

Historical Society

## PRODUCTION OF GOLD DECLINED

Author of McFadden Bill Discusses Effect on the Country of Reduction of Output

WASHINGTON, D. C., October 18.—In an interview given out today by Representative Louis T. McFadden, chairman of the Committee on Banking and Currency of the House of Representatives, he asked the following pertinent question with reference to the gold situation: "The United States to continue to ignore the problem of gold production, thus permitting the British Empire to gain an unquestioned superiority?"

An estimate of the gold production of the United States based on the output for the first six months of this year indicates that the production for 1920 will be less than half the amount produced in 1915. In 1915 the United States produced 21.5 per cent of the total world's gold output, and the British Empire 62.2 per cent. In 1916 the United States produced but 18.8 per cent of the total world's gold output, while the British Empire produced in excess of two-thirds. Since July 24, 1919, the British Empire has been paying an exchange premium as high as 50 per cent in the gold producers of South Africa, where the bulk of the British gold is produced, while in the United States no assistance has been rendered the gold mining industry. This year the contribution of the United States to the gold production of the world will probably be not more than 12 per cent, about half of that which it contributed in 1915, while the stimulating effect of the exchange premium will probably increase the quota which the British Empire will contribute to 75 per cent.

As compared to 1914, the purchasing power of the dollar in terms of all commodities in 1919 was 47 cents. The gold producer since 1914 had a purchasing power of \$26.67, whereas during 1919 the same ounce could purchase a terms of all commodities but \$9.76. Since the price of gold is fixed by statute at \$20.67 an ounce, the gold producer is in the same position as a person who received the same income in 1919 as in 1914 and finds that a \$2,000 income has shrunk in purchasing power to \$739. This is the principal reason for the decline of the gold production of the United States from \$101,000,000 in 1915 to less than \$50,000,000 this year," said Mr. McFadden.

The United States mine sold for industrial consumption during 1919 nearly \$22,000,000 more gold than was produced from the mines of the United States, while this year the drain on the monetary gold stock will probably be \$100,000,000. The American Bankers Association passed a resolution on October 7, 1919, urging upon the government the necessity of maintaining a domestic production of new gold in sufficient volume to offset the industrial requirements of the state and to make it possible to meet the obligations of this production, the maintenance of which cannot be questioned, I introduced H. R. 11291 on March 22, 1920.

Since the industrial consumers of gold are the only ones in the country receiving new material in the present year, while the general increase in all commodities was 112 per cent in 1919 compared with 1914, it is evident that they are being heavily subsidized. Mr. McFadden emphasizes that the imposition of this excise tax merely adds to the cost and price equation between the producer of new gold and the consumer of gold in the industrial arts, and is free from all monetary entanglements. A free gold market is maintained under the provisions of this bill for the reason that the excise tax is collected on the finished product as sold, and not upon the bullion, which is sold to the manufacturer. There is nothing in the bill which in any way alters the number of grains in the standard dollar, the unit of our monetary system. The bill creates the governmental machinery by which the consumer of gold in the industrial arts may pay nearly the cost of production for his raw material. The stimulus to the gold producer specified in this bill is equal to the excise tax imposed, and is no greater than the exchange premium paid by Great Britain in the latter part of 1919 to the South African producer, whose operating conditions are more favorable.

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## HAND SEVERELY CUT

George Hoare veteran employee of the Treadwell Company, Monday suffered quite a painful accident when he so severely cut one of his hands that it was necessary for him to go to the emergency hospital and have a dozen stitches taken in it. Mr. Hoare was carrying a piece of timber at the granite plant, where he works, when he slipped on the concrete floor. He struck the back of his head and the heavy piece of timber, which he was carrying, fell from his shoulder, striking the back of his hand and cutting a severe gash.

## ALASKA MUSEUM WANTS MEMBERS

Sends Out an Appeal for Members and Funds to Carry on the Work of Institution

The Alaska Historical Museum, now firmly established in quarters at the S. B. Hall in Juneau, has sent out an appeal for funds to support the institution. The purpose of the organization is also set forth. The appeal was given publicity in the best issue of the Bi-Monthly Bulletin of the Alaska Publishing Bureau in the following manner:

The Alaska Historical Association has been incorporated to collect and preserve for the Territory, items of historical and economical value connected with the history and progress of Alaska. It has been noted that the museums of the world have been taking away from us collections which should rightfully remain in Alaska. The object of this association is to collect these items and to build up an exhibit of Alaska unrivaled in the world. As a start, a part of the famous Eschscholtz S. Neuman collection of Eskimo antiquities has been purchased and the balance is under option, although exhibited as a loan collection. Dr. Neuman has had offers for his collection far in excess of the amount for which he offers it to the Territory, but he feels that it should always remain in Alaska. In addition to the Neuman collection, there is on exhibit a collection of the property of the Territory which has been boxed away for years.

The association desires all articles of interest which can be sent to—Indian and Eskimo relics, flora, fauna, minerals, books, etc., in fact everything connected with Alaska. The donor will receive due credit on the card attached to the exhibit.

To properly conduct the museum there should be a yearly income of at least \$5,000. To provide such income and so as to allow every person the privilege of joining the association within his means, the following schedule of membership has been adopted:

- Associate member, without vote in the management of the association, \$1.00 per annum.
- Member, \$2 per annum.
- Family, \$25 initiation, and dues \$2 per annum.
- Life member, with an subsequent box, \$250.
- Patron, \$250 or more. A patron also becomes a life member.

The museum is an institution which every Alaskan should take pride in and which will undoubtedly become one of the great objects of interest in Alaska. Dr. E. Nelson, chief of the Bureau of Biological Survey, states that many of the articles exhibited are priceless. One item belonging to the Territory, he states, is worth at least a thousand dollars. In the limited quarters available in the A. B. Hall at Juneau there are now on exhibit over 17,000 articles. A commemorative volume of the value of the exhibit is \$100,000. Will you help make the institution a success. As soon as the association is on its feet it proposes to publish from time to time descriptive bulletins not only relative to the history of Alaska but also relating to its economic growth.

The temporary officers of the association are: President, Gov. Thomas Rigney, Jr.; Curator and Clerk, Rev. A. P. Kaasvorn; Secretary-Treasurer, Dr. Daniel S. Neuman. Send your subscription to Rev. A. P. Kaasvorn, Juneau.

## HALMS ARE BACK

Mrs. Math Halm and three children, Mamie, Geddle and John, arrived here early in the week and will make their home on Gastineau Channel. They will be joined later by Mr. Halm, who is at present in Seattle.

## BINDOVER RESULT OF LIQUOR CASE

Former Deputy Marshal of Douglas Has Hearing Before U. S. Commissioner Tuesday Evening

At a hearing held Tuesday evening before U. S. Commissioner N. L. Burton in Juneau, George L. Johnson, former deputy marshal of Douglas, was bound over to await the action of the grand jury on the charge of transporting liquor into the territory and having the same in his possession.

Witnesses who testified at the hearing were William Prentice, F. H. Magill, Marshal J. M. Tanner and Sante Degan. The two former testified that in June of this year 49 cases of whiskey were brought from Prince Rupert on the gas boat Iris by them, landed at Douglas and purchased by Johnson. They also said that in the latter part of August liquor was purchased at Prince Rupert and taken to Cape Chason by the Canadian fishing boat Eagle and transferred to the Iris, the boat then belonging to Johnson, and the cargo, 100 cases, landed at Douglas. Prentice claimed that the liquor was paid for by himself, Johnson and others whom he did not name. Both men also testified that 122 cases of liquor were purchased at Prince Rupert in September and taken out of that port on a Canadian boat and later transferred to the Saddle at Cape Fox and landed at Douglas, where they reported that Johnson was among those who helped to unload it. Prentice also stated that he bought this case shipment himself at Prince Rupert and paid for it with funds partly furnished by Johnson.

Marshal Tanner testified that Johnson had admitted to him that he had come from Prince Rupert on the Iris with Prentice and Magill; that there was liquor on board the boat and that he also had had liquor in his possession at his home in Douglas but that it was for his own use and not for sale.

The \$2,000 bail furnished last week by Johnson when he was arrested was allowed to stand until next term of the grand jury, some time in January.

## SOME DANCE

The absorbing topic at the present time is "What shall I wear?" owing to the fact that the Redekals are to give a masked ball on next Thursday evening. This coming event is creating more interest than anything—with one possible exception—that has happened here for some time. So many people have said they are going that it has been decided to have the dance at the Natatorium hall instead of the Sigsbee so that they crowd may be comfortably handled.

There is an indication that the masquerade dance of Thursday night will be one of those old-time affairs that formerly were so popular on the island and everybody attended—when every kind of a conceivable costume might be seen among the makers, from cowboys to admirals and old maids to kula-kula dancers; when the babes in arms were taken to see the fun and took their contribution in the natural way, and the fun kept up till it was time for the men to go on shift in the morning.

## HONOR ROOSEVELT

The Treadwell-Parent Teacher Association is to hold a special meeting next Wednesday evening at the school house. In honor of the birthday of Theodore Roosevelt, the program of the evening will be in the nature of a tribute to his memory. All members of the association and visitors are asked to attend.

## ALL GONE

An order was issued for and given by U. S. Commissioner John Henson of this city yesterday for the destruction of the liquor seized last Saturday by the marshal's office from Mike Pusich of this city. The liquor, since the raid, has been in the federal jail at Juneau. It was poured into the sewer at the jail in the presence of a crowd of onlookers.

## MOVING BUILDING

A. M. Clark, a Juneau contractor and carpenter, has purchased the Stubbing building on Front street from Emil Thors, the former owner. Mr. Clark is tearing the structure down and will erect it in Juneau as a store house.

## FOR CALIFORNIA

Mrs. Jack McCormick, who with Mr. McCormick has been a resident of Douglas Island for many years, will leave on the Jefferson Monday to make her home at Antelope, Sacramento county, California, where her mother now lives. Mrs. McCormick while on her way south will visit for a time with friends in Seattle.

In honor of Mrs. McCormick, Mrs. H. A. Graves entertained at her home at The Pines on Tuesday afternoon.

## BODY OF DROWNED MAN IS RECOVERED

Natives Find Remains of H. H. Bennett at Young's Bay on Admiralty Island

The body of H. H. Bennett, who was drowned near Fells creek on Admiralty Island on August 21 last, was found on Sunday morning at Young's bay by two natives, Jimmie Hanson and John Rudolph. The body was brought to Juneau Monday and a coroner's jury Tuesday identified the body by an electric motor key, a Yale lock key, a gold watch and a pair of hunting boots. The head was missing and the body was a skeleton down to the hips.

The place where the body was found was but a few miles from where the drowning took place and on the same shore of Admiralty Island. The drawing in which Bennett lost his life was a double one, R. P. Norton being his companion at the time. The men were drowned while on a hunting trip in their gas boat "Altabey." They had attempted to go ashore in a small, leaky tender which had filled and capsized. Norton's body was found on the beach shortly after the accident, while all attempts to locate the body of Bennett at that time were unavailing.

## FORMER ISLANDER MARRIED

George Earl Cleveland and Miss Lois Evelyn Tilton were married last night in Juneau at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cartwright. Mrs. Cartwright, sister of the bride, was matron of honor, and Mr. Cartwright best man. Rev. H. E. Greenleaf of the Methodist church performed the ceremony, which was witnessed by relatives and a few close friends.

Mr. Cleveland before going to Juneau to work in the B. M. Behrens bank, was a member of the clerical force of the Alaska Treadwell Gold Mining Company at Treadwell and is well known on Douglas Island.

The bride has for the past five years been employed as a money order clerk in the Juneau post office. The young couple will make their home in the Bishop Apartments in Juneau.

## NOTICE

Water will be shut off south of Bear Creek and West of Second Street from 7 p. m. to 12 midnight for the purpose of cleaning tank.

## DOUGLASS WATER WORKS

## BANK EXAMINER

Stewart Holt, of Tanas, territorial bank examiner for this division, has been examining the accounts of the First Territorial Bank of Douglas this week.

## REBEKAHS' MASQUERADE NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT

You will not be allowed on the floor without a mask. DON'T BE A WALL-FLOWER

A Good Assortment of FALSE FACES WIGS DOMINO MASKS CURTAIN MASKS etc.

## Guy's Drug Store

GUY L. SMITH, Prop. 3d and D St. Douglas, Alaska

## FIREMEN DEFEAT JUNEAU SCHOOL

Alaska Day Football Game Interesting One, Resulting in Score of 45 to 12

The Douglas Island firemen defeated the Juneau High School boys in a football game Monday afternoon by a score of 45 to 12 in what proved, after the first half, to be a decidedly one-sided contest.

The game was played on Last Chance Basin field in Juneau and was witnessed by a large crowd of people from both sides of the Channel.

Douglas started scoring right after the game started. By a succession of line blocks the ball was taken within fifteen yards of the Juneau goal when the forward pass was worked and Bill Manley received the ball, going over the line for a touchdown. Douglas again scored in the first half when Higley was sent through the line for a touchdown. Juneau scored once in this half by a trick play, and the score at the end of the half was 12 to 6 in favor of the firemen.

The next half was more or less slaughter, as by a succession of line blocks, end runs and forward passes, the Douglas boys marched up and down the field for a series of touchdowns, always making their yardage and only losing the ball when a forward pass failed to connect. The Juneau team made one touchdown in the last half.

The field was in rather bad shape, as the sun had melted the frost of the top layer of ground and left it muddy. This in some ways was unfortunate and in others rather lucky, as it made a soft cushion for the men to fall on.

The Juneau youngsters were game although they were outwighed about twenty pounds to the man. They put up a stubborn, uphill fight, that was seen to be hopeless after a few minutes of play. They were gradually worn down until at the finish they were playing on their nerve more than anything else. Vental, captain and fullback of the high school, played a fine game.

The women's team of Douglas was organized one week before the game. "Night practice" was held for several nights in the Natatorium and one scrimmage was arranged in on the Treadwell grounds the day before the game. Some of the boys have never played football before and others had played only one game. They learned quickly and surprised the local rooters by pulling off some impressive plays in a speedy manner. The team was organized only to give the Juneau boys a chance to play one game this season before disbanding, as the school boys had been challenging anyone to play against them so that they could show the results of their several weeks' of training under Coach Phillips.

To pick out any particular star on the Douglas team would be hard. Higley, of course, with his great weight and his get-there tactics, could always be relied upon to go straight through for good gains. Bill Manley, the lightest man on the team, and a high school boy, took the forward passes like a veteran. All the linemen and backfield men played an excellent game.

Coach Phillips of the Juneau team is authority for the statement that his quarterback handled his team in a much superior manner to Graham of the Douglas Island team, but in an aside he noted that the Juneau quarter wanted many opportunities to make gains when gains were needed but not attempting more open plays when he saw that line-backing was futile. Graham, however, did not ask too much of his men, and playing a conservative game, took chances on forward passes and end runs when he knew that he could make yardage by the backing.

Considerable comment was heard as to the roughness of the game. Some of the Douglas boys were accused of being outlaws. It is true that after many of the scrimmages there was a Juneau boy and sometimes a Douglas player lying down, but there is but little doubt that if the heavier Douglas men would have wished to, they could have made the quantities among their lighter opponents much more numerous.

Sheila Brown of the Douglas team and team, was the first casualty, as he strained a ligament in his leg shortly after the game started. Martin Galtwas "busted" up his knee considerably and all the boys lost more or less skin, but all will recover.

## PACKING HERRING

The Douglas Island Packing Company has this week been putting up herring by the famous Utah process, which the company is distributing to the trade under the firm name of the Mayflower Brand. The herring are packed in fancy pound oval tins, especially for the delicatessen trade. The product is said to be by far the best put up in Alaska, with a firmness of meat and a flavor that is all its own. The herring will be packed as long as possible, and after the herring run is over it is the intention of the company to pack clams.

## CUB REPORTER COVERS A PARTY

Writup of a Treadwell Affair That May Get Us in Bad With Some People

Ever an advocate of progress, the Douglas Island News has added to its staff of news writers a society reporter. The need of this was felt owing to the many social events that we feel will be the feature of the winter season on Douglas Island. The first assignment of the young lady was at Treadwell last Friday evening, when she "covered" a party. The story was handed in and as yet we have not decided whether to "can" the cub. If we are not killed for the following, we will let her work another week:

The most interesting event of Treadwell's brilliant social season took place last Friday night at the Brown Stone Front Apartments of Mrs. Freeberg in the way of an announcement dancing party given by Miss Maybelle Izzy Cleary. At the most carefully staged little affair, Miss Cleary announced her engagement to Mr. Leonard Amiable Wright.

The bride-to-be was fetchingly and enticingly gowned in mauve, while her attendants wore a five-carat sash in three colors and shades. No date for the wedding was announced, so that the neighbors may give the customary showers.

The young couple have planned to motor over the snow to Tin City and cross on the ice to Siberia on their honeymoon. This was decided upon on account of Miss Cleary's unsettled condition while on ocean voyage.

It is rumored that this romance was hatched while both were passengers north on the good ship Alameda, after the couple had imbibed too freely of the wine from the ship's port holes.

The hope has been expressed that more of these affairs will take place this winter on the island, and it is predicted that they will with such dignitaries as Gordon C. Mitchell and Glen Oaks to choose from.

Among the guests who ably assisted in the frolic inspired by this happy engagement were Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Abbott, Dr. and Mrs. E. O. Rowley, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Guetz, Mr. and Mrs. Felix Gray, Misses Fairman, Thompson, Stuart, Wilmet, Reese, Kelsey, Cleary, Mrs. Freeberg, and Messrs. Cary, Hjalenthal, Bikanich, Oaks, Wright and Mitchell.

Here is another: "In celebration of their first anniversary the Drs. Rowley had as their dinner guests Friday evening Misses Kelsey, Reese, Cleary and Messrs. Sutherland, Oaks and Wright. Appropriate gifts such as bracelets were given."

## SCANDINAVIAN SERVICES

Scandinavian services will be conducted by Rev. O. W. Herwick in the Lutheran Church in Douglas on Sunday evening, October 24th at 7:30. All who understand the Scandinavian language are invited.

The Hanap was:

Juneau	Pos.	Douglas
Vestal (C)	P.B.	Higley
Fortney	L.H.	Manaling
Jorgenson	R.H.	Stevens
Perelle	G.B.	Graham
Carr	R.G.	Bokanich
Hendrickson	L.G.	Ser
Holmquist	R.T.	Brown, Nelson
Jankensels	L.T.	Anderson
Breit	R.E.	Manley
Beranger	L.V.	Galtwas
Clark	C.	Olson
Juneau High substitutes:		Pen-body, McNaughton, Holt, Shattuck.

Officials—Referee, L. D. Hinder; Umpire, Jack Wilson; Time-keeper, J. K. Lane; Linemen, O. C. Winn and W. G. Herron.

## RAID IS STAGED LAST SATURDAY

Marshal Tanner and Assistants Seize Much Good Liquor on Douglas Island

Mike Pusich of this city was fined \$500 and costs Wednesday afternoon by U. S. Commissioner John Henson for having liquor in his possession contrary to the provisions of the Alaska Bone Dry law. Mr. Pusich had previously pleaded guilty to the charge at a hearing of the case on Tuesday afternoon.

The trial was the result of a raid made from the U. S. Marshal's office on the place of business and dwelling house of Mr. Pusich in Douglas Saturday afternoon. The raid was made by Deputies N. O. Hardy and A. E. Lucy and Marshal J. M. Tanner. The two deputies went to the dwelling while the marshal went to the business house. Two sacks of good whiskey were found by Marshal Tanner, while his deputies found two barrels of blueberry wine in the house and a number of sacks containing about thirty cases of whiskey hid under the house. Various other articles besides whiskey were also found, including some syrup of figs, gin and a couple of bottles of Rainier Beer.

Considerable excitement was evoked by the residents of the city while the raid was being carried on and a number of people followed the truck load of perfectly good booze to the ferry, strung out like a funeral procession, and probably more tears were shed by the procession than are shed at many funerals as some of the oldtimers saw all the good liquor leaving the island.

Mike was taken to Juneau along with the liquor, but did not delay three long, as he was released on \$2,000 cash bail soon after his arrival.

All this liquor was part of what is known locally as the "lost cache," and had only been placed in its temporary resting place a few hours before the raid was made. It is supposed to have been liquor that was brought in from Canada and all first class goods, mostly Old Crow. The whole shipment, containing many more cases, was supposed to have been lifted from a hiding place by parties unknown a week or so before and was listed on the casualty list as "missing." The day of the raid it drifted back—with the tide, perhaps—and that part of it that was confiscated had been placed in its presumably safe hiding place early in the morning of the fateful day.

## WILL LIVE HERE

Deputy U. S. Marshal A. E. Lucy will move over to Douglas shortly, and it is said will occupy apartments in what was the former Weyerhorst hospital. Mr. Lucy was recently appointed deputy marshal for Douglas and will reside here to be on the job.

## ENTERTAINED

Complimentary to her mother-in-law, Mrs. Peter Grayrock, Mrs. Carl H. Erickson entertained some of the ladies of the neighborhood on Wednesday evening at her home on Fifth street. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mrs. Grayrock, who lives at the Perseverance, has been spending a few days visiting at the home of her son, Carl H. Erickson, and family.

## DOUG RETURNING

Douglas J. Oliver, who several weeks ago left Douglas to go to Seattle with the intention of attending the University of Washington, will be a passenger for this city on the Spokane that is due tomorrow. Douglas changed his mind about attending school and will spend the winter on the Channel.

## BIRTHDAY PARTY

There was a party given on Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Elizabeth Robertson in honor of that young lady's fourteenth birthday. A large number of the friends of Miss Robertson were present. Games played and refreshments served. Many nice presents were given to the young lady in honor of the day.

## CLUB MEETING

The Douglas Island Woman's Club will be entertained by Mrs. J. F. Henson at her home on D street next Wednesday evening, October 27.