1. Record Nr. UNINA9910815277003321 Autore Kelly Sheila <1942-> Titolo Treadwell gold: an Alaska saga of riches and ruin / / Sheila Kelly Pubbl/distr/stampa Fairbanks, AK,: University of Alaska Press, c2010 **ISBN** 1-60223-102-8 Edizione [1st ed.] Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (286 p.) 979.8/4 Disciplina Soggetti Extinct cities - Alaska - Douglas Island Gold miners - Alaska - Douglas Island - History - 20th century Gold mines and mining - Alaska - Douglas Island - History - 20th century Douglas Island (Alaska) Gold discoveries Douglas Island (Alaska) History, Local 20th century Douglas Island (Alaska) Social life and customs 20th century Treadwell (Alaska) History Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Introduction: Treadwell at its peak -- Catalyst for Alaskan development -- Treadwell Mines: the story in brief -- An unusual company town -- Company family through boom and bust -- The big Hoistman's boisterous family -- Tough grind of the hard rock miner --View from the mansion -- Labor troubles and the Western Federation of Miners -- The Tlingit: ancient culture meets modern industry --Fourth of July's grand celebration -- Double threat of wind and fire --Intimations of disaster -- The cave-in: rumblings become a roar -- A town brought down -- Reduced to ashes -- Epilogue: the place, the people, the gold. A century ago, Treadwell, Alaska, was a featured stop on steamship Sommario/riassunto cruises, a rich, up-to-date town that was the most prominent and proud in all Alaska. Its wealth, however, was founded on the remarkably productive gold mines on Douglas Island, and when those caved in and flooded in the early decades of the twentieth century,

Treadwell sank into relative obscurity. Treadwell Gold presents first-

person accounts from the sons and daughters of the miners,

machinists, hoist operators, and superintendents who together dug and blasted the gold that made Treadwell rich. Alongside these stories are vi.