

July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 83, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Board of Medical Examiners, effective July 26th, 1915, for the term of two years.

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath of office form. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be forwarded to this office and the other to Mr. H. C. DeVigean, Secretary of the Medical Board at Juneau.

Respectfully,

Governor.

Dr. Aline B. Bradley,  
Fairbanks, Alaska.

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July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 83, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Board of Medical Examiners, effective July 20th, 1915, for the term of two years.

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath of office form. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be forwarded to this office and the other to Dr. H. C. De Vries, Secretary of the Medical Board at Juneau.

Respectfully,

Governor.

Dr. J. A. Sutherland,  
Fairbanks, Alaska.

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July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 83, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Board of Medical Examiners, effective July 20th, 1915, for the term of two years.

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath of office form. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be forwarded to this office and the other to Dr. E. C. De Vigne, Secretary of the Medical Board at Juneau.

Respectfully,

Governor.

Dr. J. H. Mustard,  
Nome, Alaska.

July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 83, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Board of Medical Examiners, the appointment to be effective July 28th, 1915, for the term of two years.

Enclosed herewith you will find two sets of office forms. These should be executed by you, after which kindly forward one copy to this office and file the other with your records as Secretary of the Board.

Respectfully

Governor.

Dr. H. C. De Vigne,  
Juneau, Alaska.

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July 24, 1915.

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Mr. Floyd E. Ryus, Secretary,  
Alaska Board of Pharmacy,  
Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that the Governor has this day issued reappointments to Mr. Edward V. Boyle of Cordova and Mr. William H. Caswell of Valdez, as members of the Alaska Territorial Board of Pharmacy, the appointments to be effective July 25th, 1915, for the term of four years each.

The appointees have been requested to execute oaths of office in duplicate, forwarding one copy to you and the other to this office.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 84, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Board of Dental Examiners, the appointment to be effective July 29th, 1915, for the term of five years.

Two copies of an oath of office form are enclosed herewith. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be forwarded to this office and the other should be filed with your records as Secretary of the Board of Dental Examiners.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Dr. G. C. Hume,  
Douglas, Alaska.

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July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 37, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Territorial Board of Pharmacy, the appointment to be effective July 25th, 1915, for the term of four years.

Enclosed herewith you will find two copies of an oath of office form which should be executed by you, one copy to be forwarded to this office and the other to be forwarded to Mr. Floyd E. Rynn, Secretary of the Pharmacy Board at Ketchikan, Alaska.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Mr. William H. Caswell,  
Valdez, Alaska.

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July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 39, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Territorial Board of Pharmacy, the appointment to be effective July 25th, 1915, for the term of four years.

Enclosed herewith you will find two copies of an oath of office form which should be executed by you, one copy to be forwarded to this office and the other to be forwarded to Mr. Floyd E. Ryan, Secretary of the Pharmacy Board at Kotchikan, Alaska.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Mr. Edward V. Boyle,  
Cordova, Alaska

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July 24, 1915.

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Mr. S. W. Strauss,  
President, American Society for Thrift,  
6 North Clark Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 24 with reference to the International Congress for Thrift to be held at San Francisco August 9 to 12 under the auspices of the American Society for Thrift, and requesting that four delegates be appointed from Alaska who would be qualified to assist the Congress in formulating ways and means for the introduction of greater habits of thrift in the lives of the people of this nation.

In reply I have to advise you that while I am in full sympathy with the objects of the Society, it is deemed inadvisable to appoint delegates to the Congress for the reason that it would be impossible to secure their attendance.

Expressing the wish that the meeting may be productive of beneficial results to the people of the nation, I am

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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July 24, 1915.

Herbert R. Stols, M. D.,  
Executive Secretary, National  
Conference on Race Betterment,  
Lane Hospital, San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the request contained in your letter of  
June 10th I have this day named Mr. O. B. Marston of San Francisco as a  
delegate from Alaska to be present at the Second National Conference on  
Race Betterment which will be held in San Francisco August 4 to 8 next.

Expressing the hope that the Conference will be a success  
in every way, I am

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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July 24, 1915.

Mr. Charles W. Gates, Chairman,  
Executive Committee, Pan-American Road Congress,  
Montpelier, Vermont.

Dear Sir:

I have before me your letter of the 29th ultimo, which was formally acknowledged on the 12th instant by my secretary, in which you invite me to attend and participate in the proceedings of the Pan-American Road Congress to be held at Oakland, California, September 13-17 next, and requesting me to appoint delegates to represent Alaska at the Congress.

I desire to thank you for your kind invitation, but I find that it will be impossible for me to leave Alaska at the time of the holding of the Congress, and I also deem it inadvisable to appoint delegates, inasmuch as it would be impossible to secure their attendance.

Permit me to express the hope that the Congress may be a pronounced success in every way.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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July 24, 1915.

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Mr. Charles C. Moore,  
President, Panama-Pacific  
International Exposition,  
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

I have before me your letter of the 14th ultimo, which was formally acknowledged by my secretary in my absence, in which you state that it is the desire of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to pay a signal compliment to Alaska by designating a special day on your calendar, in honor of one of the citizens of this Territory especially distinguished in statesmanship, literature, art, science, or invention; and in which you further suggest that a committee be appointed to select the particular citizen upon whom this honor would be bestowed.

In reply I have to advise you that while I fully appreciate the honor you would bestow upon the people of Alaska, I believe it would be inadvisable to appoint such a committee or make such selection at this time. Furthermore, the time at my disposal will not permit it being done.

I have just returned from an extensive official visit to various parts of the Territory, hence the delay in replying to your letter.

In conclusion let me assure you of the appreciation of the

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--Mr. Charles C. Moore, p. 2--

people of Alaska for the many courtesies shown by yourself and the  
other officers of the Exposition in their behalf.

Governor.

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July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 83, Territory Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, entitled: "An Act to regulate the practice of medicine and surgery in the Territory of Alaska, to create a Board of Medical Examiners ~~et cetera~~," you are hereby appointed a member of the Board of Medical Examiners for Alaska for the term of two years from July 29th, 1915.

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath of office form. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be forwarded to this office and the other to Dr. H. C. De Vigne, Secretary of the Medical Board at Juneau.

Respectfully,

Governor.

Dr. Curtis W. Walsh,  
Candle, Alaska.

July 24, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 51 of the Alaska Territorial Laws (1913 session), being an Act entitled "an Act to relieve destitution in the Territory of Alaska", the Governor of the Territory is vested with entire and exclusive superintendence of the poor with authority to appoint an Advisory Board in each Judicial Division of the Territory, composed of such officers charged with the administration and the enforcement of the laws of the Territory as he may designate.

In accordance with the authority conferred upon me by the Act in question, you are hereby appointed a member of the Advisory Board for the first Judicial Division of the Territory. For the present no other appointment will be made on this Board. Your attention is directed to the provisions of the chapter referred to for further information and guidance.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

J. W. Bell, Clerk of the  
United States District Court,  
Juneau, Alaska.

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July 26, 1918.

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Mr. William S. Larrison,  
R. F. D. No. 1, Box 88,  
Lucena Park, California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your undated letter addressed to the Governor, which reached this office today, I beg to advise that this office knows of no openings for a millwright or steam engineer. For more than a year past the local supply of labor in practically all lines in this Territory has been quite equal to the demand.

There have recently appeared in a number of papers in the States, items to the effect that there exists in this Territory a demand for help of various kinds, and as a result a large number of inquiries similar to yours have been received. To all of these we have been obliged to reply as above. The newspaper items above referred to were published without the knowledge or authority of this office, which greatly regrets that such misinformation should be given publicity.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1913.

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Mr. H. W. Rought,  
Hanford, Washington

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 17th instant, addressed to the Governor, in which you expressed a desire to obtain a position in some line of agricultural or horticultural work or in teaching.

The Alaska Agricultural Experiment Stations are in charge of Professor C. C. Georgeson of Sitka, to whom applications should be addressed. Only a very limited number of persons, however, are employed in this service.

The employment of teachers in the white schools of this Territory is left entirely to the School Boards.

There is enclosed herewith copy of circular letter form issued by this office for use in replying to school inquiries, which contains, among other things, a complete list of the white schools of the Territory. It is probable, however, that practically all of these schools have arranged for teachers for the ensuing school year, which opens early in September.

Respectfully yours,

Encl.

Secretary to the Governor.

J. J.

July 24, 1915.

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Mr. Frederick L. Hoffman, Statistician,  
Prudential Insurance Company, of America,  
Newark, New Jersey

Dear Sir:

In response to the request contained in your letter of the  
15th instant, addressed to the Governor, I take pleasure in trans-  
mitting to you under separate cover a copy of the Governor's Message  
to the Alaska Legislative Assembly, second session, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1913.

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Mr. John L. Long,  
1908 10th Avenue, W.,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 19th instant, requesting to be advised the date of Notary Commission issued to you in 1913.

In reply, you are advised that the Commission was issued on August 18, 1913.

Before a duplicate commission can be issued to you it will be necessary for you to advise this office as to the length of your present absence from the Territory and whether or not your intention is to continue your residence in Alaska. Your address at the time the Commission was issued to you was given as Fairbanks, Alaska.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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Miss Frances Hook,  
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Madam:

This office is today in receipt of the bond executed by you in connection with your application for appointment as a Notary Public. The bond was approved by the clerk of the court at Valdez on the 17th instant.

In the letter addressed to this office by the clerk of the court when transmitting your approved bond he states that he is writing you calling attention to the fact that a 50¢ revenue stamp must be placed on the bond. It will be necessary to delay the issuance of a commission to you until receipt from you of a 50¢ revenue stamp or the necessary money with which to purchase one.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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*Alaska*  
Mr. H. S. Riley, Manager,  
Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Co.,  
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 21st  
ultimo, enclosing bill of your company for the transmission of  
office telegram of September 19th, 1914, addressed by this office  
to the Clerk of the School Board at Cordova, Alaska, your bill  
covering tolls between Nome and Cordova.

Enclosed is a voucher which has been prepared to cover  
your bill. Kindly sign the same and mail it to this office. As  
soon as the signed voucher has been received a check will be issued  
in payment thereof and mailed to you.

Respectfully yours,

Encl.

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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Captain George H. Whitney,  
Inspector of Mills,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Captain Whitney:

I am enclosing herewith a piece of mail originally addressed by your office to Mr. Harry Markko, Anchorage, Alaska, which was readdressed to the Department of Commerce, Juneau, by the post master at Anchorage. Through an oversight on the part of the post office it was delivered to this office and we inadvertently opened it with our regular office mail.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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Captain Wm. Quick,  
Salvation Army,  
Killisnoe, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

We are forwarding to your address tomorrow, care of the Purser of the "GEORGIA" a package containing some wearing apparel for the little girl regarding whom correspondence has recently passed between you and this office. The articles are:

- 1 pair of shoes
- 2 pairs stockings
- 2 suits underwear

It is hoped these will be found of proper size. In the event the shoes should not be the right size, they may be exchange if returned in good condition. It is believed, however, that they will be all right, though possibly a little large. It is better, of course, that they should be a little large rather than a close fit.

The package in question goes without charge, through the courtesy of the Juncau Steamship Company. The wearing apparel is paid for by the Territory.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1918.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith voucher No. 5 of this date, drawn on the appropriation for dependent children (Chapter 69, 1918 session laws), to cover balance of \$115.05 due to Ines Silviara, of Sitka, Alaska, on account of per diem and expenses in connection with the transportation of Nicholas and \_\_\_\_\_ Charlton, dependent children, from Sitka, Alaska, to Bethany, Glendale, Ohio, under the Alaska juvenile court act.

Kindly forward warrant to Mrs. Ines Silviara, Sitka.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Arthur G. Shoup,

Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Shoup:

The Governor has today approved the voucher of Mrs. Iona Silviara for \$115.05, to cover balance due her on account of per diem and expenses of trip to Glendale, Ohio, in charge of the Chariton children. I have requested Secretary Davidson to forward the warrant direct to Mrs. Silviara.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 27, 1915.

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Sirs

Under the provisions of Chapter 42, Session Laws of Alaska, 1913, being an act providing for the registration and restriction of communicable diseases, you are hereby appointed Assistant Commissioner of Health for the Fourth Judicial Division of Alaska, with headquarters at Fairbanks, to succeed Dr. H. F. Hall, who has been duly advised.

The 1915 session of the legislature appropriated the sum of \$2,500 for the enforcement of the act above referred to. Owing to the small amount of the appropriation it is advisable that the Assistant Commissioners of Health communicate with this office before incurring any expense.

At your earliest convenience kindly inform us as to whether you will accept the appointment herein tendered.

Respectfully yours,

Governor, ex officio Commissioner of Public Health.

Dr. W. G. Casselle,

Fairbanks, Alaska.

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Dr. H. F. Hall,

Fairbanks, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that I have this day named  
Dr. W. G. Cassole, of Fairbanks, to succeed you as Assistant  
Commissioner of Health for the Fourth Judicial Division of  
Alaska, under the provisions of Chapter 42, 1913 Session Laws.

Respectfully yours,

Governor, ex officio Commissioner  
of Health.

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July 27, 1915.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith  
the June expense account of Territorial Mine Inspector Maloney,  
which has been approved by the Governor in the sum of \$259.75.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,

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July 27, 1915.

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Miss Vanda R. Coffey,  
308 W. Sixth Avenue,  
Eugene, Oregon

Dear Madam:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter endorsing Mr. F. X. Karrer for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that an appointment to this position will be made from Alaska, when it is made, which probably will not be for sometime to come, as the law providing for the payment of the salary of this office is now the subject of litigation.

I note what you say of Mr. Karrer's qualifications and have no doubt that he would fill such a position with credit and ability.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

July 27, 1915.

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Miss L. P. White,  
210 24th Avenue S.,  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Madam:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter concerning Mrs. Anna S. Walker for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that an appointment to this position will be made from Alaska, when it is made, which probably will not be for sometime to come, as the law providing for the payment of the salary of this office is now the subject of litigation.

I note what you say of Mrs. Walker's qualifications and have no doubt that she would fill such a position with credit and ability.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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Honorable J. F. Ronald,  
Seattle, Washington

My dear Judge:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter endorsing Mrs. Anna B. Walker for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that an appointment to this position will be made from Alaska, when it is made, which probably will not be for sometime to come, as the law providing for the payment of the salary of this office is now the subject of litigation.

I note that you say of Mrs. Walker's qualifications and have no doubt that she would fill such a position with credit and ability.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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Honorable John S. Jurey,  
511 Lowman Building,  
Seattle, Washington

My dear Judge:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter endorsing Mrs. Anna S. Walker for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that an appointment to this position will be made from Alaska, when it is made, which probably will not be for sometime to come, as the law providing for the payment of the salary of this office is now the subject of litigation.

I note that you say of Mrs. Walker's qualifications and have no doubt that she would fill such a position with credit and ability.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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Honorable Donald A. McDonald,  
Empire Building,  
Seattle, Washington

My dear Mr. McDonald:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter endorsing Mrs. Anna S. Walker for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that an appointment to this position will be made from Alaska, when it is made, which probably will not be for sometime to come, as the law providing for the payment of the salary of this office is now the subject of litigation.

I note what you say of Mrs. Walker's qualifications and have no doubt that she would fill such a position with credit and ability.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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July 27, 1916.

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Mr. S. Simson,  
Nene, Alaska

My dear Mr. Simson:

I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 14th, endorsing Mr. F. X. Karrer for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction.

In reply, I have to advise you that as the law passed at the last session of the Territorial Legislature for the division of the forestry fund, of which 25% was allotted for school purposes, has been attacked as to its validity and a suit now pending in court no appointment of Assistant Superintendent of Education will be made until the result of the suit is known.

In the meantime your letter will be filed with other recommendations of Mr. Karrer's that have been received at this office.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 27, 1918.

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Mrs. Viola Startup Mako,  
c/o U. S. Immigration Service,  
Vancouver, B. C.

My dear Mrs. Mako:

I find your letter of June 25th awaiting me here upon my return from a trip through the Territory a few days ago.

In reply, I have to state that I regret to hear that your husband has been demoted, something I had not heard until the receipt of your letter. I, therefore, am not familiar with the circumstances except as contained in your letter and that of your husband's to the Commissioner-General of Immigration.

I shall immediately take up the matter with the Commissioner and if I am able to be of any service to Mr. Mako, I shall gladly render it.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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Mr. L. F. Protsman,  
Fairbanks, Alaska

My dear Mr. Protsman:

With further reference to the petition of certain residents of Fairbanks, asking that bass and trout fry be placed in two lakes on the government experimental farm near Fairbanks, I am transmitting herewith copy of a letter under date of April 6th last addressed to Dr. Hugh H. Smith, Commissioner of Fisheries, Washington, D. C., which is self-explanatory.

As per our conversation while I was in Fairbanks I am at a loss to understand what has become of the petition and the correspondence with reference thereto, but assume it has been pigeon holed somewhere in the Bureau of Fisheries.

I have this day written to Dr. Smith, asking him to make an investigation, the result of which you will be apprised in due course.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

Encl.

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July 27, 1913.

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Sirs

Under the provisions of chapter 83, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Board of Medical Examiners, effective July 28, 1913, for the term of two years.

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath of office form. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be forwarded to this office and the other to Dr. H. C. De Vigne, Secretary of the Medical Board at Juneau.

Respectfully yours,

Governor,

Dr. Charles A. Vinson,  
Valdez, Alaska.

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July 27, 1913.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of chapter 53, Territorial Laws of Alaska, session of 1913, you are hereby reappointed a member of the Alaska Board of Medical Examiners, effective July 28, 1913, for the term of two years.

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath of office form. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be forwarded to this office and the other to Dr. E. C. De Vries, Secretary of the Medical Board at Juneau.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Dr. J. H. Romig,  
Seward, Alaska.

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July 27, 1918.

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Mr. Paul F. Stanhope, City Clerk,  
Wrangell, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

On June 24th I wrote you acknowledging the receipt of information relative to the town of Wrangell for use in the Governor's annual report, and calling attention to the fact that you omitted to mention the amount of the assessed valuation of real and personal property for the year 1914.

A reply has not yet been received and I am again writing and would ask that you kindly favor this office with the information referred to so that the statistics for the town of Wrangell may be complete in the forthcoming annual report of the Governor.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 27, 1915.

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Honorable Arthur G. Shoup,  
Alaska Pioneers' Home,  
Sitka, Alaska

My dear Mr. Shoup:

Referring to your letter of the 22nd instant, with reference to books, magazines, newspapers etc. for the library of the Home, I beg to advise if you will furnish me with a list of the Alaska papers you are now receiving I shall be pleased to write to the editors of the other Alaska papers, suggesting that they fall in line and put the Home on their mailing list. Will also take up with the Interior Department the matter of securing various government reports for the Home.

I have to thank you for the fifty copies of the new form of application which have been received. With reference to the forms for use under the so called Pension Act, I beg to say that these forms have been prepared and distributed to the various United States Commissioners throughout the Territory. The Governor plans on going to Sitka within the next week when he will take up with the other members of the Board the matter of the enforcement of the Pension Act, and will work out the details with regard to the handling of applications, the issuance of certificates etc. I am sending you under separate cover a supply of the application forms.

The 1915 session laws will be received from the bindery in a few days and I suppose the Secretary of the Territory will distribute them as provided by law. I shall be pleased to see that the Home is supplied with both the 1913 and 1915 laws.

I am glad to know that you are getting the Home in better shape than ever before and have no doubt that through your efforts it will become a credit to the Territory.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 28, 1915.

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Mr. Owen Roberts,

Dundun, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I am returning your application for allowance under Chapter 64, 1915 session laws, with the request that you go before the Postmaster at Dundun and execute the affidavit on page 2 of the form. Since there is neither Commissioner nor Notary at Dundun, the Governor suggests that the execution of the affidavit before the Postmaster will suffice. When you have executed the affidavit kindly mail the form to this office and Messrs. Dehrenda and McBride will be seen with a view to having them certify to the application. It will then be considered by the Board of Trustees.

I enclose a franked, addressed envelope for your use in mailing the application back to this office.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of Chapter 83, Territorial Laws of Alaska, 1913 session, you are hereby appointed a member of the Alaska Board of Medical Examiners, effective this date, for the term of two years.

Enclosed you will find two copies of an oath of office form. These should be executed by you, after which one copy should be mailed to this office and the other should be sent to Dr. H. C. DeVigano, Secretary of the Medical Board, at Juneau.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Dr. B. L. Myers,

Ketchikan, Alaska.

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July 28, 1913.

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Dr. S. C. Shurick,  
Assistant Commissioner of Health,  
Wrangell, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Owing to the fact that Wrangell is somewhat removed from the center of population of the First judicial division, and believing that the Assistant Commissioner of Health should be stationed at the most central point in the division, I have deemed it advisable to terminate your appointment on the 31st instant, and have designated Dr. E. H. Davis, of Juneau, to succeed you, his appointment to become effective August 1, 1913.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

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July 20, 1915.

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Sir:

Under the provisions of Chapter 43, Session Laws of Alaska, 1913, being an act providing for the registration and restriction of communicable diseases, you are hereby appointed Assistant Commissioner of Health for the First Judicial Division of Alaska, with headquarters at Juneau, effective August 1, 1915.

The 1915 session of the legislature appropriated the sum of \$2,500 for the enforcement of the act above referred to. Owing to the small amount of the appropriation, which is for use throughout the Territory, it is advisable that the Assistant Commissioners of Health communicate with this office before incurring any expense.

At your earliest convenience kindly advise me as to your acceptance of this appointment.

Respectfully yours,

Governor, ex officio Commissioner of Health

Dr. E. H. Davis,

Juneau, Alaska.

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Mr. A. J. Cleary,  
724 City Hall,  
San Francisco, California

My dear Mr. Cleary:

I find your letter of June 28th awaiting me here upon my return to Juneau from an extended trip through the Territory.

In the first place permit me to say that I was pleased to hear from you after the lapse of a good many years. I am glad to learn that the world has gone well with you since the Death Valley days, to which, notwithstanding all our adverse circumstances, I still look back to with some pleasure.

With regard to your request that I furnish an article to the Engineering News on the engineering possibilities in Alaska, I have to say that I do not feel myself competent to do so had I the time. I have so many requests of this kind that I have found it necessary to decline to furnish articles on any subject, whether familiar with them or not.

I think, however, I shall be able to interest a friend of mine, who is a well known local engineer, to supply you the necessary data, at least I shall try to do so.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 28, 1915.

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Honorable J. H. Cobb,  
Chief Counsel,  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of July 26th with reference to the complaint of Mr. Hofstead that the Alaska Transfer Company is violating the provisions of chapter 81, session laws of 1915, and stating that the misdemeanor and punishment prescribed is under the general criminal laws of Alaska, which it is the duty of the United States District Attorney's office to enforce and not that of special counsel for the Territory. You also state that an investigation of the facts by health officer and an order issued abating the nuisance must first be made.

In reply, I have to advise you that I shall within a day or two appoint an Assistant Commissioner of Health and direct him to make an investigation, and I shall then ask the District Attorney's office to act in the premises.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Registrar of Vital Statistics,  
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Sir:

In direction of the Governor, I am transmitting herewith for appropriate attention of your office, letter of the 21st instant addressed to this office by the Honorable Andrew Chilberg, Vice Consul of Sweden, Seattle, Washington.

The Vice Consul requests a certified copy of the death record of Eovan Julius Ryden, who died at St. Ann's Hospital, Juneau, on April 10, 1914. He enclosed cashier's check for \$1.00, payable to the Governor and which the Governor has endorsed to your order. Stamped addressed envelope for reply also accompanies the Vice Consul's letter.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 22, 1915.

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Mr. O. W. Kern,  
317 Pacific Building,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

I have before me your letter of July 17th in which you detail certain plans of yourself and others for settlement in Alaska, and in which you ask for the benefit of my exact knowledge as to the proper location etc.

Your outline of plans of yourself and companions is varied as I notice it embraces farming, grazing, timber, reindeer and furs. Alaska is a large country with a variety of climate, and a section of it that is suitable for reindeer raising might not be successful from the standpoint of farming. Reindeer raising is largely confined to Northwestern Alaska, where, with the exception of the Kuskowin Valley, the prosecution of agriculture is as never expected to be a success on anything but a small scale. Trapping for fur-bearing animals, on the other hand, may be prosecuted all over the Territory. In my opinion the best agricultural lands in Alaska are those of the Tanana Valley and the Cook Inlet country. It is in the latter section where the government is now building a railroad from the coast to the Katanucka coal fields, to be continued later to the Tanana Valley. During the past several years there has been quite a large number of farmers settled in the vicinity of Knik and the Katanucka Valley, some of whom, I understand, are meeting with success.

I would suggest, however, that one of your party come to Alaska and make a personal investigation. In this way the different sections can be visited and their advantages and disadvantages investigated. After a full and careful investigation a report could then be made to the others of your party and on the report so made they could predicate their coming to this Territory.

While I am convinced that Alaska is a land of boundless opportunity, rich in natural resources of many kinds, I have never as yet advised any one to come to Alaska with the purpose of making it their home until they had made a careful investigation for themselves. This I recommend to you.

In the meantime if I can be of any further service to you, in furnishing you additional information as to specific regions or

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in any other way, I shall gladly render it.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

July 28, 1915.

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Honorable James Wickorham,  
Fairbanks, Alaska.

My dear Judge:

I am in receipt of a letter from Sam Wittenberg of Nome, who is desirous of securing an appointment to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis.

I have known Sam ever since he was a child. He is an exceedingly bright, industrious young man, of excellent character, and I have not the slightest doubt that he would make good were he to receive an appointment as cadet.

His father, A. A. Wittenberg, is a well known merchant of Nome.

Of course I do not know whether there are any vacancies from Alaska or whether you may have already selected another. However, if not, I would ask you to consider the young man's application favorably if you can consistently do so.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 28, 1915.

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Mr. Sam Wittenberg,  
Nome, Alaska

My dear Sammy:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 10th with reference to your securing an appointment to the United States Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland.

In reply, I have to advise you that I shall do anything within my power in order to assist you in that way. As these appointments are made through the recommendation of representatives in the United States Congress, I would suggest that you write Honorable James Wickersham, Delegate to Congress from Alaska, asking his recommendation for your appointment. I shall supplement it by a personal letter to the Delegate.

Wishing you success in your laudable endeavor, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 26, 1915.

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Honorable John Hays Hammond, President,  
Rocky Mountain Club of New York,  
65 W. 44th Street,  
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

I find your letter of June 12th awaiting me here upon my return a few days ago from a trip through the Territory, and in response to your request to furnish the Rocky Mountain Club a list of certain commercial organizations in Alaska, I may say that I have not been able in some instances to obtain the names of the officers but later shall probably be able to do so. The organizations are as follows:

Cordova Chamber of Commerce, Cordova  
Douglas Island Commercial Club, C. A. Hopp, Pres., Douglas  
Fairbanks Commercial Club, Fairbanks,  
Juneau Commercial Club, H. G. Fisher, Pres., Juneau  
Ketchikan Commercial Club, H. A. Mitchell, Sec'y., Ketchikan  
Petersburg Commercial Club, Petersburg  
Seward Commercial Club, Wayne Blue, Sec'y., Seward  
Skagway Commercial Club, Skagway  
Tanana Chamber of Commerce, B. F. McClure, Sec'y., Tanana  
Wrangell Chamber of Commerce, Leo McCormack, Pres., Wrangell  
Nome Chamber of Commerce, Nome  
Valdez Commercial Club, Valdez.

Faithfully yours,

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Sir:

Under the provisions of Chapter 72, 1913 Session Laws of Alaska, providing for the appointment of a Territorial Mining Inspector, you are hereby reappointed to the position of Territorial Mine Inspector for Alaska, for the term of two years from August 1, 1915.

Chapter 63, 1915 Session Laws of Alaska, amends Chapter 73 of the 1913 Session Laws by providing that the salary of the Mine Inspector shall be \$3,000 per annum instead of \$2,800.

Under the provisions of Chapter 72, 1913 Session Laws, you will be allowed actual and necessary traveling expenses when absent from headquarters on official business, such expenses not to exceed the sum of \$2,500 per annum.

On August 1st or as soon thereafter as possible you will execute an oath of office in duplicate, forwarding one copy to this office and retaining the other in your official files.

Enclosed you will find a copy of Chapter 60, 1915 Session Laws of Alaska, which amends Chapter 72 of the 1913 Session Laws and makes further provision for mine inspection, etc. Among other things you will note the Territorial Mine Inspector is no longer under the supervision of the Federal inspector.

Mr. William Haloney, p. 2-

Under separate cover a supply of copies of Chapter 60, 1925  
Session Laws, is being mailed to you.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Mr. William Haloney,

Barrow, Alaska.

London, July 26, 1915. O. B.

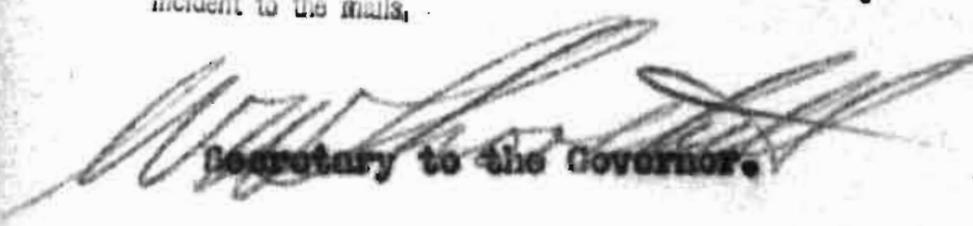
William Maloney, Mine Inspector,

HOME,

Have today issued reappointment to you for two years from August first. Execute oath office and send one copy here filing other with your records. Salary three thousand year, expenses two thousand five hundred.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

I certify that this telegram is an official business, and necessary for the public service, and will not bear the delay incident to the mails.



Secretary to the Governor.

July 20, 1915.

Mr. Charles H. Atwater, President,  
National News Company,  
Boston, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 12th instant, advising the forwarding to him of a copy of the National Security Weekly and requesting an expression of opinion from the Governor with respect to national defense and increase in the United States Navy.

The Governor requests me to say that he makes it a rule not to discuss matters of this kind for publication.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mrs. J. W. Phillips, Vice President,  
Woman's National Democratic League,  
for the State of Washington,  
Seattle, Washington

My dear Mrs. Phillips:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 20th, endorsing Mrs. Anna S. Walker of your city for appointment to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction in Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that the law providing for the payment of the salary of this office has been attacked and its validity is being determined by the courts, thus precluding any appointment to this office.

While I am satisfied that Mrs. Walker would fill the position with credit to herself and benefit to the Territory it has been my policy to appoint only actual residents of Alaska to offices therein wherever possible. Should it develop later that it would be advisable to go outside of the Territory to secure a person for this place, Mrs. Walker's application will receive due attention.

Permit me to extend to you and your good husband my warmest personal regards.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 27, 1928.

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Mr. Arthur Hooker, Secretary,  
International Irrigation Congress,  
Sacramento, California

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the meeting of the International Irrigation Congress in your city and your invitation to me to attend fifty delegates to attend the meeting, I have to advise you that I fear it will be utterly impossible to secure the attendance of delegates from this Territory at this time. I shall endeavor, however, if possible, to secure the attendance of a few.

Thanking you for the invitation, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 27, 1915.

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Mr. Clarence S. King,  
R. F. D. #8, Box 54,  
Santa Ana, California.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 6th, in which you asked for information that may be of service to you in securing a position as mining engineer or in some other capacity in Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that I know of no openings for either skilled or unskilled laborers at this time. The supply of labor of all kinds is and has been for the last year largely in excess of the demand. This has been due in part to a large influx of people into the Territory in the belief that government railroad construction, which has been commenced in a small way, would afford employment for everybody and create business opportunities as well. I, therefore, cannot advise you to come to Alaska in the expectation of immediately obtaining employment. On the other hand, disappointment would probably result, unless you were in a financial position to maintain yourself for some time while waiting for an opportunity to secure work.

There is considerable mining development at this time in the Territory, especially in Southeastern Alaska, and it might be possible for you to secure a position with one of the following mining companies:

Alaska-Treadwell Mining Company,	Treadwell, Alaska
Alaska-Gastineau Mining Company,	Juneau, "
Alaska-Juneau Mining Company,	" "
Kennecott Mining Company,	Kennecott, "
Mt. Andrew Mining Company,	W.J. Rogers, Gen. Mgr., Kotchikan

The above are all substantial concerns.

In conclusion I may say that I heartily sympathize with your case and I regret very much that I am not able to offer you something immediately tangible.

Alaska is a great country, especially in a mining way and its development promises to increase largely in the coming years. However, as you know, in order that a man might connect himself with the mining industry in this or any other country he should be on the ground

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and become familiar with the actual conditions.

If I am able to be of any further service to you I shall gladly render it.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

July 27, 1915.

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Mr. John B. Wenger, President,  
King County Democratic Club,  
319 New York Block,  
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Wenger:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 21st, endorsing Mrs. Anna Elean Walker for appointment by me as Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that litigation having arisen over the Act providing for the payment of the salary of this officer, no appointment will be made until such litigation has been definitely settled, which probably will not be for sometime to come. Frankly speaking, however, if an appointment should be made, I believe that some Alaskan should be appointed to this place. It is also my opinion that we have a number of men and women well qualified in Alaska for the duties of this office.

I do not know of any position now available that could be offered to Mrs. Walker. I do not know whether she would desire a position as teacher in some of our schools or not. However, as the school term begins about September let it be likely that all the appointments have been made.

It is needless for me to say, perhaps, that I shall be pleased to assist Mrs. Walker in obtaining a position if it is possible for me to do so.

With assurance of my personal esteem, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 27, 1915.

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Mrs. Mary I. Engler, President,  
Women's Wilson Marshall League,  
2403 8th Avenue, W.,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Madam:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 23rd, recommending Mrs. Anna Sloan Walker for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction of Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise you that owing to litigation involving the validity of the Act providing for the payment of the salary of an Assistant Superintendent of Education, no appointment has been made and probably none will be made for sometime. In my opinion, however, the appointment should be made in Alaska and not from outside of the Territory, unless in case of necessity.

Your letter will be filed with other recommendations of Mrs. Walker's that have been received at this office.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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July 27, 1918.

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Mr. W. L. Crissey, Secretary,  
Oregon Development Bureau,  
Portland, Oregon.

Dear Sir:

Answering your inquiry as to the improvement of lands in Alaska, so as to make them available for the settler and render him self-supporting from the start, I have to advise you that no action along this line has as yet been taken by the Federal Government, which exercises full control over the public lands of Alaska. In my opinion, some such plan as the one suggested in your letter must be adopted before there can be any general agricultural development in this Territory.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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July 27, 1915.

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Mr. Walter E. Cochran,  
United States Bureau of Education,  
1223 L. C. Smith Building,  
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Cochran:

I have your letter of July 21st, in which you asked to be advised at what time you may be able to see me, either at Junction or Seattle within the next month.

In reply, I have to state that I do not expect to be in Seattle until the month of October next, on my way to the San Francisco Exposition. In the meantime I shall be glad to see you at Junction at any time. If you should come to Junction kindly advise me in advance about what time you will reach here so that I may be at home upon your arrival.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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General Manager,  
Sussex Valley Railroad Company,  
Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Some months ago this office requested you to furnish copies of your tariffs for use in checking the expense accounts of officers employed under the direction of the office. In response to that request we received two copies of your local freight tariff No. 9, but did not receive copies of your passenger tariff. It will be appreciated if you will kindly forward two copies of your passenger tariff.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Mr. William Maloney, Mining Inspector,  
Nome, Alaska

My dear Mr. Maloney:

I have just been checking over your expense accounts for May and June and I note that the receipts submitted with the expense accounts do not begin with No. 1 for each month but are numbered in consecutive order regardless of the months.

I think this matter was called to your attention once before and you were asked to begin your receipts with No. 1 each month. Please do this in future, also please enter on your expense account voucher the numbers of the receipts which cover the various items in the account. This will materially assist in the checking of your accounts.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor, I transmit herewith the application of Mr. John E. Coffey of Hot Springs, Alaska, dated the 8th instant, in which he makes application for appointment as a Notary Public in Alaska. Accompanying the application is the approved bond and oath of office, executed by Mr. Coffey and a sample of his official signature with an impression of his seal and a Wells Fargo & Company express money order, payable to you in the sum of \$10.00 to cover the legal fee for the commission.

Will you kindly have Mr. Coffey's commission prepared for the Governor's signature?

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Juneau, July 29, 1915. O. B.

Shoup,

Sitka.

Forward first mail duplicate voucher covering maintenance incurred  
Here from first division June quarter. Also suggest forward vouchers for  
other divisions same quarter, usual form.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

I certify that this telegram is on official business, and  
necessary for the public service, and will not bear the delay  
incident to the mails.

  
Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1918.

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Honorable Charles H. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith for safe keeping the sum of ten dollars in cash which has been received at this office from Mr. C. Wesley Haskeworth, of Tyndalburg, Alaska, in connection with his application for a notary commission. It is necessary to send a bond blank to Mr. Haskeworth and pending the execution and approval of the same it is deemed advisable to turn the fee over to you, as there is no safe in this office.

A letter is being sent to Mr. Haskeworth, with bond blank and instructions, today.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1918.

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Mr. C. Wesley Haskeworth,  
Hydaburg, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 20th instant, addressed to the Governor, transmitting the sum of ten dollars in cash and requesting to be appointed a notary public for Alaska.

Herewith find a bond blank, on the back of which will be found an oath of office form. The bond and oath should be executed by you, and you should have one or more sureties on the bond. When the bond has been completed and the oath executed you should forward the same to the Clerk of the U. S. Court at Juneau for his approval of the bond. To save time it would be well for you to request the Clerk to send the approved bond direct to this office instead of returning it to you. Upon receipt of the approved bond a commission will be issued to you.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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July 29, 1918.

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Mr. W. H. Packard,  
2208 W. Pine Street,  
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 18th instant, addressed to the Governor, in which you request information regarding labor conditions in this Territory, you are advised that for more than a year past the local supply of labor in practically all lines has been quite equal to the demand, and this office cannot at the present time advise anyone to come to Alaska with a view of securing employment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1913.

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Mr. M. Wolfgang,  
Northwestern Pharmacy,  
1576 Milwaukee Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 22nd instant, addressed to the Governor, I beg to advise that there is no literature published in this Territory on the subject of labor conditions. The newspaper clipping which accompanied your letter is in error as to there being a great demand for laborers and mechanics in many places in Alaska.

For more than a year past the local supply of labor in this Territory has been quite equal to the demand and this condition will probably continue until there is a material improvement in conditions in the States. This office cannot at the present time advise anyone to come to Alaska with a view of securing employment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Mr. J. J. Van Allen,  
629 W. 42nd Street,  
Los Angeles, California

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 22nd instant, addressed to the Governor, in which you refer to a newspaper item stating that good men are needed in this Territory.

In reply, you are advised that this office has recently received a large number of inquiries similar to yours, occasioned by newspaper items published in various parts of the United States, indicating that there exists in this Territory a demand for laborers and mechanics etc. To all of these inquiries we have been obliged to reply to the effect that no such demand exists, nor has it existed for more than a year past.

The newspaper items referred to by the various correspondents have been published without the knowledge or authority of this office and have not been in accordance with the facts. It is to be regretted that so many people have been misled in this manner.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1918.

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Mr. Louis Phaff,  
87 Fifth Street,  
Weehawken, N. J.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 20th instant, addressed to the Governor, in which you request information with regard to the opportunities for securing employment in this Territory, and express a particular desire to secure a position in connection with the construction of the government railroad in Alaska.

In reply, you are advised that for more than a year past the local supply of labor in this Territory in practically all lines has been quite equal to the demand.

With reference to work in connection with the construction of the government railroad, you are advised that there are already more men on the ground than can secure employment on this work.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Mr. Chester Selmonson,  
Fallook, S. D.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your card of the 18th instant, addressed to the Governor, requesting information with regard to opportunities for securing employment in this Territory.

In reply, you are advised that for more than a year past the local supply of labor in practically all lines has been quite equal to the demand, and in some localities there has been a considerable surplus which could not find employment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Mr. J. W. Malloy,  
Carpinteria, California

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 20th instant, addressed to the Governor, requesting information with regard to the opportunities for securing employment in this Territory, particularly in the clerical line.

In reply, you are advised that this office does not know of any demand at the present time for clerical or other help in this Territory. The fact is that for more than a year past the demand for all kinds of help in this Territory has been fully met by the local supply.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Mr. W. E. Peary,  
1138 W. First Street,  
Dayton, Ohio

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 16th instant, addressed to the Governor, enclosing newspaper clipping and requesting information with regard to labor conditions in this Territory.

In reply, I beg to advise you that the statement contained in the clipping is without foundation since there has been no demand for laborers and mechanics in this Territory for more than a year past which could not be met by the local supply.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 20, 1915.

Mr. Henry Irving Fairbanks,  
Dedham, Massachusetts

My dear Sir:

Your letter of May 29th reached me during my absence  
from Juneau.

Permit me to thank you for your invitation to visit  
the famous old Fairbanks house in Dedham should I visit Boston  
during the meeting of the Governors in that city next month. I  
do not know that I will have the privilege of being present on  
that occasion, but should I do so it will give me much pleasure to  
visit your house and make your acquaintance.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Juneau, July 30, 1915. O. B.

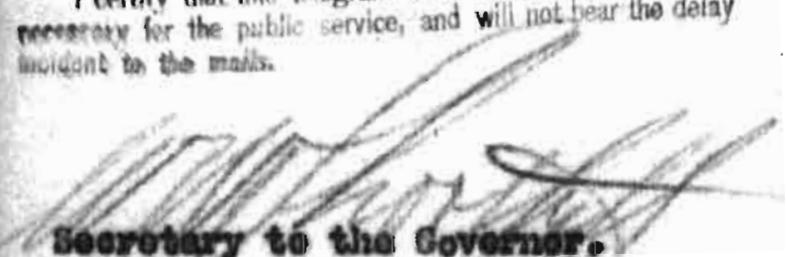
Edward I. Wade,

Skagway.

You may report to this office as soon as convenient  
after August first.

I certify that this telegram is on official business, and  
necessary for the public service, and will not bear the delay  
incident to the mails.

STRONG, Governor.



Secretary to the Governor.

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Jensen, July 29, 1915. O. B.

Judge G. E. Russell,

Fairbanks.

Referring your telegram May twenty-fifth reading as follows, quote: Mailing remittance of seven hundred twenty today relief indigents, end quote, beg to advise that check has not yet been received and Treasurer Smith has been unable locate it.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

I certify that this telegram is on official business, and necessary for the public service, and will not bear the delay incident to the mails.

  
Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Mr. Ira Ulery,  
El Segundo, California

Dear Sir:

I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 17th instant, addressed to the Governor, inquiring with respect to the opportunities for a boiler maker in this Territory.

In reply, beg to advise that for more than a year past the local supply of labor in this Territory has been quite equal to the demand. This office does not know of any opening for a boiler maker at this time.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 30, 1915.

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Mr. S. Kelters,  
c/o Pacific Northwest Banker,  
Suite 933-68 Northern Bank Building,  
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

My absence from the capital has prevented me from personally replying to your letter of July 8th, requesting an article for publication in your periodical. I regret to state that press of official business, necessitated by my absence, prevents me from complying with your request.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 31, 1918.

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TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

No library is complete, in my opinion, without the works of John L. Stoddard. To read them is to increase one's knowledge of the world and its people, their habits and customs; there are many people who cannot travel and see other countries for themselves, but most can do the next best thing - learn of these countries through the travels and writings of those who have seen them; and of all the books of travel that I have read none appeals to me so much as those of Mr. Stoddard.

(Signed)

*Written for Mrs Flint.*

July 31, 1915.

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Mr. C. W. Thornton, Secretary,  
Pioneers of Alaska,  
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 5th, enclosing a copy of Resolutions formulated by a general committee, composed of representatives of the different organizations of Nome.

In reply, I have to advise you that it will afford me much pleasure to assist in the objects outlined in the Resolutions.

I may say that I am somewhat familiar with conditions at Nome, including the Detention Hospital, and I know of no better use to which it could be put than that suggested in the Resolutions which you have forwarded me.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 31, 1915.

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Dr. Charles Daggett,  
Seward, Alaska

My dear Doctor:

This is the first opportunity I have had to reply to your letter of July 9th, enclosing copy of a letter addressed to Dr. Zubor, Chairman of the Alaska Dental Board.

I may say that I am in entire sympathy with the suggestions contained in your letter and shall take the opportunity of bringing them to the attention of the Board.

I regret that I was not able to see you more during my most enjoyable visit in Seward, but trust to see more of you in the future. Should you visit Juneau at any time, of course I shall be delighted to meet you.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

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July 31, 1915.

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Dr. George C. Maule, Secretary,  
Alaska Dental Board,  
Douglas, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith for your information copies of letters addressed by Dr. Charles Daggett of Seward, to myself and Dr. Zuber, Chairman of the Dental Board, Ketchikan.

Dr. Daggett complains, as you will notice, that his letter to you met with no response.

Might I suggest that you favor Dr. Daggett with an interchange of opinion on matters referred to in his communication.

Very truly yours,

Encl.

Governor.

July 31st, 1915.

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Mr. James Wylie,  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Effective August 1st, 1915, you are appointed to the position of janitor for the Governor's offices vice C. R. Reid resigned. Your salary will be \$900 per annum, payable in monthly installments of \$75.00 each.

Kindly arrange to execute an oath of office in duplicate, filing both copies in this office.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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August 2, 1918.

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Honorable Robert W. Jennings, Judge,  
United States District Court,  
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Judge:

I have your letter of July 31, but not the enclosure from Reverend A. R. Mackintosh, who desires the services of "some able-bodied man to extinguish or clean away inflammable material before it that it may exhaust itself."

I do not know that I have such a man at my disposal but if you will kindly forward Mr. Mackintosh's epistle to this office I will see what services it may be possible to render him in the premises.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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J. H. Cobb, Esq.,  
Legal Counsel,  
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I have restated your expense account, which was informally handed in today, using our regulation voucher form, and making proper reference to the sub-vouchers submitted by you.

With respect to the last item in the account as originally submitted by you, namely, extra typewriting, \$18.30, the Governor requests that you secure sub-vouchers (receipted bills) to cover this work, same to be of proper dates, showing nature of work, rate per hour, page, or as the case may be, and to be receipted by the person or persons to whom the money was paid by you. If more than one sub-voucher is necessary, the charge of \$18.30 should be divided according to such sub-vouchers, and the several items entered on the expense account voucher which is herewith transmitted, in the same manner as those already shown thereon.

A supply of voucher blanks will be furnished you for future use.

Respectfully yours,

Encls.

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Mr. Carl Westerfeld, President,  
Pacific Fisheries Society,  
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 17th with reference to the second annual meeting of the Pacific Fisheries Society in San Francisco August 9, 10 and 11.

I regret to advise you that I will be unable to attend this meeting as it will be impossible for me to leave the Territory at this time.

Permit me to express the wish that the society may have a most profitable meeting.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Dr. H. O. Schaleben,  
Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of July 27th with reference to Dr. Baughman's recommendation Re the prohibiting of trapping on Kenai Peninsula for a period of two years.

In reply, I have to advise you that while Dr. Baughman talked with me concerning this matter while I was in Seward, this office has taken no action as yet in relation thereto. As a matter of fact, this office exercises no control over the fur bearing animals of the Territory, it being under the direct supervision of the Bureau of Fisheries, of the Department of Commerce.

I may say, however, that Dr. Baughman's argument, recommending the prohibition of trapping on Kenai Peninsula for a period of two years, impressed me somewhat favorably, and I am inclined to agree with him that if trapping were prohibited it would in no way interfere with the taking of live young foxes for propagating purposes on your fox farm or that of others. I would suggest, therefore, that you take up the matter with the Bureau of Fisheries and inform yourself fully.

I have to thank you for the photographs of your fox farm and I trust that it will be as successful as you could desire. I have given some attention to the matter of fur farming in Alaska and I have read the report of the Canadian Commission of Conservation by J. Walter Jones, with much interest.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Curr, Cashier,  
The First Territorial Bank of Alaska,  
Douglas, Alaska

My dear Mr. Curr:

I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, enclosing a letter from Mr. Carl Heinzen of Chicago, Illinois, who requests information regarding the whereabouts of a relative of the same name.

Following the usual course, this office will ask the various newspapers of the Territory to publish a request for information concerning the missing man, and should any response be received thereto Mr. Heinzen of Chicago will be duly advised.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Mr. Earl Hunter, Postmaster,  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that Mr. James Wyllie has been appointed to the position of janitor for the Governor's offices, effective on the 1st instant, vice C. R. Reid resigned.

Mr. Wyllie is authorized to receive all personal and official mail for the Governor and the Governor's offices, giving receipts for such registered or other mail as may be necessary.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Mr. W. H. Gable,  
South Amboy, New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 23rd ultimo, addressed to the Governor, you are advised that this office does not know of any openings for telegraph operators or teamsters.

The only railroads operating in Alaska at the present time are the following:

White Pass & Yukon Route, Skagway, Alaska  
Tanana Valley Railway, Fairbanks, "  
Copper River & Northwestern Railway Company, Cordova, Alaska

These roads are all short lines, the longest, The Copper River & Northwestern, being 196 miles in length.

The United States Government is now constructing a railroad from Seward, Alaska, through the Matanuska Coal Fields to Fairbanks. The work is in charge of the Alaska Engineering Commission with headquarters at Anchorage, Alaska.

From statements recently published at the instance of the Commission it appears that there are already more men on the ground than can secure employment on this work.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Mr. P. Gilbert, Secretary,  
The Industrial Insurance Commission,  
Olympia, Washington

Dear Sir:

In response to your request of the 17th ultimo, addressed to the Governor at Sitka, and which has been forwarded to Juneau, the capital of Alaska, I take pleasure in sending to you under separate cover a copy of the Governor's Message to the 1915 session of the Alaska Territorial Legislature.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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JUNEAU, AUGUST 2, 1915. O. B.

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C. C. Georgeson,

Sitka.

Expect leave on Georgia tomorrow for Sitka. Will you still  
be there, as I wish to have full meeting board of trustees on Thursday.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

I certify that this telegram is on official business, and  
necessary for the public service, and will not bear the delay  
incident to the mails.

  
Secretary to the Governor.

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July 29, 1915.

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Mr. Frederic J. Maskin,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In further reference to your letter of June 18th, in which you request this office to send you a copy of the law, passed at the last session of the Alaska Legislature, which is, in my opinion, the most unique, important and progressive, I have to advise that I am enclosing herewith copies of ~~these~~ <sup>four</sup> laws passed at the last session of the Legislature which I believe may be fairly considered to be progressive in their nature, and especially so when it is considered that Alaska's Legislature was created in 1912, this being the second session of that body.

Trusting that these laws may be of some interest to you,

I am,

Very truly yours,

Encls.

Governor. *K*

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July 29, 1915.

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Dr. J. L. Myers,  
Ketchikan, Alaska

My dear Doctors

I have received your announcement that you will soon leave Ketchikan for a year's absence in Seattle. Permit me to extend my best wishes for your success in every way.

Your proposed absence for a year from the Territory renders it necessary that a successor to you on the Medical Board be appointed, and I have named your brother, H. L. Myers, M. D., in your place.

You may be assured that had you remained in the Territory you would have received a reappointment to the Board, provided you would accept it, as your work as a member has been greatly appreciated by us,

With assurance of my personal esteem, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 30, 1915.

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Mr. C. Wesley Haskeworth,  
Hydaburg, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In further reference to your application for appointment as a notary public you are advised that under the Federal "war revenue" act every notarial bond is required to have attached to it revenue stamps to the value of 50 cents. If you are unable to obtain these stamps you should remit to cover their purchase at once so that they may be affixed to the bond before it is filed with your application.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 30, 1915.

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Mr. Henry Randolph Daniel, Secretary,  
American Society for Thrift,  
6 North Clark Street,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 22nd, enclosing an outline program of the International Congress for Thrift, to be held at Oakland, California, August 9th to 12th, for which I thank you.

I regret exceedingly that I shall be unable to attend the conference, which I trust shall be most successful in its objects and aims.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 30, 1915.

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Mr. H. E. Markham,  
c/o Mrs. H. A. C. Gibson,  
P. O. Box 95,  
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 23, in which you ask if a law has been passed pensioning residents of Alaska over sixty-five years of age who have lived continuously in the Territory for ten years.

In reply, I have to advise you that such a law was passed at the last session of the Legislature and went into effect this date. It provides for a maximum allowance of \$12.50 per month. I am enclosing herewith an application blank, which when properly filled out and attested to should be forwarded to this office for further action.

With reference to your other question as to water front rights, this office cannot advise you without the most complete knowledge of the facts, location etc. of the cabin to which you refer, furthermore this is a matter which calls for a legal opinion, but I believe it has been generally held that in the matter of tide lands the shore owner has a prior right to the tide lands abutting on the property which he occupies. Of course you understand that the title to all tide lands in Alaska is vested in the United States.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. A. L. Huston, Secretary,  
National League for Wholesome Motion Pictures,  
Suite 1264, 209 S. 5th Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In further reference to your letter of July 7th, I have to advise you that this office has not the time at its disposal to comply with your request. I would suggest, however, that you take up this matter directly with the Alaska Daily Empire or the Daily Alaska Dispatch, Juneau, Alaska. Either of these newspapers might take up the selection of the five boys whom you desire to secure in connection with the Alaska pictures.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 30, 1913.

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Mr. Arthur Hooker,  
Secretary International Irrigation Congress,  
Fresno, California.

Dear Sir:

In further reference to your letter of June 8th, the acknowledgment of which was made by my Secretary on June 16th, I have to advise you that the settlement of our vacant agricultural areas and the success of the settlers thereon are matters of the first importance.

It seems to me that those who are willing to go out into the wilderness and reclaim it are entitled to the fullest assistance which government, state or national, or both, can afford. One plan would be for the government to render certain financial aid to the settler during the first years of his work on his land, to be repaid at a low rate of interest during a period of years.

So far as Alaska is concerned, some such policy, I believe, will be necessary in order to attach people permanently to its soil. Under existing conditions there are too many idle men in the cities and too many idle acres in the country.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Dr. W. H. Chase,  
Assistant Health Commissioner,  
Cordova, Alaska

My dear Doctor:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 28, together with expense account of your office. These will be referred to the Legal Council for the Territory and it will give me much pleasure to see that they are paid provided he renders an opinion authorizing me to do so, of which you will be duly advised.

I am glad to know that you propose to take a trip to the States for a short time and I beg to assure you that you have my best wishes and leave of absence from your official duties in the meantime. I shall be glad to see you as you pass through Juneau if you can find the time.

With best wishes to Mrs. Chase, I remain,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 2, 1915.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska

My dear General:

I acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the  
2nd instant, together with five bound copies of the 1915 session  
laws of Alaska for the use of this office.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 3, 1915.

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Mr. James H. Lehr, Secretary,  
Thano Rifle Club,  
Thano, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I beg to enclose herewith bill-of-lading No. 451 covering shipment of two boxes of stores for the Thano Rifle Club from the United States Arsenal at Benicia, California, together with four copies of invoice voucher No. 28. These papers were forwarded to this office from Sitka, to which place they were erroneously addressed. It is noted that the destination of the shipment is given as Sitka instead of Thano.

If the supplies have not been received, kindly advise and we will take the matter up with the wharf people at Sitka with a view of having the shipment forwarded from there to Thano.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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August 3, 1915.

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William S. Howe, Esq.,  
Attorney at Law,  
Post Office Box 503,  
Sacramento, California

Dear Sirs:

In further reference to the sum of \$227.70 due to the late Senator Bruner on account of deficiency mileage in connection with his attendance at the first session of the Alaska Legislature, I beg to enclose herewith copy of letter under date of the 16th ultimo addressed to this office by the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Department of the Interior.

Two forms of affidavit are also enclosed herewith, the same having been prepared in accordance with the suggestion contained in the Department's letter.

There is also enclosed a voucher covering the amount due the estate of the late Senator Bruner, which should be signed by Mrs. Bruner. Both copies of the printed affidavit form should be executed by Mrs. Bruner after filling in the same where further information is required. In the event the funeral expenses were less than the amount of the claim (\$227.70) both copies of the typewritten affidavit form should be executed by Mrs. Bruner after filling in the information called for in the blanks. The signed voucher and affidavits should then be forwarded to this office. The voucher will thereupon be certified by the Governor and transmitted to the Department at Washington, together with the affidavits for administrative examination and settlement.

Very truly yours,

Encl.

Secretary to the Governor.

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Professor C. C. Georgeson,  
Special Agent in Charge,  
Sitka, Alaska

My dear Professor Georgeson:

Mr. C. R. Reid, who has been acting as voluntary weather observer at Juneau for sometime past in connection with his duties as janitor for the Governor's office, resigned on the 21st ultimo. Mr. James Wylie was appointed to succeed Mr. Reid and has continued the taking of the weather observations. If you wish him to make this a part of his regular work, kindly advise and the matter will be arranged.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Honorable H. A. Bishop,  
United States Marshal,  
First Judicial Division,  
Juneau, Alaska

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Dear Sir:

For several days past the local newspapers have contained accounts of alleged threatened disturbances over the possession of certain mining claims in the vicinity of Juneau, and threats are alleged to have been made by certain persons that they would take the law into their own hands and preserve their rights, real or alleged, at all hazards, or words to that effect. It has also been stated that armed men are patrolling these mining claims and threats are alleged to have been made that if any attempt were made to dispossess them, violence would ensue.

If the statements so made contain any truth such a situation is a direct reflection upon every Federal Official of this Division, charged with the execution and maintenance of law. To permit such statements to go unchallenged would be, in my opinion, a plain act of dereliction of duty, therefore in compliance with my oath, as Governor of the Territory of Alaska, you are requested and directed to make immediate investigation of the alleged situation, obtaining at these mining claims, and if you find the law is being violated by persons carrying arms or acting in such manner as is likely to result in violation of law, to take the necessary steps to put an end to what, if the published statements bear truth, is a state of near anarchy.

Alaska has at all times been a law-abiding Territory and these published statements when read aloud cannot but be of great discredit to the Territory and a libel upon the general law-abiding character of its citizenship.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 3, 1915.

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Mr. John B. Shorrett,  
714-15-16 New York Block,  
Seattle, Washington

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of July 24th endorsing Mrs. Anna Elson Walker for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply, I have to advise that owing to the fact that litigation has been commenced to test the validity of the law providing for the payment of the salary of an Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction, no appointment to that office will be made pending the adjudication of the case.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 3, 1918.

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Mr. Charles A. Hand,  
Deputy Clerk of the District Court,  
Third Division,  
Valdez, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of July 23 with reference to license collections in the Third Judicial Division for the last fiscal year.

With reference to the income tax on railroads in Alaska under the Act of Congress approved July 18, 1914, entitled "An Act to levy and collect an income tax on railroads and for other purposes," I have to advise you that this office is in receipt of copy of a decision of the Comptroller of the Treasury of May 25 last concerning the procedure to be followed in covering into the Treasury as a special fund the proceeds of such tax and the subsequent payment thereof on a certificate of settlement by the Auditor for the Treasury Department to the Treasurer of Alaska.

Briefly, the Comptroller holds that this tax should be collected by the Collector of Internal Revenue for the district and by him paid into the United States Treasury to be held as a special fund, to be paid to the Treasurer of Alaska upon certification of the Auditor for the Treasury Department.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 4, 1915.

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Miss Mildred C. Coleman,  
507 E. 117th Street,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 26th ultimo, addressed to the Governor, requesting to be advised regarding the opportunities for women to secure employment in this Territory.

In reply, I regret to advise you that at the present time this office does not believe it would be advisable for you to come to Alaska with a view of obtaining employment. The opportunities for women in this Territory are necessarily limited, and as a rule the local supply is equal to the demand. This has been particularly true for the past year.

Should you wish to obtain information with respect to particular localities it is suggested that you might address the Mayors of the towns of Ketchikan, Douglas and Juneau in Southeastern Alaska, Cordova, Valdez and Seward in Western Alaska, and Fairbanks, Ruby and Nome in the interior and northern portion of Alaska.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Dr. G. C. Mule, Secretary,  
Alaska Board of Dental Examiners,  
Douglas, Alaska

My dear Sir:

I beg to refer to you herewith for reply the letter  
of Dr. V. D. Brown of Burns, Kansas, addressed to the Governor,  
requesting information with respect to the opportunities for the  
practice of dentistry in this Territory.

Faithfully yours,

Encl.

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 4, 1915.

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Mr. John O'Rourke,  
873 Fresh Pond Road,  
Glendale, L. I., N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 15th ultime, addressed to the Governor, enclosing a clipping from one of the New York papers, and requesting to be advised regarding the opportunities for employment in this Territory.

In reply, you are advised that the item referred to is without foundation in fact, since for more than a year past there has been no demand for help of any kind in this Territory beyond what could be supplied locally.

This office has recently received a large number of communications similar to yours, prompted by the publication of items in various papers in the States, claiming that Alaska needed laborers and mechanics etc. These published statements have been made without the knowledge or authority of this office or of any one representing the Territory of Alaska. It is unfortunate that so many people should thus be misled regarding the conditions obtaining in Alaska at the present time.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. W. Flagwitz,  
Augusta, Georgia.

Dear Sirs:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 26th ultime, addressed to the Governor, requesting information relative to the opportunities for laborers and skilled mechanics in Alaska.

In reply, you are advised that at the present time there are few opportunities for either laborers or skilled mechanics in this Territory, the local supply in practically all sections of the Territory being quite equal to the demand.

Your inquiry, like a great many others which have been received at this office recently, was prompted by items in certain newspapers to the effect that there existed in this Territory a considerable demand for laborers and skilled mechanics. I regret to say that these published statements have been without foundation in fact and were wholly unauthorized by any one representing the Territory of Alaska.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. J. George Jackle, Jr.,  
119 Ralph Avenue,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 25th ultimo, addressed to the Governor, requesting information regarding the opportunities for employment in this Territory, and enclosing a clipping from a New York paper which states that there is a great demand for both laborers and mechanics in many places in Alaska.

In reply, I regret to advise you that the statement contained in the clipping mentioned is not borne out by the facts which exist in this Territory at the present time. Ever since the outbreak of the European war the local supply of labor in practically all lines in this Territory has been quite equal to the demand, and this office cannot advise any one to come here with a view of obtaining employment.

It is extremely unfortunate that newspapers in the States should lend themselves to the spreading of such misinformation as that contained in the clipping which accompanied your letter.

Enclosed herewith you will find a circular of general information regarding Alaska, which may be of some interest to you.

Respectfully yours,

Encl.

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. R. V. McNeal,  
Needles, California

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 27th ultimo, addressed to the Governor, you are advised that for more than a year past the local supply of labor in practically all lines has been quite equal to the demand, and this office cannot at the present time advise coming to Alaska in search of employment.

The rates of wages vary according to particular localities. Along the coast section laborers are paid from \$3.00 to \$5.50 per day and mechanics from \$5.00 to \$7.00. In the interior sections the wages are about 50% higher than along the coast.

Living expenses in this Territory bear about the same relation to wages as those obtaining in the States.

Alaska is, of course, a country of great resources, particularly in mining and fishing, but the development of these resources requires a considerable expenditure of time and money. In certain sections some attention is now being given to agriculture, but owing to limited markets available it is hardly likely that ventures in this particular line will be found profitable for sometime to come.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. J. J. Laughlin,  
787 Coney Island Avenue,  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 25th ultime, addressed to the Governor, you are advised that there is no literature published in this Territory covering general labor conditions. I may say, however, that for more than a year past the local supply of labor in practically all lines has been quite equal to the demand, and this office cannot at the present time advise coming to Alaska in search of employment.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 4, 1915.

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Honorable Robert W. Jennings,  
United States District Judge,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Judge:

By direction of the Governor, I am transmitting herewith voucher in duplicate covering subsistence of indigent residents of Division No. 1, who were cared for in the Alaska Pioneers' Home at Sitka during the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1915.

Mr. Cole telephoned this office some days ago, advising that you had issued a check for several hundred dollars on account of subsistence of inmates of the Pioneers' Home from the First Division for the June quarter and requested that a voucher be furnished for use in connection with the payment.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor, I am transmitting herewith voucher No. 2 dated the 3rd instant, covering miscellaneous expense account of Mr. J. H. Cobb, Legal Counsel, for the month of July, 1915, amount \$27.15. The voucher is accompanied by the necessary sub-vouchers covering the various items of expenditure.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Honorable Arthur G. Shoup, Superintendent,  
Alaska Pioneers' Home,  
Sitka, Alaska

My dear Mr. Shoup:

I have your letter of the 30th ultimo, giving a list of the Alaska newspapers which are now being received at the Home, some being furnished under complimentary subscriptions.

In conversation with the Governor a few days ago regarding this matter, he suggested that he thought it would be better if you were to write to the other newspapers of the Territory rather than for me to do so. To this end, therefore, I am giving you herewith a list of the Alaska publications which you are not at present receiving:

Cordova Daily Alaskan, Cordova, Alaska  
The Alaska Times, " "  
The Alaska Citizen, Fairbanks, "  
The Fairbanks Times, " "  
Fairbanks Daily News-Miner " "  
The Alaska Sunday Morning Post, Juneau  
The Record-Citizen, Ruby, Alaska  
The Seward Gateway, Seward "  
All-Alaska Magazine " "  
The Wrangell Sentinel, Wrangell, Alaska  
The Cook Inlet Pioneer, Anchorage "  
The Weekly Report, Petersburg, "

I am writing to the Departments at Washington requesting that the Home be placed on their mailing lists for Alaska publications.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska

My dear General:

Application has been made to this office by Mrs. Ella F. Branan, Trinity Building, 111 Broadway, New York City, for appointment as a Commissioner of Deeds for the Territory of Alaska, to reside in the State of New York, Mrs. Branan having remitted the necessary fee of \$5.00 and having presented satisfactory credentials I desire to appoint her to the office of Commissioner of Deeds for the Territory of Alaska, to reside in the State of New York, and would ask that you kindly have a commission in due form prepared for my signature.

The fee remitted by Mrs. Branan is enclosed herewith.

Section 1557, Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1913, provides that Commissioners of Deeds appointed by the Governor shall hold their office for a term of four years.

Faithfully yours,

Encl.

Governor.

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August 5, 1915.

11-3

Mrs. Ella F. Brennan,  
Trinity Building,  
111 Broadway,  
New York City

Dear Madam:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd ultimo, transmitting check in the sum of \$5.00 to cover required fee for issuance to you of an appointment as Commissioner of Deeds for Alaska, to reside in the State of New York. A commission is now being prepared for the Governor's signature and it will be forwarded to you in a few days.

In response to your request, you will find enclosed herewith typewritten copies of various sections of the compiled laws of Alaska which have particular reference to the appointment and duties of Commissioners of Deeds. The term of office for a Commissioner of Deeds is four years.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 3, 1915.

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Mr. W. C. Bystrom,  
646 Dale Avenue,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 29th ultime addressed to the Governor, enclosing a newspaper clipping and requesting information relative to the opportunities for employment in this Territory.

In reply, you are advised that the newspaper clipping which you enclosed and which states that there is a great demand for both laborers and mechanics in many places in Alaska is entirely in error since no such demand exists at the present time, nor has there been any demand beyond that which could be supplied locally for more than a year past.

This office has recently received a large number of letters similar to yours, all occasioned by the publication of newspaper items stating that Alaska was in need of men. In each case we have been obliged to reply as above since the conditions obtaining at the present time do not warrant this office advising any one to come to Alaska with a view of obtaining employment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 5, 1918.

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Mr. M. E. Markham,  
c/o Mrs. H. A. C. Gibson,  
P. O. Box 95,  
Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith pension application blank  
which was inadvertently omitted from the Governor's recent letter  
to you.

Respectfully yours,

Encl.

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 9, 1915.

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Hon. Chas. E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear General:

This is to advise you that Mr. Edward I. Wade has this day been appointed to the position of stenographer and clerk in the Governor's Office at a compensation of \$1800 per annum.

Duplicate copy of Mr. Wade's oath of office is enclosed herewith.

Yours very truly,

Encls.

Governor.

August 9th, 1915.

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Dr. Walter Lindley,

Medical Director, California Hospital,

1414 South Hope Street,

Los Angeles, Cal.

My dear Doctor:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 27th with reference to publication of a booklet containing data in regard to Alaska.

Permit me to say, in the first place, that I regret that I was unable to meet you during your visit to this Territory. I judge from the tenor of your letter you enjoyed your trip to the fullest extent.

With regard to the publication of the booklet I may say that I am in entire sympathy with your idea as to what such publication should contain.

During the late session of our Territorial Legislature, I endeavored to have the office of "Commissioner of Immigration and Statistics" created, and a bill was introduced with that end in view. However, it failed of passage, due solely to a fear that the revenue at the disposal of the Territory would not permit the creation of such office at this time. However if our revenue laws should work satisfactorily I believe that sufficient

Dr. Walter Lindley----- #2.

funds would be available for this purpose, at least for the publication of some real information concerning Alaska in the form suggested by your letter.

Thanking you for your interest, I am,

Very truly yours,

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Governor.

Mrs. Harry Brice-----2.

Legislature will not convene until March 1917.

In conclusion, permit me to say I am in entire sympathy with the purpose of your petition, and it will afford me great pleasure to render every aid possible to secure the action which you deem necessary.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 9th, 1913.

Mrs. Harry Brice,  
Ketchikan, Alaska.

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Dear Madam:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of a petition from certain residents of your city bringing to my attention a lack of consideration for the rights and protection of abandoned wives and children under the present law in Alaska as construed and practiced; also requesting that I shall take such steps as may be possible to have the law changed which allows a husband and father to sell, mortgage or transfer and lease and the furniture of same without the written consent of his wife.

In reply, I have to advise that there are two ways by which an amendment to this law may be procured:

1st. By securing the necessary action through the United States Congress.

2nd. Through the Alaska Legislature.

If you deem it desirable to have action taken by the United States Congress, I suggest that you communicate with the Hon. Jas. Wickersham, Delegate from Alaska, as probably more speedy action could be taken in that way, as Congress will meet in annual session in December next, whereas the Territorial

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Mrs. Harry Brice-----#2.

Legislature will not convene until March 1917.

In conclusion, permit me to say I am in entire sympathy with the purpose of your petition, and it will afford me great pleasure to render every aid possible to secure the action which you deem necessary.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 9, 1915.

11-1

Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith the application of Miss Frances Heek, of Anchorage, Alaska, for appointment as a notary public, together with approved bond, oath of office, and \$10 in cash. Two 25-cent revenue stamps are also enclosed, which are to be placed on the bond. Delay in this matter has been occasioned by the fact that when the bond was received on the 20th ultimo the revenue stamps did not accompany it, and it was necessary to write to Miss Heek for same. Kindly prepare commission.

Faithfully yours,

Encls.

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 9, 1918.

11-1

Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith the application of H. Eversole, of Cordova, Alaska, for appointment as a notary public, together with approved bond, oath of office, and draft to your order in the sum of ten dollars to cover the legal fee.

Kindly have the commission prepared for the Governor's signature.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Incl.

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Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith the application of Alfred J. Chessi, of Chatanika, Alaska, for appointment as a notary public, together with approved bond, oath of office, and draft in the sum of ten dollars, endorsed to your order, to cover the legal fee.

Kindly have the commission prepared for the Governor's signature.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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The Commanding Officer,  
United States Arsenal,  
Benicia, California.

Sir:

I have the honor to request that you sell to the Territory of Alaska, for the Tanana Rifle Club, of Fairbanks, Alaska, the following supplies, under authority of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1905:

2 only U. S. Rifles, calibre 30, model 1903, @ \$12.50 . .	\$25.00
2 front sight covers, @ 2c	.04
2 oiler and thong cases @ 12c	.24
2 brushes and thongs @ 9c	.18
2 gun slings, model of 1907, @ 88c	1.76
2 rifles star gauged, @ 69c	1.38
Packing box for 2 rifles,	<u>1.47</u>
Draft enclosed to cover total of . . . . .	30.07

Kindly have the rifles shipped by Wells-Fargo Express, to the Tanana Rifle Club, Fairbanks, Alaska. It is requested that shipment be made as soon as possible.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Encl.

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Mr. G. B. Erwin,  
Secretary, Tanana Rifle Club,  
Fairbanks, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 22d ultimo, addressed to the Governor, enclosing draft No. 1727 in favor of the Commanding Officer of the Benicia, Cal., Arsenal, for \$30.07, and requesting that requisition be made upon that officer for the two rifles and supplies listed in your letter.

The requisition in question has been made this date and goes by first mail to the Arsenal. Request has been made that the shipment be made as soon as possible, and that the letter from the Secretary of the N. N. A., which accompanied your letter, and which is being forwarded with the requisition, be returned to your Club.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,

August 9, 1915.

11-1

Honorable Charles E. Davidson,  
Secretary of Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith the application of Alfred J. Uheski, of Chatanika, Alaska, for appointment as a notary public, together with approved bond, oath of office, and draft in the sum of ten dollars, endorsed to your order, to cover the legal fee.

Kindly have the commission prepared for the Governor's signature.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

August 10, 1915.

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Mrs. E. S. Baldwin,  
P.O.Box #506,  
Port Washington, L.I.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 31st ultimo, addressed to the Governor, enclosing a clipping from the New York American of July 7th which states that Alaska is in need of good men. You inquire as to the opportunities for women in this Territory.

In reply I beg to advise that while there is some demand for domestic help this demand is necessarily limited and the opportunities are comparatively few. Unfortunately the statement contained in the clipping which accompanied your letter gives a false impression with regard to labor conditions in this Territory, and the item was not published with the knowledge or consent of this office. The fact is that for more than a year past the supply of labor in practically all lines in this Territory has been quite equal to the demand, and at the present time this office can advise no one to come to Alaska with a view of obtaining employment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 10, 1915.

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Mr. P. L. Windsor,

Librarian, University of Illinois Library,

Urbana, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

In response to request contained in your card of the 3rd instant, there is being sent to you under separate cover a copy of the Governor's message to the second Legislative Assembly of Alaska.

I regret to say that the supply of copies of the message to the first session has been exhausted.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 10, 1915.

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Mr. E. E. Reesor,

Editor-in-Chief, Correspondents' Bulletin,

Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Sir:

With reference to request contained in your letter of July 28th, in which you ask to be advised of the name and address of my selection of the Territory's most distinguished citizen, made by me in connection with the Panama Exposition's request, I have to advise that I deem it inadvisable at this time to make such selection, consequently none has been made.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor,

August 10, 1915.

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Mr. A. R. Mackintosh,  
Haines, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By reference from Hon. Robert W. Jennings I am in receipt of your letter of July 28th with reference to forest fires near Haines, and in which you ask that "some able-bodied man be designated to extinguish or clean away inflammable material before it that it may exhaust itself".

In reply I have to advise you that in view of the copious rains which have been falling for the past several days it is assumed that the fires of which you complain have been completely extinguished.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 10, 1915.

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Prof. C. C. Georgeson,  
Secretary Board of Trustees,  
Alaska Pioneers' Home,  
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Professor:

I am enclosing herewith application of  
Louis Corbelle for an allowance under the provisions of  
Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915.

I may say that I believe this application  
should be approved and the allowance fixed at, say, \$8.00  
per month.

I am also transmitting herewith the applica-  
tion of Owen Roberts, upon which action was taken during my  
recent visit to Sitka.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Enclosures.

Governor.

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Hon. Chas. E. Bunnell,  
United States Judge,  
Fairbanks, Alaska.

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My dear Judge:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 13th with reference to admission of Alex. Cornwall of Flat, Alaska, to the Alaska Pioneers' Home.

In reply I have to advise you that since the Alaska Pioneers' Home has developed into a hospital as well as a home, and as Mr. Cornwall evidently is a hospital patient, he will be admitted to that institution.

Arrangements are now being made for the regular employment of a competent nurse to take care of all hospital patients confined in the Home.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 10, 1915.

Mr. Otto Hamersdorfer,  
Latouche, Alaska.

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Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. H. T. Sprague of Latouche, Alaska, with reference to the exportation of polar bear skins from Alaska to Europe.

In reply I have to advise that polar bear skins may be shipped from Alaska at any time, this animal not being protected under the Alaska game laws.

This office is unable to advise as to the customs regulations of the countries of Europe, and I would suggest that you communicate directly with the Collector of Customs at this port, Mr. J. F. Pugh.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. Wm. F. Geiger,

Supt. Tacoma Public Schools,

Tacoma, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 2nd, recommending Mr. O. W. Baird of Nome, Alaska, for Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply have to advise that your letter will be filed among the other endorsements of Mr. Baird which have been received at this office.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 10, 1915.

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Hon. J. H. Cobb,  
General Counsel Territory Alaska,  
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Mr. H. F. Norton has filed an account with this  
office,-

"For services in connection with re-  
"indexing the Session Laws 1915, for  
"the cumulative index required under  
"the provisions of House Joint Resolution  
"No. 13, Second Alaska Territorial Legis-  
"lature, 1915"

the amount being One Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$150.00).

Mr. Norton bases his claim for remuneration upon the  
following:

"APPROPRIATION: Chapter 68, Session Laws,  
"1915, approved April 29, 1915 (Sub-Division "D":  
"SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE EXPENSES - Extra Clerical  
"Help.)"

Will you kindly furnish this office with an opinion  
as to its authority for authorizing the payment of the amount claimed  
by Mr. Norton.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. R. W. McClelland,  
#605 Leary Building,  
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Judge:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 3rd, endorsing Mrs. Anna S. Walker of Seattle for appointment as Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply I have to advise you that in view of litigation that has arisen over the distribution of funds in which was included the salary of the Assistant Superintendent, no appointment will be made until the question at issue has been decided.

I may further add that it is the policy of this office to appoint only bona fide residents of Alaska to official positions whenever there is available material. However, your letter will be filed for future reference.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Louman & Hanford Company,  
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sirs:

Kindly arrange to furnish this office with the following supplies:

6 only knives for U. S. Automatic Pencil Sharpener,

1 doz. No. 104 Typewriter Erasers,

1 only 1-line rubber stamp containing the words: SIGN HERE,  
with a small arrow, about  $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch long following the word "HERE".

1 only rubber stamp, 1-line, containing the words: CONFIRMATION  
COPY.

1 only 3-line rubber stamp, lettered as follows:

FROM OFFICE OF  
GOVERNOR OF ALASKA  
JUNEAU, ALASKA

The size of type for the 1-line rubber stamps to be same as  
shown above.

The size of type for the 3-line rubber stamp to be as follows:

First line, same as shown above

Second line one or two sizes larger than first line type

Third line, same as that for first line, or other appropriate

size.

Kindly send the foregoing by parcel post, addressed to the

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--Lowman & Hanford Co., p. 2--

Governor's office, Juneau.

I enclose voucher blank upon which to make out your bill for the foregoing articles. The voucher should be signed by an authorized officer of your Company.

Shall be pleased to receive copy of your catalog when a new one is issued. The latest edition we have is that of 1911.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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Mr. Jos. J. L. Ward,  
Haines, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 28th ult. with reference to the necessity of road connection between Glacierville and the Haines Porcupine Road, approximately 4½ miles.

I have read your letter with interest, and the statements contained therein seem to warrant the necessary appropriation for the construction of this roadway. I believe, however, that the allotments for roads, trails and bridge purposes have already been made by the Alaska Road Commission for this year. The territorial appropriation for this Judicial Division (about \$11,000) is now a matter of litigation and cannot be used pending a decision of the court. The distribution of the latter fund is under the direction of Mr. E. C. Austin, Territorial Commissioner of Roads, Ketchikan, Alaska.

The Chairman of the Alaska Road Commission is Col. W. E. Richardson, U.S.A., whose postoffice address is Valdez, Alaska, and I would suggest that you take up this matter directly with Col. Richardson, urging upon him the necessity for an appropriation for this work next year.

I shall also take up this matter with Co. Richardson when he reaches Juneau sometime this fall, and I shall do everything within my power to assist the people of your section in obtaining this improvement.

The building of roads, trails and bridges in Alaska is one of the most important matters, in my opinion, that confronts the Government at this time, as only by this means can the agricultural and other resources of the Territory be developed.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Dr. B. L. Myers,  
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 9th instant, in which you state that Dr. H. G. DeVigano, Secretary of the Board of Medical Examiners, has suggested to you that licenses issued by the Board be signed by you as President of the Board, inasmuch as you were appointed a member of the Board in place of your brother, Dr. J. L. Myers, who was president of the Medical Board.

In reply, I beg to advise that inasmuch as certificates must be signed by some member of the Board as president, I see no reason why you should not act in that capacity, but would suggest that you sign these certificates as "Acting President" until such time as a president be elected.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. Stephen R. Brown,  
Du Pont Hotel, Haskell, N.J.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd instant, addressed to the Governor, and enclosing a clipping from the "New York American" and asking information with regard to the opportunities for employment in this Territory.

In reply, you are advised that for more than a year past the supply of labor in practically all lines in this territory has been quite equal to the demand, and this office cannot advise anyone to come to Alaska at the present time in search of employment.

The newspaper clipping which accompanied your letter is similar to a number which have been received at this office from various parts of the United States.

I regret to say that the statement that there is a demand for laborers, mechanics, etc. is entirely erroneous, and this office greatly regrets that so many people have been misled by the publication of items similar to the one referred to by you.  
Respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor.