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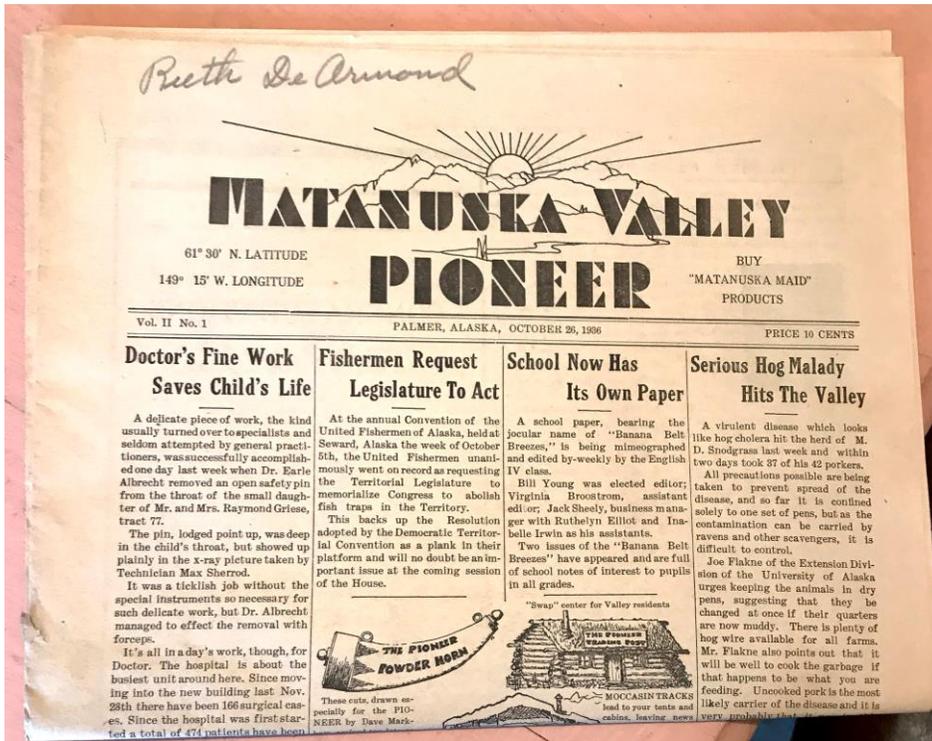
Colony House Museum
 Located at
 316 E. Elmwood Ave.
 In the Historic District
 Closed until further notice due to Covid19
 ptownhistory@gmail.com



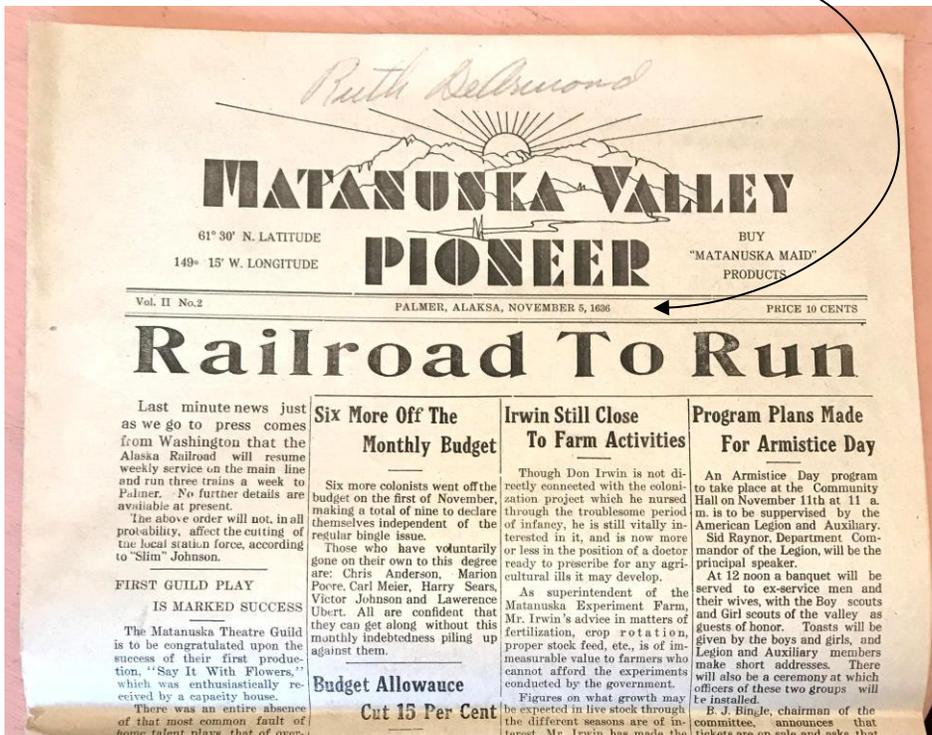
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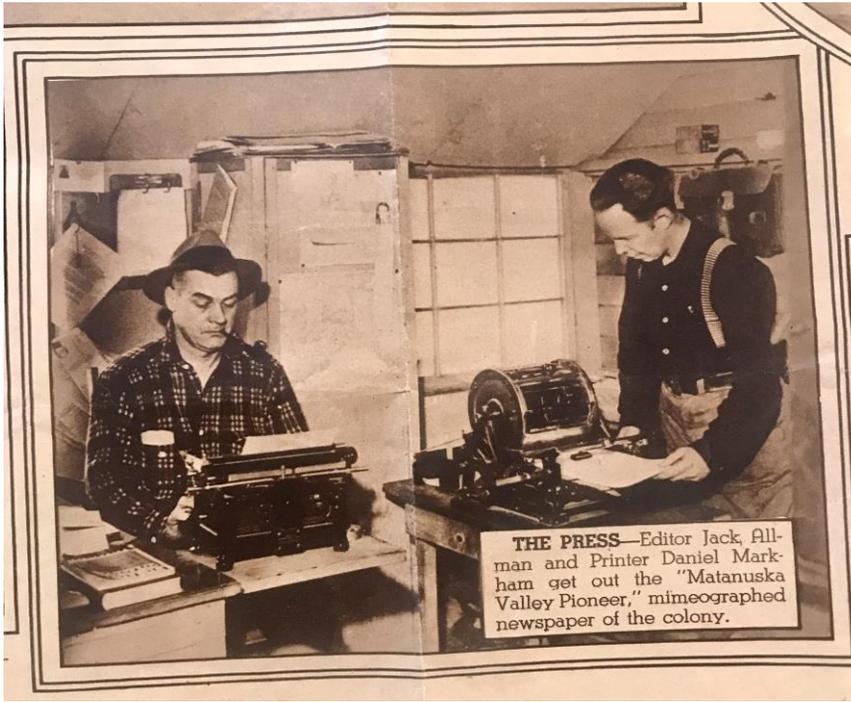
It's so fun & interesting to read through our collection of Matanuska Valley Pioneer newspapers!
 Note the error on this one? →



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The *Matanuska Valley Pioneer* was published weekly in Palmer from August 22, 1935 until December 19, 1936.

Editor Jack Allman and Printer Daniel Markham, shown at left, work to produce the paper.

The newspaper cost .10 each or a mailed yearly subscription could be purchased for \$3.50.

We are fortunate to have this mimeograph machine in our collection!

Do you know there are copies of this newspaper in the Library of Congress?

Tis the season to do some baking!
Why not try a recipe from Mrs. Max Sherrod – it is bound to be a hit! Your kitchen will smell delightful!

Gingerbread

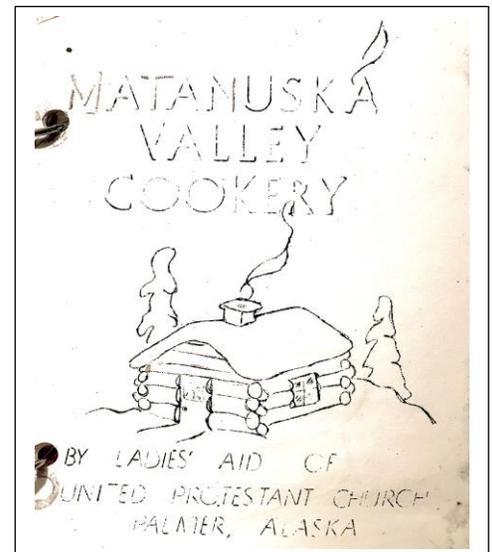
1 Egg	2 c Pastry Flour
½ c Sugar	1 t Cinnamon
½ c Molasses	1 t Ginger
¼ c Shortening	1 t Soda
½ c Hot Water	1 t Salt

Beat egg until light, beat in sugar & add molasses. Melt shortening in hot water & add. Sift flour with seasonings, combine mixtures, beat well & bake. If in individual tins bake 12-15 minutes at 400°. If in layers bake about 20 minutes at 375°.

Recipe taken from a cookbook in our collection –

Matanuska Valley Cookery
By
Ladies Aid of United Protestant Church Palmer, Alaska

Do you know the year this cookbook was published?



We are incredibly grateful to the Loyer family for their generosity in allowing PHS storage space at their farm for the past 20+ years!

It has been a goal of the Board of Directors to move the contents to a new space as our storage trailer has started showing its age.

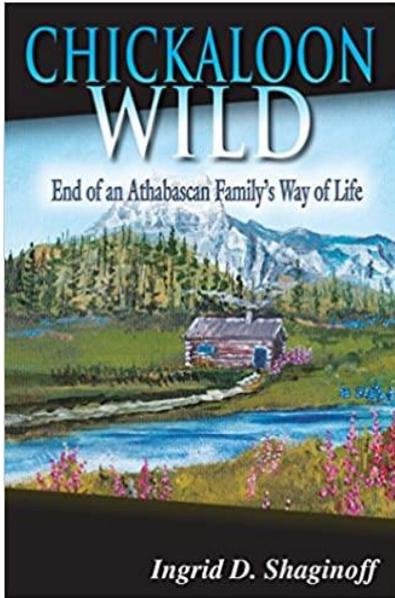
This month we secured two connexes and a spot to put them! We are in the process of moving all the contents to the new space.

Thank you, JD Steel, for supporting Palmer History with your donation of connex space!

We have been blessed with awesome donations from these generous donors

Heather Lampard
Joe and Cheryl Homme
Earl and Rebecca Wineck
City of Palmer
Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion
Post 15
Women of the Moose
Chapter 942

THANK YOU ALL!



PHS FRIENDS RECOMMEND

Imagine living deep in the Alaska wilderness where survival depends on your ability to hunt, fish, and gather. A place where as far as you can see is dense forest, rivers and sparkling lakes, set against a backdrop of majestic, snow covered mountains where the only sounds are those of nature; the caw of a raven, the lonesome howl of a wolf, or the sharp cry of the loon. In this place education means pulling the brush up around your snare to prevent the rabbit from going around it or knowing to remove the scent glands from the beaver before you roast it. It means recognizing and following a track through thick brush. This is the ways of their Athabascan ancestors and the only way the Shaginoff family knew. With the Colonists moving into the Matanuska Valley as part of the New Deal their world is about to change forever.

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A far out and spacey emblem!

Can you guess which treasure we discovered this emblem on when moving items from our Loyer location trailer to our new Connex?



This beautiful tulip tablecloth & stunning 1930's radio are a couple of the wonderful donations we received from Earl and Rebecca Wineck.

I asked Earl for a photo of his hat with the radio. As a young man Earl served in the Alaska Territorial Guard. The Alaska Territorial Guard was a military reserve force component of the US Army, organized in 1942 during World War II. The ATG operated until 1947. Earl remembers listening to this radio as a young man. The 6V battery option was used prior to electric coming out to their Colony farm on Bodenbug Loop.



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Yes! I want to Preserve, Promote, and Protect the History of Palmer Alaska!

Please sign me up! I will circle the level I would like to commit to for 2021

Individual One Vote	\$25.00 per year
Household Two Votes/One household	\$40.00 per year
Patron/Business/Organization One Vote	\$100.00 per year
Lifetime One Vote/One person/No transfer	\$500.00

Name:
Mailing Address:

Phone Number:
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Please check the box if you would like to volunteer in one of the many ways we preserve Palmer History

Cut out form - Please mail to Palmer Historical Society, PO Box 1935, Palmer, AK 99645 or bring to History Night!

THANK YOU for your generous contribution – Palmer History will be preserved because of you!