in another room.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-12th -</p> <p>Settled the case of <u>Thomas Hd. Co v Gorham</u>, very</p>

	<p>satisfactory – same as with other parties a year ago: Stabler’s stubbornness held us in suspension for that period but finally he yielded. Received two copies of the new Alaska Reports, vol 8th giving me more credit than I deserve. Very glad to get it in print.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p><u>Sent my son a copy of 8th Alaska Rept.</u> and wrote him a long letter, etc. <u>Conferred with Trites foreman, Reacey</u>, about employing <u>Jim York</u>, but could not get a satisfactory result. I learn from Faulkner that Trites will discharge all his men at the Berners Bay Mines & close down <u>Because</u>, the Legislature passed a tax bill increasing all taxes on mining properties!! Called Roden in and talked to him about taking over the Indian Land case – Tlingit & Haida v United States Gave him copy of the Act of Congress authorizing Indians to sue for their possessory value – also my printed statement refusing to work in “reassociation” with Paul and – asked him to read & think.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 14-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-14th -</p> <p>Conference with Chappell, Henry Roden & I over personnel of Alaska General Ins. Co. – Chappell will go to Fairbanks & other interior towns on first plane to work up interest in stock etc. They insist on making me president of the company for first year. I have tried to shoulder it off on Gov. Parks & others, but so far without success.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Chappell cannot go to Fairbanks on the airplane – the Chena river is high – in flood – and airplanes cannot land at Fairbanks field – he will go on steamer via Seward & Railroad. Stenographer assisting in my correspondence to data – Bowden!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 16-18</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-16-</p> <p>Sunday – Enjoyed a walk up the Basin road with Daniel H. Vrooman – 7 years old – bright, intelligent boy, with active mind and energetic body. He will go to Seattle with his mother & Grace on Thursday – 20th to get settled in some boys school – he has made good progress in acquiring English & at school this winter – he needs association with a good school of boys –</p>

	<p>polish etc.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-17th -</p> <p>In the office as usual – Searching title of Mining claims for John Wagner!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday – wrote to Darrell – Pyle, from Anchorage called –</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 18-20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">18</p> <p>also Ross & wife from Fairbanks. They have been outside for 2 months, went via San Francisco, by steamer through the Panama Canal, to New York etc. Many Alaskans make that round trip. Ruth is getting ready to go south with Grace, Dolores & Daniel on the 20th.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19-</p> <p>Grace & Dolores are busy packing their trunks for their trip to Seattle on the Northland. Ruth will not go until a later boat! thereby hangs a tale!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Grace, Dolores & Daniel go south tonight on the SS. Northland. A Mr. & Mrs. Smith, from Texas called to talk about Indians!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>Grace, Dolores & Daniel embarked on the Steamer for Seattle at 11³⁰, to get the Vrooman Estate settled - & to get Dolores & Daniel settled, too. An hour or two the chill came on – not bad but growing worse & I could not go to the steamer to see them off. I went to bed before they left the house and the chill grew worse. Ruth filled a hot water bag – for me, which helped but it continued to grow worse – all night.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Had a bad night with the worst chill I ever had! I am still cold this morning <u>Another bad chill</u> – got Dr. Dawes to look after me. Ruth & Mrs. Webster are in the House together & Mrs. Hawkes, so all I need to do is to chill – shake &</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 May 20-25</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">20</p> <p>and sleep between fits of agone[?].</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-20th – 25th -</p> <p>I have been confined in the house with the result of heavy chills beginning the night Grace, Dolores & Daniel left for Seattle, with Dr. Dawes giving me</p>

	such attention as I needed – nothing much except visiting me once a day to see – I think – that I did not eat too much, and smoked none! The Faulkners & neighbors came in to see if I was being cared for by Ruth, Mrs. Webster & the Hawkes. Hawkes got home from his mining trip to Kuiu island & reports oodles of what he & his experts think are silver, nickel, & other allied ores there in spewed out volcano debris!!
Diary 45, 1937 May 25	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>Last evening Mrs. Holbrook & Ruth & I spent two pleasant hours in the library reading rough-neck poetry & visiting. Pat. O’Cotters pomes were enjoyed most, but many another also. -May 25th 1936.-</p> <p>Back in the office today, but I do not feel fully recovered – but enjoyed a good breakfast and will begin work. Am writing a letter to my nephew James W. Wickersham, Patoka, Illinois, suggesting that he take up the study of typing & shorthand dictation – and offering him some assistance in case he thinks well of that project. His picture reminds me of my own appearance in Patoka at his age & he interests me. Some</p>
Diary 45, 1937 May 25-27	<p style="text-align: center;">25</p> <p>friends spent an hour with me in my library – they congratulated me on the receipt of the Diploma as Doctor of Laws from the Agri. College and School of Mines – which was first hung this week in my library. -26th –</p> <p>Down to the office – Breakfast at Mrs. Jacobsons with Ruth. More company in the library this evening. -27th -</p> <p>Dr. Hedlicka called & will come to the house this evening for an hour! Ruth leaves tonight on the North Sea for Seattle. Mrs. Webster, her son & daughter with me until Grace returns. Writing a bit in the office, also business matters & getting ready for court June 7th.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 May 27-28	<p style="text-align: center;">27</p> <p>Dr. Hedlicka spent a pleasant hour in my library, praised the contents & advised strongly that it</p>

	<p>ought <u>not</u> to be deposited in the University of Alaska but in a National depository! Said he would deposit his Ms. books etc in the Smithsonian & suggested that place for my library –as a gift! This last suggestion does not meet with my approval. -28th -</p> <p>Henry Roden has talked with Wm L. Paul and tells me that Paul told him he intended to hold up the Indian Land suit, which I prepared, for the recovery of the possessory value of their lands in S.E. Alaska until his son graduates in</p>
Diary 45, 1937 May 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>the U. of Washington as a lawyer – in next year 1938; that he will put the son in charge of the suit, & they will manage it through a group – suit of Paul and his relatives & let the rest of the Indians look out for themselves!! etc. I am to have the Smiths, and a Mr. Ernie Pyle, who is a Scripps-Howard Newspaper man here looking, like the Smiths for stories! It may be Mike Sullivan will also call & if so I will go have a good evening talk! They all reported at 7 p.m. & we had a very enjoyable evening. Mr. Pyle is a very interesting man, small in stature but possessed of a keen intellect a vast fund of information & a ready wit – a good sensible fellow.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 May 29-31	<p style="text-align: center;">-29th –</p> <p>The Bar Assoc. automobilized out to Al Whites cabin some 10 miles out by Auke Bay for lunch – they came for me to go but I did not feel like making the trip out there to eat bad grub and drink worse liquor, so I declined their invitation. -30th –</p> <p>Memorial Day – <u>Sunday</u> – rainy. Nothing doing so I remained at home. Received a nice letter from Grace – just arriving in Seattle – so nothing new. -31st -</p> <p>Monday: The Legion paraded today with band & flags – holiday – town quiet. Wrote Grace a nice letter on the “Aleutian” going south. Threats of war between Germany over Spain!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 June 1	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 1st 1937.-</p> <p>Recd. letter from R.J. Peratovich, Klawock, with type written scheme for organizing the Indians into</p>

	<p>a sort of a partnership plan to engage in business, etc.: The writer asks my advice about the plan, but it is so immature & doubtful, in view of the Wheeler-Howard Act of Congress that I shall advise him to send it to the Sec. of the Interior with his inquiries. Of course I will not advise him or the Indians to adopt it or any other half prepared plan put out by Wm L. Paul, for I think it a dangerous arrangement and our likely to bring loss and damage to the Indians - & nothing good! It does not seem to apply in any way with the Wheeler-Howard Act.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 June 2-3	<p style="text-align: center;">-June 2-</p> <p>Busy but nothing done of importance worked on Ms. on Mining in Juneau Gold Belt – giving special attention to the old Bear’s Nest fraud – very interesting. I am lonesome for Grace – but quite recovered from my recent illness.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-3-</p> <p>Grover C. Winn came in and asked me to head a movement by the Bar Assoc. to indorse Judge Alexander for reappointment! I told him I would not do it, and advised that the Democrats – the New Dealers – ought to attend to the matter. He called attention to the fact that Judge Gore & other Rep. lawyers at Ketchikan had already acted agreeably to that</p>
Diary 45, 1937 June 3-5	<p style="text-align: center;">3</p> <p>idea, but I refused to take any lead in the matter. I went over and talked to Faulkner – he thinks the same as I do – the Democrats have made all appointments <u>only</u> upon the recommendations of their local Democratic Committeemen – let them follow that rule! now – We Republicans have not be consulted in a single appointment – so why make a change in the matter now?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-4th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-5th -</p> <p>Lunch at Bar Assoc. at Percy’s new Restaurant on Front St. Grover C. Winn & Jack Hellenthal moved to have the Assoc. endorse Judge Alexander, Holzheimer for U.S. Atty. Mahoney for U.S. Marshal</p>

Diary 45, 1937 June 5	<p style="text-align: center;">5</p> <p>Folta for Asst. Atty et. I voted against the scheme on the ground that 4 years ago the Democrats solemnly agreed with their local committees that no appointments should be made <u>only upon a majority vote of the local committees!</u> I made no objections to either of the proposed candidates but insisted that the Democratic organization out to keep their pledges to their committees & get them to endorse the candidates. LeFevre put the resolution – a faint approval by Aye was made & <u>he refused to call for the Nays!</u> though his attention was called to that fact. I announced my opposition on the grounds mentioned, openly but the endorsement will be made any way!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 June 6-7	<p style="text-align: center;">-6th –</p> <p>Had reoccurrence of my chill – but not bad. Letters from Grace, Ruth & a few unimportant business matters. In bed most of the day.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-7th -</p> <p>District Court in session today. Inquired of Judge Alexander if he wanted us to reargue the case of Femmer v City of Juneau, et. al. I told him we had argued it twice before & each side has prepared & filed written briefs etc. He said he had forgotten the matter – our briefs were filed 6 months ago – he set the mater for hearing for the 3rd time on Friday, June 11th at 2.p.m.!!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 June 8	<p style="text-align: center;">-8th -</p> <p>Letters from Grace, Ruth & a dozen others – mostly business. Wrote to Winden, Tacoma, authorizing him to sell my C. St. home 2 & 3/4 lots & house for \$6,500, on monthly terms. The Seattle Chamber of Commerce here on special boat. Dance at the Elks Hall for them tonight. I did not attend any of their functions. Searched the records to find if John Wagner had patent to his Salmon Creek mines – none to be found – asked Gov. Parks in charge of the Land Survey office to write to the Dept. in Washington & inquire if any had ever issued, but I think not. Fitzgerald & his geological aids on the boat going to Good News Bay!</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1937 June 9-11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-9th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-10th –</p> <p>Dinner with the McKinnons – The Joegers – Mr. & Mrs. there. Gov. Parks, Simpson Mc. wife & son – who is growing up to be a fine big boy. Getting ready to argue the Femmer v Juneau case tomorrow for 3rd time! Wrote letters to Grace & Ruth.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>Argument of Femmer v Juneau & Northland Trans. Co. 3rd time!! The Judge wont read our briefs & quickly forgets the arguments for both sides. I did not take part in the argument</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 June 11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">11</p> <p>of the case before Judge Alexander. Roden made the presentation for the plaintiff. Faulkner for the defendant. I was rather disappointed at Rodens presentation of our side & thought he did not stress the vital points in our case. Faulkner was much more forceful and satisfactory, the judge did not seem to understand the case, and took it under advisement, promising to do something in another week. Met Bishop Rowe, Episcopal, with Dean & Mrs. Rice, at the dining room – the bishop is getting old & feeble – he is 82 years old – but still happy & friendly!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 June 12-13</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Jack Hawks & “Jackie” returned this morning from a weeks “outing” on Montana-McGinnis Creek – hoping to get a bear – but did not secure anything larger or more dangerous than a flock of mosquito bites.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th -</p> <p>Sunday: Attended Episcopal Church service to meet Bishop Rowe again – hear him preach – and show him one of my picture books containing photographic pictures of Rev. W. Sims of his church preaching to the Indians at “Fort Reliance (7 miles or so north of where Dawson, Y.T. now stands)</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1937 June 13-14</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">13</p> <p>in Sept. 1883! also a photo of Anvik, about the same period – (the Bishop is enroute there to attend its establishment Fifty years ago), and a picture of old Fort Yukon (same period) showing Rev. Sims, and a group of Indians – with the old F.t. Yukon buildings in the background. Left the book after church with Dean Rice – told him to give it to his son Jack to bring back tomorrow.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14-</p> <p>I wrote an additional Brief on the law questions involved in the Femmer case yesterday – had it typed today & filed with Judge Alexander – who seems to be working on the preparation</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 June 14-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">14</p> <p>of his opinion in that long neglected case. He found my brief of last January today when I went in his office with his clerk to deliver my Additional Brief. Heintzleman, Forest Service manager is much interested in putting up some sort of a monument to Kowee, the Auk Chief. <u>Mrs. “Stroller” White ran across an article in “The Alaska Journal” of June 10, 1893, written by E.O. Sylvester, for Harpers, about the cremation of Chief Kowee.</u> Heintzleman is preparing to put some kind of a monument over the spot where his bones are buried.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th -</p> <p>Recd. letters from Grace in Los Angeles. She was arranging to leave Dolores and Daniel with Mrs. Miles etc & then come home</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 June 15-16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">15</p> <p>In the office as usual, nothing much important. Had a meeting yesterday at Percy’s restaurant with the group interested in the General Ins. Co. Chappell had returned from his trip as far as Fairbanks & made oral report – favorable but reports cannot secure payments in cash on stock subscriptions until September 1st. Did not sound very enthusiastic to me, but may be all right!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Same as usual. Dinner tonight with Mr. & Mrs. Dick Lewis, at their rooms in the Assembly. Got a</p>

	settlement on the Dairy's collection with Smith. Wrote letters to Grace, Ruth Frank Colter[?] & Darrell.
Diary 45, 1937 June 17	-17 th - A Mr. Flynn called while the SS. "Prince Rupert" – Canadian boat, was in port, to ask for information about the Lincoln Totem pole, standing at Tongass island – for Mr. I exhibited the Lincoln photos & data & advised him to get a copy of the Sunset Magazine of the date when my article was printed- & information therein. Later Gov. Troys daughter telephoned saying that Ex. Gov. George White, of Ohio, was at the mansion & wished to see me. I called and had a pleasant visit with Gov White & his new wife – knew him in Congress – squabbled with him over the Alaska Railroad bill – he opposed its passage!
Diary 45, 1937 June 17-18	17 Gov White is on the SS. "Prince Rupert," enroute to Dawson, via Skagway – will also go down the Yukon – up the Tanana to Fairbanks, and then, as he pleasantly added "out to the coast over our Railroad." He is a fine man – jolly & good natured & we talked over our many mutual acquaintances in Congress while he was there as Congressman from Ohio, etc. -18 th - Wrote letters relating to business correspondence. Enjoyed hearing Gov. White discuss political matters last evening at Gov. Troys. White is an old time Democrat, but does not agree with the President Roosevelt on his Supreme Court position – says the President will lose out on that matter!
Diary 45, 1937 June 19	-19 th - Saturday – Bar Assoc. dinner by Judge Alexander at Robertsons present, Gov. Troy, Judge Alexander, Marshal Mahoney, Dist. Atty Holzheimer, Asst. Dist. Atty George Folta, Faulkner, Robertson, Winn, a Mr. Moe, book (law) agent for West Pub. Co., Frey, ditto for Callahan BK. Co. Judge LeFevre, Pres. Attys Bar Assoc. Frank Foster, Sec. Jack Hellenthal, & all the other members of the Juneau bar. Lunch – much liquor, beer, cigars etc.

	Rainy day – no sense[?] & little humor. The West Pub Co. St. Paul, Minn. is turning the "Alaska Reports" Wickersham" into a new name. "Alaska Federal Reports" – I suppose they will rebind the books with that change in the name,
Diary 45, 1937 June 19	19 and omit my name as editor, since they understand I will be unable to keep pace with age and Future work. They have also denounced that they will issue an Alaska Digest in 5 volumes – all this requires the change which is interesting and not disappointing to me – for the first 8 volumes under my name cannot be changed except by rebinding. The 8 old volumes, issued and delivered to the trade will always remain in their present shape and be more valuable as curios, even when the same books are renamed, rebound and added to the new set of "Alaska Federal Reports." The Editor in Chief, Mr. L.S. Mercer,
Diary 45, 1937 June 19	19 wrote to me under date of June 10 th inst. informing me of the purpose of the Company to issue the Digest, and asking me to prepare a historical outline of the preparation and publication of the Reports, and the organization of the Alaska courts beginning with the first reference to Alaska litigation. It is rather a complicated scheme, and will require me to give the matter close study before I attempt to write the historical outline. In his letter Editor in Chief Mercer says of the preparations of the "Brief resume" he wishes written for inclusion in the Digest." We are preparing a complete digest of all reported Alaska opinions. In some other
Diary 45, 1937 June 19	19 Digests we have included a brief resume of the judicial system and courts with a tabulation of those who have served as members of the court with the dates of such service. We believe that merrly[?] the year is sufficient. These have proved to be of considerable interest to the members of the bar of the respective jurisdictions, and in each instance of state digests, such have been carried

	over the signature of the Chief Justice of the highest court of the state. We feel the very character of the article warrants such. In Alaska we know of none other over whose signature such an article should appear than your good self. We assume that your connection with the courts of Alaska has been such as to
Diary 45, 1937 June 19-20	19 enable you to prepare such an article from the material already in your files. If so and you would feel disposed to prepare such within the next ninety days we would be very pleased to publish same for the Alaska bar in the front of one of the volumes of the Digest," etc. Naturally I will undertake to write the "brief resume" as requested. -20 th - Sunday – I have had no letter from Grace for a week or more and no information that she has begun her journey northward. She is probably having to give more time to Dolores & Daniel & their estate in the probate court in Seattle than she anticipated. Will be glad to see her name in the list of passengers.
Diary 45, 1937 June 21-22	-21 st – Letter from Grace – she is in Seattle, but wrote her letter an hour after arriving there so could – did not tell me when she would start home – but I pledge as soon as she & lawyer Allen could arrange the matter of Henry's estate. She left Dolores & Daniel in Los Angeles – Nothing new. Except beautiful weather. -22d- The longest days & nights in the year. Mr. Moe, agent for the West Publishing Co. spent an hour with me in my library last evening discussing Alaska Reports. Digests, Federal Reports (Alaska) etc. He was quite interested in my copy of Dawson's First Alaska pamphlet!
Diary 45, 1937 June 22-24	-22 continued- Bent Elsted, insurance man, came in to see me – told me he had been one of the ten original members to meet with Chappell, who tentatively organized the Alaska General Ins. Co. matter, with

	an agreement between Chappell & the ten that they were to have a special price of 33-1/3% – or rather to get them stock for 33-1/3%, with a private agreement with Chappell! And Chappell has told me that there was to be no graft in the organization! -23d- Sunday – nothing important. -24 th - Telegram from Grace saying "I am leaving for Juneau on the M ^c Kinley Wednesday evening." Busy in the office today.
Diary 45, 1937 June 25-26	-25 th – The "M ^c Kinley" Alaska SS. Co. boat will reach Juneau tomorrow – with Grace. I am working on a Brief Resume of the Judicial System & Courts of Alaska Ter. for West Pub. Co. for inclusion in their proposed Alaska Digest. -26 th - <u>Grace returned this evening on the SS. McKinley from her trip with Dolores & Daniel – She left them with Mrs. Miles in Los Angeles, Cal. I was very glad to see her home once more.</u> Letter from Darrell also – he will take Jane back to her home in Pennsylvania & make a trip to N.Y. – gone from his home in S.F. for 6 weeks.
Diary 45, 1937 June 27-28	-27 th – It seems good to have Grace home! – it is good! Sunday and I took a walk up the new road into the Gold creek basin – the first one. I am studying the request of the West Law Publishing Co's plan of preparing a brief resume of the development of government of law in Alaska. -28 th - Busy in the office – on the Resume, & securing data in favor of proving up on John Sargents homestead. He is in the insane asylum at Essondale, British Columbia! but has a good tract of land near Juneau – across the Channel just west of the Douglas island new bridge, which must be saved if possible
Diary 45, 1937 June 28-30	28 and as his guardian it is my job! -29 th –

	<p>Busy in the office: Called and had a talk with Henry Watson, Gov. Troys secretary, about Jim Yorks financial needs and how to meet these. I fixed up York's application for an old age pension yesterday, -Recd. \$50⁰⁰ check from Harry McCain, Ketchikan lawyer – payment for assistance in securing divorce for Mrs. Johnson a Haida woman who teaches school at Kake Indian village. -30th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. Working on Resume of Courts & laws for West Publishing Co. Alaska Digest.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 July 1	<p>-July 1st -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office. I examined the newly printed Session Laws of 1937, - just off the press. Discovered that the legislature adjourned March 11th, but that the Governor did not sign the Liquor Act & Appropriation bill until Mch 12th – after the Legislature had adjourned & gone home! See section 14, of the Organic Act – the Governor ought to have signed all bills before adjournment – but did not! Acts signed after adjournment – Void! Called Harry Watson – he told me he tried to get the Gov. to sign – but he would not. Everybody in Legislature Drunk! Probably Gov (?)</p>
Diary 45, 1937 July 2-3	<p>-2nd -</p> <p>Working on resume of Courts & Laws for West Pub. Co. for Alaska Digest. -3rd -</p> <p>Saturday, disappointed that Judge Alexander did not render his decision in the case of Femmer v City & Northland Co.! I am told he has it prepared, but after two years waiting he does not deliver the baby. Most of his spare hours are spent in playing cards in the Elks club. Lawyers Luncheon at Percy's at noon – the newspaper tale that the U.S. Senate had passed a bill to extend the term of the Territorial judges to 10 years. Meeting instructed its secretary to send a telegram to Delegate Dimond to send us a synopsis of the bill!!</p>
Diary 45, 1937 July 4-6	<p>-4-</p> <p>Sunday. Much noise by boys. Stanley & David Heisel, the sons of our neighbors – ages 14 & 16,</p>

	<p>about, were drowned while swimming in the cold waters of a creek below Mendenhall Glacier today. They were fine boys, loved by everybody who knew them & we are very pined for their parents. Worked all day on the Resume of Courts etc. for the West Publ. Co. Digest of Alaska Reports. -5th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday in the office. -6th -</p> <p>I finished my Resume of the Courts & Laws for creating Civil Government in Alaska for West Pub. Co. St. Paul & forwarded it to L.S. Mercer, Counsel.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 July 7	<p>-7th -</p> <p>In the office as usual: Received the Congressional Record of June 1937, containing copy of record of Senate in passage of Senate Bill increasing the term of the District Judges in Alaska & other Territories to 10 years. Also Senate proceedings in respect to appropriations for Bureau of Indian Affairs – speeches of Senator Chavez, of New Mexico opposing – also Senators Clark, of Mo. Wheeler & King of Montana criticising Collier, of Com. of Indian Affairs for waste, & violations of law in operation of Bureau etc. <u>bitter</u> & condemning Collier for malfeasance in office.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 July 8-9	<p>-8th -</p> <p>It is a relief to be rid of the preparation of the article "Resume of establishment of courts & Laws in Alaska," – which has gone on to Mr. L.S. Mercer, Editorial crowd of West Publishing Co. St. Paul, and I am now able to return to the study of the mining history of Alaska etc. In the office as usual – trying to assist John Wagner, with his long neglected problems of debt & undeveloped mining claims, & other similar jobs for poverty stricken incompetents. -9th -</p> <p>Same as yesterday. I am informed by Coughlin, Clerk Dist. Court that the judge is working on Femmer v City, case opinion.</p>

<p>Diary 45, 1937 July 10-11</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-10-</p> <p>Judge Alexander decided the case of Femmer v City of Juneau for the dependent and against my client. Too bad he did not decide it 2 years ago, for his decision today is nothing but a decision on the allegations in our complaint – a decision on demurrer!! which he could have decided just as well then!</p> <p>I am down with severe cold!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-11th -</p> <p>I am unable, so far, to get Roden to consent to assist me in an appeal of the Femmer case. I will not omit every effort to persuade him for I think the case ought to be appealed.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 July 12-15</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-12th –</p> <p>[Bank loan receipt signed by James York and James Wickersham for \$150.00 pasted in]</p> <p>Gov. gave a reception to the Naval officers on the “Northhampton” – a fine function – Grace & I attended.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-13th –</p> <p>Gov. Troy gave me his check for \$26⁰⁰ to pay ½ of Jim Yorks note at 1st Nat. Bank. I paid the other half - & that’s that again!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-14th –</p> <p><u>Paid ½ of Jim Yorks note at the Behrends Bank = \$8400. Faulkner paid \$75⁰⁰ & that that!! again</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-15th</p> <p>Mr. Moe, law book clerk for West Pub. Co. was in & carefully read my “Resume” for Alaska Digest & approved it. As usual in office.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 July 15-16</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-July 15, 1937. continued.</p> <p><u>Faulkner served his findings of Fact Conclusions of Law & Judgment against Femmer in vs City of Juneau, & the Northland SS. Co.</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-16th -</p> <p>Herb. Wilson, one of the earliest miners to locate on Cleary Creek (No. 10 Below discovery) passed Juneau today going south from a trip he had concluded to Fairbanks, and while the boat was at the wharf he called to visit me. He & Jack Ross were partners on No 10, Cleary, and long time & intimate friends of mine. Herb look well – is not</p>

	<p>aging and I think was in Fairbanks to sell his remaining claims there to the Fairbanks Exploration Co.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 July 17-19</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-17th –</p> <p>Examination of Jack _____ a Finn who has been in Alaska for 20 years or more examined for admission to citizenship – I appeared for him - & examined his witness – his good record as a law abiding citizen was established & admitted – but the U.S. Attorney objected to his admission because he could not read & write good English – the court sustained the objection & papers were refused!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-18th –</p> <p>Rainy Sunday – at home all day. Have had a bad cold & cough – getting better. Wrote letter to Darrell, S.F.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-19th -</p> <p>Lockie McKinnon, Bill Doneway & I visited Jack Sargents Hd. across the bay – old cabin – good clearing etc. House in bad shape.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 July 20</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th -</p> <p>Same as usual in the office.</p> <p>The Juneau Bar Association had a meeting in the District Court room today to pass resolutions of regret & respect on the matter of the death of former Judge Robert W. Jennings who died some weeks ago in San Francisco. Gov. Troy, Judge Alexander and LeFevre, Pres. Juneau Bar Assoc. presided – and made addresses. Faulkner, for the Committee presented resolutions which were adopted & copies also sent to his daughter Cordilia. D.P.[?] Femmer plaintiff vs City of Juneau, authorized me to appeal case – decided adversely some days ago – to Court of Appeals.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 July 20-21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-20th –</p> <p>A Mr. Colby, writer sent here by the New Deal to get data for Tourists Guide for Alaska, visited my library last evening to get ideas & data. We had a long talk – he went on westward today on that silly business!!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-21st -</p> <p>Ex-Gov. Wm Sulzer of New York came to call – he makes annual trips to Alaska – where he owns</p>

	<p>some "wildcat" mining claims. He is a strong friend and supporter of Mayor La Guardia, of New York City, - also strong opponent of President Roosevelt! Busy writing letters to persons acquainted with John A. Sargent, trying to gather data about his business affairs. I am his guardian</p>
Diary 45, 1937 July 22-25	<p>-22nd - Same as usual in the office. -23rd - Same as usual – all quiet. Spent yesterday & today correcting Ms. on S.E. Alaska mining history. -24th - Judge Lloyd Black, of Everett, Wash & family are in Juneau. He was at the Juneau Bar Assoc. for lunch. Grace called on his family – they are to come up to our home tomorrow – Sunday. -25th - Judge Black & wife & Grover Winn & wife spent the evening with Grace & me in the Library. Judge Black was one of Graces pupils in public school years ago in Everett Wash – he is now Supreme Judge</p>
Diary 45, 1937 July 26-30	<p>-26th - Working in office on preparing the record in Femmer v City of Juneau on Appeal from Judge Alexander to U.S. Circuit Court of appeals. -27th - Same as yesterday on Femmers case. -28th - Preparing record on appeal in the Femmer case – promised John Newman to care for costs of his record - \$100⁰⁰ -29th - Same on preparing records – form etc. on the Femmer case. Court officials working on the preparations of Bill of Exceptions, etc. -29th - Same on preparing records – form etc. on the Femmer case. Court officials working on the preparations of Bill of Exceptions, etc. -30th - Same as usual on Femmer case!</p>

Diary 45, 1937 July 31	<p>-31st - Attended court this forenoon. Judge Alexander decided case of U.S. v Wm L. Paul & rendered judgment disbaring defendant, but provided that if he paid the moneys he had embezzled, etc. within one year he might be reinstated! Court also considered the disbarment proceedings against Monagle, approved all the findings I wrote for the Committee except that one wherein Monagle told the judge on the trial of the Barrett case that he knew that Barrett had been a resident of Alaska for two years before bringing the suit – the court held that he knew of Monagles guilt in that matter & compelled him to make a public apology to the court for that statement! I am notified by Thompson to be at Anchorage on August 30th to try the case of Isaacs vs. Bralaska Mining Co.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 1-3	<p>August 1st 1937 Sunday – at home. -2nd - Finished up Assignment of Errors in the case of Femmer v City of Juneau -3rd - Received a very satisfactory from letter from the West Publishing Co. expressing satisfaction with my Resume or Foreword to be printed in their proposed Digest of Alaska Opinions – Reports etc. Also thanking me for a copy of my Bibliography of Alaskan Literature, etc. I am much pleased with their expressions in regard to my services in the matters. Also finishing up my Assignment of Errors in the Femmer case, - hope to get</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 3-5	<p>3 that case ready for sending to the Clerk of the U.S. Court of Appeals today. Then I can begin on preparation of Brief. Got papers in Femmer case signed etc. Bond, affidavits, etc. filed. Newman is attending to the Bill of Exemptions etc. -4th - Working to get the record on appeal ready before Judge Alexander leaves for his trip to the westward on next Tuesday. Faulkner signed the Narrative copy of the testimony in the Femmer case & accepted service of the Assignment of Errors etc.</p>

	-5 th - Same as yesterday – Damn these leaky pens!
Diary 45, 1937 August 6-7	-6 th – Busy in the office; Mike Sullivan old sourdough who came into Alaska in 1898 – called – he is interested in oil at Yakataga beach – hope he strikes a gusher. -7 th - On 4 th Grace & I sent telegram (night letter) to James W. Wickersham, who resides at Patoka, Illinois – the son of Daniel Wickersham – one of my cousins saying: <u>“With your parents consent we would enjoy having you stay with us this winter and attend school at our expense stop Wire immediately night letter so we may send bus fare & steamship ticket stop school begins</u>
Diary 45, 1937 August 7-8	7 <u>September seventh.</u> ” Signed by me but written & forwarded by Grace. We say the boy when we were in Patoka 3 or 4 years ago & he seems to be a fine young man – but he may have other plans! Got the Bill of Exceptions etc. signed by Judge Alexander today. I think the record is now ready to go to the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals! Wrote a good letter to Darrell! who is going East with Jane on their automobile soon! -8 th - Answer from Jas. W. Wickersham, Patoka saying he cannot come to Juneau to attend school at our expense etc. will write letters & explain in full. I am <u>disappointed!</u>
Diary 45, 1937 August 9-10	-9 th – Same as usual in the office – getting the record in the Femmer Appeal done & compared. Judge Alexander will go to Seward & Fairbanks tomorrow & the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals meets on October 1 st so I am in a hurry to get the record all signed up before Judge leaves. -10 th - Judge Alexander left for westward. I am writing a delayed chapter on the History of Gold mining – in S.E. Alaska. A Mifs Watkins (?) Stenographer U.S. Supreme

	Court of Minnesota called – with John Newman, stenographer of our District Court – we talked about West Publishing Co. – officials etc. they suggested that she call & talk about her trip – tourists – into Fairbanks!
Diary 45, 1937 August 11-14	-11 th – Clerks office with Femmer. I paid clerks fees on appeal \$45 ⁰⁰ & Clerks fees U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals \$35 ⁰⁰ . Femmer had no money on hand! – <u>I had!!! Too bad!!</u> -12 th – Bought a new suit of clothes from the B.M. Behrends store – price \$35 ⁰⁰ -13 th – Same as usual in the office. -14 th - Mr. & Mrs. Gordon C. Bettles in town – called at the office – had lunch with them. They now reside at Chenega, in Prince William sound – address Chanega, via Valdez. She is teaching Indian school there & he is in School Service <u>also</u> .
Diary 45, 1937 August 15-17	-15 th – Sunday – at home all day. -16 th – [Blank] -17 th - Finished up my rough draft of the <u>history of the Discovery & Development of mining in the Gold Creek Juneau-Treadwell-Dick Harris Mining district – 1880-1937</u> . It has been a tedious job. Reserved accommodations on the SS “McKinley” – for next Sunday to Anchorage to assist in trying the case of “Isaacs v Bralaska Co.” Frank Foster & others talking a reorganization of Ter. politics along independent non Republican lines!
Diary 45, 1937 August 18-20	-18 th Working in office getting records & papers in Anchorage case ready -19 th [clipping] Visit Recalls Alaska’s Dual Representation

	<p style="text-align: center;">Chindblooms of Illinois Re- count Delegate's Con- troversy in 1918-1920</p> <p>The visit her of former Representative Carl R. Chindbloom of Illinois last night recalled the interesting historical occasion when Alaska had tow Delegates to Congress – and both were paid for their labors.</p> <p>Mr. Chindbloom, who is accompanied by his wife on a round-trip voyage on the Prince Rupert, visited Judge James Wickersham and George B. Grigsby, the central figures in a political controversy which gave Alaska dual representation.</p> <p>It seems that Mr. Chindbloom, who served five times in Congress from Chicago, was chairman of the Elections Committee, which investigated contests to the election of Delegates in Alaska.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham and the late Charles Sulzer, brother of former New York Governor William Sulzer, were opponents for the office of Delegate in 1916 and 1918, the former on the Republican ticket and the latter on the Democratic slate.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Race Dead Heat</p> <p>Both races finished almost in a dead heat – with only a handful of votes separating the contenders. Sulzer was declared elected in 1916, but Judge Wickersham contested the election. The same situation arose in 1918 and the same contest was put into effect.</p> <p>Meanwhile, one month after the 1918 election Mr. Sulzer died, with the contested elections still undecided. Mr. Grigsby declared he would run as Democratic candidate for the place he believed vacated by the death of Mr. Sulzer. Judge Wickersham, on the other hand, adopted the position that since he had wont the election-a premise in his contest of the election – there was no purpose in another political campaign. Mr. Grigsby therefore wont the uncontested election for Delegate.</p> <p>Both Judge Wickersham and Mr. Grigsby maintained offices in Washington, D.C., virtually from 1918 until 1902. Mr. Grigsby had been</p>
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	<p>seated as successor to Mr. Sulzer, and was drawing Congressional stipends for his representation.</p> <p>Meanwhile, however, the Elections Committee under Mr. Chindbloom was sifting evidence in the election and, one week before the expiration of the term, held that Judge Wickersham had legally been elected to the post.</p> <p>Both men received salaries for the two-year term.</p> <p>Last night Mr. and Mrs. Chindbloom visited with the Wickershams and Grigsbys in Juneau, recalling old times. Mr. Chindbloom is now Commissioner of Bankruptcy for U.S. courts in Illinois.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-20th</p> <p>As usual in the office at work.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 August 21</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">-21st-</p> <p>Working on a statement addressed to the "Alaska Weekly, of Aug 6th – about the Glover-Lane statement that the U.S. only paid \$1,400,000. for Alaska purchase & the balance \$5,800,000 for the "fleet expense" of Russia in anchoring in the New York harbor during the Civil War as a threat to England in her supposed friendly effort to assist the Southern Confederacy. I deny that tale & quote Swards letter to McDonald. I' Inter. Law Digest, page 465, & other data in support of my position. Juneau Bar Assoc. complimented me on my 80th birthday Tuesday – 24th thinking I will not be here on that day etc. 25th Aniv. of the Enactment of the <u>Alaska Organic Act!</u></p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 August 22-23</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">-22nd-</p> <p>In the office writing objections to Chas. Glover's story about two pseudo copies of the receipt for paying Russia for Alaska – addressed to Editor of the Alaska Weekly – issue of Aug. 6th.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">-23rd-</p> <p>Charge – papers - \$2.⁰⁰ SS. ticket \$46.⁰⁰ Left Juneau at 1. p.m. after lunch with Grace on the "Mount McKinley," for Seward-Anchorage. About one mile due north of Point Retreat – clear – we saw a boat – a fishing boat – on fire. Our boat reached it in 15 minutes, a salmon fishing boat was near, but the fire was from gasoline & required</p>

	care. Our boat got near enough to put out the fire – boat badly burned – one man on board – dead – got his body off the
Diary 45, 1937 August 23-24	<p>fishing boat – the burned craft sank - & we sailed on. Skipper sent a report by radio to Juneau – nothing else – burned boat thought to belong to a fox farmer on nearby islands – but the fisherman could give no information body burned to bad to recognize!</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>August 24th 1937</u></p> <p><u>My 80th Birthday!</u> At sea – a beautiful day – not a cloud in the sky. A calm sea & I feel fine. Mt St Elias is covered with great cumulus cloud – a gorgeous sight! I do <u>not feel a twinge of Mer de Mal!</u> A perfect day – we will be in Prince William Sound about midnight & in Seward early in the morning - & Anchorage tomorrow.</p> <p>[hand made birthday card: 80 Years Young Best wishes from your daughter. signed - Ruth]</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 24	<p style="text-align: center;">-24th continued-</p> <p>During dinner the ships musicians marched into the dining room playing Happy birthday to you – with a big birthday cake for me, another for a Mifs Gertrude Heath from Chicago-: a Mr. (?) whose date had not been learned in time to give him a cake etc. It was a surprise to me when the master of ceremonies delivered an oration telling my history as Alaska Delegate etc. The crowd treated me royally – the ladies got autographs etc etc. A real pleasure. I wrote a letter to Grace (foxy Grace) I recognized her language in the oration sent my letter at Mates request – he put a quarter of the cake with my letter <u>in</u> the ice box – he will deliver it to the agent in Juneau for Grace.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 25-26	<p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>Seward to Anchorage on the train – Anchorage hotel Conference with Arthur G. Thompson. Visiting with friends Paid R.R. ticket to Anchorage 6⁸⁵, meals \$3⁰⁰ Tips on SS. McKinley - \$4⁰⁰ Delivered Grover C. Winns</p>

	<p>papers to Tom Price. -26th - Conference with Arthur Thompson in re case of Isaacs v Bralaska M. Co. Neither Court nor Ray for plaintiff here. Sent telegram to Valdez to clerk asking when court would be present. Gov. Parks, Art Schonbeck & Judge Alexander here, had an evening with the – had Keller & Mifs Bouchette, school teacher friend of Grace's to lunch.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 28	<p style="text-align: center;">-28th - <u>Saturday</u></p> <p>Interview yesterday with newspaper man about Alaska Warrant for \$7,200,000 for purchase – also unicameral bill! Stoll, manager of our defendant Bralaska M. Co. in town – long conference with him & Thompson – he is good witness Letter from Grace – who sends news of notice from Clerk U.S. Circuit of Appeals, amount in Femmer case – I had advised her to get Roden to attend to collecting from Femmer & forwarding amount to Clerk Court in S.F. Stoll came in and he and Thompson & I had a long conference in relation to the facts – evidence etc. in the Isaacs v Bralaska case: I am now drawing instructions for the trial which will begin on Monday morning. Dinner tonight with Mifs Budgette, the sister of Mr. Botstein[?]</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 28	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>[clipping] Denies Alaska Story Civil War Debt Tale Without Foundation, Claims Judge Wickersham An emphatic denial that the United States paid \$1,800,000 for Alaska instead of \$7,200,000, came today from Judge James Wickersham of Juneau, author of the organic act that established the Alaskan government and most prominent historian in the territory. "The story is impossible," Judge Wickersham said when told of a recent dispatch that claimed Alaska cost only \$1,800,900 and the balance of the \$7,200,000 was paid to Russia in settlement of a</p>

	<p>debt of honor for her aid during the Civil War.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Is Old Story</p> <p>Judge Wickersham said he heard the story about the debt of honor many years ago and while in Washington he made careful investigation to determine whether it was authentic.</p> <p>"I studied all the documents pertaining to the purchase of Alaska and even the letters of Secretary Seward and found it impossible that the territory cost anything other than \$7,200,000," the historian said.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham said there was only one warrant written and only one authority for the warrant. He said the contentions that there were two warrants involved in the deal were definitely erroneous.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Has Pictures of Documents</p> <p>"An official photographer for the government took pictures of the documents for me. I have the negatives of those pictures. Prints were sent to the governor's office and the territorial museum at Juneau and I believe they are still there," Judge Wickersham said.</p> <p>"They show the authority for warrant in the amount of \$7,200,000 for the purchase price of Alaska, signed by the treasurer, the comptroller, the register and other government officials. Another picture shows the warrant itself for payment of Russia for the purchase of Alaska.</p> <p>"A third picture shows the receipt given by Baron de Stoeckl of Russia for the warrant. It was written by him and filed in Washington."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham pointed out that the story claiming the territory cost only \$1,800,000 came from a note made by Frank K. Lane, secretary of the interior in the Wilson administration, and that the note merely quoted what he was told at a dinner party.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Story Based on Hearsay</p> <p>"If Mr. Lane had said it, there would probably be something behind it. But as it is the story is hearsay, handed down over a period of years," Judge Wickersham asserted.</p> <p>Mr. Lane's note said that Charles Grover,</p>
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	<p>president of the Riggs National Bank in New York, had told him of the transaction. Mr. Glover, while a boy clerk was presented some documents to lock in the bank's safe. Years afterward a senator told Glover that the documents were for the payment of \$1,800,000 for Alaska and \$5,400,000 as a debt of honor to Russia.</p> <p>"It is obvious that Mr. Glover's memory was faulty," Judge Wickersham pointed out. "He is trying to remember what happened when he was a boy and what a senator said years afterward. The documentary evidence fails to support him.</p> <p>"In letters of Secretary Seward I found one from an editor in the then territory of Washington pointing out that a newspaper in Sitka had told the same story. This was in 1867, the year the territory was purchased.</p> <p>"Secretary Seward answered the letter denying the whole thing and explaining the cost was \$7,200,000."</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 28-30	<p style="text-align: center;">28</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sees Move To Shift Power To 1st Division Judge Wickersham Brands Unicameral Plan As Un- American</p> <p>Judge James Wickersham condemned the move to replace the territorial legislature with a unicameral house in no uncertain terms today when he declared it a move to place control of the government in the First Division.</p> <p>"If the territory had a unicameral house, it would no doubt be elected on a basis of population," Judge Wickersham said. "In that case, the First Division would elect the majority of members and the other divisions would have very little to say about the affairs of Alaska."</p> <p>Judge Wickersham is an outstanding authority on the government of Alaska. He framed the organic act that established the territorial government with the senate and the house of representatives.</p>

	<p>“That bill gave Alaska the same type of government that has been enjoyed in the United States for 150 years,” Judge Wickersham said. “It furnishes a system of checks and balances that has been found the most practical and secure.”</p> <p>The jurist and historian pointed out that when one body becomes radical and passes undesirable measures, there is always the other body that can prevent them from becoming a law.</p> <p>“The unicameral system of government is un-American and undesirable,” Judge Wickersham said. “It would place full control of the government in the hands of a few men and if one group got control of that small body they would be in a position to make whatever laws they desired.”</p> <p>The question of replacing the present system with an unicameral house will come before the votes of Alaska for vote during the general election of 1939.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Sunday 29th</p> <p>Preparing the case of Isaacs vs The Bralaska case for trial tomorrow before Judge Hellenthal.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Monday 30th</p> <p>Case of Isaacs v Bralaska Co. Got jury and plaintiff spent the day in presenting his case. I am contesting every witness testimony objections & explaining all day – tired.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 August 31	<p style="text-align: center;">August 31 -Tuesday, 31st –</p> <p>Hellenthals is against us & gives us the worst – but we succeeded in getting all our evidence – mostly depositions etc and copies of our corporation evidence before the jury. It is a close case and the court holds us down to the seventh – doing all he can against us – but I think we have our evidence in good shape. Evidence closed & we are getting our instructions ready & tomorrow we will get the case to the jury – with the court announcing that he is against us. Dinner last evening & this evening at dinner with Mifs Bouchette & her sister.</p>
Diary 45, 1937 September 1	<p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Last Arguments Being Heard On Mine Damage Case, \$5,760 Is Asked For Injuries Sustained</p>

	<p>Closing arguments were being made this afternoon in the \$6,000 damage suit brought by Charles W. Isaacs against the Bralaska Mining Corporation in which he seeks compensation for injuries alleged to have been received in 1936 while employed in the Willow Creek district.</p> <p>Judge Simon Hellenthal was to give the jury his instructions when the arguments were completed.</p> <p>Isaacs seeks \$5,760 damages plus interest since 1936 for injuries he contends he received September 16, 1935 while employed at a mine in the Willow Creek district. He set forth in his suit that rock and dirt fell on him while he was placing timber in a tunnel. Mr. Isaacs said the injuries cut his earning capacity 80 per cent.</p> <p>In defense, the Bralaska Mining Corporation contends it was not the employer of Isaacs, had no jurisdiction over the property and consequently not liable. It is set forth that Isaacs was employed by the Alaska-Pacific Mines.</p> <p>The corporation also set forth that if Mr. Isaacs is suffering from an injury it was the result of an accident that occurred in 1937 while he was employed at the Mable mine.</p> <p>Attorney L.V. Ray of Seward represented Mr. Isaacs. Arthur G. Thompson and Judge James Wickersham of Juneau represented the defendant.</p>
	<p style="text-align: center;">September 1st</p> <p>Second day of the trial – bitter fight over introduction of evidence – every part of a plaintiffs evidence – oral & I make constant objections – overruled & take exceptions Opposition crafty but sustained by Judge H- finally finished late tonight – jury against us; on Hellenthals queer decisions & instructions</p>
Diary 45, 1937 September 2	<p style="text-align: center;">-September 2nd-</p> <p>Thompson & I worked hard – used every plan to get the evidence to sustain our case. Judge H- rode us hard.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">COURT GIVES ISAACS \$4,320</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;">IN DAMAGES Jury, Out Four Hours, De- cides Miner Suffered Sev- eral Injuries</p> <p>Charles W. Isaacs won a verdict of \$4,320 in the District Court last night after a jury deliberated about four hours in his suit against the Bralaska Mining Company for injuries in a mine accident in 1936.</p> <p>The jury held Isaacs was 60 percent disabled by an injury to his back the result of rock and dirt falling on him while placing timbers in a tunnel. Isaacs had claimed 80 per cent disability and had asked for \$5,760. In addition to the \$4,320 Isaacs was awarded interest plus attorney fees in the case.</p> <p>The mining company claimed Isaacs was in the employ of the Alaska Pacific Mines at the time of the injury of which he complained was from an accident at the Marble mine in 1927.</p> <p>The jury started deliberations at 4:30 o'clock and returned the verdict at about 10:15 o'clock last night. Part of the time was spent dining.</p> <p>Jury gave a slightly reduced judgment against us. Im sure we made a good record out of the evidence we had but the judge ruled us off the track! Stoll was with us all day & seemed to be satisfied – as we were that we should have had judgment on our motion for a directed verdict – but we lost account of his allowing</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 September 2</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2</p> <p>them to introduce plaintiffs oral evidence against our corporate & official evidence of the legal formation of the defendant – long after the accident. Today we objected to entry of judgment etc. and have what I judge to be a perfect case on the evidence – but which the court destroyed by his rulings against us. Anyway – it was a damned good fight & defendant has a good chance for a reversal. I am advising sending a complete record of the case to the Seattle attorneys who prepared the contracts, records etc. and leaving the question of appeal & further action with them.</p>

	<p>[clipping] Birthday Party On Ship Given Judge Wickersham</p> <p>SEWARD-A birthday party aboard ship Tuesday and the fine brand of sunshine that greeted him upon arrival at Seward, put Judge James Wickersham in a contented mood when he boarded train for Anchorage. The only thing, he didn't want to leave the Seward sunshine, he said.</p> <p>It was Judge Wickersham's 80th birthday, and he spoke of the delightful time enjoyed among ship companions and the special party provided him by Capt. Arthur Ryning, an excellent dinner and fine music.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Road to Homer</p> <p>The notable Alaskan resident shows lively interest as ever in development of this region, and dwelt upon the need of a road down Cook inlet to Homer to connect with the Seward-Hope-Moose Pass highway. With the completion of the section to Lawing, now under construction, he expects to see active projection of the Homer road program.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham is in the best of health and spirits, and certainly does not look his years. Ruddy complexion, erect, brighteyed he greeted many Seward friends at the depot who hearing he was in town hurried down to meet him.</p> <p>The former jurist and delegate to Congress will be in Anchorage two weeks.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 September 3</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-3rd -</p> <p>Since we lost Stoll has concluded to let Clyde Ellis, Atty, - residing here in Anchorage take charge of the case. He paid me my full account & Expenses also Thompson & we will turn the papers over to Ellis. We quit willingly though we are certain we made a good record – sufficient to reverse the appeal – even if Ellis prepares it – if he will only take our position. We had a good fight & I enjoyed it for I felt we made the best record to be made out of the contracts & facts with which we had no part in creating. We-I made formal objections to the opponents case & secured every objection &</p>

	exception – a good record.
Diary 45, 1937 September 3	-3 rd continued Before I left Anchorage at noon I learned that Ray, attorney for Isaacs had prepared & served on Stoll a new case against the Alaska Pacific Mining Co. charging now that Isaacs worked for it as employee & received his injury while so its employee!! <u>and not the Bralaska Co. – which is a surrender concession to my objections - & the basics of my defense for the Bralaska Co.!!!</u> I did not see the copy of the second case complaint, but I will be greatly interested in examining it – for truly the Alaska Pacific Co. was the real party in interest & not the Bralaska Co. Left Anchorage, much relieved – reached Seward at 9 p.m. good berth on the SS Alaska, a pleasant & a reasonably trip!!
Diary 45, 1937 September 4-6	-4 th – “Alaska” in bad fog all latter part of the night & till noon today. Steamer full of people going south. I will be glad to get home. Valdez about 6 p.m. Judge Hellenthal, marshal, clerk & other court officials will stop off there. Beautiful afternoon – fog disappeared entirely. -5 th - Left Cordova about midnight – Cape St. Elias at 11 a.m. Yakutat bay at dark – Calm - & fine sailing. Visited with my old friend Captain the oldest captain on the Alaska SS. Co. list. -6 th – Reached Cross Sound at day break Juneau at noon & went to bed for an hour – read my mail etc.
Diary 45, 1937 September	-7 th - Working to catch up correspondence in the office. Alaska Weekly: [clipping] Wickersham Hits One-House Plan ANCHORAGE, Aug. 31.-A unicameral legislature was called “un-American and undesirable” by

	<p>Judge James Wickersham of Juneau, former Delegate to Congress, in an interview here.</p> <p>The Judge attacked the unicameral house proposition, declaring it would place full power of the Territorial government in the First Division leaving the rest of Alaska with minority votes.</p> <p>Wickersham was the author of the Organic Act establishing the Senate and House of the Alaska legislature. He arrived here on a business trip.</p> <p>[clipping]</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Judge Wickersham Celebrates a Birthday</p> <p>On Tuesday last at his Juneau home, Judge James Wickersham celebrated his birthday with a dinner date with his best girl, Mrs. Wickersham.</p> <p>Some thirty odd years ago, Judge Wickersham brought the law to the Yukon, or rather to the Tanana, and for years occupied with honor to himself, and justice to all, the position of judge of the Fourth Judicial division of Alaska. When Nome and the entire Seward Peninsula became embroiled in a mess of cross litigation, claim jumping, racketeering and worse, it was Judge Wickersham who finally untangled the knot of litigation, settling once and for all time the rights and titles of the litigants.</p> <p>He has served his adopted land in the Halls of Congress, and since, his retirement from political life has been practicing law in Juneau, and devoting much of his time to his favorite hobby-the early day history of Alaska.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham has probably the finest collection of Alaskana in existence, including complete files of early day newspapers and publications as well as records and files dating back to the early Russian days which he is sorting and compiling and whipping into shape with the idea in mind of publishing in book form later on.</p> <p>Judge Wickersham had had the idea in mind of attending the Alaska-Yukon convention in Toronto the latter part of this month, but this, his 80th birthday, coming up at the same time, and having this dinner date with the lady mentioned, caused</p>
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	<p>him to forego the trip and celebrate his natal day at home.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-Sept 8th –</p> <p>As usual in the office. Femmer paid me \$110⁰⁰ & I sent it to the U.S. Ct. Ct. of Appeals for printing record in Appeal Case.</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 September 8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>JUNEAU ALASKA, TUESDAY, AUGUST 24, 1937 THE ALASKA DAILY PRESS, JUNEAU, ALASKA Judge Wickersham Reaches Fourscore Years, Tells of Eventful Birthday [earlier photograph of James Wickersham] High up on the hill, in a large old-fashioned wooden home, lives one of Alaska's distinguished citizens, and a man whose hand in shaping the destiny of this great country was more powerful than most of its residents and beneficiaries realize. Today Judge James Wickersham, jurist, ethnologist, antiquarian, and pioneer Alaskan, reached the age of fourscore years, as hale and hearty as he was when Juneau's business leaders remember him from their school days, a hard-working delegate to Congress. At 80, Judge Wickersham's hair is whitening, but his mind and body are active and vigorous. His appearance belies his years and no stranger would dream that this stern-looking, kindly gentleman was born on the 24th of August, 1857. When asked by The Press for a statement on his birthday anniversary, Judge Wickersham obliged with a brief glimpse into the stormy days when the Territory of Alaska was being born in the far-off halls of Congress. Touched with vivid reminiscences, quaintly-wrought humor, it appears below: "Two very important events, according to Judge James Wickersham, occurred on this date, the first his birthday on the 24th of August, 1857, and the second the passage and approval by President Taft, on August 24, 1912, of the Organic Act for Alaska, creating the Alaska Legislature to be elected by the people. "There was much opposition by the President to the passage of an Act allowing the people of</p>

	<p>Alaska to elect the members of their own legislature. President Taft had been Governor General of the Philippine Islands, where the members of the Legislature were appointed by himself, and he was strongly in favor of the same military appointive legislature for Alaska. "Alaska was at that time largely controlled through the war department in Washington and that influence supported the President vigorously in his determination to appoint a similar form in Alaska. "Their main argument against an elective legislature was that the population in Alaska was not permanent and the people were not qualified to elect their own representatives. "The first session of Congress in 1909 was Republican, and the President was able to defeat the measure, but the second session of Congress was Democratic in the House and that influence was strongly in favor of an elective legislature. "President Taft denounced the plan in his annual message to Congress and urged his appoint-</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 September 8</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">8</p> <p>tive military scheme, but the Democrats stood firmly by Judge Wickersham and passed the bill and it went to the President and he approved it on August 24, 1912. Unwittingly he gave to Judge Wickersham on his birthday the most prized honor in his entire legislative career – the passage of the Organic act for Alaska." James Wickersham was born in Patoka, Ill., the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Wickersham. After a common school education, he was admitted to the bar in 1880, and married Deborah Bell of Rochester, Ill., in the same year. Moving west, he became a probate judge in Pierce County, Wash., a position he held from 1884 to 1888, and then served as city attorney of Tacoma in 1894. He then resumed private law practice for a few years. After serving as a member of the Washington House of Representatives in 1898, Judge Wickersham came to Alaska and as he often has said, "I never went back." Keenly aware of the</p>

future possibilities of the country, the jurist and his wife settled down in Juneau and wove their lives inextricably into the new, young land, then suffering acutely from gold-fever.

Public life quickly reclaimed the judge, as he was appointed U.S. district judge, serving at Nome immediately after the judicial scandals which seared that over-populated gold village had given Alaskan justice a very black eye. Judge Wickersham's unquestioned ability and integrity, more than anything else salvaged the wounds opened by his unscrupulous predecessor.

In 1907 he resigned and became delegate to Congress from the District of Alaska in 1909, holding that position for 12 years, until 1921. No elected official ever served the Territory longer or more faithfully. His able presence in Congress was appreciated by the Alaska electorate. A Progressive Republican he was reelected year after year, no matter what the national political trend may have been.

The scientific side of Judge Wickersham's life can be touched on even less completely than the public side. He has probably the finest private library on Alaska in the world. His interest in scientific research goes back well over 50 years. It was in 1884 that he wrote a report for the Smithsonian Institute on "Mounds of Sangamon County, Ill." This work described the Indian relics in the country where he was raised.

As assistant editor of the American Antiquarian, Judge Wickersham wrote many articles on ethnological subjects. He also contributed to other similar publications. Since he came to Alaska, nearly 40 years ago, Alaskan has been one of his prime interests. The Alaska bar will long be indebted to him for editing the Alaska Territory Reports.

Mrs. Wickersham passed away in 1925, and in 1928 Judge Wickersham married Mrs. Harry Bishop, a widow. They have made their home in Juneau ever since. Judge Wickersham sailed on the S.S. Mount McKinley yesterday for Seward and Fairbanks on a business trip, and was unable

	to receive the congratulations of his fellow townsmen today on his birthday.
Diary 45, 1937 September 9	-9 th - The magazine "Time" carries a story about the finding of oil – on the north side of Deer creek, a mile north of Patoka, where I was born & raised until 1894. Also I received letter from "Jim." Wickersham – saying his mother would not let him come to Alaska " <u>this year</u> ," though he thought he would come "next year." Jim is about 14 years old & I can see myself in
Diary 45, 1937 September 9-12	9 the photograph he sent me of himself! Sent letters to Darrel & others, and conferred with Mr. & Mrs. Henry C. Gorham formerly clients – who are now demanding Divorce – Mrs. G. has employed Mrs. Hermann as her attorney. I will try to get them to agree on property settlement & then talk divorce. Sent \$110 ⁰⁰ for Femmer by mail to Clerk U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to print record on Appeal! -10 th - In office all day – working on Femmer Appeal. Refuse Gorham divorce case. Reading article on Gold creek – corrections. -11 th - Same as yesterday on Femmers Appeal Attended Juneau Bar Assoc. luncheon. -12 th - Sunday – raining – home in the library – reading copy Mining Mss.
Diary 45, 1937 September 13-14	-13 th - Working on Hist. data – in re Gold Creek & S.E. Alaska mining development. -14 th - Archie Shiels & Bert Faulkner visited at my home – library, for couple of hours: Also while south bound boat was in the harbor Mrs. Senator Powers, from Eagle City & Mrs. Max Kollen called – at 10 p.m. in taxi. Poor old Max Kollen died some weeks ago – in California – according to his wishes his body was cremated & his wife brought his ashes to

	Skagway & her friends there assisted her to scatter them on the slopes of the A.B. (Arctic Brotherhood) mountain. Max was one of the early A.B.'s in Dawson, Fairbanks etc. An artist etc. thence
Diary 45, 1937 September 14-15	14 his desire to spread his ashes on the romantic spot on the Skagway mountain. Mrs. Powers is an active, strong, but old woman; she nearly froze to death last winter on the Eagle City trail & is on her way to spend a time with her married daughter in Ariz. or So. Cal. Shiels spent an hour or two examining my library – he has a fine Alaska library in his Seattle home. -15- Same as usual in the office. My Ms. in relation to Gold Mining in S.E. Alaska being copied by Stenographer Archie Shiels came in & examined my original records of the formation of the “Consent Government” organized in Sitka, Alaska, in 1867 – & later days He is an intensive student on Alaska matters.
Diary 45, 1937 September 16-17	-16 th – [clipping] Wickersham To Head Sale of Christmas Seals The Alaska Tuberculosis Association met last night and selected Judge James Wickersham to succeed Secretary of Alaska E.W. Griffin as chairman of the Christmas Seal sale, which annually raises funds to support tuberculosis preventative work throughout the United States. Judge Wickersham will be in charge of the seal sale in the Territory in the annual drive. Griffin’s resignation was accepted by the association, and a vote of thanks, was extended him for his efforts in previous seal drives. Mrs. J.C. Thomas was named assistant chairman of the seal sale and will make the appointments necessary to carry out the drive in various parts of the Territory. E.M. Polley, president, is leaving tonight for the Westward and intends to contact district seal chairman en route to arrange for the 1937 drive.

	-16 th - Studying the record in the case of Femmer v City of Juneau, et. al. No 3770 A with a view of preparing Brief on Appeal. -17 th - Same in the office as yesterday. Mrs. Archie Shiels, came in to inspect the original records relating to the organization of a Consent Government in Sitka in 1867, which greatly interested him: He suggested that my Alaska Library might be sold to the U. of W. and stored in their fire proof library.
Diary 45, 1937 September	-18 th - <u>Working on preparation of the Brief on Appeals in the Femmer case.</u> Grace & I attended the Constitution Day function at the Masonic rooms last night. Faulkner made a good and well received speech in support of the American Constitution – good music – a dinner & a dance for the young people at the conclusion of the Constitutional Celebration. Congress adjourned on Aug. 21 st & all Congressional Records have been received & read. I am glad of the end of that interesting burden – but not entirely satisfied with the passage of the act appropriating \$2,000,000 to buy the Reindeer herds & the Lowman packing business.
Diary 45, 1937 September 19-20	-19 th - Sunday – took a walk up Gold Creek & spent the rest of the day in my library writing the interminable brief in the Femmer case. -20 th - I was innocent enough to let the Society for the Suppression of Tuberculosis appoint me as an official for assistance in the sale of the Seals money to belong to and used in said suppression work. Mrs. Thomas is also an officer and assistant in said sales & will have charge of the active work which I will keep track of the money paid in and use it in said work only: Listening to Mrs. T. it appears to be more work than I anticipated – [?] done by Ed Griffin, Ter. Sec!

<p>Diary 45, 1937 September 21</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21-</p> <p>My early Eagle City friend, Frank E. Lee who worked for the government as guide, hunter, telegraph line builder, miner etc. in the interior & other points in the Yukon country – Frank secured my signature on a check drawn by him on the Valdez bank in favor of the Behrends bank for \$50⁰⁰! He is on his way to Seattle where his sister & two brothers live on a scheme to sell his Valdez quartz claims – under option to Robt. Robinson – a wild man, etc. <u>I signed!</u> Frank took me hunting caribou with Capt. Farnsworth (now retired General U.S.A.) in the fall of 1900, from Eagle to the U.S. hunting camp on upper Mission creek! He is a <u>wild man</u> – a <u>frontiersman</u> himself, and I hope his check is good!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 September 21-23</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-21- continued-</p> <p>Mrs. Hermann, atty for Mrs. Mary J. Gorham brought me a form which she wants me to get Henry C. Gorham, husband to sign. Mrs. Gorham intends to sue Henry for divorce. The Hermann form is not satisfactory & I have rewrote the agreement so as to make it certain & relieves them! Accounts must be inserted – Henry will bring me the amounts at noon tomorrow and then – I hope to get their signatures & settle their quarrels!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-22-</p> <p>Working on Brief in Femmer case, but guessing at pages etc. for the printed transcript of the record on appeal has not yet arrived from the S.F. Circuit Court.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-23-</p> <p>Same as yesterday – in Femmer case: Had a conference with President of Behrends Bank and arranged a meeting between him and John H. Chappell, in the matter of the organization of the Alaska Ins. Co. – Chappell was very much pleased & thinks he is approaching success with the organization!</p> <p>Gorham v Gorham, got agreement setting their property & financial differences in anticipation of divorce that the wife will file. Mrs. Hermann, attorney for Mrs. Gorham & I for Gorham!! I have been their attorney for years & did what I could to</p>

	<p>persuade them – not to apply for divorce!</p>
<p>Diary 45, 1937 September 24-27</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">-Sept. 24th 1937 -</p> <p>The steamer carrying 9 days overdue mail in last night late. Letters from many correspondents – but no printed Transcript of the Record in the Femmer case. Some business letters – one from the Supt. of the Asylum at Sedro-Wooley about Mrs. La Gasca – wife of Arthur J. La Gasca – about her condition. Says she is insane has been for a dozen years - & will not recover. La Gasca wants a divorce – it's a strange case.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-25-</p> <p>Attorneys lunch – we listen to a few small talk worthless stories & cheep chatter and never get above such talk – a waste of time & cash – Judge Alexander in the worst of the gathering in both aspects!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-26-</p> <p>Having received no letter or word from Darrell for an unusual period (3 weeks) I sent a night telegram of inquiry to his address, 174 Franklin St. San Francisco tonight.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-27-</p> <p>Working on Femmer Brief – on Appeal. Working on Gorham divorce contract etc.</p>