

## STRONG STANDS FOR UNITED ALASKA

### Condemnation, Taxation and Building Ordinances In

The city council held an adjourned meeting last night which lasted well on toward the midnight hour. Three long ordinances were introduced and subjected to their first reading. The first to be read was the taxation ordinance which was followed by the new building ordinance, and then the condemnation ordinance of Front and Franklin streets. Other matters claiming attention were the report of the school board relative to the raising of funds for erecting the new school building; reports from the City Engineer and some minor routine business.

#### Taxation Ordinance.

The new taxation ordinance is a very lengthy but clearly expressed document dealing with all the taxable properties coming under the authority of the city. The ordinance follows somewhat the lines of the old law but has deviated in accordance with the powers granted through the enactment of a statute by the legislature in relation to the collection of delinquent taxes. There is a change of date also when taxes become delinquent and when the last hearing will be held by the city council sitting as a board of equalization.

#### Building Ordinance.

The new building ordinance provides for regulations modeled somewhat after those of Seattle and larger cities but is rather flexible in parts and would of necessity have to be changed to meet changed conditions. Buildings are classified according to the proposed ordinance and bounds set in which each class may be erected. Architect Josephans and City Engineer Blakeslee took part in the discussion of the ordinance and

some material changes were suggested which will go in as amendments before the ordinance is passed.

#### Franklin Street Corner

The condemnation ordinance was drawn exactly in accordance with the proposal as approved by the referendum vote on the matter of straightening out the street lines of Front and Franklin streets at their intersection. The subject was thoroughly thrashed out. Councilman Marshall, who drew the ordinance, said that he did not provide for the repeal of ordinance 69 because the city would stand on the condemnation made by this ordinance, which had been upheld by the courts.

#### Routine Matters.

The city council authorized and instructed the Mayor and City Clerk to endorse the warrants issued for the purchase of the property for school purposes.

The City Engineer reported that B. L. Thane had presented the City of Juneau with a rock crusher valued at \$1,700. The council passed a vote of thanks to Mr. Thane.

The City Engineer also reported on several sewer investigations and the orders for changes are being complied with.

E. R. Jaeger addressed the council in relation to the stairs on Rawn alley and stated that they were in bad repair. The matter was referred to the street committee.

Tom Radonich called attention to the condition of the ball grounds and said that the seats were not safe.

A representative of the Denny-Renton Brick and Clay Company appeared and offered to submit to test a block of sewer pipe. It will probably be tried on the block between Third and Fourth on Seward street.

### CASE BUILDING IS NOW MODERN

The Case building at the corner of Main and Front Street has just received a second coat of white paint making the building stand out like a marble monument. The interior finish has all been remodelled and renovated until it stands today one of the handsomest and most comfortable buildings in town.

The upper floor is occupied in front by the dental parlors of Dr. Averil, and by Dr. P. J. Mahone. The after part contains the portrait photograph studio of A. C. Mercer. This studio is probably one of the finest and best equipped in all Alaska. The reception parlor opens from the main hall near the stairs. It is furnished tastefully and affords a pleasing welcome to all who enter. A large operating room with fine light adjoins. Off from the operating room is a dressing room that leaves nothing to be desired. The dark room is DARK and that helps to tell the tale of results obtained.

Mr. Case occupies the entire ground floor to house his immense stock of curios, furs, and photo supplies. The main room contains his stock of curios, baskets and photo supplies. Among the former is a rare collection of allsorts of historical relics, unique ivory carvings, bits of ancient Russian metal ware of hammered copper; the largest and finest collection of Indian baskets in the world, the work of the women of Hoonah and Yakutat, encumber the shelves of this room.

The rear room reached through an arch contains the furs and woven work of Indians that have been gathered from the great empire of the North. The first is noticeable object is a magnificent skin of the rare small white bear known as ursus-comada. This bear is a distinct type, and must not be confused with the albino of the black family nor with the glacier bear. Nearby hangs the skin of a monster glacier bear at least two feet longer than the ordinary member of that species. It has a bluish brown tinge rather than the bluish white usually seen.

A monster black wolf pelt is hanging in close proximity to the glacier bear. And a number of fine timber wolf skins almost cover one wall. The rear wall is decorated with the finest specimens of hand spun and hand-woven Chilkat ceremonial blankets, gems that immediately seize the attention of the tourist and hold it irresistibly.

### Land Office Gives Coal Claimant Decision

The local land office yesterday rendered a decision in the case of the United States vs. James Wardell involving title to 160 acres of coal lands in the Bering river coal fields and about twenty-five miles from Katala. Wardell was given a favorable decision.

The local office decision follows in line with the decision of Walter L. Fisher, former Secretary of the Interior in the Cunningham cases, which was that a coal mine must have been developed prior to the application for patent. The local office holds that in order to profit by the exemption from cancellation of entry within the reservations created by the withdrawal order, that such regulations must have been complied with; and that the defendant has complied with the regulations and did develop a coal mine prior to his application for patent. The decision rests on what may be determined a coal mine. It is held that the mere fact of demonstrating that coal exists in commercial quantities is not sufficient. It must be shown that workings exist from which coal can be taken in commercial quantities.

The case is interesting from the fact that Mr. Wardell has obtained a decision recognizing the development of a coal mine at an expense of under \$300,

while many others have spent many thousands of dollars determining the extent of vast quantities of coal with exactness and in full detail rendering the country a great service but have been denied any proprietary right because they failed to develop a shaft or an opening whereby the coal could be hoisted to the surface before applying for patent, and which neglect has caused a forfeiture of their claims.

The land in question was filed upon October 26, 1905 and located October 14 of the same year. Application for patent was made October 25, 1908 and November 9, 1909. January 10, 1912, charges were filed to the effect that the claimant did not prior to making his declaratory statement, open up or develop a coal mine upon said land. The defendant entered into a stipulation with the government as to the facts in the case from which the truth or falsity of the charges was to be determined by the local office.

The evidence showed that development commenced on the property in 1903 and continued until 1907 and that an expenditure amounting to between \$200 and \$300 had resulted in an open cut from which coal in commercial quantities could be taken and demonstrated that coal in commercial quantities existed on the land.

### Johnson Signs Bill and Replies to Bryan

SACRAMENTO, Calif., May 15.—Before signing the Web anti-alien land bill yesterday, Gov. Johnson sent a telegram to Secretary of State William J. Bryan in which he said:

"We have made the existing treaties of the United States a part of our law. We have preserved every right any foreign nation by international con-

tract has insisted upon preserving with the National Government. Japan prevents the acquisition of land by aliens. California feels that it is its bounden duty to its citizens to do that which the interests of its people demands; that which the conscience of its people approves; that which violates no treaty rights."

### School Board Raises \$26,000 Of Which \$17,000 Is Cash

The school board has secured pledges from the citizens of Juneau for \$26,000 with which to secure the necessary property and build a school house. The cash subscriptions included in this amount and the money advanced on the securities and pledges is now \$17,000. The two banks have each advanced \$5,000 of this amount.

Senator Tripp, who is chairman of the school board, appearing for the board at the council meeting last night, reported that the building and desired to purchase the additional lots. The matter of securing the money for erecting the building and buying the property was reported on and it was shown that \$17,000 in cash was now actually available, and that security notes, or pledges, to the amount of \$26,000 had been secured. Mr. Behrends was present and looked over the plans of raising the money. He said that he considered the personal pledges or residents who lived on and owned their homes here the very best security on account of the moral obligation imposed. He was ready to advance \$5,000 for the immediate use of the school board so that they would not be embarrassed in the work in hand, but suggested that the work of getting

more pledges be kept up. It was not necessary that the pledges should be in larger amounts but it was essential that each home-owner become personally interested in the project. The fact that the legislature memorialized Congress to empower the city to issue bonds to provide for this expenditure was touched upon and reports made on what had been done along this line. A letter from Secretary of the Interior Lane states that he will take the matter up as soon as it is brought to his attention by some member of Congress. Several members of Congress have already stated that they would back the movement to give Juneau the power sought. The school board is of the opinion that as soon as Governor Strong is inducted into office that the matter can be rushed through. The change of executives at this time makes it rather difficult for the retiring governor to take up this new work. It is decided that local funds will be raised on the plan already in force to take care of the movement underway until the relief can come by the issue of bonds. R. F. Lewis, of the water company, volunteered free use of water for the sluicing of the surface dirt from the new property and also stated that he would advance \$1,000 in cash and guarantee \$2,000 in security toward the plan adopted by the board.

### GREAT PROGRESS AT SALMON CREEK

Great work is being done in the Salmon creek division of the Alaska-Gastineau Mining Company's development project. About two hundred men all told are now employed in that division. The basin where the upper dam is being constructed is the storm center of activity right now and more men are being sent to the works every day. It is the desire of the company to have this work progress as rapidly as possible consistent with thoroughness.

A great change has been made in the economy of handling supplies that enter into the construction of the great work. An 8-ton Porter engine has displaced the horses in hauling the tram cars over the railroad from the top of

the hoist to the dam site. Another engine weighing 20 tons, a geared Shay, is now on the way here and will be utilized on its arrival.

The first shipment of Portland cement will arrive June 9. The shipment consists of 500 tons. It will be transferred as rapidly as possible to the location where the immense dam is being constructed.

One of the very largest second audiences attended the Orpheum production of the "Lady of the Lake" last night and was entirely satisfied with the entertainment. Tonight is distinctly a comedy night. One serious production, "Man in the Making," an educational demonstration is followed by three mirth provokers. "Partners for Life," is an Edison production; "Winning a Widow," is one of Kalem's winners; "The Butterfly Net," is an Essany and a good one.

### KETCHIKAN COUPLE WED IN JUNEAU

T. J. McBride and Miss Belle Maner were united in marriage at 7:30 last evening by the Rev. J. B. Stevens at the residence of the groom's parents in the Bean apartments on Main street. Only a few friends were present, including Mr. and Mrs. John Muth, besides parents of the groom. Both parties to the sacred contract are well known residents of Ketchikan.

The groom came to Juneau on the last trip of the Jefferson and has been visiting with his parents. The bride arrived in Juneau on the last trip of the Alameda.

Miss Maner was formerly a Seattle girl but has lived in Ketchikan for some time and endeared herself to the community by her many inestimable qualities and charming disposition. Mr. McBride formerly lived in Cordova but three years ago went to Ketchikan and has for a long time been in the employ of the Citizen's Light & Power Company of that place. He takes a great interest in athletic sports and is considered one of the greatest baseball stars in Alaska.

Mr. and Mrs. McBride will remain in Juneau until after Sunday and then take the first southbound boat for Ketchikan which is to be their future home.

### ACCIDENT TO WATER WHEEL CAUSES BRIEF SHUTDOWN

There was a slight accident at the power plant of the Alaska-Gastineau Company at Salmon creek yesterday that necessitated shutting down for ten hours. One of the buckets in the general pelton wheel became loose and tore others from their fastenings before the water could be shut off. The buckets were replaced by others kept on hand for just such contingencies and the big wheel is again turning out the energy used at the Perseverance mine.

The Lovera Monarch is the popular bit size. \*\*\*

### Battle Gets The Seattle Postoffice

WASHINGTON, May 15.—President Woodrow Wilson today sent the name of Edgar Battle to the United States Senate to be postmaster at Seattle.

Edgar Battle is a native of Texas and a personal friend of Postmaster General A. S. Burleson. He has been engaged in the real estate business in a small way at Seattle for many years, and has never been active in politics. He is a brother of Alfred Battle, a law-partner of former Secretary of the Interior R. A. Ballinger.

The Seattle and Washington State Democratic organizations had endorsed Judge F. A. McDonald for the position. McDonald was first vice-president of the Woodrow Wilson League, and is one of the leading political orators and workers of the State.

### EXPLOSION SERIOUSLY INJURES A MINER

Crillo Nobili, was seriously injured by a powder explosion at the Perseverance mine between five and six o'clock last night. He is now in St. Ann's hospital with a scalp wound and a badly damaged arm as a result of being hit with flying rock. The wounds are not dangerous and the man is having every care at the hospital. He was resting comfortably today. The accident is supposed to have occurred through the man going back after blasts had been fired to investigate a shot that seemed to have failed. The rules and instructions positively forbid this, but men take a pride in their work and sometimes break the rule to avoid leaving a shot unfired. Nobili is an Italian, 32 years of age and has been in the employ of the company since February 10 of this year. He is unmarried, and a miner by profession, but has been working as a machine helper.

### ELKS, NOTICE.

Regular meeting of Juneau Lodge, No. 420, B. P. O. Elks, Wednesday evening, May 14. There will be initiation. E. C. JAMESON, Secy.

### TORNADO KILLS 15 IN NEBRASKA

SEWARD, Neb., May 15.—Eleven were killed and 30 injured in a tornado that swept over this place last night. Four are dead at Tomaro, which, also, was struck.

The towns of Seward, Tomaro and McCool Junction were all wrecked. The damage to property will be large.

### Seattle Man To Inspect Alaska Coal

SEATTLE, May 15.—George W. Evans, a Seattle mining engineer, has been appointed to head a government expedition to investigate the merits for commercial purposes of the Matanuska coal fields.

### THEATRE PICTURE AT GROSS SHOW TONIGHT

In a "Parisian Stage Tragedy" at the Gross Picture Show tonight, the audience is given a view of life behind the scenes of a big theatre. It is a story of two women's loves, with many intense climaxes. One of the scenes shown is a sensational theatre fire, in which hundreds of people take part. The play is in three parts, and stands on a par with any shown this week. Tomorrow the management announces another extraordinary production entitled "The Unwritten Law," from the book of the same name. The "Unwritten Law" was a masterpiece, and made a living book. The Vitascopa Company, of America, has made of it a living motion picture.

### FUNERAL OF MRS. BABBAGE HELD THIS AFTERNOON

The funeral of Mrs. Clara Babbage was held this afternoon from the Episcopal church. The services were attended by a large number of old residents and friends of the family. Interment was in Evergreen cemetery.

For home-made pastry and best coffee go to "U and I" Lunch Room.

### New Governor Will Work For Harmony

Major J. F. A. Stroug, who leaves for the North tomorrow, to become Governor of Alaska, was the guest of the Arctic Club at a welcoming dinner last night. He was welcomed as a visitor to the State of Washington by Gov. Ernest Lister, and to the City of Seattle by Mayor George F. Cotterill. President J. E. Chilberg, of the New Seattle Chamber of Commerce, which through its Alaska bureau, was joint host with the Arctic Club, also made a complimentary speech. In reply to the speeches made, Major Stroug said that it will be his earnest endeavor to try to stop all bicker-

ing among the people of Alaska. One of the striking sentences in his speech was:

"I shall try to knock down sectionalism, and work for a united Alaska." The big dining room of the Arctic Club was crowded with guests, and the reception given to the new Governor of the Northern Territory was enthusiastic. Col. W. T. Perkins, president of the Alaska bureau and an old time Dawson and Nome resident, was toastmaster.

Major and Mrs. J. F. A. Stroug will leave Seattle for Juneau on the City of Seattle sailing tomorrow night.

### STRONG WILL TAKE OATH WEDNESDAY

Major J. F. A. Stroug has expressed a desire to take oath of office as Governor of Alaska next Wednesday, May 21. The information was received today by Gov. Walter E. Clark from Major Stroug in a telegram that reads as follows:

"Telegram received. Would like to be sworn in on Wednesday, day after arrival. Any arrangements made by yourself or committee will be satisfactory to me."

#### Democrats Making Plans.

Local Democrats, who have arranged a plan for giving Major J. F. A. Stroug and Mrs. Stroug a welcome on their home coming, met again last night. A committee was appointed to confer with Governor Clark and the inaugural committee to arrange matters so that everything will move along in perfect harmony.

Juneau school children have become enthused on the matter of welcoming the Strongs and this afternoon were engaged in the practice of songs and drills for the big event.

### CARTER ON INAUGURAL COMMITTEE

Gov. Walter E. Clark has added Mayor C. W. Carter to the inaugural committee that is making arrangements for the induction into office as Governor of Major J. F. A. Stroug.

In announcing the appointment of Mayor Carter to the committee, Gov. Clark made the following statement: "Through a regrettable accident the name of Mayor Carter was omitted from the list when the committee was announced on Tuesday. This accident

arose from the failure to transfer his name from a tentative list containing many names which had been under consideration. I appointed Mayor Carter yesterday morning, delivering the appointment to him in person.

"It was intended above all, of course, that the three members of the Legislature, who are present in Juneau and Douglas, together with the mayors of the two towns, should be among the members of the inaugural committee."

### Former Northern Publisher Dies At Tacoma, Wash.

TACOMA, May 15. Richard Roediger, a pioneer Washington and Yukon Territory newspaper man, who was recently appointed Surveyor General of the State of Washington, died at his home in this city last night of Bright's disease of the kidneys.

Col. Roediger was publisher of the Tacoma News at the time Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane was editor and part owner of the paper. He served as deputy collector of cus-

toms at Tacoma during the second Cleveland administration. In 1897 he went to Dawson where he made a fortune as publisher of the Dawson News. Afterward he became interested in the publication business at Fairbanks. He was part owner of the News-Miner there. For two years he was the principal owner of the Tacoma Tribune that recently was sold to Frank Baker, son of the owner of the Cleveland, O., Plain-Dealer.

### BROOKS GETS GOLD MEDAL

WASHINGTON, May 15.—The Societe de Geographie, of France, has voted a gold medal to Alfred H. Brooks, of the United States geological survey, head of the work of his department in Alaska.

### U. S. S. M'ARTHUR IS NOW IN PORT

The U. S. S. MacArthur of the geodetic survey service, Captain C. G. Quillan in command, arrived in port last night pausing for coal and supplies while enroute to the Cook Inlet country. The MacArthur has been down around Burnett Inlet where a survey was made and two sunken rocks heretofore uncharted were located. The MacArthur will leave for the Westward after Saturday. She will call at Seward on the way up but Seldovia will be the supply base during the season.

Captain Quillan said that it was the intention to survey Kamishak bay during the coming summer. It is expected that they will return to Juneau about October 1. There is a possibility that some survey work will be attempted in Southeastern Alaska after they return.

### SHRINERS SELECT ATLANTA FOR MEET

DALLAS, Tex., May 15.—Atlanta, Georgia, has been selected as the meeting place for the national convention of the Shriners in 1914.

### KETCHIKAN COURT TO LAST ANOTHER WEEK

KETCHIKAN, May 15.—Court will continue in session at this place for another week. Judge Thomas R. Lyons says it will take that long to clean up the work here.

### GEORGIA'S LIST FROM SITKA AND WAYPOINTS

The Georgia arrived from Sitka and way ports late yesterday afternoon bringing the following passengers for Juneau: From Sitka—S. E. Hodge, Rena Gilman, Sadie Gilman, W. K. Rogers, Wm. Ferguson, and C. M. McGrath; from Killisnoo—Sam Johnson, Mrs. Davis, Peter Penamarkoff, H. Moses; from Tenakee—Mrs. Niece, Tule Carlson, Matt West; from Chatham—Chas. Sloan; from Gypsum—Emil Lazar; from Hoonah—Miss Rankin, Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Hillman, George Hillman, David Johnson, Olaf Nelson, and Mrs. G. E. Good.