

August 11, 1915.

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Mr. James H. Lohr,
Secretary, Thane Rifle Club,
Thane, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of
the 9th instant, addressed to the Governor.

It is noted that the shipment of stores
covered by B/L 451, which was transmitted to you with
office letter of the 3rd instant, has been received by
the Club.

In response to your request the Governor
approved the remittances addressed to the Chief of Ordnance,
Washington, D.C. and the Commanding Officer of the U.S. Arsenal
at Benecia, Calif., and the same were mailed at Juneau on the
10th instant.

Respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. A. Christensen,
Chief of Field Division, G.L.O.,
Anchorage, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Christensen:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 20th, with enclosed clipping from the "Daily Alaska Dispatch" with reference to elimination of lands in the Chugach National Forest.

Since receipt of your letter I noticed through the newspapers that the President has eliminated a considerable acreage from the Chugach reserve, the elimination comprising the non-timbered lands as nearly as I can determine, and therefore the elimination will be of little or no benefit to anyone whatsoever. In other words, I believe that the land eliminated is practically worthless for any purpose, while the land suitable for agricultural, commercial and industrial purposes is still retained within the reserve.

Chief Forester Graves is now in Alaska on his way down the river to Fairbanks, I understand. I regret to say that while Mr. Graves was in Juneau I was absent in Sitka, and therefore I did not meet him. I had not been advised of his coming or I should have remained in Juneau to have discussed with him various reserve matters.

I want to assure you, however, that I shall continue my efforts to have the various reservations of Alaska thrown open to settlement.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 11, 1916.

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Mr. J. Q. Bachman,
42093 Webster Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter without date, with reference to securing work with some telephone, telegraph or electric company in Alaska.

In the first place, I have to advise that the report appearing in the New York newspapers that there was a demand for labor of all kinds in Alaska is most erroneous. Since such report was published in Eastern newspapers this office has been deluged with inquiries similar to your own.

There is absolutely no demand for labor of any kind in the territory at this time. In fact the supply is largely in excess of the demand. This includes all kinds of work from common labor to professional and expert.

The following is a list of power companies doing business in this Territory with whom you may communicate with further:

Alaska Light & Power Co., Juneau.
Ketchikan Light & Power Co., Ketchikan,
Alaska-Gastineau Mining Co., Juneau.
Alaska - Treadwell Gold Mining Co., Treadwell.
Cordova Light & Power Co., Cordova.
Home Power Company, Skagway.
Valdez Light & Water Co., Valdez.

Trusting that this information may be of some use to you, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 11, 1915.

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Mr. Thos. Brady,
Orting, Pierce Co., Wash.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 25th, with reference to your securing a position as electrician with some electric concern in Alaska.

In reply I have to advise that I know of no opening of this kind at the present time. There are a number of electric light and power companies scattered throughout Alaska, however, to whom you may write, among them the following:

Alaska Light & Power Co., Juneau.
Ketchikan Light & Power Co., Ketchikan.
Alaska-Gastineau Mining Co., Juneau.
Alaska-Treadwell Gold Mining Co., Treadwell.
Cordova Light & Power Co., Cordova.
Hona Power Co., Skagway.
Valdez Light & Water Co., Valdez.

Trusting that this information may be of some use to you, I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 11, 1915.

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Mr. T. R. Couch,
Maplewood, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of August 2nd, in which you ask for my impressions as to the effect the building of the Government railroad will have on conditions in and around Fairbanks, and other matters.

In reply I have to advise you that the building of this railroad will no doubt aid greatly in the material development of Fairbanks and the Tanana valley. As to whether a small business such as a grocery store, hardware store, etc. could be successfully operated, I am unable to advise you. There are many such stores in the different towns of Alaska. In most cases the large commercial houses are not a strong competing factor to the smaller business enterprises. As a matter of fact the only large commercial corporation doing business in the Territory at this time is the Northern Commercial Company, and it is now withdrawing its stores and trading posts in a number of smaller towns of the Territory.

There is little demand for labor in or around Fairbanks during the winter season, the greater proportion of the mining work being carried on during the summer season. The wage scale in Fairbanks at the present time is about \$4.00 per day for a day of 8 hours, with board.

It is possible for a person to make his way from the coast, either to Cordova or Valdez, on foot, or by a team and wagon from Valdez. There are no toll roads or bridges in Alaska. The roadhouses, as a rule, are conducted by private parties and not by transportation companies.

I am of the opinion that the resources of Alaska are permanent enough to justify a large increase in population. People may live in Alaska just as comfortably as elsewhere, and whether a man shall succeed or not depends largely upon his own energy and ambition. The schools of Alaska will compare favorably with those of the States of the Union. Land for homesteading purposes may be found throughout the Tanana valley, some within a short

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distance of Fairbanks. For information on this point write the Register of the U.S. Land Office, Fairbanks, Alaska.

For information as to the cost per ton of transporting goods from Seattle to Seward you should write the -

or
Alaska Steamship Company, Seattle
Alaska Pacific S/S Co. "

Generally speaking, Alaska is a land of opportunity. Its natural resources are rich and extensive, and in my opinion the territory is upon the eve of a wonderful period of development. However, I have never advised any person to come to Alaska with the intention of settling here permanently without first investigating conditions for himself.

I am enclosing herewith copy of pamphlet containing general information concerning the Territory for your further information.

Yours very truly,

Enclosure.

Governor.

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Mr. John F. Sims,

Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

My dear Mr. Sims:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 26th recommending Mr. Oscar Baird, now of Nome, for the position of Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply I have to advise you that your letter will be filed together with other recommendations of Mr. Baird which have been received by this office for such action as may be deemed advisable.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. Emory D. Martindale,
#521 H.W.Hellman Building,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 27th ultimo, in which you ask for information as to a possible opening in Alaska for an attorney in the practice of law.

In reply I beg to say that the legal profession in the various towns of Alaska seems to be pretty well represented. I can speak more specially of Juneau than elsewhere, and here I am advised there are some 25 or 30 attorneys with a proportionate number in the other cities of the Territory.

In any event, I would not advise any professional men to come to Alaska with a view of locating permanently before making an investigation of the conditions for himself. This statement will also apply to all working men.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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August 11, 1915.

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Mr. Pierre Mazyck,
Chairman, Columbia Chamber of Commerce,
Columbia, S.C.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of July 13th with reference to the South Carolina Harvest Jubilee to be held in Columbia October 26-30 next, and asking me to suggest the name of some renowned person, or the founder of Alaska, together with photograph or description that you may reproduce the character in the parade of the Boy Scouts.

You also ask that a commission be issued to the Boy Scout, J. Patterson Wardlaw of your city to represent Alaska.

With respect to the naming of some renowned person whose history is intimately connected with this Territory, I would suggest that name of WILLIAM H. SEWARD, who was largely responsible for the purchase of Alaska from Russia in 1867. You, of course, are familiar with his history.

While I have a bust of Mr. Seward in the Governor's Office I have no photograph but assume that one may be procured by you with little difficulty.

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Pierre Masych---f3.

I shall be pleased to issue the commission to the
Boy Scout named in your letter, which will be enclosed
herewith for delivery by you to him.

Expressing the wish that your "Jubilee" may be suc-
cessful in every respect, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Enclosure.

Governor.



August 11, 1915.

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Mr. D. F. McClure,
Corresponding Secretary, Tanana Chamber of
Commerce,
Tanana, Alaska.

My dear Judges:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 9th, together with copy of resolutions of the Tanana Chamber of Commerce adopted on July 8th disapproving of the Commanding Officer at Fort Gibbon.

Kindly convey to the Chamber my thanks for the courtesy thus shown me, which is appreciated to the fullest extent.

However, I may say that the action of the Commanding Officer may probably be attributed more to his ignorance than a desire to make himself obnoxious to the people of Tanana and myself.

With assurances of my personal esteem, I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. J. H. Cobb,
Chief Counsel Territory of Alaska,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

On or about October 3rd, 1913, Alice N. Dolan and Willetta E. Kuppler, who I am advised were teachers of the school at Kotnai, maintained by the United States Board of Education, instituted an action against one Charles March for violation of Section 9 of Chap. 42 (Session Laws Alaska 1913), said Kuppler acting in the capacity of health officer for that precinct.

Certain expenses were thus incurred and charged to the United States. The Comptroller of the Treasury, however, disallowed the account and it was referred to this office.

The Legislature at its session of 1913 failed to make any appropriation for the enforcement of the provisions of said Chapter 42, and through an oversight the matter was not laid before the 1915 session of the Legislature.

At the late session, however, an appropriation of \$2500 was made for the purpose of enforcing this law.

I have, therefore, to request that you will furnish this office with an opinion as to whether it will be proper for the Governor, as Commissioner of Health under this Act, to pay the expenses thus incurred at Kotnai from the appropriation, or failing that from the emergency appropriation Par.P. Chap. 68, Session Laws Alaska 1915.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. Ernest A. Peterson,

First National Bank,

Blair, Wisconsin.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 27th, recommending Mr. O. W. Baird for appointment as Assistant Superintendent of Public Instruction for Alaska.

In reply I have to advise you that your letter will be filed and given consideration in due course.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. James E. West,
Chief Scout Executive,
5th Ave. Building, New York City.

My dear Mr. West:

I have watched the progress made by the Boy Scouts of America ever since the movement was inaugurated with ever increasing interest, for the reason that my observation has shown me that in this way the youth of America have a prime opportunity for physical and manly development and the inculcation of those principles which are essential to good citizenship.

And in this way all of us may help or hinder, and to choose the helpful part should be our aim, and it should inspire all with a never failing pride in best endeavor wherever it may be.

Wishing you the greatest success possible,

I am,

Yours cordially,

Governor.

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Mrs. Mary O. White,
"Votes for Women"
Empire State Campaign Committee,
#303 5th Avenue, New York City.

Dear Madam:

Replying to the request contained in your letter of July 30th that I write you a letter which may be given to the public, as to the operation of the woman suffrage law in Alaska, I have to say that woman suffrage in Alaska, though but two years old, is an unqualified success.

The operation of the law has not besmirched the women of Alaska; it has not unsexed them nor caused them to take on "unwomanly attributes", or unfitted them to become wives and mothers, or to attend to their domestic duties generally. And their votes, as a rule, are cast on the side of progress and morality. To the votes of the women of Alaska may be ascribed the crystallization of public sentiment against the liquor traffic in the Territory.

As a matter of fact, in my opinion, there is not one logical argument against the enfranchisement of women. Those who oppose it must be living in a past age unmindful of the fact that the world of progress and efficiency moves steadily forward. Old prejudices and traditions must give way, for the new wine of democracy won't be contained in the old bottles of prejudice and tradition.

The women of Alaska were given the right to vote without asking for it. They are exercising it wisely and well, patriotically, and for the moral uplift of the Territorial citizenship, just as intelligently as their fathers, husbands or brothers.

The male alien is admitted to citizenship after a residence of five years in the United States, if he be found eligible; and to deny to the women of this Republic the privilege thus accorded to the "free and oppressed of all nations" is to my mind a brutal admission of rusty prejudice, and indicates a lack of knowledge of the rights due the women of the nation.

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Mrs. Mary O. White - - No. 2.

Expressing the hope that the great Empire State will
speedily be added to the sisterhood of suffrage States, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 12, 1915.

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Mr. J. H. Cobb,
Chief Counsel Territory of Alaska,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

On or about October 3rd, 1913, Alice M. Dolan and Willietta E. Kuppler, who I am advised were teachers of the school at Kenai, maintained by the United States Board of Education, instituted an action against one Charles Marsh for violation of Section 9 of Chap. 42 (Session Laws Alaska 1913), said Kuppler acting in the capacity of health officer for that precinct.

Certain expenses were thus incurred and charged to the United States. The Comptroller of the Treasury, however, disallowed the account and it was referred to this office.

The Legislature at its session of 1913 failed to make any appropriation for the enforcement of the provisions of said Chapter 42, and through an oversight the matter was not laid before the 1915 session of the Legislature.

At the late session, however, an appropriation of \$2500 was made for the purpose of enforcing this law.

I have, therefore, to request that you will furnish this office with an opinion as to whether it will be proper for the Governor, as Commissioner of Health under this Act, to pay the expenses thus incurred at Kenai from the appropriation, or failing that from the emergency appropriation Par.P. Chap. 68, Session Laws Alaska 1915.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Hon. Chas. E. Dunnell,
Judge U.S. District Court,
Fourth Judicial Division,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will please find vouchers in duplicate for the subsistence of indigent residents of Division #4, Territory of Alaska, in the Alaska Pioneers' Home for the quarter ending September 30th, 1915, for such action as you may see fit to take in the premises.

May I ask that you have the Clerk of your Court forward to Arthur G. Sheup, Superintendent of Alaska Pioneers' Home, Sitka, Alaska, a number of voucher forms as used in your judicial division for the future use of the superintendent in preparing the necessary vouchers for the maintenance of the inmates of the Home from your Division.

Yours respectfully,

Enclosures.

Governor.

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Hon. John R. Tucker,
Judge U.S. District Court,
Second Judicial Division,
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find vouchers in duplicate for the subsistence of indigent residents of Division No. 3, Territory of Alaska, in the Alaska Pioneers' Home for the quarter ending September 30th, 1915, for such action as you may see fit to take in the premises.

May I ask that you have the Clerk of your Court forward to Arthur G. Shoup, Supt. of Alaska Pioneers' Home, Sitka, Alaska, a number of voucher forms as used in your Judicial Division for the future use of the superintendent in preparing the necessary vouchers for the maintenance of the inmates of the Home from your Division.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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Hon. Fred M. Brown,
Judge U.S. District Court,
Third Judicial Division,
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find vouchers in duplicate for the subsistence of indigent residents of Division 3, Territory of Alaska, in the Alaska Pioneers' Home for the quarter ending September 30, 1915, for such action as you may deem fit to take in the premises.

May I ask that you have the Clerk of your Court forward to Arthur C. Shoup, Superintendent of Alaska Pioneers' Home, Sitka, Alaska, a number of voucher forms as used in your Judicial Division for the future use of the superintendent in preparing the necessary vouchers for the maintenance of the inmates of the Home from your Division.

Respectfully yours,

Enclosures.

Governor.

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August 13, 1915.

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Mrs. Christina Wilson,
51170 Hillside Road,
Pasadena, California.

Dear Madam:

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 2nd, in which you ask for information concerning household work for girls in Alaska.

In reply I would say that I am advised that there is a constant demand for competent girls to do house-work in this Territory.

In this connection, would suggest that you address Mrs. H. S. Pullen, Skagway, Alaska, for further information as to the possibilities of that section, Mrs. Pullen being the proprietor of a hotel at that place.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. S. W. Straus,
President, American Society for Thrift,
46 North Clark Street, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 3rd, which reached me this date, and in which you request that on behalf of the American Society for Thrift that I should issue a proclamation to the people of this territory asking them on Thursday, August 12th, to join with the citizens of California and give of that day special thought and counsel among themselves to the subject of thrift.

Your letter having been received too late to issue the desired proclamation, viz. August 12th, I can only express my regret that I was unable to comply with your request.

With best wishes for the success of the Society, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Hon. W. C. Smith,
Territorial Treasurer,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Smith:

Herewith I am transmitting Territorial
Road Vouchers Nos. 1, 2 and 3, for \$40.00, \$6.00 and \$10.75,
respectively, which were recently submitted to this office
by Mr. E. C. Austin, Territorial Road Commissioner for Div-
ision No. 1.

I have this date approved these vouchers
for payment.

Faithfully yours,

Enclosures.

Governor.

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Mr. E. C. Austin,
Road Commissioner, Division No. 1,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I write to advise you that the three vouchers submitted to this office with your letter of the 19th ultimo have this day been approved by the Governor and transmitted to the Territorial Treasurer for payment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 13, 1915.

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Mr. Chas. Westerlund,
Tenakee, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor, I am transmitting herewith voucher in duplicate in your favor for the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00).

Please sign both copies of the voucher on the line indicated by the words "Sign here", and return the voucher to this office in the enclosed franked and addressed envelope.

When the voucher has been received from you it will be approved by the Governor and payment arranged for through the Secretary's office, and a warrant covering the amount will be mailed to you at Tenakee.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 13, 1915.

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney,
Special Employee, As.,
Nome, Alaska.

My dear Tom:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 26th, with reference to the request of the people of Candle for assistance in the furtherance of the purpose of the Memorial introduced and passed at the last session of the Legislature asking for the erection of a wireless station on the Arctic slope.

In reply I have to advise that I had already received a communication from certain residents of Fairhaven precinct touching this matter, and I shall be pleased to give it what support I can, through the Navy Department, which has to do with all radio matters within the Territory.

I shall also make this recommendation in my annual report, which is now in process of preparation, as I believe that if for no other purpose than naval, such a station should be erected. It will, however, be also a great convenience to the people of that remote region.

I have also to acknowledge receipt of your very comprehensive and excellent report touching the condition of the natives in the Yukon Delta, and shall use it in my forthcoming report, together with other information on this subject which I have recently gathered.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Territorial Treasurer,
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for payment.

Faithfully yours,

Enclosures.

Governor.

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Mr. Paul P. Witham,
423 New York Block,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of August 5th, in which you advise me that you have discussed with Secretary Lane the matter of planning for the development of Alaska ports, in which you state that Mr. Lane evinced great interest, and suggested that he might take it up and ask an appropriation from the next Congress to cover some such work.

I am indeed glad to know of the interest Mr. Lane is taking in this matter along lines suggested by you, and I most heartily commend your efforts to bring the matter of port improvements for this Territory to a successful issue. You certainly have my approval in the work you have undertaken.

With very best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Governor.

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August 18, 1913.

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Mr. Robert Scarper,
C/o John J. Bakerman, Esq.,
#5204 Fifth Avenue, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

The receipt of your letter of the 3rd instant is acknowledged, addressed to the Governor, making inquiry with regard to opportunities for telegraph operators in this Territory.

In reply you are advised that this office does not know of any positions available for telegraph operators. There are three short lines of railway operated in this Territory, viz:

White Pass & Yukon Route, Skagway.
Tanana Mines Railway, Fairbanks.
Copper River & Northwestern Ry., Cordova.

Only a very limited number of persons are employed by these companies.

The Federal Government is now constructing a railway line from Seward, Alaska to Fairbanks. This work is in charge of the Alaska Engineering Commission whose headquarters are at Anchorage, Alaska. Inquiries concerning telegraph operators or others, regarding opportunities for employment, should be addressed to the Commission. It is the understanding of this office, however, that there are already more men on the ground than have been able to secure employment on the construction of the railway.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Edward A. Ruettel,
4338 Union Avenue,
Peekskill, New York.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 3rd instant, addressed to the Governor, in which you make inquiry with regard to the Government road which is now under construction in Alaska, I beg to advise you that the proposed line of road starts from Seward on the coast and goes to Fairbanks in the interior of Alaska.

Construction work is now in progress in the Cook Inlet region, the work being in charge of the Alaska Engineering Commission, with headquarters at Anchorage, Alaska.

It is the understanding of this office that there are already more men on the ground than have been able to secure employment in the construction of this road. It might be well for you to address an inquiry to the Commission at Anchorage.

Yours respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Bernard Graham,
#1029 Manhattan Avenue,
Greenpoint, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 31st ult., addressed to the Governor, I beg to advise you that at the present time this office does not know of any position which could be given you.

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 at the present time advise anyone to come to Alaska in search of employment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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

My dear General:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 12th, in which you renew your request for an appropriation for expenses in the Secretary's Office.

In reply I have to advise you that an appropriation, such as you request, will be recommended to the Department of the Interior to be in turn submitted by the Department to Congress.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. Chester Solomonsen,
Pollock, South Dakota.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 5th instant, addressed to the Governor, I beg to advise that it is impossible at this time to say how many men will be employed in the Territory of Alaska next spring.

As explained to you in a previous letter, this office does not deem it advisable for anyone to come to Alaska in search of employment.

Alaska is a country of great natural resources which, however, are largely undeveloped. The Territory undoubtedly has a great future.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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JUNEAU, August 16, 1915. O. B. GOVT. PAID, Melosi to Ruby.

15 = \$1.35

Dannell, Judge,

Rate = 90¢ + 4¢

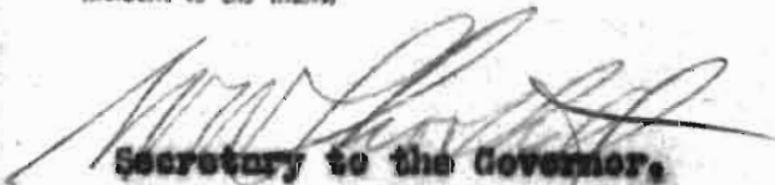
Ruby, via Melosi.

Yours thirteenth remittance seven hundred twenty not yet reached anyone here.

Must have gone astray.

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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Mr. W. Maloney,
Territorial Mine Inspector,
Nome, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Maloney:

Your letter of July 9th, addressed to Treasurer Smith, was referred to this office by him, and arrangements were made for the printing of the two report forms desired by you. These have just been delivered to this office and will go forward to you in the first mail in two packages.

The expense of printing these forms is \$20.00. It has not yet been determined from what appropriation this expense will be paid, but you will be advised as to this in due course.

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 transmit herewith letter of the 5th instant, addressed to this office by the Clerk of the District Court at Valdez, accompanied by approved notarial bond and oath of office of James T. Jeffries of Anchorage, Alaska, together with check in the sum of \$10.00 payable to the order of the Clerk of the District Court and duly endorsed by him.

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

Faithfully yours,

Encl.

Secretary to the Governor.

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Professor G. O. Georgeson,
Secretary, Board of Trustees,
Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Professor:

I am returning herewith the applica-
tion for allowance (under Chapter 64, Session Laws
of Alaska, 1915) of Mr. William Shergin of Sitka,
with notification to the effect that he as Chairman
of the Board, have approved its rejection by your-
self and Mr. Hills,

I would suggest that the application
be filed for further reference.

Yours very truly,

Enclosure.

Governor.

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Mr. J. A. Hansen,
Kennebec, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of July 25th,
I have to advise you that fur wardens are appointed
by the Bureau of Fisheries, Washington, D.C., and
not by this office.

Your application for appointment,
therefore, should be addressed to the Bureau of Fish-
eries, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C.

Your enclosures are being returned herewith,

Yours very truly,

Encls.

Governor.

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

Dear Professor:

William Thompson, formerly an inmate of the Alaska Pioneers' Home, is now in Juneau. He informs me that he has left the Home permanently, and is now on his way to Unga. I attempted to dissuade him from starting out in the world again at his age, and counseled him to return to Sitka. However, he was determined not to do so, and will leave in a day or two for Seward en route to his destination.

This being the case I assume that he is fairly entitled to a pension, and as his application is, I believe, on file in your office, I suggest that it again be considered by yourself and Trustee Mills. As I said above, I believe Thompson is fairly entitled to a pension, and I suggest that he be allowed, say, \$8.00 per month, as I understand he is slightly under 70 years old.

Kindly advise me of the action taken by yourself and Mr. Mills,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. C. E. Talbot,
Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

I have your letter of August 14th,
in which you request information regarding the
kelp beds off the southeastern coast of Alaska.

In reply I beg to advise you that
I have no information whatsoever on this subject.

I would suggest, however, that you
address the Department of Agriculture, Washington,
D.C., or the Superintendent of Public Documents,
Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C.,
either of whom would probably be able to supply you
with the desired information.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 16, 1915.

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Doctor F. M. Boyle,
Valdez, Alaska.

My dear Doctor:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 10th, together with an Alaska souvenir in the form of a pennant of your own design labeled "STATE OF ALASKA", for which please accept my best thanks.

The pennant is a beauty, and I have placed it over one of the doors of my office where I am now looking at it and wondering if I shall live to welcome the day when Alaska is admitted to the sisterhood of States. It is my wish to do so at all events.

I have spent the best years of my life in the Territory, and it seems to me that if I could live long enough to see the Territory admitted as a State I would say, in the language of the man of ancient times, "Lord now let thy servant depart in peace".

I am sorry I did not have an opportunity of remaining longer in Valdez, but under the circumstances, and upon consultation with a number of your people, I found that there was nothing I could do except to express my sympathy and offer to do anything within my power for your people personally or officially.

I hope at some future time to make a real visit to Valdez, and trust that you have building operations under way, and that increased prosperity will overtake your beautiful little city.

With assurances of my personal esteem, in which Mrs. Strong joins, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 16, 1915.

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Mr. Howard L. Long,
Seward, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

Your letter addressed to the "Labor Commissioner, Juneau, Alaska" has been received at this office, in which you asked to be advised as to the best way to "collect or close a judgment of \$39.50 June 1914".

In reply I would state that since you have obtained the judgment, the next step would be for the court to issue an execution and levy upon the property of the defendant for the amount of the judgment, plus the costs.

This is a matter that should be attended to by your attorney, and it should not be at all difficult of accomplishment provided the defendant has property sufficient to satisfy your judgment. Your letter did not state as to whether a lien has been filed on the property.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 16, 1915.

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Mr. H. J. Courcy,
Seward, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By reference from Mr. C. C. Georgeson,
Board of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home, Seward,
Alaska, I am in receipt of an application for allow-
ance (under Chapter 64, Session Laws Alaska, 1915)
of Lars M. Olsen of Seward, which I am returning to
you herewith for the reason that an affidavit of two
reputable persons, who are residents of the district
in which the applicant resides, does not appear upon
the application.

Will you kindly have this affidavit executed
and returned to this office,

Yours very truly,

Enclosure.

Governor.

August 16, 1915.

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Dr. Arthur G. Sheep,
Superintendent, Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

I have the application of Lars M. Olson of Seward, which I note has been approved by Professor C.G. Georgessen and Mr. Mills, and the allowance fixed at \$8.00 per month. However, I note that an affidavit of two reputable residents of the precinct in which the applicant resides has not been executed. I am therefore returning it to U.S. Commissioner Conroy of Seward that this defect may be removed.

As soon as it is received I shall forward it with my approval of the amount to be granted.

I will talk with Mr. Smith regarding your suggestion and see if a proper form can be evolved along the lines indicated in your letter.

I also note what you say about the application of Francis Connelly. I know Connelly and something about his case. He is incapacitated from making a living beyond a doubt, and is a proper case for admission to the Home, in my opinion.

With reference to Mrs. Liles, of Anchorage, mentioned in your letter of the 10th instant, I may say that I will await developments, as probably Judge Brown will make an allowance for the relief of Mrs. Liles. Should he not do so I will then consider the matter.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 15, 1916.

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Mr. Frank Standifer,
Kenai, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 29th ultimo, with reference to game and fur conditions on the Kenai Peninsula; and in which you state your objections to the establishment of a closed season for trapping fur-bearing animals in that district.

In reply I have to advise you that the regulation of the taking of fur-bearing animals rests solely with the Bureau of Fisheries of the Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C., and not with this office.

I may say, however, for your information that I believe it is a matter of doubt whether the Bureau of Fisheries would close Kenai Peninsula to trappers.

I have to thank you for the information contained in your letter concerning game and game conditions.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 17, 1915.

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

My dear General:

I am returning herewith, without my approval, voucher for \$56.65 (No. 833, Aug. 10, 1915) signed by John W. Cramer, for the Empire Printing Company, covering the printing of 9 chapters of the 1915 session laws in pamphlet form, for distribution by your office.

Sub-division (g), Chapter 68, session laws of 1915, contains an appropriation of \$400.00 "For printing laws passed by 1915 Legislature, in pamphlet form," for the Secretary's office.

It appears that the expense of printing pamphlet copies of the 1915 laws exceeded the above appropriation in the sum of \$92.65, of which the sum of \$36 has been paid by the Treasurer from the appropriation for the Territorial Banking Board. It has been suggested by your office, verbally, that the remaining \$56.65 might be paid from the appropriation provided for in sub-division (g), Chapter 68, 1915 session laws, that being an "emergency appropriation". This latter appropriation is "For incidental expenses for purposes not otherwise especially provided for, . . .".

The printing of the 1915 laws in pamphlet form, however, has been "otherwise especially provided for" in sub-division (g) of Chapter 68, above referred to. This being the case, I am unable to satisfy myself that I would be authorized to approve the voucher for \$56.65 in favor of the Empire Printing Company, and I am therefore obliged to return it without such approval.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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Honorable W. G. Smith,
Territorial Treasurer,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Smith:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith for your information and guidance copy of letter of this date to the Secretary of the Territory returning to him without the Governor's approval a voucher for \$56.65 in favor of the Empire Printing Company for the printing of 9 chapters of the 1915 session laws. The appropriation provided for in sub-division (g) of Chapter 88, 1915 session laws, having been exceeded, the Governor has been unable to find any authority for payment of this item from sub-division (p), same chapter.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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August 17, 1915.

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Mrs. H. S. Pullen,
Pullen House,
Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Madam:

For use in connection with the Governor's expense account covering his recent trip through the interior of the Territory, it is necessary to have a receipted bill covering his meals and room while stopping at the Pullen House, Skagway, on June 16th and 17th last. The bill which he paid included the charge for both Mrs. Strong and himself, hence cannot be used. The amount of this bill is \$7.00. Will you kindly make out a bill, in duplicate, to cover the charge for the Governor alone, for June 16th and 17th, covering room rent and meals, showing the inclusive meals. Kindly receipt this bill and mail it in the enclosed addressed and franked envelope, and oblige,

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

August 18, 1915.

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Mr. J. C. Boykin,
Assistant to Chairman, Government Exhibit Board,
Panama-Pacific International Exposition,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

By reference from the Department of the Interior I am in receipt of your letter to the Department of date July 17th, together with list of awards made to the Interior Department and its several Bureaus by the Superior Jury at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, coupled with a request that I advise the participants or collaborators to whom the awards have been made in connection with the Alaskan exhibits.

I have, therefore, notified the following:

Col. W. P. Richardson	Valdez
Prof. C. C. Georgeson	Sitka
Fairbanks Commercial Club	Fairbanks
Cordova Chamber of Commerce	Cordova

I am not advised as to the addresses of the others to whom silver medals have been awarded, namely:

Gates and Morange
R. V. Sewell
Leonard H. Davis
Miss H. E. Wagner
Jessie L. Mindeloff
George W. Henley
L. F. Schmeckebier
Louis Dotte

If you will kindly ^{forward} these addresses to this office they will be notified in due course,

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 17, 1913.

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Honorable Charles H. Davis,
President, National Highways Association,
South Yarmouth, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 7th, together with the resolutions of the National Highways Association calling the attention of the national administration to the importance of highway inter-communication in any effort made toward preparedness for the adequate defense of the nation, and submitting the said resolutions for my approval or disapproval as a member of the Council of Governors of the Association.

In reply, I have to advise you that the resolutions meet with my cordial approval, as I believe that the European war has accentuated to a remarkable degree the preeminent importance of good roads in the adequate defense of nations.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. F. W. Tisdale,
Ilwaco, Washington.

My dear Mr. Tisdale:

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 11th, with reference to your desire to have your brother, George C. Tisdale, transferred from the Howard Building, Washington, D.C. for the criminal insane to St. Elizabeth Hospital, at the same place.

You state that you have taken this matter up with Honorable James J. Crossley, former U.S. District Attorney, at Fairbanks, Alaska, and I would also suggest that you take up this case with the Honorable P.D. Overfield, the judge who tried your brother at Iditarod, as you may remember, and whose postoffice address now is Van Noy Building, Los Angeles, California.

I may add that it will give me great pleasure to do anything that it may be possible for me to do in behalf of your brother along the lines indicated in your letter, if you will keep me advised as to developments and in what particular manner you desire my aid.

I may say that I was glad to hear from you after a period of four years. I had not known what had become of your brother after he left Iditarod. As you may remember, I said at the time that he was not in his right mind.

I trust that you are now enjoying good health, and with the best wishes for your success, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 17, 1915.

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

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 6th instant, I beg to advise you that I have this day appointed Col. W. L. Stevenson, Skagway, Alaska, as delegate to attend the meeting of the International Irrigation Congress to be held at Stockton Sept. 13-14, Fresno, Sept. 15-16, Sacramento, Sept. 17-18 and San Francisco Sept. 20th.

Permit me to express the hope that the meeting of the Congress may be successful in every way.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Col. W. L. Stevenson,
Seward, Alaska.

My dear Colonel:

I have taken the liberty of appointing you as a delegate to the meeting of the International Irrigation Congress to be held on the following dates:

Stockton	=	September 13-14
Fresno	=	" 15-16
Sacramento	=	" 17-18
San Francisco	=	" 19-20

Trusting that you may be able to attend one or more of these meetings, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

August 17, 1915.

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

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith application for allowance (under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska 1915) of Manville E. Markham, of Seward, for such action as the other members of the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home may see fit to take.

The application seems to me to be regular in every way, and I would suggest that the applicant be allowed a pension of, say, \$8.00 per month.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith application
for allowance (under Chapter 64, Session Laws of
Alaska 1915) of Manville E. Markham, of Seward,
for such action as the other members of the Board
of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home may see
fit to take.

The application seems to me to be
regular in every way, and I would suggest that the
applicant be allowed a pension of, say, \$8.00
per month.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 27, 1915.

Honorable Charles E. Davidson,
Surveyor General,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear General:

I have to request that you will kindly furnish this office any information you may have regarding the surveying of meridian and base lines in the Territory, and what has been accomplished therein.

Also kindly furnish any information relative to the progress that has been made in surveying agricultural lands, including claims of Indians and others.

This information, I may add, is to be used in the report of the Governor for the fiscal year 1915, which is now in course of preparation.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. J. F. Callbreath,
Secretary, The American Mining Congress,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I beg to advise that I have appointed the following delegates to represent Alaska at the 18th Annual Convention of the American Mining Congress, to be held at San Francisco September 20-22, 1915:

B.L. THANE	-	Juneau, Alaska
R.A. KINZIE	-	1st W.B. Bldg., San Francisco, Cal.
P.R. BRADLEY	-	Treadwell, Alaska.
CHAS. SULZER	-	Sulzer, Alaska.
B.F. MILLARD	-	Valdez, Alaska.
W.H. SEAGRAVE	-	Kennecott, Alaska.
GEO. JAMES	-	Nome, Alaska.
FRANK A. ALDRICH	-	Juneau, Alaska.
JAS. R. HAYDEN	-	Seward, Alaska.
FALCON JOSLIN	-	Fairbanks, Alaska.

Expressing the hope that the meeting of the Congress will be eminently successful, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. J. H. Davies,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 12th instant, addressed to the Governor, requesting to be furnished with the necessary blank for making application for appointment as a Notary Public.

Enclosed herewith you will find a form for notarial bond, and on the back of same the oath of office blank.

No particular form of application is required. A letter addressed to the Governor requesting to be appointed and enclosing post-office money order in the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) to cover the legal fee for a commission is all that is necessary.

When you have executed the bond and the oath of office, the form should be transmitted to the Clerk of the Court at Juneau so that he may approve the bond. In order to save time it would be well to request the Clerk of the Court to transmit the approved bond direct to this office instead of returning it to you.

Upon receipt of your letter of application with remittance above mentioned, and the approved bond, a commission will be issued to you.

Respectfully yours,

Enclosure.

Secretary to the Governor.

August 18, 1915.

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Mrs. Mae Fulk,
Douglas, Alaska.

Dear Madam:

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, and to advise you that a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home at Sitka, Alaska, it was decided that for the present at least a trained nurse would not be employed.

Trusting that you may be able to secure employment elsewhere, I am,

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 18, 1915.

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Mr. W. P. Mills,
Treasurer, Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Mills:

By direction of the Governor I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, transmitting receipted voucher in triplicate covering the payment of Seven Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$720.00) by Judge Chas. E. Bunnell for the maintenance of inmates in the Alaska Pioneers' Home at Sitka for the Fourth Division for the quarter ended March 31, 1915.

We have telegraphed Judge Bunnell that the missing check has been located and that the receipted voucher is being forwarded to him at Fairbanks by the first mail.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 18, 1915.

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Honorable Charles E. Bunnell,
United States District Judge,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

My dear Judge Bunnell:

In today's mail from Sitka there was received from Mr. W. P. Mills, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home, a letter transmitting receipted voucher in triplicate covering the payment by you of Seven Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$720.00) on account of maintenance of inmates of the Alaska Pioneers' Home from the Fourth Judicial Division for the quarter ended March 31, 1915. The voucher is enclosed herewith.

Mr. Mills explains that on going through some private papers in his desk a few days ago he found your letter addressed to him enclosing check and voucher, the same having in some way been mislaid with other papers.

The Governor wired you today at Ruby advising that the check had been located, and that the receipted voucher is being forwarded by first mail to Fairbanks.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Robert E. Capers, Esq.,
Attorney-at-law,
Cordova, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 5th instant, inquiring as to whether or not a proclamation was issued providing that the 5th day of July this year should be observed as a holiday for the reason that the 4th fell on Sunday.

In reply you are advised that no such proclamation was issued either by the President of the United States or the Governor of Alaska, nor is there any law providing for such observance.

The Act of December 20, 1881, (Chapter 2, 22 Statutes, 1), the same being an amendment of Section 993 R.S., provides that when any day set apart as a legal holiday within the District of Columbia falls on Sunday the day next succeeding shall be observed as a holiday. This, however, was limited to the District of Columbia.

This rule has been followed for many years by the public generally as a matter of custom, but outside the District of Columbia there is no federal law on the subject.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Cordova Chamber of Commerce,
Cordova, Alaska.

Gentlemen:

By reference from the Department of the Interior, I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. James C. Boykin, Assistant to the Chairman of the Government Exhibit Board of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, Cal. requesting this office to advise the participants or collaborators to whom awards were made in connection with the Alaskan exhibits.

Accordingly it gives me much pleasure to inform you that the Superior Jury has awarded you a silver medal, which I assume will reach you in due course.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 18, 1915.

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Fairbanks Commercial Club,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

Gentlemen:

By reference from the Department of the Interior, I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. James C. Boykin, Assistant to the Chairman of the Government Exhibit Board of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, California, requesting this office to advise the participants or collaborators to whom awards were made in connection with the Alaskan exhibits.

Accordingly it gives me much pleasure to inform you that the Superior Jury has awarded you a silver medal, which I assume will reach you in due course.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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

My dear Professor:

By reference from the Department of the Interior, I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. James C. Boykin, Assistant to the Chairman of the Government Exhibit Board of the Panama - Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, California, requesting this office to advise the participants or collaborators to whom awards were made in connection with the Alaskan exhibits.

Accordingly it gives me much pleasure to inform you that the Superior Jury has awarded you a silver medal, which I assume will reach you in due course.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith letter received from Town Clerk of the Town of Petersburg, which is self-explanatory.

Will you favor this office with an opinion as to the proper method to be pursued in the case indicated in the enclosure.

Be kind enough to return letter for our files after it has served its purpose.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Enclosure.

August 18, 1915.

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Mr. H. L. Thane,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, Cal., September 20 -22, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are:

R.A. Kinsie	-	San Francisco
P.R. Bradley	-	Treadwell
Chas. A. Sulzer	-	Sulzer
B.F. Millard	-	Valdez
W.H. Seagrave	-	Kennecott
George James	-	Hono
F.A. Aldrich	-	Juneau
James H. Hayden	-	Coward
Wilson Joslin	-	Fairbanks

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor.

August 18, 1915.

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Mr. R. A. Kinsie,
Care First National Bank,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20 - 22, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are:

B. L. Thane	-	Juncos
P. R. Bradley	-	Treadwell
Chas. A. Sulzer	-	Sulzer
E. F. Millard	-	Valdes
W. H. Seagrave	-	Kennecott
George James	-	Hona
F. A. Alrich	-	Juncos
James R. Hayden	-	Seward
Falcon Joslin	-	Fairbanks

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

Yours very truly,

Gouverneur.

August 18, 1915.

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Mr. P. R. Bradley,
Treadwell, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to a request of the American Mining Company, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20/22, 1915.

The delegates, in addition to yourself, who have been appointed are -

B.L. THANE	-	Juncos
CHARLES A. SULZER	-	Sulzer
D.F. MILLARD	-	Valdes
W.H. SEAGRAVE	-	Kennecott
GEORGE JAMES	-	Noma
F.A. ALDRICH	-	Juncos
JAMES R. HAYDEN	-	Seward
FALCON JOSLIN	-	Fairbanks
R.A. KINZIE	-	San Francisco

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 18, 1915.

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Honorable Charles A. Sulzer,
Sulzer, Alaska.

My dear Senator:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, September 20 - 22, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are -

B.L.Thane	-	Juneau
P.R.Bradley	-	Treadwell
B.F.Hillard	-	Valdez
W.H.Scogrove	-	Kennecott
George James	-	Nome
F.A.Aldrich	-	Juneau
James R.Hayden	-	Seward
Falcon Joslin	-	Fairbanks
R.A.Kinsie	-	San Francisco

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

August 18, 1915.

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Honorable B. F. Hillard,
Valdez, Alaska.

My dear Senator:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20 - 22, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are -

B.L.Thane	-	Juneau
P.H.Bradley	-	Treadwell
Chas. A. Sulzer	-	Sulzer
R.A.Kinzis	-	San Francisco
W.H.Seagrave	-	Kornocott
George James	-	Nome
F.A.Aldrich	-	Juneau
James H.Hayden	-	Seward
Falcon Jeslin	-	Fairbanks

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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Mr. W. H. Seagrave,
Kennebect, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20/22, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are -

R.A. Kinsie	-	San Francisco
B.L. Thoms	-	Juneau
P.R. Bradley	-	Treadwell
Chas. A. Sulzer	-	Sulzer
B.F. Millard	-	Valdez
George Hanes	-	Nome
F.A. Aldrich	-	Juneau
James R. Hayden	-	Seward
Falcon Joslin	-	Fairbanks

Trusting that you will be able to attend this meet, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. George James,
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20/22, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are -

R.A. Kinsie	-	San Francisco
E.L. Thano	-	Juneau
P.R. Bradley	-	Treadwell
Chas. A. Sulzer	-	Sulzer
E.F. Millard	-	Valdez
F.A. Alrich	-	Juneau
James R. Hayden	-	Seward
Falcon Joslin	-	Fairbanks
W.H. Seagrave	-	Kennecott

I trust that you may be able to attend this meeting.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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August 18, 1915.

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Honorable F. A. Aldrich,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Senator:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20th/22nd, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are -

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P. R. Bradley	-	Treadwell
Chas. A. Sulzer	-	Sulzer
D. F. Millard	-	Valdez
W. H. Seagrave	-	Kennecott
George James	-	Hess
James R. Hayden	-	Coward
Falcon Joslin	-	Fairbanks

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 18, 1915.

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Mr. James R. Hayden,
Seward, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20th/22nd, 1915.

The other delegates appointed are -

R.A. KINZIE	-	San Francisco
P.R. BRADLEY	-	Treadwell
CHAS. A. SULZER	-	Sulzer
B.F. MILLARD	-	Valdez
W.H. BRADGRAVE	-	Kennecott
GEORGE JAMES	-	Noms
F.A. ALDRICH	-	Juneau
FALCON JOSLIN	-	Fairbanks
B.L. THANE	-	Juneau

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 18, 1915.

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Mr. Falcon Joolin,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to a request of the American Mining Congress, I have this day appointed you a delegate to attend the meeting of the Congress to be held at San Francisco, California, September 20th/22nd, 1915.

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E.F. HILLARD	Valdez
W.H. SEAGRAVE	Kennecott
GEORGE JAMES	Nome
F.A. ALDRICH	Juneau
JAMES R. HAYDEN	Seward

Trusting that you may be able to attend this meeting, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Juneau, August 18, 1915. O. B. PAID Govt. Melosi to Ruby.

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Judge Bunnell,

Ruby, via Melosi

Check for seven hundred twenty dollars located at Sitka. Mailing receipts to you at Fairbanks today.

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.

[Handwritten Signature]
Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Otto Hornsedorfer,
Latouche, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 14th instant, addressed to the Governor, with respect to the shipment of polar bear skins to Europe, I beg to advise that under date of the 10th instant the Governor wrote you at the request of Mr. H. S. Sprague on this same subject.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 19, 1915.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that I have known the bearer, MR. E. H. LANGLEY, of Ruby, Alaska, for a number of years past.

Mr. Langley has been a resident of this Territory for the past eighteen years, and is now visiting the United States proper with the intention of making a trip to Europe.

This letter will serve him for purposes of identification.

I can commend him as a good citizen and a man of strict integrity.

August 30, 1915.

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Mr. R. H. Johnston,
Librarian, Bureau of Railway Economics,
Homer Building, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

In response to your letter of the 10th instant, addressed to the Governor, I take pleasure in enclosing herewith copy of the Governor's Message to the 1915 Session of the Alaska Legislative Assembly.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 20, 1915.

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Mr. Owen Roberts,

S u m d u m, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, this allowance having been fixed at Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September, and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 20, 1915.

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Mr. Jacob Menchel,

Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, this allowance having been fixed at Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September, and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. John Johnson,
Petersburg, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, this allowance having been fixed at Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September, and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 20, 1915.

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Mr. Nick Eason,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, this allowance having been fixed at Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September, and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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Mr. George A. Coe,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, this allowance having been fixed at Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September, and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 20, 1915.

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Mr. William Lawson,

J u n o u, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915. This Allowance has been fixed at Ten Dollars per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September, and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. Louis Corbelle,
Douglas, A l a s k a.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, this allowance having been fixed at Eight Dollars (\$8.00) per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Encl.

Governor.

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Mr. John D. McPherson,
Douglas, A l a s k a.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting you herewith Certificate of Allowance, under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, this allowance having been fixed at Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month, beginning September 1st, 1915.

You will receive your first allowance at the end of September and thereafter quarterly, as provided by law.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Professor C.C. Georganon,
Secretary, Board of Trustees,
Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Professor:

I am returning you herewith applications
for allowance that have been acted upon by the
Board, namely:

Owen Roberts	-	Sundum, Alaska.
Jacob Menchel	-	Valdez, "
John Johnson	-	Petersburg, Alaska.
Nick Bassen	-	Juneau, Alaska.
William Lawson	-	" "
George A. Coe	-	" "
John B. McPherson	-	Douglas, "
Louis Corbelle	-	" "

also those of -

Erick Forsgren	-	Sitka, Alaska
William Thompson	-	" "
Hal Hoaly	-	" "

which were rejected by the Board.

I am returning those that they may be filed
with the other records of the Alaska Pioneers' Home.

Kindly acknowledge receipt.

Faithfully yours,

Enclosures.

Governor.

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Honorable Robert D. Gray,
United States Commissioner,
Katalla, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 9th, with reference to certain matters in your precinct.

In the first place, permit me to say that I have nothing on file in this office to show that I received a letter from you a year ago upon matters touched upon in your letter.

I make it an invariable rule to reply to every communication received at this office, whether official or otherwise, and I therefore assume that the letter referred to was mislaid or went astray.

Now in regard to the collection of poll taxes: Mr. Smith informs me today that all the United States Commissioners of the Territory were instructed not to proceed with the collection of poll taxes until advised by his office. He has taken no action in the matter, as it was the opinion of this office that it would be inadvisable to attempt the collection of a poll tax this year.

There was also a question as to the legality of such a procedure, and inasmuch as there promises to be ample revenue for the needs of the Territory, the collection of the tax, as stated, was not proceeded with. Mr. Smith will also write you as to the collection of the poll tax for the current year.

I appreciate the fact that the different sections of your precinct are so scattered as to make it almost impossible to visit the different points.

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Honorable Robert D. Gray - p.2.

As to the matter of "vital statistics", I have no doubt but that the Secretary of Alaska, Mr. Davidson, will advise you in relation thereto. His office is handling the collection of data regarding vital statistics and you are advised to forward them just as soon as you can secure them conveniently.

The law regarding these statistics should not be construed in a "hard and fast" way, due consideration being given as to the lack of speedy communication with the various points in your extensive precinct. I am thoroughly satisfied that you are adhering to the law in every case where it is possible for you to do so.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Juneau, August 20, 1915, O. B. PAID GOVT. MELDZI TO RUBY.

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Judge Dummell,

Ruby.

Will admit Chisholm to Pioneers Home.

STRONG.

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 Governor.

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney,
Special Employee,
Nome, Alaska.

My dear Tom:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 9th, with enclosed clipping concerning the disposition of the Memorial of the Alaska Legislature calling for a radio station at Cudde.

As I believe I wrote you, I also forwarded a petition to the War Department at Washington on the same subject, and under date of August 10th I received a communication from Adjutant General, H.P. McCain, as follows:

"Your communication of July 28, 1915
"relative to a resolution of the inhabi-
"tants of Fairhaven District, in regard
"to the erection of a wireless station
"for Fairhaven, has been received. A
"proper reference has been made in order
"to enable the necessary information to
"be obtained. As soon as possible you
"will be further advised in the premises."

It would therefore seem that the Department might give the matter of erecting a wireless station at Fairhaven some consideration, - in any event, I believe the people of that District need not feel entirely hopeless as, in my opinion, the station will be erected and that probably within the near future.

I note in your letter that you propose to visit Kaltag and other points on the lower Yukon in the near future. I trust that your visit may result in some good to the people of that region.

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Thomas Gaffney - p.2.

Things are moving quietly in this section.
Both Mrs. Strong and myself are in the enjoyment of good
health. Kindly remember us to all inquiring friends.

With best wishes, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

August 19, 1915.

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Mr. T. S. Elmore,
Town Clerk,
Petersburg, Ala. a.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 17th, in which you state that Mrs. Edith Grant, a native woman, left the town of Petersburg for Haines, leaving her two small girls in the care of their aunt who neglected them, so that the town council had to take care of them; that subsequently they were sent to Etka where one of them was admitted to the Sheldon-Jackson School, and the other, being too young for admission to that school, was taken care of by a young married couple; that now the Superintendent of the Sheldon-Jackson School wants the child indentured for ten years and the couple who took the other one will adopt her if they can be protected from interference by any relatives; and you ask if the town officials have authority in the premises in the absence of the parents to take this action, and if there is a Territorial board to look after such cases, and you also request an opinion as to what course you should pursue.

In reply I have to advise you that there is no law conferring any special authority on town officers in such cases.

The proper method of procedure is under Chapter 32, of the Session Laws of 1913 - the Juvenile Court Act. Complaint should be filed in the Juvenile Court, with the prayer that the children be committed to the care of the Board of Childrens Guardians, who in turn would then have the power, under Section 6 of the Act, to apprentice them or give them in adoption to foster parents. This procedure, of course, gives full protection against interference from relatives.

The Board of Childrens Guardians for the First Judicial Division is composed of the following:

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Hon. Robert W. Jennings, U.S. Judge, Juncos
Hon. H. J. Bishop, U.S. Marshal, "
Mrs. John G. Hyde, "

Trusting that this information will be of service to
you in disposing of this matter, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 20, 1915.

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Honorable James Frawley,
United States Commissioner,
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By reference from the office of the Secretary of Alaska I am in receipt of the applications of Peter P. Lekker, Louis Johnson and Peter Brennan for allowance under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915; also your letter of the 2nd instant, in which you ask to be informed what, if any, remuneration you will "receive as Commissioner for services performed in connection with the carrying into force this law".

In reply I have to advise you that I cannot find any provision in the law for the payment of fees of United States Commissioners or notaries public in carrying out the provisions of this Act, and it therefore would seem as if your fees should be paid by the applicants for allowance.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Juneau, August 20, 1915. O. B.

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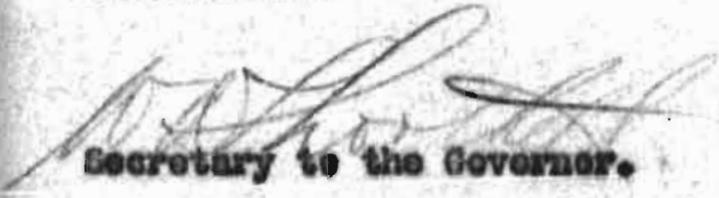
Clerk of Court,

Valdez.

Please advise name U. S. Commissioner at Kasaan. Also can you advise present address of John H. Brownlow, former commissioner?

Shorthill, Secretary to 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.

August 20, 1915.

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

My dear Professor:

I am transmitting herewith the applications of -

Peter P. Lokker	-	Nome, Alaska.
Louis Johnson	-	" "
Peter Brennen	-	" "

for allowance under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915;
also application for allowance of -

John Finlayson	-	Wrangell, Alaska,
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all of which would seem to me to be in proper form.

I would suggest that Peter P. Lokker be granted an allowance of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month, and that Peter Brennen and Louis Johnson be granted an allowance of \$8.00 per month, respectively.

John Finlayson, whose age is supposed to be 103 years should also be allowed at least Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per month.

Supt. Sheup wrote me a few days ago as to the advisability of securing, say, a printed form or docket for the registration of all applicants to whom allowances may be made. I have to suggest, however, that a record can easily be improvised for the present, as it would only require entries showing the name, date when the allowance was authorized and the amount. All other data concerning the applicants may be found in the application for allowance.

I will have prepared a ~~printed~~ warrant form

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upon the Territorial Treasurer, to be issued by the Board of Trustees in payment of the allowance due each applicant, as provided in the Act.

Section 3 of Chapter 64 provides, among other things, that:

"Each allowance shall be paid quarter-yearly, and
"a warrant or draft of the Board of Trustees on
"the Territorial Treasurer for the amount of the
"quarterly payment, payable to the beneficiary
"or order, shall be forwarded by said Board to
"the Commissioner within whose precinct the bene-
"ficiary resides, etc."

Allowance has been authorized for eight applicants up to date beginning September 1st, and the last month of the quarter ending September 30th the drafts or warrants upon the Territorial Treasurer will necessarily have to be issued for one month, that is, the month of September; afterwards the warrants will only be issued at the expiration of each quarter.

In order to expedite matters, I believe the warrants should be signed by you, as Secretary, of the Board, and counter-signed by Mr. Mills, as Treasurer, and by you mailed direct to the applicants.

Let me hear from you as to your views upon this, and on any other matter connected with this vexatious subject.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 20, 1915.

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

My dear Judge:

The Governor desires to keep a separate file of the legal opinions which are furnished to this office from time to time, and in order that this may be done it is requested that in future all such opinions be submitted in duplicate. In this way one copy can be kept in the "Opinion File" and the other can be filed with the papers relating to the subject covered by the opinion.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 21, 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 voucher
in favor of Charles Westerlund, of Tenakee, Alaska, in the sum of
\$20.00, which has been certified by the Governor. The warrant should
be mailed to Mr. Westerlund at Tenakee.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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August 21, 1915.

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Hon. H. T. Tripp,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Senator:

Will you kindly advise if you cashed the two checks which were issued to you for mileage on account of attendance at the first session of the Alaska Legislature? These checks were for 15 cents each. The Treasury Department advises that there is a balance of 30 cents in the legislative appropriation for that session, and it occurs to me that possibly the amount represents the two checks mentioned.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

August 23rd, 1915.

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The Mayor of Valdez,
Valdez, A l a s k a.

Dear Sir:

On June 18th last this office addressed to the City Clerk of Valdez, Alaska, a letter requesting certain information for us in the Governor's forthcoming annual report. A blank upon which to furnish the desired information was enclosed with the letter, together with a franked addressed envelope in which to mail the same to this office.

I regret to say that to date no reply has been received, and as the annual report is now being prepared it becomes necessary to have the information asked for in order to incorporate it in said report in connection with the subject of "Taxation".

A blank similar to the one above referred to is enclosed herewith, and it will be greatly appreciated if you will kindly have the same filled out at once and mailed to this office in the franked and addressed envelope which accompanies the blank.

Yours very truly,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosures.

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August 23, 1915.

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The Mayor of Haines,
Haines, A l a s k a.

Dear Sir:

On June 18th last this office addressed to the City Clerk of Haines, Alaska, a letter requesting certain information for use in the Governor's forthcoming annual report. A blank upon which to furnish the desired information was enclosed with the letter, together with a franked addressed envelope in which to mail the same to this office.

I regret to say that to date no reply has been received, and as the annual report is now being prepared it becomes necessary to have the information asked for in order to incorporate it in said report in connection with the subject of "Taxation".

A blank similar to the one above referred to is enclosed herewith, and it will be greatly appreciated if you will kindly have the same filled out at once and mailed to this office in the franked and addressed envelope which accompanies the blank.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 23, 1915.

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To the Mayor of Wrangell,
Wrangell, A l a s k a.

Dear Sir:

On June 18th last this office addressed a letter to the City Clerk of Wrangell requesting certain information in regard to taxation for use in the forthcoming annual report of the Governor.

Under date June 22nd the City Clerk forwarded to this office the blank which had been sent him, giving all the information called for therein with the exception of the amount of the assessed valuation of real and personal property for the year 1914.

Under date June 24th and again July 27th this office wrote Mr. Stanhope, City Clerk, calling attention to the omission and requesting that the information be furnished. As yet, however, no information on this point has been received or any reply to these letters, and as the annual report is now being prepared it becomes necessary to have the information at an early date if it is to be made use of.

It will be appreciated, therefore, if you will kindly advise this office as to the amount of the assessed valuation of real and personal property in the town of Wrangell for the year 1914.

I enclose herewith franked and addressed envelope for your use when replying hereto.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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August 23, 1915.

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

My dear Doctor:

By direction of the Governor, I enclose herewith voucher in duplicate in the sum of \$20.75, covering a reimbursement to you of amounts paid out from personal funds for supplies, etc. for official use in connection with your position as Assistant Health Commissioner.

Kindly sign both copies of the voucher on the line preceded by the words "Sign here", and mail them to this office.

If you can do so it will be well for you to obtain receipted bills covering the various items (except stamps) mentioned in the voucher so that they may be filed for reference. They should be obtained in duplicate.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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Dr. J. I. Silverman,
Kodiak, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor, I am transmitting herewith voucher in favor of Paul Walkoff in the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00), covering services in connection with quarantine at Afognak, Alaska, in October 1913.

Kindly have Mr. Walkoff sign both copies of the voucher on the line preceded by the words "Sign here", and mail the same to this office.

Upon receipt of the voucher properly signed payment will be arranged, and a warrant will be sent to Mr. Walkoff.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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August 24, 1913.

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

My dear Professor:

I am returning herewith for your
files the applications for allowance of -

JAMES HORTON - Sitka
GEORGE B. ALLARD - "

Very truly yours,

Governor.

Enclosures.

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August 24, 1915.

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Mr. James Horton,
Fairport, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith Certificate of Allowance made to you by the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, in the sum of Twelve Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$12.50) per month.

This Certificate is to be kept by yourself and presented to the United States Commissioner in your precinct at the expiration of each quarter-year for the payment of your allowance.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 24, 1915.

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Mr. George B. Allard,
S i t k a, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith Certificate of Allowance made to you by the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home under Chapter 64, Session Laws of Alaska, 1913, in the sum of Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents per month (\$7.50).

This Certificate is to be kept by yourself and presented to the United States Commissioner in your precinct at the expiration of each quarter year for the payment of your allowance.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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Juneau, August 24, 1915. O. B.

Mrs. H. S. Pullen,

Skagway.

Have you forwarded receipted bill asked for in my letter of seventeenth?

SHORTHILL, Secretary to Governor.

I certify that this telegram is on official business, and
transmitted for the public service, and will not bear the delay
of the night.


Secretary to the Governor.

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August 25, 1915.

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The Librarian,
Seattle Public Library,
Seattle, Washington.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your request for a copy of the Governor's annual report for 1914, I beg to advise that our supply of copies of this report has been exhausted, and it is therefore impossible to comply with your request.

Your library will be placed upon our mailing list for a copy of the 1915 report which, however, will not be ready for mailing until early in the coming year.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 24, 1915.

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Mr. W. P. Mills,
Treasurer, Board of Trustees,
Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover there goes to you in this mail a book of warrants for payments of pensions, the first 25 of which have been signed by Mr. Georgeson as Secretary.

Towards the end of September I would suggest that you make out warrants for such pensioners ^{as} have been granted allowances, and mail them to the beneficiaries. The Territorial Treasurer will in a few days send you a form upon which to report to him the information which he needs each quarter in connection with the issuance of these warrants.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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Juneau, August 26, 1915. O. B. Ans.

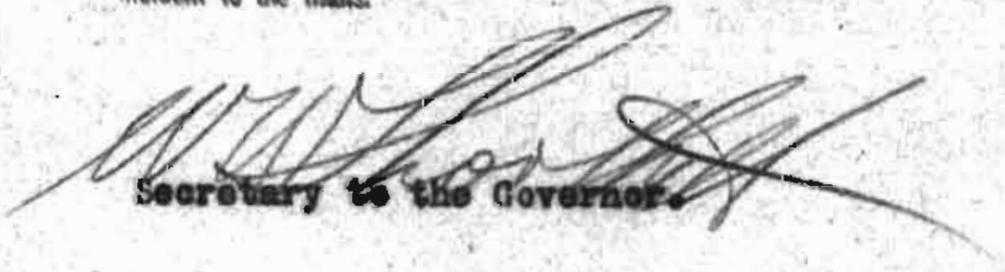
Erwin,

Fairbanks.

No provision made for admitting women to Pioneers' Home
and cannot do so.

STRONG.

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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August 26, 1915.

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Mr. C. C. Henion,
Commissioner, State & Foreign Organizations,
Exposition Building,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sir:

I beg to enclose herewith your letter of the 14th instant, addressed to the Honorable Lucius E. Pinkham, Governor of Hawaii, which was received at this office on the 25th instant in an envelope addressed to the "Governor of Alaska", which envelope I am also enclosing.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosures.

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August 26, 1915.

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Mr. Chaille Germain,
Leclair, Province of Quebec,
Pontiac County, Canada.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 13th instant, addressed to the Governor, in which you request the assistance of this office in your efforts to obtain information with regard to your brother, Mr. B. Germain, who is believed to have been drowned in Alaska some two years ago.

There is no information on file in this office concerning your brother.

Following the usual custom in cases of this kind the various newspapers of Alaska will be asked to publish the request for information concerning your brother, and if any response is forthcoming the information contained therein will be promptly communicated to you.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 26, 1915.

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

My dear General:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith an application, approved bond, oath of office and fee of MR. J. H. DAVIES, of Kotzebue, Alaska, who desires to be commissioned a Notary Public for Alaska.

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

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosures.

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August 26, 1913.

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Mr. George L. Cohen,
General Secretary,
American Prison Association,
Louisville, Kentucky.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your communication of August 5th, I have to advise you that I do not deem it expedient to appoint delegates to the Prison Congress to be held in Oakland, Calif. October 9 - 14, 1913, inasmuch as it will be impossible to secure their attendance.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 26, 1915.

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Mr. C. G. Coburn,
#322 W. 21st Street,
Los Angeles, California.

Dear Sir:

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 16th instant, in which you request information regarding the Shushana Mining & Trading Company, Shushana, Alaska.

In reply I have to advise you that I know nothing whatsoever regarding this company. I may say that if this concern is the one that was organized in Vancouver, B.C. a couple of years ago, it has no standing whatsoever. Its name does not appear in the list of corporations in the office of the Secretary of Alaska.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 26, 1915.

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Editor of Eagle Almanac,

Eagle Building, Brooklyn, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 24th instant, I have to advise that there are no cities in Alaska of over 25,000 population, all being considerably under that figure.

The estimated white population of the Territory at this time is 44,000; the native population is about 25,000.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 26, 1915.

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Mr. E. A. Henderson,
405 Grove Street, Nicollet Island,
Minneapolis, Minnesota.

My dear Mr. Henderson:

I am in receipt of a letter from Arthur E. Bernier, a life prisoner in the Leavenworth Penitentiary, Kansas. He was committed from the Fourth Judicial Division, Alaska, in 1909.

He tells me he is applying for a pardon and that he has received favorable recommendations from the court who tried him and also the District Attorney, and he asks that I forward a similar recommendation to the President.

As I am utterly unfamiliar with this case, and he has referred to you, I ask that you will at your earliest convenience advise me as to the merits of the application which Bernier is making for a pardon. He advises me that he plead guilty to the crime of murder. He was tried in 1909 and at that time I was out of Alaska and, therefore, have no knowledge of the case.

With assurances of my personal esteem,
I am,

very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 26, 1913.

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Mr. Henry S. Drinker,
President Lehigh University,
South Bethlehem, Pa.

My dear Mr. President:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 17th, in which you request certain information as to the control of forestry and the conservation of natural resources in Alaska.

Replying categorically to your questions I have to advise you as follows:

1. The national forests of Alaska are under the direct control of the Bureau of Forestry, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. The chief forester in Alaska is Mr. W.C. Weigle, whose address is Ketchikan, Alaska. His official title is "Forest Supervisor".

2. The departments of forestry, fish, game, etc. are managed under separate heads. As stated above the forests are under the direction of the national Government, while the laws affecting the conservation of game are administered by the Governor of Alaska. The game wardens are appointed by the Governor, to whom they make monthly reports.

Expressing the hope that this information may be of some service to you, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 26, 1915.

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Captain H. L. Bates,
Alaska Exhibit,
Miner Building, P.F.I. Expos'n,
San Francisco, California.

My dear Captain Bates:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter
of August 16th.

I am glad to know that you are getting along
so nicely, and that you have received courteous treatment
throughout. I trust that you will be eminently success-
ful in your endeavors to aid Alaska. I will ask the
Juneau newspapers to forward a copy to your address to be
placed on file in the Alaska Exhibit quarters.

With reference to an "Alaska Day", I under-
stand that October 18th has been officially designated
as such. October 18th is the anniversary of the pur-
chase of Alaska from Russia. It is probable that I
shall attend the celebration but I cannot say positively
at this time.

I am forwarding to your address, under sep-
arate cover, a number of pamphlets containing informa-
tion concerning Alaska that may be distributed wherever
you think will do the most good. I have not as yet
received the pictures from Seward but as soon as they
shall have been received I will forward them to your
address. I cannot send you blanks of hunting permits
and licenses for shipping inasmuch as these are numbered
consecutively and are not supposed to leave the office
until they have been issued to some designated person.

With best wishes for your success, in which
Mrs. Strong joins, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 26, 1913.

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Mr. Mark H. Reed,
1400 Beacon Avenue,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of August 14th, in which you inquire as to the opportunity in Alaska for a University graduate to find employment, I have to advise you that I do not know of any openings for a university graduate at this time, although there may be opportunities of which I am not cognizant.

Generally speaking it may be stated that labor of all kinds whether professional, skilled or unskilled, is in excess of the demand. However, this is a new country and a man coming to it must take his chances, and if he cannot secure the kind of employment he likes he is quite likely to be compelled to take what he can get.

You will readily understand that a great deal depends upon the man himself. I have never advised people to come to Alaska, however, without first making a personal investigation.

Any additional information that you may require will be supplied to you if it is in the power of this office to do so.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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August 26th, 1915.

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Messrs. K. Uotani & Co.,
5-Chome Utsubo Minamidori, Nishiku,
O s a k a, Japan.

Gentlemen:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of July 21st, in which you ask for the names and addresses of dealers and wholesale stores that handle fishing tackle in this Territory.

In reply I have to advise that this office is not familiar with the names and addresses of dealers outside the city of Juneau, Alaska. The following are the names of some of the dealers in this city:

C. W. Young Company
Juneau Hardware Company
B. M. Behrens Company
C. Goldstein
H. J. Raymond & Company

In this connection, you might also address the following dealers at Ketchikan, Alaska:

J. R. Heckman & Company
Tongass Trading Company,

and at Wrangell, Alaska, the following:

St. Michael Trading Company
F. Matheson, and

at Petersburg, Alaska, Messrs. Hague & Trotter.

Trusting that this information may be of some service to you, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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Mr. C. B. Thompson,
Chairman, American Defense Society,
303 5th Ave., New York City.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 11th instant, I have to advise that I do not deem it expedient at this time to name an "Honorary Board" of five leading citizens of Alaska to act as an advisory committee for the American Defense Society. It would merely be a work of supererogation, and I do not see that any benefit would accrue to your society by the appointment of such a board.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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August 27, 1915.

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Mr. W. F. Mills,
Treasurer Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The Governor has just wired you as follows:

"Allowance warrants should be issued only for month of September, and quarterly thereafter. Miss Georgeson has access to records of Secretary Georgeson during his absence."

This was in furtherance of his letter of the 24th with respect to the issuance of warrants, and the forwarding of the book of warrants, 25 of which had been signed by Secretary Georgeson.

It is the Board's plan, the Governor states, to issue the warrants at the end of each calendar quarter, so that they will conform to the same fiscal year as the accounts of the Territorial Treasurer, whose fiscal year is the same as the calendar year.

By making the first warrants cover the month of September only, and issuing quarterly thereafter, this plan will be carried out.

Professor Georgeson explained while in the office a day or so ago that his daughter had charge of his records in his absence.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Juneau, August 27, 1915. O. B.

W. P. Mills,

Treasurer Pioneers' Home,

SITKA.

Allowance warrants should be issued only for month of September, and quarterly thereafter. Miss Georgesen has access to records of Secretary Georgesen during his absence.

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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August 20, 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 the application of Mr. H. J. Paulsen, of Dillingham, Alaska, dated the 2nd instant, for appointment as a notary public for Alaska. Accompanying the application is the approved bond executed by Mr. Paulsen, his oath of office, and a check for \$10.50, endorsed by him, to cover the legal fee for the commission and 50 cents for the necessary revenue stamps for the bond.

Will you kindly have a commission prepared for the Governor's signature.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

C/C to Mr. H. J. P.

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August 20, 1915.

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American Geographical Society,
Broadway at 156th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

In response to your request of the 13th instant, I take pleasure in enclosing you herewith a copy of the Governor's message to the 1915 Alaska Legislative Assembly.

I note that your communication was addressed to the Executive Department at Sitka, Alaska.

For your information I beg to advise that JUNEAU has been the capital since September 8, 1906, at which time the transfer was made from Sitka upon orders issued by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 30, 1915.

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Mr. L. F. Protsman,
Fairbanks, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith for your information copy of letter received from Commissioner H.H. Smith of the Bureau of Fisheries, Washington, D.C., which is self-explanatory.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 30, 1915.

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

My dear Sir:

Replying to the phone inquiry of your office this date with respect to the selling price of the Senate and House journals of the 1915 session of the Alaska Legislature, the Governor directs me to say that it is impossible to arrive at an exact figure, for the reason that the contract for the printing and binding of the journals included also the printing of several reports, the Senate and House rules, and 10 bills. It is estimated, however, that the cost of printing and binding the journals of both houses was \$2,100. On this basis, the unit cost per journal would be \$8 per volume.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 31, 1915.

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Mr. J. H. Cobb,
Territorial Legal Counsel,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Judge:

I enclose herewith voucher of this date issued to you in the sum of Four Hundred and Sixteen Dollars and Seventeen Cents (\$416.17), covering your salary for the month of August, 1915.

The voucher should be signed by you and presented at the office of the Secretary of Alaska for the issuance of a warrant.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 31, 1915.

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Mr. W. P. Mills,
Treasurer & Acting Superintendent,
Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Mills:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 26th instant transmitting voucher in duplicate in favor of Jos. McNulty, in the sum of \$70.50, on account of labor performed in connection with repairs to buildings occupied by the Home.

I have approved the voucher and am transmitting the original to Secretary Davidson so that a warrant may be issued without delay.

The duplicate copy is returned herewith for your files.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 31, 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 voucher in favor of W. F. Mills, Treasurer, Alaska Pioneers' Home, Sitka, Alaska, in the sum of \$91.99 covering certain expenditures made by him as listed on the face of the voucher.

The voucher has been approved by the Governor as Chairman of the Board of Trustees and is transmitted for issuance of a warrant to cover.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 31, 1915.

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

My dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find approved
voucher in favor of JOE McHULTY, Sitka, Alaska,
in the sum of \$70.50, covering labor performed in
connection with certain repairs to buildings
occupied by the Alaska Pioneers' Home.

Kindly issue warrant and mail same to
Mr. McHulty at Sitka.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 31, 1915.

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Mr. W. P. Mills, Treasurer,
Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Mills:

Herewith find duplicate copy of voucher
forwarded by you for the Governor's approval, the
voucher being in your favor in the sum of \$91.99.

The Governor has approved the voucher
and the original is being transmitted to Secretary
Davidson for issuance of a warrant to cover.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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August 31, 1915.

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Mr. Joseph Guyot,
P.O.Box #258,
Skagway, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of the 29th instant, addressed to the Governor, I beg to advise you that Mr. D. C. Witherspoon is a representative of the United States Geological Survey, and his address at the present time, I believe, is Thane, Alaska.

A Mr. Canfield is also representing the Geological Survey in this Section of the Territory, and I understand is to be permanently stationed at Juneau. I am not sure as to his first name but I believe it is Joseph.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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September 2, 1915.

Mr. Jean S. Jackson,
Anchorage, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith a letter to Lieut.
Frederick Mears of the Alaska Engineering Commission,
which I hope may be of some service to you.

With best wishes, I am,
Very truly yours,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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September 3, 1915.

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Doctor Frank M. Boyle,
Valdes, Alaska.

My dear Doctor:

I have your letter of August 23rd, with reference to the failure of the Valdes Bank & Trust Co., in which you state that from recent developments it would appear that the assets are far from sufficient to pay the depositors and that the officers have flagrantly violated the banking laws of the Territory; and you say that it is unfortunate the Territorial Banking Department did not close the institution a year ago.

In reply I wish to say that the Banking Board knew that that bank was not in the best condition and it had bent its efforts toward securing improvement. The officers of the bank made exact promises that the affairs of the institution would be put in more satisfactory shape, but evidently failed to do so. More drastic action would have been taken by the Board if the Board had had the power to do so. While the first Legislature passed a very good banking law it entirely overlooked the fact that in order to enforce a law an appropriation is necessary, and the Legislature failed to make such appropriation. The law also designated the different United States attorneys of the several judicial divisions law officers of the Banking Board but, as you are aware, a decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit was to the effect that the Territorial Legislature exceeded its powers in imposing new and additional duties on these officers. Subsequently an attempt was made through the Delegate to Congress to have the District Attorneys designated as the officials upon whom these additional duties might be imposed, as shown in the amendment to the organic act passed in August 1914. However, for some reason the attempt failed and the District Attorneys escaped the imposition of these duties. It was not, therefore, until the second Legislature met and made provision for the appointment of legal counsel and also made an appropriation for the enforcement of the banking laws of the Territory that the Banking Board was in a position to enforce them.

I sincerely trust that the affairs of the bank may be in better shape than expected, and that the depositors will be paid in full.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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September 3, 1915.

Lieutenant Frederick Hears,
Alaska Engineering Commissioner
Anchorage, Alaska.

My dear Lieutenant Hears:

I am advised by Mr. Jean S. Jackson, who is now a resident of Anchorage, that he is desirous of securing some kind of employment with the Alaska Engineering Commission.

I may say that I have known Mr. Jackson for a number of years and believe him to be reliable and trustworthy in every particular, and that he will faithfully perform any duties that he may undertake.

With assurances of my personal esteem,
I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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September 3, 1915.

Honorable David I. Walsh,
Governor of Massachusetts,
Boston, Massachusetts.

My dear Governor:

This will serve to introduce Mr. James F. Hurley,
of Juneau, Alaska, a former resident of your city, ^{Hats} but
who is now "growing up" with the great Territory of Alaska.

Mr. Hurley is visiting his old home in Salem and
desires to meet you for the purpose of making your acquaint-
ance and discussing with you some matter in which he is
interested.

Mr. Hurley is a young man of excellent character
and is making good in Alaska.

With expressions of my personal esteem, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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September 3, 1915.

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Mr. F. H. Kenny,
Managing Editor World Almanac,
Room #1605 Pulitzer Bldg.,
New York City.

Dear Sir:

By reference from the office of the Secretary of Alaska I am in receipt of your letter of August 18th in which you ask for "a concise statement regarding the exposition to be held in Alaska in 1917".

In reply I have to advise you as follows:
It is proposed to hold an exposition of the manufacturers and products of Alaska at Fairbanks during 1917 to commemorate the semi-anniversary purchase of Alaska from Russia in 1867. No details however of the plans have as yet been worked out so far as this office has been advised.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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September 3, 1915.

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Mr. Phil Abrahams,
Secretary, Skagway Commercial Club,
Skagway, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Abrahams:

Your letter of the 29th ultimo, addressed to the Secretary of Alaska, has been referred to this office for attention, and in response to your request I take pleasure in sending herewith two allowance application blanks, together with a copy of Chapter 64 of the 1915 session laws, which provides for the allowance.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

September 3, 1918.

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Mr. Chas. A. Fox,
U. S. Commissioner,
Craig, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to your request of the 28th ultimo there are enclosed several blanks for applications for allowances under Chapter 64 of the 1915 session laws, a copy of which is also enclosed.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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September 3, 1915.

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Mr. Chas. A. Fox,
U. S. Commissioner,
Craig, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In response to your request of the 20th ultimo there are enclosed two blank forms of application for admission to the Alaska Pioneers' Home at Sitka.

Mr. Hardy's application should be forwarded to this office when properly filled out.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encs.

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September 3, 1915.

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Hon. Hiram V. Johnson,
Governor of California,
Sacramento, California.

My dear Governor Johnson:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 12th, in which you most heartily second the invitation which I received from Governor Gates of Vermont, in his capacity as Chairman of the Executive Committee, to attend the Pan-American Road Congress, which is to be held at Oakland, California, September 13/17, and to name delegates to officially represent this Territory.

In reply I have to advise you that it would give me great pleasure to be present at this meeting were it possible for me to leave Alaska at that time. The duties of this office are particularly pressing just now, and I therefore shall not be able to be present. I hope, however, to visit California in October.

I need scarcely say that your statement that the improvement and care of the public roads constitutes one of the most important and fundamental questions of this age is absolutely correct.

For many years I have been a consistent advocate of more and better roads, and in Alaska I am exercising all the means at hand and any influence which I may possess toward the opening up of the opportunities of this immense Territory by means of good roads.

A good system of roads in Alaska would be the means of adding to the national wealth millions of dollars annually.

With appreciation of your courtesy and expressions of my personal esteem, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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Mr. James F. Hurley,
4128 Derby Street,
Salem, Massachusetts.

Dear Mr. Hurley:

I am transmitting herewith letter of
introduction to Governor Walsh of Massachusetts,
as per your request made me by Mr. Troy.

Trusting the latter will be of some
service to you and that you are enjoying your
visit to the old Bay State, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

Enclosure.

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September 3, 1915.

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Honorable Fred H. Brown,
Judge United States Court,
Third Judicial Division,
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 23rd in which you acknowledge receipt of vouchers in duplicate for the subsistence of indigents from the Third Division at the Alaska Pioneers' Home, Sitka, for the quarter ending September 30th, 1915, and in which you state that you will make such allowance thereon as the fund will permit. You also ask what the likelihood is of the Territory being able to take care of this Home without the aid of this Federal indigent fund.

In reply I have to advise you that it is quite probable that the condition of the territorial Treasury will be such by the end of this calendar year as to require no further aid from the Federal fund.

I might also suggest to you that if the local demands of the Third Judicial Division are such as to call for the expenditure of the entire amount at your disposal, an appropriation for the maintenance of indigents from the Third Judicial Division cannot be reasonably expected.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Mr. William C. Williams,
#223 Shoshone Street,
Twin Falls, Idaho.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 25th in which you state that Honorable Franklin K. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, suggested to you that you should write me asking my assistance in securing employment of some kind for you in Alaska.

In reply I have to advise that there is no political office in Alaska within my gift at this time. In this connection I have to say that there are many deserving Democrats, residents of Alaska, who are always willing to accept office, particularly if it should be a good one, and you will readily understand that the demands of the local Democrats are to be considered first.

Work on the Government railroad has already begun. This work is in charge of an engineering commission, the office of the chairman being at Seward, Alaska. The Chairman of the Alaska Engineering Commission is Mr. W. C. Eads, with whom you might communicate in regard to further information concerning the construction of the work and the opportunities for employment.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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Honorable William C. Houston,
Woodbury, Tennessee.

My dear Judge Houston:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 18th in which you state that you understand that there is likely to be an occasion for the appointment of an United States marshal at Juneau, and in which you ask to be advised concerning this statement and as to the situation.

In reply I have to advise that the information to this effect which has reached you was probably due to the fact that the incumbent of the marshal's office for this judicial division has been in ill health for nearly a year and it has been rumored from time to time that he was to resign. I am advised, however, that his health is now improving and that he entertains no idea of resigning the office.

With assurances of my personal esteem, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

September 4, 1915.

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Mr. John H. Cranor,
Business Manager,
Empire Printing Co.,
JUNEAU.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find voucher for \$20 in favor of your Company,
covering the printing of 1,000 accident report cards for use of
the Territorial mine inspector. The voucher should be signed by
you for the Company, and presented at the office of Secretary Da-
vidson for issuance of warrant.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Encl.

September 4, 1915.

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Mr. W. P. Mills,
Treasurer, Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Mills:

Herewith find duplicate copies of the following
vouchers which were received from you this morning for the Governor's
approval as chairman of the Board:

Walter Decker
Barbara Charnoff
Mary J. Linklater
Barbara Dolits
Edward Rodenberg
H. H. Woodruff
J. E. Gamble

John Zarnoff
John H. Peterson

Alaska Meat Company.

The originals of these vouchers have been sent to
the Secretary's office for issuance of warrants.

A few days ago one or two duplicate vouchers were re-
turned to you which I believe did not have the Governor's signature.
If you will return them he will sign them and remail them to you.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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September 4, 1913.

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

My dear Sir:

Herewith find July expense account of Mine Inspector
William Maloney, in the sum of \$281.00, duly approved by the Governor
this date.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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September 4, 1915.

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Honorable W. G. Smith,
Territorial Treasurer,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Smith:

Herewith find the following vouchers covering the August salaries of employees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home at Sitka, which in the absence of Secretary Georgeson have been forwarded to the Governor for his approval as chairman of the Board of Trustees:

Walter Daicker,	\$60.00
Barbara Charnoff	30.00
Mary J. Linklater	40.00
Barbara Dolits	60.00
Edward Rodenberg	70.00
H. H. Woodruff	70.00
J. E. Cambie	75.00

Also the following vouchers covering labor in connection with repairs and painting of the Home buildings:

John Zeranoff	\$2.87
John H. Petersen	57.00

And voucher in favor of the Alaska Meat Company, Juneau, for meats furnished August 3 to 17 inclusive, amount \$59.04.

All of the foregoing vouchers have been approved by the Chairman and the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, and are submitted for record in your office and issuance of warrant by the Secretary.

Faithfully yours,

Encs.

Secretary to the Governor.

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Juneau, September 4, 1915. O. B.

William Maloney,

Mine Inspector,

NOTE.

No salary warrants issued to you since May last, account no signed vouchers received from you. Forward same by first mail please.

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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September 4, 1913.

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Mr. Ed C. Russell,
Editor, Dispatch Publishing Co., Inc.,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find approved voucher in favor of your company for the sum of \$375.00, covering additional printing of the Governor's message to the second session of the legislature, and certain reports of Territorial officers and Boards, as mentioned on the face of the voucher.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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September 9, 1915.

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Mr. W. P. Mills,
Treasurer, Board of Trustees,
Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Mills:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith duplicate copy of voucher this day sent to the Secretary's office covering bill of August 31 from the Empire Printing Company, Juneau, for forms of warrant and notification of issuance of warrants, for use in connection with the issuance of allowances to pensioners under Chapter 64 of the 1915 session laws. The printing was arranged for by Mr. Smith, Territorial Treasurer, after conference with the Governor, and the voucher has been approved by the Governor for payment from the pension appropriation.

Copy of letter of transmittal to the Secretary is also enclosed.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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September 9, 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 original voucher for \$14.75 in favor of the Empire Printing Company, Juneau, covering its bill of August 31 last for pension warrant forms and a blank form of notification of issuance of warrants, for use of the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Pioneers' Home in connection with the payment of allowances under Chapter 64, session laws of 1915. The voucher has been approved for payment, by the Governor.

I am transmitting the duplicate copy of the voucher to Mr. Mills, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, Sitka, with a copy of this letter, for his information and record.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

c/s to Mr. Mills, Treasurer.

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September 8, 1915.

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Mr. W. P. Mills,
Treasurer Alaska Pioneers' Home,
Sitka, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Mills:

Herewith find duplicate copy of voucher of June 10th in favor of the Empire Publishing Co., Juneau, for \$27.50, covering the printing of pension application forms and certificates. These were ordered by the Governor, for use in connection with the carrying out of the provisions of Chapter 64 of the 1915 session laws, and the voucher was made up here and a warrant issued to cover. Inasmuch as the Board of Trustees of the Home is charged with the duty of administering the act in question, Mr. Smith, Territorial Treasurer, has suggested that you should have a record of this payment, and the Governor has therefore instructed me to send the duplicate voucher to you for filing.

Copy of the proposal and acceptance is attached to the voucher.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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September 8, 1915.

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Mr. U. G. Myers,
United States Commissioner,
Eagle, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 23d ultimo, addressed to the Governor, enclosing two powers of attorney and requesting the Governor to certify to the official character of the Clerk of the Court and to return all papers with such certificate.

The Governor has certified to the official character of both Judge and Clerk, and the certificate, in duplicate, is herewith enclosed, together with all papers which accompanied your letter.

No charge is made for the certificate.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosures.

September 9, 1915.

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The Commanding Officer,
Benicia Arsenal,
Benicia, California.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 26th
ultimo, addressed to the Governor, on the subject: Sale of ord-
nance stores to Tanana Rifle Club.

The duplicate of your letter is being transmitted to
the Club for attention of the matters therein referred to.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

September 8, 1915.

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

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith duplicate copy of letter of the 26th ultimo addressed to this office by the Commanding Officer of the Benicia Arsenal, Benicia, California, with respect to your order of the 22d of July last, which was forwarded to the Commanding Officer by this office under date of the 9th ultimo.

The information contained in the Commanding Officer's letter seems to indicate that a change has been made in the procedure of ordering supplies.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

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September 9, 1918.

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

My dear Sir:

Herewith I beg to transmit, by direction of the Governor, the application of Mary M. Cole, Hisinga, Alaska, for appointment as a notary public, together with endorsed draft on the First Bank of Cordova, in the sum of \$10.50 to cover the legal fee for the commission and cost of revenue stamps for bond, the approved bond, and oath of office, executed by the applicant.

Will you kindly have a commission prepared for the Governor's signature.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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September 11, 1915.

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First National Bank,
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

Herewith I hand you the sum of \$7.80, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Repayment to appropriation for Contingent Expenses, Territory of Alaska, 1915".

Kindly transmit the original certificate of deposit to the Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C., and the duplicate and triplicate to this office.

Respectfully yours,

Governor, S. D. A.

(A/C Disallowances in accounts of March 31, 1915.)

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September 10, 1915.

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Mr. J. W. Bell,

Clerk of the District Court,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Bell:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 9th instant, addressed to the Governor, transmitting the approved bond of Mr. W. Wesley Hawksworth, of Hydaburg, Alaska, who has made application for appointment as a notary public.

The bond is returned herewith, and your attention is called to the fact that it is not dated, and W. J. Hoill, one of the sureties, did not qualify. It is suggested that the bond be returned to Mr. Hawksworth with instructions to have the same properly filled out and executed.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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JURDAU, SEPTEMBER 11, 1915. C. D.

Dr. W. G. Cassels,

Fairbanks,

Will you accept place on medical board made vacant by resignation Dr. Sutherland?
If so, kindly suggest some physician to succeed you as assistant commissioner
of health.

STRONG, Governor.

Secretary to the Governor.

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September 21, 1915.

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Mr. W. G. Smith,
Territorial Treasurer,
Juneau.

My dear Mr. Smith:

By direction of the Governor I transmit herewith Road
Vouchers Nos. 4 and 5, approved by the Governor this date, as follows:

No. 4, favor of The Independent Lumber Co., Fairbanks, Alaska, for
\$487.25.

No. 5, favor of Wm. Seyfer, Fairbanks, Alaska, for \$252.50.

These vouchers are certified by H. H. Ross, Road Commissioner for
the Fourth judicial division, and are signed by the payees.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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September 11, 1915.

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Mr. George W. Rose,
S o l d o v i a, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 28th with reference to the family of one Brown, an Indian recently killed by his son.

In reply I have to advise that this office exercises no jurisdiction whatsoever over the Indians of Alaska. Their education and care is under the direct supervision of the United States Bureau of Education, Washington, D.C. As you know the superintendent for southwestern Alaska is Dr. H. O. Schaleben, whose address is Seward. The Chief of Alaska Division is Mr. W. F. Lopp, whose address is the L. C. Smith Building, Seattle, Washington.

For your information I may state that children, who must be at least one-fourth native Alaskan blood, and in good physical condition, may be admitted to the Salem Indian Training School, Chemawa, Oregon; not under 12 years of age for girls and not under 14 years of age for boys.

Native children are also admitted to the Cushman Indian School, Tacoma, Washington, under similar conditions.

I realize the necessity that seems to exist for caring for these children to whom you refer, and I believe that by taking the steps as outlined above the situation can be met. In the meantime if I can be of any further service to you, advise me.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

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September 11, 1915.

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Dr. M. F. Spier,
Unga, A l a s k a.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of September 8th, with enclosure, being a copy of a letter addressed by you to Mr. J. H. Cobb, Chief Counsel for the Territory of Alaska.

In your letter you ask whether it is necessary for you to take out a license for the practice of medicine, inasmuch as you have entirely ceased such practice since May 15th of the present year,

In reply I have to advise you that it is the opinion of this office that if you have ceased the practice of medicine you are not liable for this tax. I have conferred with Mr. Cobb and he will also advise you to this effect.

I may say that I remember you very well indeed and I trust that you are enjoying good health.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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September 13, 1915.

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Mr. Thom. Gaffney,
Home, Alaska.

My dear Tom:

I am transmitting for your information a copy of a letter received at this office from the Honorable L. M. Garrison, Secretary of War, with respect to the establishment of a radio station in the Fairhaven Redoubt District, which matter I took up on behalf of the people of that section some time ago.

However, and notwithstanding the contents of the Secretary's letter, I do not believe that the matter of securing the establishment of a radio station in that section is hopeless, and I shall continue to do what I can to bring it about.

When you write give me a line on Charlie Brown, whom I understand has been "shooting off his mouth" with his usual volubility because he was not appointed special employe for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives at Home, and is howling because a Catholic was appointed to the position. Of course, I know Charlie, and so do you and so does everybody else, and I simply have to suggest that the less he says the better it will be for him. Kindly keep this matter quiet.

Very truly yours,

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September 13, 1915.

BY

Mr. Willis E. Nowell,
Agent Juneau Steamship Company,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

This letter will be your authority to furnish to the
bearer, Mr. Allen Chisholm, one first-class ticket, including meals
and berth, Juneau to Sitka, account old pioneer enroute to Alaska
Pioneers' Home.

Render bill IN DUPLICATE, attaching this letter thereto.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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September 13, 1915.

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Mr. Frank Bayer,
Knik, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of August 14th, I have to advise that this office has no "frank tags" which you ask for, and therefore am unable to comply with your request.

You are advised to write to Professor C.C. Georgeron, in charge of the agricultural experiment station at Sitka, Alaska, and I have no doubt but that he will forward you the tags which you require and will furnish you with other information that may be of service to you.

Expressing the hope that you will meet with great success in your farm work, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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September 13, 1915.

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Mr. Thomas S. Robinson,

San Francisco Stock Exchange,

#353 Bush Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of August 19th, I have to advise that I do not find it practicable at this time to appoint delegates to the Convention of Mining Brokers which is scheduled to meet in San Francisco September 21 - 23, next.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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September 13, 1915.

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Mr. Henry Green,
President, All Language Advertising Service,
225 Broad Street, New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of August 20th, I have to advise that this Territory has no fund at its command at this time for the purpose of advertising its advantages and opportunities to new comers. Our next Legislature, which meets in 1916, may consider this question.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

[Handwritten signature]

[Handwritten initials]

September 13, 1915.

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Mr. H. E. Nye,
Ocoata, Washington.

My dear Nye:

So many years have elapsed since I have had the pleasure of meeting you that your letter was doubly welcome. Of course I do not think that the old man with the scythe had got you, but I did not know where fate or fortune had landed you until I received your letter.

I trust that time has dealt gently with you, and that you are now in the enjoyment of your old time robust health.

With reference to your inquiry as to the opportunity presented in this Territory for the establishment of a crab canning plant, I have to say that the coastal waters of Alaska are supposed to abound with crabs. The industry is not prosecuted, however, except to a limited extent anywhere in the Territory so far as I am informed.

The Alaska crab is larger than his Puget Sound counterpart and to my mind much more delicious. My own information as to the various habitats of this species of crab is somewhat limited. I should say however that Alaska should present a splendid field for an enterprise of the kind you mention. However you should investigate it closely, and would therefore suggest that you write Ward T. Bower, Agent of the Bureau of Fisheries, whose address is the U.S. Smith Building, Seattle, Washington, who, I am sure, would be only too glad to furnish you all the information at his command.

Should you come to Alaska and especially to Juneau I should be pleased to see you. If I can be of any further service in this, or any other way, command me.

With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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September 13, 1915.

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Messrs. George Barrie's Sons,
#1813 Walnut Street,
Philadelphia, Penn.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of your letter of August 24th, together with a copy of Professor Allen's volume on the causes of the war in Europe, for which please accept my thanks.

I have not yet had an opportunity to read this volume, but I am sure I shall enjoy it to the fullest extent.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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