

NEWS NUGGETS FROM ALASKA

News of Alaska, Taken From the Exchanges, to Show What's Going on in the Great Northland

A new hotel, the St. Francis, opened its doors at Ketchikan on New Year's eve.

George C. Havel was recently elected president of the Cordova chamber of commerce.

J. N. Hansen was recently installed as worshipful master of the Skagway Masonic lodge.

W. H. Brown of Ketchikan was slightly injured a short time ago at that place in an automobile smash-up.

The Skagway public library has been reopened. The Skagway Woman's Club is responsible for the institution.

John F. Coffey, assistant U. S. attorney stationed at Ketchikan, has resigned to enter the private practice of law.

Julius Weinstein, formerly owner of a ladies' clothing store at Juneau, has started a store at Westadine, Wash.

Henry W. Clark of Ketchikan was recently one of the 284 students honored with scholarship at Harvard University.

The Cordova city council has fixed the taxation for 1929 at seven and a half mills on the general rate and five mills additional for sewers.

The latest mail over to Ketchikan reached there a few days before Christmas, when 230 sacks, weighing 12 tons, were received.

Like this fall, in the Hot Springs district, between O'Grady and Logy bays were shot near Chena, Hot Springs. One man shot six in one day.

The Ketchikan business club gave a dance on New Year's eve in the gymnasium in the city hall, where last year. There finished couples attended.

F. A. Douglas for the past three years assistant manager of the New England Cold Storage at Ketchikan, has resigned and will locate at Boston, Mass.

A soldier, a member of the 27th infantry stationed at Seward, has written a song called "The Soldier". It is a song of the north and is said to be a very good one.

LODGE DIRECTORY

Alaska Lodge No. 1, I. O. O. F.

Meets every Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows Hall.
Visiting brothers always welcome.
ELAF SWANSON, N. G.
L. W. KILBURN, Sec. Sec.

Aurora Encampment No. 1

Meets at Odd Fellows Hall first and third Mondays at 8 p. m.
Brothers of the Royal Purple are cordially invited.
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L. W. KILBURN, Sec. Sec.

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Meets at Odd Fellows Hall second and fourth Thursdays.
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MARY GARR, Secretary.

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F. O. E.

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The average daily attendance of the Wrangell school during the month of December was 129.

Melody Hall is the name of a little miniature dance hall at Seward. The use of it is free, as it is run in connection with a soft drink place. The floor will accommodate ten people and the music is furnished by a phonograph.

Tom Phillips was drowned in Lake Nancy, near Anchorage, when he went out on a light raft in search of a hat after it had blown from his head into the water. There was a thin scum of ice on the lake and it is thought he fell from the raft and was unable to swim ashore.

G. F. Kilroy of the Union Construction Company, interested in mining properties in the Kuskokwim country, says that electricity is the coming one. He says that the quartz properties at Ntoun Forks are proving to have high grade ore.

A. X. Grant, newspaper man of Ruby, will start a newspaper soon in McGrath, the town of the Kuskokwim country. The new paper will be called the Kuskokwim Times. Grant will take his printing outfit to McGrath by dog team over the winter trail.

A fire that started between the doors of the Catholic church at Ketchikan was discovered in time by Father Van der Pol and was put out with an extinguisher.

The Seward Republican Club has endorsed William D. Coppensell for the position of United States attorney for the Third division. Mr. Coppensell is a lawyer of Seward.

The Latsche Republican Club has endorsed Geo. C. Habelt for the position of governor of Alaska and Roger P. Sullivan of Latsche for U. S. marshal of the Third division.

Andrew Neland and M. H. Ross, representatives elected from the interior country, traveled between the ends of steel in the Broad Pass country on bicycles on their way to the coast.

Charles C. Chataway, pioneer between surveyor, was killed recently in an elevator accident at Winnipeg, Canada. He had been making his home in that city for a number of years.

A fire at the Peterson ranch near McCarthy caused the loss of all the buildings and the stock on the place, including 29 pigs valued at \$2,000 and a heavy team of horses and harness.

Mr. and Mrs. George Carter of Seward have left that place for Bismarck, North Dakota, and other parts of North America. Mrs. Carter was formerly the well known authoress, Helene Van Campen.

An account of there being plenty of post office boxes for rent in the Ketchikan office, the postmaster has received notice that the practice of putting several people's mail in one box will be discontinued.

Miss Florence Heron and W.H. Juchacz, both very well known young people of Ketchikan, were married at Portland, Ore., on Dec. 25. They will return soon to Ketchikan to make their home.

Having made the trip from Fair City to Anchorage with a fifteen-foot team carrying a Wells-Fargo shipment of \$120,000 worth of gold, Ernest Healey recently left on the *Northern* for the south.

A survey of the damage caused by fire to the Carnegie library at Dawson showed that not so much harm was done as was at first reported. The building is not destroyed and many of the books escaped injury.

Christmas card singers sang on the streets of Wrangell Christmas eve. The singers were preceded in their march through the city by a person carrying a white cross banner with green wreaths and with a tiny light on the top.

Work has started on the dismantling of two units of the Twelve Mile hydro-electric power plant of the Yukon Gold Company near Dawson. The company will ship the plant to Malay, where it is intended to be dredging for ore.

Miss Rosamond Kiddle, singer at a Cordova man, Edwin C. Biddle, recently won the prize of \$1,000 for the best letter written on the play, "The Chama Murder." The prize was awarded by the Los Angeles Examiner.

"King" a dog belonging to a lady at Seward, heard his mistress telling a friend that she was leaving for California and that she would not take him along. He refused to get after that and started himself to death. The animal died just three hours before his mistress took the boat for the south.

The Chronicle Christmas Plant at Ketchikan reached \$162.64. This furnished Christmas boxes for 18 white families, 14 native families and packages for 63 pioneers in the home at Sitka, besides which rent was furnished for a little home for one sick family and coal furnished for three families. A balance of \$292.50 is left over to furnish emergency relief throughout the year.

BUILD IN JUNEAU

L. A. Shaw, who for the past several years has been living in Hoonah, is in the city and will remain for the winter. He will start in a few weeks tearing down several buildings belonging to him with the idea of re-erecting them in Juneau.

BREAKDOWN

A breakdown job at the Healy Duffin compressor room caused a number of workmen to work the old year out and the new year in at that place last Friday night and Saturday morning.

PROTEST FILED OVER THE ORDER

Some Metlakatla People Do Not Want Church Used by Various Denominations

A recent telegram from Secretary John Barton Payne ordering that the Christian church at Metlakatla be thrown open to worshippers of any other denomination under rules that might be formulated by a board of three trustees that are to be elected in the city has caused indignation among some of the people of the town. The following letter and a copy of the telegram was recently sent to the Ketchikan Chronicle for publication.

"Metlakatla, Dec. 28, 1929.
"Editor Chronicle.
"We wish to communicate with your paper to show the public how our beloved church finds itself in an embarrassing position.

"This church was established over thirty years ago in Metlakatla, Alaska, and known as the 'Christian Church of Metlakatla,' under which name it was dedicated before God. It has thrived. This well known building was erected by our fathers and our great man of God, Rev. William Duncan and was dedicated to the use of the 'Christian Church,' one body of the whole population of this community. In October, 1929, another organization was established here, known as the Presbyterian church, by the Presbytery of Alaska, causing a division of the 'Christian Church,' with the result that a small number of our brothers and sisters deserted this Christian church and its building and joined the Presbyterian church.

The newly organized Presbyterian church, cooperating with minor officials of the Department of the Interior, have been working to the end that they might use this Christian church, ignoring the rights of the old organization to use it when so usual. Recently a telegram, addressed to the mayor of this community, directed him to hold an election of church trustees, and also setting forth that the building is under the direction of the secretary of the Interior, which trustees are to see when, how and by whom the church building is to be used.

"Today Mayor Fisher held a mass meeting and the members of church, Presbyterians and the Salvation Army took part. Elvey E. K. Matter of the Salvation Army said his organization would refuse to use the church and will never claim it except by invitation.

"The Presbyterians, however, speaking through Edward Marston, their pastor, claimed the building for their use. At one time in his speech he said they would not claim it and again he said they have equal rights to the use of it and that they would comply with the order of the department of the Interior.

"The Christian Church members are puzzled at the order of the secretary of the Interior. It shows that the members of Father Duncan's flock are not free to say how they shall use the church, or to use it themselves when they see fit as they have done for more than a quarter of a century. It probably is the first time in the history of the United States that a church organization which had built a house of worship was compelled by government order to share it with some other church organization. We have to be loyal to this order until the time comes to settle it definitely, to determine who is the rightful owner.

"We also send you herewith and ask you to publish the telegram from the department of the Interior, having received the permission of the mayor to do so. Yours truly,
"The Christian Church Committee.
"JOSEPH HOWARD, Chairman.
"M. A. HEWSON, Secretary.

BIDS ASKED FOR DORA

Bids for the wrecked steamship *Dora* of the Bering Sea Fisheries Company, ashore on the east coast of Vancouver Island, and her cargo, were requested recently by Marsh & McLennan, marine insurance brokers. The request for bids was for the vessel and her cargo as they are on the Vancouver Island shore.

The *Dora* was beached following her stranding on a reef extending out from Noble Island, British Columbia. Capt. F. A. Horick, who was master of the vessel at the time of the wreck, said the ship is resting on a sandy bottom and he believes she can be saved. Twenty feet of her masts are showing out of the water. She has a full cargo of coal, oil, foodstuffs and general freight, valued at between \$50,000 and \$75,000. The *Dora* was bound for Western Alaska with supplies for the Bering Sea Fisheries Company's cod-fishing stations when she was wrecked.

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CHINESE MUSIC

Captain Jinks favored the basketball boys with a solo that was highly enjoyed by those who were at the games at the rink Monday evening. Many of those present had never had the opportunity of hearing Chinese singing before and appreciated the vocal efforts of our Oriental merchant immensely. Captain Jinks mounted a stool where he could tower above his audience and when the series of sounds which were undoubtedly perfectly good singing in Chinese ceased, he was given such vociferous applause that he graciously accorded his delighted listeners another song, even more elaborate than the first. Then he laughingly bowed his thanks and went back to his business.—Wrangell Sentinel.

SOME MUSHER

Telegraph Creek, B. C., Dec. 12. —Tom and Perry have arrived at Telegraph Creek. A serious accident last August compelled me to abandon the trip West on September 12. Made Idard post October 17, after having traveled 78 miles with a broken bone in the foot and a bad injury near the hip. I have here for Altin tomorrow.

I found the mineral prospects favorable in the Mackenzie region. Regards to John W. McLean and Major Bill Noble.
BURNS, Engineer.

The foregoing telegram, bare of detail as a polished bone, indicates the heroic attitude of Engineer Burns towards troubles that would stir up a flow of fine rhetoric in men of less philosophy or weaker natures. Burns and "Perry," his famous dog, perhaps the most traveled canine of any in the North, are near their destination—Dawson. A broken bone has not stopped the musher—only delayed him—made him travel slower. What would send a easy-chair devotee hurrying to a hospital merely cuts down Burns' mileage. Jack London would have loved to meet a man like Burns.

Burns expects to be in Altin in twelve days, and in a couple more weeks may reach Dawson—if he keeps on coming. Evidently he has followed the telegraph trail over mountain and through valley. He is one of the few men to take this route since the great stampede. It was a trail that broke the heart of many a strong man.

Engineer Burns is one of the hardest mushers in the North. He craves the celebrated Wads. Burns has taken in all the stamps—Fairbanks, Nome, Iditarod—traveled the Arctic coast, up the Mackenzie and Idard rivers, and is now swinging back to Dawson.—Dawson News.

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| 9:45 a. m. | 6:15 p. m. |
| 12:30 p. m. | 9:55 p. m. |
| 3:25 p. m. | 11:40 p. m. |

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| 8:20 a. m. | 5:25 p. m. |
| *10:25 a. m. | 6:55 p. m. |
| *1:10 p. m. | 17:45 p. m. |
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