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FISHER'S DOG-IN-THE-MANGER POLICY

A Chain of Wireless Stations to San Francisco

According to Sidney Smith, of the Algonquin Development Company, the Marconi Company contemplates installing a perfect and complete chain of stations all along the Pacific Coast—a system that will give uninterrupted service between Alaska points, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland and Vancouver.

The Algonquin Development Company co-operates with the Marconi Company in maintaining a 5-kilowatt station at Juneau at the present time. It is the intention of the Marconi Company to install six or eight more stations in the North. There will be one at Yakutat, another at Chichagoff, probably one at Skagway, or Haines.

The plant at Juneau is to be increased from its present inefficient capacity to a 5- or 10-kilowatt station. There has been a lot of unjust criticism by uninformed persons about the management of the Juneau station. Mr. Smith thinks—the fault is in the station not the operation. The other day the Jefferson was attempting to let Juneau know of her approach. Juneau heard the Jefferson all right, but the Jefferson could not hear Juneau. However, Juneau did hear Juneau and picking up Juneau's reply to the Jefferson, sent it to the ship. But Juneau was not able to hear Juneau and kept repeating the answer to the Jefferson's notice until the Jefferson made known that the answer was received through Juneau. The other day there was an accident at Juneau. The story was sent to Juneau—Prince Rupert got it but Juneau failed to respond. This demonstrates that the Juneau station is inefficient both for receiving and sending.

The plants at Petersburg will undoubtedly be enlarged and there will probably be one built at Wrangell. It is planned to establish stations all along the coast until the chain is complete. The commercial rate will be made much lower than the present cable rates, but whether or not there will be a press rate has not been announced.

Mr. Smith is enthusiastic over the prospect of getting direct communication from the isolated mining camps like Juneau, with the outside world. The prospect should also appeal to the Alaska business men. The promise of direct communication, not only with the large commercial cities of the States, but with their customers at a distance from the trade centers should be welcomed by all Alaska business men. The proposed enterprise will probably receive universal encouragement.

Abstract of the Decision in Whorf Coal Land Case

The local land office is in receipt of the decision of the department of the interior in the case of W. G. Whorf, who made a coal land entry at Port Graham on February 8, 1910, for 65.191 acres. The land in question is situated in the Cook inlet recording district, Juneau land district and the entry was based on a notice of location made by Whorf April 26, 1905, under the provisions of the act of April 28, 1904.

From an investigation of the entry made by the field service of the general land office it developed that Louis Levy claimed an undivided one-half interest in the entry on account of a "grubstake" agreement between himself and Whorf, entered into Jan. 17, 1903, and also on account of a location of a portion of the area in question, with other ground, made by Whorf in 1902, which purported location, however, was later, and prior to the present location abandoned. It was also suggested that one Jules Redelsheimer was interested to some extent in said entry. The land office directed that proceedings be had in the case in accordance with the circular of Jan. 3, 1911, on the charges that Whorf did not locate and file upon the land embraced in his entry in good faith; that the entry was made pursuant to an unlawful agreement with Levy; that prior to the application for patent Whorf sold and released, by quit claim, deed dated July 29, 1907, to Jules Redelsheimer, the land embraced in the entry and thereafter, in violation of law, filed application for patent in his own name.

A hearing was had before the chief of the field department, in Seattle,

Sept. 18, 1912, at which Whorf, Redelsheimer, Levy, and other, testified. The evidence adduced showed that the only interest Redelsheimer had in the claim is that of a mortgage, it being shown that he loaned the money to Whorf which was used in paying for the land and in developing and equipping the claim.

Conceding, however, that the entry was made in the interest of one or both of said parties, it nevertheless appears that each is qualified to make entry under the coal land laws. The decision quotes from the case of the United States vs. Colorado Anthracite Company—"while the coal land law does not expressly prohibit an entry by one person for the benefit of another, it does limit the quantity of land that may be acquired thereunder by one person to 160 acres and the quantity that may be acquired by an association of persons to 320 acres, and in exceptional instances, 640 acres."

The entry here in question embraces but a trifle more than 65 acres of land—less than might be entered by an individual and necessarily less than might be entered by an association of qualified individuals.

Under the circumstances it is not necessary to give further consideration to the possible rights of Levy or Redelsheimer in the premises, both being shown to be qualified entrymen under the coal land laws. The claims asserted by Levy should come before a court of equity. The department believes that the entry should be passed to patent in Whorf's name. The decision is signed by Samuel Adams, First Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

APPELLATE COURT ON COAL ENTRY

For the information of the local land office a copy of the decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals of the Eight Circuit in the case of the United States vs. the Home Coal and Coke Company, and the Baidy Coal Company, was received by the local offices yesterday.

The area involved is coal lands in Colorado. The decision in effect holds that an entry of a coal claim may be made by any person for the use and benefit of any other person qualified to make a coal land entry, the only restriction being that of area which must not exceed 160 acres, and that the ostensible entryman does not make the entry by any misrepresentation or deceit or fraud as to the real parties in interest.

RECORD CRIMINAL TRIAL FOR JUNEAU

The trial of Pete Bicchieri yesterday on the indictment charging assault with a dangerous weapon was finished in record time.

The case went to trial yesterday morning at ten o'clock. The jury was secured and the evidence of the government nearly all in by 12 o'clock. In the afternoon the defense had finished and the jury had the case by five o'clock. An hour later the jury brought in a verdict of guilty of simple assault.

SOCCER NEXT SUNDAY
There will be a soccer game at Douglas next Sunday between Treadwell and Juneau teams.

Every thing that will please a smoker may be found at BURFORD'S.

Quartz Strike In Nevada

RENO, Nev., Feb. 4.—All Nevada and the adjoining States, are in a blaze of excitement over a fabulous gold strike made near this city.

The strike was made at a new camp called "Rochester," on Netzel mountain, not far from Reno.

A vein has been uncovered which carries two hundred ounces of silver and four hundred dollars in gold to the ton.

Prospectors, miners and all kinds and conditions of men are rushing to the camp.

RUBY LARGEST YUKON CAMP

"Ruby City has five saloons, two blacksmith shops, two bath houses, two laundries, two shoemakers, a hospital, a school, a machine shop, one livery stable and one meat shop. Many old-time Klondikers and a good many former Fairbanks people are there.

"Prospecting is under way on the creeks, but not many streams have shown gold in paying quantities. Long creek is the best, and a number of dumps are being taken out there this winter," says a visitor to that section.

"Ruby is one of the largest towns in the Yukon valley. It is the second in size on the Yukon river, being next to Dawson. Ruby might apologize for not providing more places for humanity to fight off the menace of thirst. Its miserable showing with only five saloons is a sad commentary. Fairbanks has a few more, but they are poorly patronized, and both towns easily are outnumbered by old Dawson and her twenty-four drink emporiums now running full blast."

A. F. Engelhardt, license inspector and collector for the Yukon Territory, explains to the Dawson News that Dawson has eight saloons and seventeen hotels licensed to sell liquors, making a total of twenty-five retail places. She also has two wholesale houses. Roadhouses in Yukon Territory are licensed to sell liquor in summer.

On the Alaska side sale of liquor is permitted only in towns where a marshal is stationed. The Yukon has an extensive police service not maintained in Alaska.

COURT NOTES.

The case against Mary Boyle and both the cases against N. Marino have been put over until next term of court.

Case of Pacific Coast Company vs. John Bolster was continued to April 1, 1913.

Court Sustains Demurrer
After hearing the argument the court sustained the demurrer to the indictment.

Shackelford & Bayless, and Z. R. Cheney, counsels for Joseph Weyerhorst, and Assistant District Attorney Folsom argued the demurrer to the indictment charging the crime of mayhem.

AT THE ORPHEUM

"A String of Pearls," is really one of the most attractive motion picture dramas ever produced. It pleased the Orpheum audience last night.

HOSPITAL NOTES.

Mrs. Gravrock was operated on today by Dr. Sloane at St. Anne's hospital.

Norman Erikson, the man operated upon by Dr. Egginton several days ago, is getting along fine and will leave St. Anne's hospital about next Friday.

ASH WEDNESDAY CHURCH SERVICES

Tomorrow being Ash Wednesday, there will be services in Trinity Episcopal church, as follows: Holy Communion at 10 a. m.; evening prayer, litany and sermon at 8 p. m.

Everyone is cordially welcome. There will be a short choir rehearsal after the services in the evening, all members of the choir are requested to be present.

The Daily Empire delivered in Juneau, Douglas and Treadwell for \$1.00 a month.

Fisher Convicted by His Own Mouth

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Secretary of the Interior Walter L. Fisher was forced to admit today, before the House Committee on Territories, that he had assumed a dog-in-the-manger attitude in the matter of opening up the Alaska coal fields.

Secretary Fisher intimated that this policy had been pursued by him because of President Roosevelt's withdrawal of Alaska coal lands from public entry on Nov. 12, 1906.

The admission of Fisher, which came as a thunderbolt out of a clear sky, was forced from him by Representative Rufus Hardy, of Texas, in a hearing before the committee, of a bill, introduced by Delegate James Wickersham, of Alaska, and Senator Jones, of Washington, to place the hearing of Alaska coal land claims before a court of competent jurisdiction.

In the hearing Secretary Fisher opposed the bill. He said that the courts would not be as liberal in their interpretations as the Interior Department.

Appropriation For the First Alaska Legislature

There is no room for further worry over the expense account of the coming legislative session.

The Governor's office was yesterday advised of the passage by the Senate of the legislative, executive, and judicial appropriation bill containing, by an amendment inserted in the measure in the upper branch of Congress, provision for the expense of the first Alaska legislature.

The total appropriation for the purpose of meeting the expenses of the first Alaska legislature amounts to \$45,260. Of this amount \$21,600 is set aside for salaries of the members, which allows \$900 to each member. The mileage, or transportation, expense of the members is provided for to the amount of \$6,500. An item of \$5,160 is allowed for salaries to employees of the legislature during its session. The sum of \$5,000 is set aside to pay for the printing of laws. An item of \$2,000 is allowed to pay for rent of legislative halls and committee rooms. The sum of \$5,000 is provided to pay for stationery, supplies, and for the printing of bills, reports, etc.

The same general appropriation bill makes provision for the support of the Governor's office, but does not increase the amount for that purpose, although a larger amount is urgently needed for clerk hire, in view of the added duties of that office in connection with the newly created legislature.

RATIFIES INCOME TAX AMENDMENT

SANTE FE, N. M., Feb. 4.—The State Legislature yesterday afternoon ratified the income tax amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Thirty-seven States have now ratified the amendment, one more than is actually required.

J. P. TUMULTY TO BE PRES. WILSON'S SECRETARY

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 4.—President-elect Wilson announced last night that he had selected Joseph Patrick Tumulty as his secretary.

Tumulty has been secretary to Governor Wilson ever since he was elected Governor of New Jersey.

STAR SPANGLED BANNER PROUDLY WILL WAVE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Representative Levy introduced a joint resolution making "The Star Spangled Banner" a national anthem. The bill will pass both houses and become a law at an early date.

QUARANTINE IS RAISED

Today Marshal Faulkner received word that the diphtheria quarantine had been raised in Sitka.

TO JUNEAU PATRONS:

I wish to announce that I am prepared to give prompt and efficient service in delivering coal hauling tickets, baggage, etc.

HILARY MCKANNA TRANSFER Phone Order 5-7 or 55

DRESSMAKING—And sewing by day. Miss Irene E. Smith; address H. L. Sumner's residence, or P. O. box 90, city. 1-31-3t.

FOUND—Gentleman's scarf pln. Inquire Empire office. 21

Job Printing at The Empire Office.

RAISING MONEY TO HELP CHINA

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—The Chinese residents of the principal American cities are raising four hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of outfitting an army to protect Chinese interest in Mongolia against the encroachments of the Russians.

SPLENDID PROGRAM TO BE RENDERED TONIGHT

The concert recital tonight which will be given by Mrs. J. V. Davis, assisted by the best local talent, promises to be a rare treat. Mrs. Davis' ability as a dramatic reader, is well attested, and beside a delightful program has been prepared.

The program will be called at nine o'clock this evening at Oddfellow's hall.

INSANE MAN AT SITKA

The marshal's office has been advised that a man in Sitka named Lee was adjudged insane yesterday.

STANDS BY CHAPLAIN

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Feb. 4.—Profound quiet greeted the reading in the Assembly today of a resolution forbidding the chaplain to pray for legislation pending before the House in his invocations. It was placed on the table, 40 to 30.

W. S. Killingsworth, who announced yesterday, after Chaplain Franklin K. Baker had included in his prayer a plea for a Sunday closing act, that he would offer such a resolution, attempted to explain his position, but the motion to table cut off debate.

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Heifner Talks of Alaska With the President-Elect

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 4.—Charles G. Heifner, of Seattle, called on President-elect Wilson yesterday afternoon and had a long conference with Governor Wilson.

Mr. Heifner discussed the Alaska situation with the President-elect, and particularly with reference to the policy to be pursued in opening up the coal lands of Alaska, and conservation.

President-elect Wilson said after the conference that Mr. Heifner's mission chiefly to arrange for conferences after the inauguration.

Mr. Heifner was Governor Wilson's personal representative on the Pacific Coast during his campaign for the presidential election, and he is said to have the full confidence of the President-elect.

Taft Inspects the Report of Railroad Commission

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—President Taft worked all day yesterday inspecting the report of the Alaska Railroad Commission. He made voluminous notes which will be used in the preparation of a message which he will probably send to the Congress during the current week.

It is understood that as soon as President Taft's message is published he will go over the situation with President-elect Wilson.

A number of Alaskans, now in Washington, will leave for Trenton within a short time to have a talk with Governor Wilson, over matters relating to the Territory.

BALKAN WAR HAS BEEN RESUMED

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Chronicle telegraphs his paper that the Balkan war has been resumed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 4.—It has been officially announced that hostilities were resumed at seven o'clock last night at Adrianople and Tchatalja. Shortly after seven o'clock the Balkan allies opened the bombardment upon Adrianople.

SOPIA, Bulgaria, Feb. 4.—The bombardment of Adrianople began an hour after the expiration of the armistice.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—It has been evident that the allies were reluctant to resort to a resumption of hostilities, probably due to their failure to arrange the difficulty with Roumania, which it is believed, has not been settled.

RYAN IS RELEASED; BAIL OF \$70,000

LEAVENWORTH, Kas., Feb. 4.—Frank M. Ryan, president of the International Union of Bridge and Structural Ironworkers' one of the convicted dynamite conspirators, was released yesterday, bail having been furnished to the amount of \$70,000.

LAW TO COLLECT THE INCOME TAX

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Democratic leaders in Congress say that a bill will be passed at the special session of Congress making provision for the levying of an income tax in compliance with the terms of the constitutional amendment which has received the ratification of the States.

REDUCTION OF PARCEL POST CHARGES URGED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Postmaster-General Hitchcock in a report suggests the reduction of parcel post charges and the increase of the weight limit.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—It is announced that President Taft will proclaim the income tax amendment as a part of the Constitution of the United States, as soon as the State Department receives official notice that it has been ratified by three-fourths of the States.

MME. BERNHARDT COMING TO ALASKA

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—"De-lighted," exclaimed Sara Bernhardt, the veteran French actress, when she was informed that Juneau and Ketchikan, and Prince Rupert, B. C., had all made bids for her appearance in those towns.

Madame Bernhardt added she would go to Alaska and fill a series of performances as soon as she had closed her engagement in San Francisco.

FAMOUS NOVELIST IS DEAD IN ENGLAND

ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 4.—A cablegram received here announces the death of Anne Warner French, the well-known American novelist. Mrs. French died at a winter resort in the south of England.

GENERAL OROZCO IS REPORTED AS BEING DEAD

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—Dispatches from Northern Mexico says that General Pascual Orozco, Jr., the rebel leader, is dead. It is believed here that the report is authentic. His wife, who resides here has not heard from him in seven months.

A SNAP!

FOR SALE—One 3½-inch Stud-baker wagon, gear only. ALSO, one black mare, seven years old. Inquire FEMMER & RITTER 1-28-6t.

DELAWARE LIKEWISE RATIFIES INCOME TAX

DOVER, Feb. 4.—The thirty-eighth State to ratify the income tax amendment to the federal constitution is Delaware, the Legislature having ratified the amendment last night.

JACK JOHNSON TO BE TRIED AT ONCE

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—United States District Attorney James H. Wilkerson has announced that he will immediately begin the prosecution of Jack Johnson, under the Mann Act, or the "white slave" law, as it is commonly known.

The District Attorney's decision to prosecute Johnson, is the result of the decision of the United States Supreme Court, affirming the decision of the Court of Appeals which refused to admit Johnson to bail.

ZAPATISTAS KILL TWENTY-FIVE MEXICAN SOLDIERS

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 4.—The followers of General Zapata attacked a passenger train yesterday, bound for Ozuamba, killing twenty-five federal soldiers.

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