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CHAS. A. HOPP, K. of R. & S.  
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A. G. JOHNSON, W. P.  
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Lodge meets second and fourth Tuesdays of each month.  
WM. SEUBBENS, W. M.  
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Visiting Brothers Invited.  
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## The Northland

The Latest News, from Reliable Sources, Concerning the Great North. Condensed.

### Information for Everybody.

A "Sook Social" is the latest at Skagway.

A wolf was killed recently just outside the limits of Kotzebikan.

The Ellamar copper mine has resumed shipments of ore to the Tacoma smelter.

The Alaskan says that the people of Skagway expect to see the comet almost any night.

The Tanana Valley railroad has placed an order in the East for six electric motor-cars.

A native lost his life in a snow slide near Haines last week and three others had narrow escapes.

James A. Moore, of Seattle, has purchased the "Magnosite" mines in Atlin. The price was \$75,000.

Willis E. Nowell is now agent for the Alaska Steamship company at Juneau, in place of Ike Sowerby.

A quintette of Cordovaites will attempt to climb Mt. McKinley before the other fellows get there.

An exchange tells of a school for Alaska natives which is equipped with a bath tub. That's the stuff!

"Alaska is chiefly concerned in the rational and progressive development of its natural resources."—Gov. Clark.

"The commission idea suggested by Beveridge is a crazy one."—B. M. Behrends, banker and merchant, of Juneau.

The people of Skagway are so good that it is no longer necessary to hold terms of the district court in that town.

At Nome a little Eskimo child was rescued from the surf by a Newfoundland dog and carried to a place of safety.

The report that P. W. Scharschmidt had resigned as superintendent of the B. Y. N. Co. is denied by that gentleman himself.

A Washington dispatch says that U. S. Attorney Grigsby has been admitted to practice before the supreme court of the United States.

The accumulation of snow on the roofs of some of the buildings at Cordova has caused some of them to give way under the weight.

Philip C. Jackson died suddenly on Jan. 16th, at Sunny Point, of heart failure. He was 50 years of age. The body was taken to Ketchikan.

The distance between Cordova and Katalla may not be estimated by the time it takes mail to go from one town to another. One month is the latest record.

Charles E. Peabody, president of the Alaska Steamship Co., is back at Seattle after a trip to the East. He refuses to divulge the results of his visit.

The Copper River & Northwestern railroad will not make a bid for freight until next season, owing, it is said, to the importance of construction work.

An Iowa paper says it is gratifying to Alaskans to know that one-half of the available land in the United States is situated in the territory where they have made their home.

Herbert B. M. Brown, quartz recorder for the Dawson district, has been notified that he will lose his job for assisting a friend in starting a stampede to the Peel river district.

A special citizens' committee of Dawson is bustling hard getting data to lay before the Canadian railway commission seeking a reduction of White Pass freight rates.

The Beveridge bill, providing for a form of government for Alaska, is now occupying so much attention at Washington that there is danger that our Filipino cousins will get jealous.

And now Major Richardson and his alleged connection with the Guggenheim lobby are to be investigated. However, the manner in which the Alaska road fund is expended has escaped criticism so far.

Manager G. C. Hazlett, of the Cordova Light and Power company, has returned from the States with a steam power plant, which will be installed to help out the water power which fails in the extreme cold weather.

The new Alaska Coast Steamship Kentucky, which upon arrival will take the place of the Bertha, has begun her long voyage from the Atlantic to Puget sound. Capt. F. S. Moore, formerly of the Portland, is in charge.

A number of parties are outfitting at Cordova for the Iditarod. They place no confidence in the reports coming from Nome and Fairbanks, but think they are purposely false and circulated for the purpose of heading off a stampede.

Contractor M. J. Heney, of the Copper River railroad, says that it is now certain that the road will be completed to the Bonanza copper mines early in the fall of this year. From there extensions will be made as the development of the country warrants.

Recent reports brought to Fairbanks from the Iditarod indicate that that section is a false alarm, the pay rarely running more than 6 cents to the pan. On the other hand a large part of the travel promises to be diverted to the Koyukuk by reports of pans found there running as high as \$400.

Frank Watson, the Matanuska coal man, is in Chicago organizing a company to take over the Hatcher quartz property, which he has an option to purchase for \$50,000. The property is located on Archangel creek, in the Willow-creek region, about thirty miles from Knik. The ledge is ten feet in width, can be traced for some distance and carries good values in gold.

John E. Ballaine, of Seattle, has Alaska coal land. He agrees to pay the government 50 cents a ton for all the coal mined. He offers to give a bond of \$1,000,000 to guarantee the fulfillment of his agreement.

Development work continues on the Watson & Snow quartz property in the Moose pass region, near Seward. This monster ledge gives evidence of evolving into one of the great mines of Alaska. The ledge is over thirty feet in width, outcrops on both sides and on top of a mountain, and averages over \$10 per ton across its width.

Dr. Arthur Theakston, member of the Royal Academy of Surgeons at London, the famous frontier physician of the Cariboo and Yukon camps, for a long time mining recorder at Circle City, when thousands of men were there, died at Dawson Jan. 23 from a complication of troubles, aged 72. He wrote the basis of the present Yukon mining code.

A traveler returning to Seattle from Central Alaska is exhibiting the skin of the rarest species of bear found in the North. The skin is of a medium size, very soft fur, almost the color of that of a mountain lion, shading into a dark brown at the paws. The species is known as Ursus Phoenix. It is something like what are commonly called glacier bears, but lacking the peculiar bluish tinge characterizing the latter.

A coffin-shaped automobile, seating eighteen passengers, and built on the lines of some of the old-fashioned stage coaches, has just been completed at Tacoma by the Fawcett Wagon Works and will be operated between Valdez and Fairbanks, Alaska. It has a 65-horse power engine, with a cogged gear of special design and wheels of a character demanded by the extremely hard usage the machine is expected to receive.

The senate has passed the Nelson bill making Alaska a special lighthouse district by itself, and is disposed to consider favorably all the bills which have been introduced to increase the aids to navigation in the waters of the territory. There is some fear, however, that when the house comes to act, it will refuse to make as liberal appropriations as are asked. The house is determined to exercise a policy of economy at the present session, and territories which have no votes on the floor are easy victims of economical notions.—Ex.

The Brooklyn Development company has purchased a stamp mill from a Seattle concern and will install it upon the company's quartz property in the Willow-creek country early next spring. The company is now engaged in running tunnels on the vein, opening ore bodies. This property was found by two Japanese boys, who told John Reckonzone, a member of Dr. Cook's original Mount McKinley expedition, of its location. He located several claims, deeding the Japanese a half interest. They sold to the Brooklyn Development company for \$20,000.—Ex.

And prospecting on Trail, Fairbank and Quartz creeks, in the Iditarod country, and sinking one hole on the first named creek to a depth of 65 feet and finding only a few dozens, Angus Chisholm, an experienced young miner, has concluded to return to the Tanana country.

Steam coal in these waters is striking a higher price and bunker coal at the Vancouver island collieries now costs \$5.50 with the coal companies not anxious to fill the supply at this figure, as a vessel taking bunker coal has to stop loading to trim ship and time at the chutes is lost, says the Seattle P.-I. This advance is \$1 over the price a year ago, and is stated to be a record price. Cargo coal is fixed at \$5 at tide water. The strike of the Australian miners and the scarcity of fuel there has been quickly reflected by conditions on this side of the Pacific. San Francisco conventionally relies on Australia and Vancouver island for its fuel, and John L. Howard, president of the Western Fuel company, which controls the sale of the Dunsmeir coal as well as its own mines at Nanaimo on the San Francisco market, has just returned to San Francisco after a complete survey of the British Columbia mines. Following his visit to the mines, prices have gone up, and now contracts for the supply steamers have been refused, for the present at least.

The Alaska Packers' Association last year packed 1,338,251 cases of salmon and put up 6,537 barrels of salt salmon, an increase of 177,777 cases and a decrease of 2,738 barrels over the pack of 1908, according to the annual report of the association, just off the press. The report states that the association put up 27 per cent of the entire Pacific coast salmon pack. The company's pack was divided as follows: Sockeyes, 159,949 cases; reds, 857,232 cases; Kings, 25,797 cases; Cohoes, 16,860 cases; pinks, 264,758 cases; chums, 13,657 cases. The company operated fourteen canneries in Alaska and three on Puget sound. Current repairs and replacements amounting to \$168,738.08 were made and new improvements and additions to the plants cost \$123,480.55. The present appraised value of the company's plants is placed at \$1,257,486.30, or 27,397.37 less than last year. Two barks, the Star of Holland and Star of Greenland, were purchased during the year at an expense of \$122,500. The association now owns nine ships, nine barks, one barkentine, two schooners, fifty-nine steamers and launches, a total of eighty vessels. The report states that six medical stations were maintained in Alaska for the free medical treatment of employes and natives. During 1908 from the \$9,326,000 red salmon eggs taken in 1908, at the Karluk salmon hatchery, 36,075,000 fry were liberated, and 45,288,000 red salmon eggs taken at the Fortmann hatchery in 1908, 22,785,000 fry were liberated and 53,340,000 red salmon eggs taken. The report states that the association's profits for the year were \$779,728.69. A dividend of \$1.50 per share on the capital stock was declared, payable February 10.