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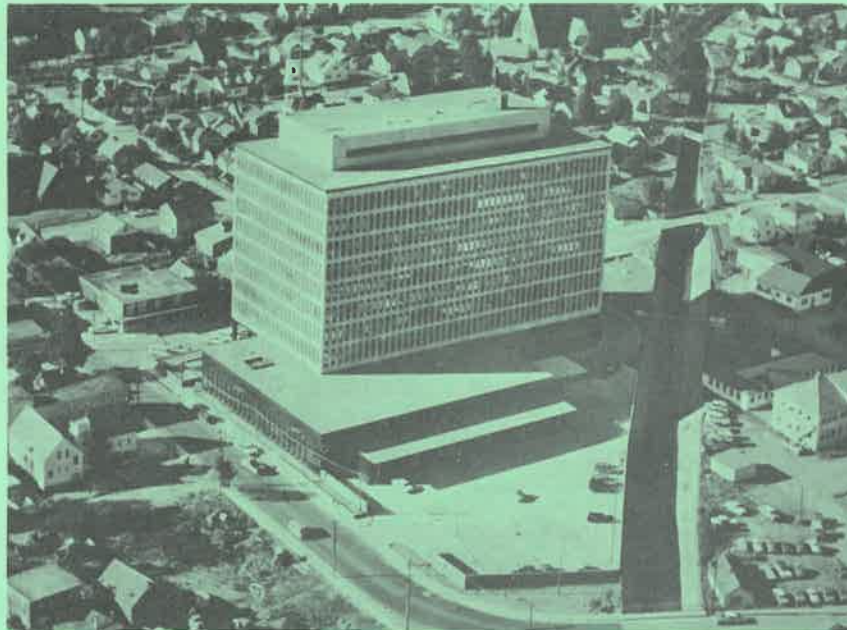
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JUNEAU, ALASKA

January 6, 1967

FEDERAL BLDG. DEDICATION

January 3, 1967
Juneau, Alaska



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In an impressive ceremony January 3, the new Federal Building in the capital city of Juneau was formally dedicated by City, State and Federal dignitaries. The dedication was the kick-off event for the Centennial Purchase Celebration which will extend through 1967.

Construction on the 9 story building began in May of 1963. Completed in mid-summer of 1966 at a cost of over 12 million dollars, is now occupied by 31 Federal agencies with a total of approximately 853 employees. Region 10 offices are distributed thusly: North Tongass SO is located on the second floor in offices facing north and west. The RO occupies the entire fifth floor. The Institute of Northern Forestry is on the sixth floor level with scenic offices on the south and west sides.

Robert T. Griffin, Assistant Administrator, GSA, stated in his dedication address that his office considers the Juneau edifice one of their most beautiful projects, befitting its majestic surroundings.



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Personnel Notes--January, 1967

Glenn Beckman, District Ranger for Kasaan Ranger District at Ketchikan, has accepted a transfer to Region 4 where he will assume a similar position on the Warren District, Payette Forest at McCall, Idaho, effective January 15. Glenn has been on the Kasaan RD and in Region 10 since June 1958. He plans to drive to his new station about January 13 and will be accompanied by his wife Reta and daughter Jill.... Glenn's replacement will be John Standerwick, presently District Ranger on the Cordova RD. Effective date of John's reassignment will be January 15. John and Donna and their five children will be traveling together by air and auto to Ketchikan. He first came to Region 10 in November, 1961, from the Gifford Pinchot NF in R-6 and was on the Sitka RD prior to his promotion to Cordova District Ranger in 1964... Wallace J. Watts, Supervisory Forester on the Wrangell RD, has been selected under the promotion plan to fill the Cordova Ranger position vacated by Standerwick. Wally's promotion will be effective February 12. He was initially appointed to a Forester position in 1956 on the Cordova RD and since that time has been assigned to the Sitka and Wrangell Districts. Wally plans to drive to his new duty station with wife, Carole and two children..... James L. Nelson has joined the North Tongass staff in a Civil Engineer position. Jim is a native of Indiana and received his degree from Purdue University in 1964. This is his first Federal appointment. Prior to this he was employed by the Alaska Department of Highways at various locations throughout Alaska. Jim reported for duty on December 19. He and his family, wife Karma and 4-month old son, Samual, are presently enjoying the holidays with family in Indiana..... James M. Soleim has been selected for reassignment from Region 6 for an Engineering Technician position in the North Tongass Supervisor's Office. Jim will be filling the position vacated by John Garland. He is presently on the Siuslaw NF, Smith River RD at Gardiner, Oregon. The effective date of his reassignment is January 15. Jim plans to fly to Juneau while his wife, Sandra and children, James, age 5, and Lucinda, age 7 make ready to drive up shortly thereafter.

Harry J. Gibson will be reassigned from the Umpqua NF, Region 6, to a Forester position on the Petersburg RD effective January 15. He is single and will be driving to his station via the ferry. Harry was born in Ruston, Louisiana and received his degree in forestry from the Louisiana Polytechnic Institute in his home town in 1961. He has been employed on the Tiller RD since March 1961.... Lloyd R. Rentfro, also from the Umpqua NF, will transfer to the North Tongass on January 15. Lloyd has been assigned to the Glide RD at Glide, Oregon. He will be going into the Forester position at Wrangell vacated by Gary McCoy. Lloyd and his wife, Norma will drive from Oregon to Wrangell. Bill Bay has been selected by the Northeast Forest Experiment Station to fill an Administrative Assistant position at their Forest Insect and Disease Laboratory at West Haven, Conn. Bill's transfer will be effective January 15. He plans to depart Juneau by auto about January 8 with his family, wife, Pauline and four children. Kenneth W. Hanninen, Administrative Assistant trainee in the North Tongass SO has been selected under the promotion plan to fill the position in the RO vacated by Bill Bay. Ken is presently on detail to the Sitka RD and was Fire Control Officer on Chugach prior to his reassignment to North Tongass. The effective date of his promotion will be announced later.... Gerald L. Schauwecker, Civil Engineer on the North Tongass, received a

promotion on December 18. He is currently filling the position Doyle Burke occupied before going on educational leave....Frank J. Rambosek, Highway Engineering Technician on the South Tongass, received a promotion under the agency plan to a newly established HET position. His promotion was also effective on December 18.

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Employee Ideas Pay Off:

Two employee suggestions have been approved during the past quarter. Dick Davis, Regional Check Scaler, received a Certificate of Appreciation and \$50 cash award for his suggestion for improving Form R10-2400-1, Log Raft Receipt. Ralph Bailey, Contract Specialist, RO, received a Certificate of Appreciation and \$50 cash award for his suggestion for eliminating the watchpocket on the Forest Service uniform. This suggestion was approved by the Washington Office Uniform Committee and is optional with individual employees.

Two other suggestions, although not of the type considered for cash award, have received favorable commendation. John Raynor suggests that we equip our small boats with a combination emergency flare now used by the Coast Guard. These signals are available from NAD, Bangor, Washington, under the following description: 1370-309-5027 Signal, smoke and illum, Marine Mark 13, Mod), Distress, day and night. Neil Newlun, Engineer Party Chief, South Tongass, suggests painting tops of survey stakes with flourescent paint to make them easier to locate in the field. This practice has been found helpful in other parts of the country.

Why not write-up that idea you have been mulling over?
Good suggestions can be profitable too, both to you and the Service.

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Regional Office

- Leroy Abel - 23
- Doreen Adair - 21
- Marcus Bacon - 24
- Bruce Baker - 25
- Robert Cooper - 26
- David Crosby - 3
- Dennis Gwyther - 14
- Ronald Hayden - 14
- Ann Pritchard - 31

North Tongass

- Alice Farra - 11
- Carolyn Sanderson - 31

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South Tongass

- Susan Abbott - 11
- Billie Hutcheson - 15
- Ronald Johnson - 3
- Elizabeth Stewart - 1

Petersburg RD

- Ann Bailey - 6

Sitka RD

- Jane Brigg - 28
- John Ruopp - 15

Chugach SO

- Jerry Blair - 11

FOR SALE: 1960 Falcon 4-door Station Wagon -- Good condition. Call F. Stephens at 6-2880.

CHRISTMAS 'ROUND THE REGION

On the Chugach, Christmas festivities and activities were enjoyed by all. To start the season off 36 employees and spouses gathered for a dinner party at The Pines on December 10. All enjoyed the sociability and dancing as the spirit of the Christmas season was kindled. The early date was selected to enable those going on leave to attend. Traveling as far away as Florida was June Harman and family. California-bound were Betty and Ken Osborne. The Harmans returned after the new year but Betty and Ken got back early enough to greet the new year in Anchorage. . . . On the 23rd, all hands met at the Golden Nugget in a festive mood to enjoy the excellent food and fun. To quote the Chugach reporter, "We were pleased to have our new Civil Engineer Bill Odendahl and lovely wife, Joanne join with us at this luncheon. The opportunity was just right for getting acquainted and we welcome them to the Chugach family." . . . The season's festivities were concluded with the entire staff gathered around the SO Christmas tree for coffee and goodies. There was the usual exchange of mystery-type gifts of the hilarious nature and much good will and merriment was evident.

On South Tongass holiday activities were limited to a splendid Christmas party at the Fireside Restaurant. A lovely catered dinner was followed by a program featuring introductions by Supervisor Van Gilst and short skits by the First City Players of Ketchikan, including the talented Angie Mitchell and Troopers Jack and Margot Shay. Bob Stribling and Betty Griffin were hailed as the outgoing chairman and secretary of the Welfare Committee. The evening was topped with an exchange of gifts, dancing and a surprise visit from no less than TWO Santa Clauses.

The North Tongass gang welcomed the holidays with an open house office party amid gay Christmas decorations. A goodie-laden table with chips, dips, sweets, and centered with a large fruit juice punch bowl provided a festive atmosphere.

The Institute of Northern Forestry held a Family Christmas party December 23 in their 6th floor offices for employees and their spouses who were all on hand to partake of the traditional Christmas Board. Tea was also served.

The RO group greeted the Holiday season with a formal dinner party on December 3, in the Gold Room of the Baranof Hotel. The New Folk Singers entertained with Christmas carols and folk songs. Darcy Lockhart and Signe Hurd were among the members of the talented singing sextet. . . . From December 21 to 23, several individual office parties were held in the RO which made for a gay and festive prelude to Christmas.

Ranger Districts. Did not hear from the RDs but rumor feed-back indicates that each area celebrated the holidays in Forest Service family get togethers with the festive gaiety and camaraderie of the season prevailing.

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Carl W. Swanson has been selected from a Washington Office promotion roster to fill a vacancy in the Division of Timber Management created by James Brewer's transfer. Carl has been assigned to State and Private Forestry since January 1965 in the Section of Marketing and Utilization. Carl received his forestry degree from the University of Washington in 1949. Prior to coming to Region, he served on the Boise and Dixie National Forests in Region 4. Carl's promotion will be effective January 15.

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CONSOLIDATED FOREST SERVICE LIBRARY BEGINS OPERATION IN ALASKA REGION

The library operated by the Institute of Northern Forestry (Formerly NOR) is now available for use by all Forest Service personnel in Alaska. Located in Room 659 of the new Juneau Federal Building, the library includes an excellent collection of serial publications, pamphlets, and books on forestry and related subjects.

The idea for a consolidated library grew from the fact that both the Regional Office and the Northern Forest Experiment Station had extensive holdings of library material. By combining resources, we were able to establish a functioning library and furnish all library services. The Region is fortunate in having this wealth of resource information available and it is hoped that all Forest Service personnel will take advantage of its services. Eventually, all library material in the Region will be centrally available, at least through knowledge of each unit's holdings. Soon, the library will begin sending a monthly list of accessions to each unit. In addition, the capacity for inter-library loans will expand. Requests for any service may be made in person, by mail or by telephoning 6-7301.

Joan Scott, formerly a laboratory technician in the Forest Insect Research Project at NOR has been reassigned to the position of Library Technician and is now working in the library. The librarian from the Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station, Maurice Knutson, has made one trip to Juneau to assist in organizing the library and is planning on spending additional time here during the next several months to provide additional guidance.

Everyone is welcome to stop in to see the new library. It is certain that this facility is a welcome innovation of the Forest Service in Alaska and that it will be extremely valuable to our efforts in Region 10.

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Things have settled down in Region 10 after the hectic holidays. We look forward now to the new year as we set our goals and prepare for the objectives ahead.

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A luncheon was held in the cafeteria January 12, to honor Barbara Britt and Myrna Peters both in Timber Management, who are resigning this week to move to the lower 48. Barbara will live in Livingston, Montana while her husband Gary reports for National Guard duty at Fort Ord, California. The Peters' will live in Seattle where husband Jim will be employed. Long range plans for both families are for a return to Alaska sometime in the future.

Joey Thomas, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. (Tony) Thomas, (RO) received a Purple Heart award on Christmas Day for wounds he sustained in action on November 16. Joey enlisted in the army April 28, 1966 and was shipped to Vietnam October 7. He is with a combat engineers outfit at Camp Rahn Bay, 143 miles north of Saigon on the South China Sea... Seen at the Centennial Ball aboard the ferry Malaspina on New Years Eve were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Johnson, Dodie Menig (Chugach), Alice and John Cook, and Jean and Bob Hakala of I&E. Heard that other FS people were aboard but could not spot them in the crowd... Christmas cards received in R-10 included many warm and friendly greetings from retirees and former R-10'ers. Single theme seemed to be, "Sure miss good 'ole Alaska... News Flash!!! January 7th, Marcus Bacon and Danny Eldemar, (darkroom twins) had good hunting on North Douglas Island. Marcus bagged a nice two point buck while Danny shot a very nice doe. Both boys finished the day without getting lost... Sig Olson, (RO), was in Anchorage January 9 to attend a week-long session of state game management officers. Game issues existing in Alaska was the subject of discussion... Thought Tom Acord was missing, but found him in Ketchikan on electronics business... Some nice things happened to some nice people recently, like in the RO when Barbara Mathews looked up from her desk to see her brother standing in the doorway. L/C Howard Lee Nelson had last been heard from in Vietnam where he had been stationed for two years. His surprise arrival was almost too much for Barbara... The Frank Bailey family received a precious Christmas present on December 9 when Kevin Arden arrived at St. Ann's Hospital. Kevin weighed in at 7 lbs. 4 oz... The Sylvan Club will meet on Wednesday, January 18 at the Wickersham residence at 8:00 p.m. All women employees and FS wives are invited to attend and enjoy Ruth Allman's delicious flamed sourdough dessert. Price is \$1.50. Reservations must be made in advance, for same, call Blanch Johnson at 6-1243 or Vervian Hayes at 6-2973... David B. Menig, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Menig, (Dodie, Chugach), was promoted to Army Captain on December 4 in Phu Loi, Vietnam, where he is serving with the 128th Assault Helicopter Co. Capt. Menig, the intelligence officer for the company, entered on active duty in March 1964 and was stationed at Ft. Rucker, Ala., before his arrival overseas last June. ... "Sonnet on a Glacier," by Loren H. Adkins, Jr. (Pop Adkins North Tongass) was state-wide winner of the Poetry Society of Alaska's Purchase Centennial Commission contest. A graduate of Juneau-Douglas HS, Loren is a sophomore in Civil Engineering at the University of Idaho... Bowler, Johnnie G. Garcia, (North Tongass SO) won 4th place in the All City Men's League in singles last month in the Juneau area tournament. JG had a 662 series... Caught the editor crying the other day--seems that no matter how many requests for news items and articles are solicited from the Forests and Ranger Districts, each edition of the NOTES comes out with a dirth of information from the outer regions. Something has got to be done!

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Mistakes Bug You? Try This Formula

Do you fear making a mistake? We pay a heavy price for fear of failure. It is a powerful obstacle to growth. It assures the progressive narrowing of the personality and prevents exploration and experimentation. There is no learning without some difficulty and some fumbling. If you want to keep learning, you must keep risking failure--all your life. Fear of failure breeds timidity. It makes employees hesitate. It encourages them to turn their backs on challenge and innovation. The issue at stake is not failure itself. It is a question of attitude. An employee's attitude can strengthen or destroy him. If he regards each mistake as a setback in his struggles for achievement, this is exactly what it will become--a setback. If he looks on his mistakes as building blocks instead of fumbling blocks, his failures will strengthen him.

The successful employee appreciates the fact that failure is nothing more than a state of mind. He believes that the way to greet failure is not with fear, but with curiosity. Why did the mistake happen? How can I best avoid it again? Mistakes for this employee are guideposts, direction finders in the endless search for the most elusive of all goals--perfection. The sobering truth is that there is more to be feared in not making mistakes than in making them. Sound paradoxical? It's not. The employee who fears making mistakes too much to risk making them, obviously won't make any. But neither will he learn or grow. He will stand still, or slide backward. The status of the employee who plays it too safe will be in greater jeopardy than his more venture-some counterpart.

Man will always make mistakes so long as he continues to strive for some goal.

FEDERAL NEWS CLIP SHEET 10/66

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Friday the 13 was an unlucky day for four members of the Institute of Northern Forestry staff. Jim Patric, John Prokopf, John Hard and Doris Delaney were injured when Jim's car went into a slide on an icy curve at mile 8 and collided with an oncoming car. Considering the extent of the collision they were one fortunate foursome. John Prokopf had four stitches on his forehead, Doris received several cuts and was badly shaken up. Jim and John Hard were also severely shakened.

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Are you interested in developing additional skills for your job or broadening your knowledge? Spring semester at the Juneau-Douglas Community College starts January 30. Registration will be January 16-27. A list of the classes offered this semester is available in the Branch of Personnel Management.

For the people outside of Juneau, check with your local Community College for the opening date for spring semester and the courses being offered.

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The more extensive a man's knowledge of what has been done, the greater will be his power of knowing what to do.--Benjamin Disraeli.

In compliance with Deputy Chief, Clare Hendee's directive,
Region-10 personnel are reminded to help reduce costs!

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