to proceed to Kake at once, and make a thorough investigation of your charges. In this, I trust that he will receive valuable assistance from you and all other people of your community who are interested in the conservation of game, and the execution of the laws relating thereto.

This office has done everything possible looking toward the enforcement of the game law, and the conservation of game animals---more so, I think I can fairly say, than has ever heretofore been done in the history of the Territory.

Thanking you for the information, and expressing the hope that some tangible results will be secured, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor

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The Collector of Customs,

Juneau, Alaska.

Sir:

By direction of the Governor I quote telegram of the 20th instant addressed to this office by Game Warden Ericson, Seward:

"Bundle caribou left Anchorage in baggage on Alameda, no clearance, owner unknown. Notify Customs."

It is requested that steps be taken to investigate this matter either upon arrival of the Alameda at Juneau or upon her arrival at Ketchikan, with a view to preventing a violation of the game law, and that the result of the investigation be reported to this office in due course.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Juneau, October 20, 1915. O D.

Lieut. Hoare,

Anchorage.

Desirable to establish headquarters of game warden Ericson at Anchorage. He will need lot or piece of ground for headquarters. Will it be possible for him to secure such for a ~~same~~ time at least, from Engineering Commission? Shall appreciate any service you can render in this respect.

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.

Juneau, October 29, 1915. O. B.

Aron Ericson,

Cape Wardon,

SEWARD.

No fund available for purpose mentioned your telegram twenty-eighth. May be possible secure lot from Engineering Commission at Anchorage for headquarters, temporarily at least. Will wire Lieut. Moore to aid you if possible. Believe it desirable that you move to Anchorage soon as can do so.

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.

October, 30, 1918

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Mr. Henry Tamma,

Killisnoo, Alaska

Dear Sir:

In further reference to our conversation of yesterday, regarding the hunting or chasing of deer with dogs by Indians or others, I have to advise you that section three, Chapter 37, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, provides:

> "Whenever any dog habitually annoys reindeer, sheep, cattle or horses, or other domestic animals, and domestic fowls, and evinces a disposition which renders it likely that it will, without provocation, bite such animals or fowls, it shall be lawful for any person to kill such dog, when at large; provided, however, that the owner or keeper of such dog, if known, or upon reasonable inquiry may be known, shall be notified and given reasonable opportunity to restrain such dog, before it shall become lawful to kill it under the provisions of this section."

While deer are not specifically mentioned in the above section, it is my opinion that this law could be construed so as to include the deer of southeastern Alaska. Paragraph two of the Alaska Game Law reads as follows:

> "That it shall be unlawful for any person, at any time, to hunt with dogs any of th game animals specified in this Act."

Thanking you for the interest you have taken in the preservation of game in your section, I am,

Very truly yours,

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Governor

Mr. J. F. McDonald,
Game Warden,
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The Governor requests me to advise you that, effective November first, he will expect you to report to this office in person or by telephone every day when in Juneau.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

Mr. Aren Ericson,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your telegram of the 29th instant, reading as follows:

"Bundle caribou left Anchorage baggage Alameda.
No clearance. Owner unknown. Notify customs."

A letter has been addressed to the Collector of Customs at Juneau, in which your telegram has been quoted, and he has been requested to take steps to investigate the matter with a view to preventing a violation of the Game Law.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

October 30, 1913

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,

Game Warden,

Wrangell, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The Governor requests that, in the future when you contemplate leaving your headquarters for a trip of investigation in your district, you wire or write this office, advising as to the contemplated trip, and stating the day on which you expect to leave your headquarters. This will then enable us to communicate with you regarding complaints which may have been received from points along the route of the proposed trip, so that you may investigate them. It will also be well, when advising as to a proposed trip, to state approximately the length of time you expect to be absent from your headquarters.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a letter addressed to Game Warden Ericsen, which contains his October salary check. I am not sure whether this letter should be addressed to Mr. Ericsen at Roosevelt or Anchorage, and am therefore sending it to you with the request that you put the proper address on it and mail it to him.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and A. D. C.

Enc.

Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 26th ultimo, enclosing stamps in reimbursement of the sum of 17 cents, which was recently deposited by me to the credit of the game appropriation, on account of an error in your accounts, as mentioned in my letter of the 31st ultimo.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and S. E. A.

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November 1, 1918

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Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of July 27th last, advising of the shipment on that date, by Mr. Frank J. Cotter of Seward, of a brown bear skin consigned to Mr. Nelsen at the Hotel Frye, Seattle, I have to requested that you will kindly interview Mr. Cotter, when convenient, and ascertain, if possible, whether or not the bear skin in question has been received by Mr. Nelsen.

In the same mail with the letter of above date, there was received the application of Mr. Cotter for a shipping license for the bear skin in question, which did not reach here, however, until after the steamer had sailed south from Juneau. The license was issued and forwarded to Mr. Nelsen, in care of the Hotel Frye, Seattle, on August second. On September 27th following the letter to Mr. Nelsen was returned from the Seattle post-office as "unclaimed."

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In the meantime, upon inquiry made by Mr. Cotter, with regard to the delivery of the bear skin, this office ascertained that the skin was being held at Ketchikan, pending presentation of the shipping license, and, under date of September ninth, the Deputy Collector ofCustoms at Ketchikan, was authorized to release the trophy for shipment to Mr. Nelson. This was done, and the trophy was forwarded from Ketchikan on the steamer Farragut about September 21st.

On September 27th this office addressed a letter to Mr. Cotter at Seward, advising that the letter of August ninth, to Mr. Nelson, containing the shipping license, had been returned to this office unclaimed, and asking for more definite information as to Mr. Nelson's address. No reply has as yet been received to this letter, and the license is still held in this office.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

Juneau, November 1, 1915. O. B.

The Commanding Officer,

U. S. S. "PROMETHEUS",

Cordova.

Reliabl; reported this office through U. S. marshal's office that steward your ship is at Sitka arranging purchase deer meat for ship's stores. He has been warned by deputy marshal at Sitka that law prohibits purchase of deer meat but expresses intention to purchase if instructed by you, and claims has wired you for instructions. The Alaska game law and regulations absolutely prohibit sale or purchase of deer meat at any time of the year, regardless of season. Therefore request you advise steward to make no purchases.

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 mail.

Secretary to the Governor.

TERRITORY OF ALASKA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
JUNEAU

November 1, 1915

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith find check of this date, of the number and amounted stated below, in payment of your salary for the month of October, 1915.

I am sending you, with the above check, two salary voucher blanks, which you will please sign and mail to this office.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and E. D. A.

Enc.

Andrew Berg, Cape Nome, Fairbanks, check #482, for $150
R. S. McDonald, do do check #484, for $150
Charles Benham, do Nome . check #485, for $125
Robert L. Hunt, do Nome . check #486, for $100

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
JUNEAU

November 1, 1915

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Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and E. R. A.

Enc.

Mr. J. A. Donghman, Game Warden, Nenana, Check #479, for $150.00
Mr. Peter S.Erickson, do McCarthy,Check #480, for $125.00
Mr. Aron Ericson, do Roosevelt, Check #481, for $125.00
Mr. Julius Sternberg, do Wrangell,Check #487, for $125.00

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Mr. T. H. Deal,

Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the sixth ultimo, addressed to the Territorial Treasurer, accompanied by a postal money order in the sum of $10, payable to him, and requesting the issuance of a permit to ship a caribou head to Senator Lee S. Overman, Washington, D. C., has been referred to this office for attention.

Upon inquiry of the customs office at Skagway, this office has been advised that the caribou head is now at that port awaiting the receipt of the shipping license, and the "Affidavit of Shipment," which is required under the Alaska Game Law. License No. 94 has been issued this date to cover the shipment in question, and is being forwarded to the Deputy Collector of Customs at Skagway. The law requires that the affidavit of shipment shall be made by the person who makes the shipment of a game trophy. I am, therefore, enclosing two copies of an affidavit form which this office has had prepared for use of shippers of

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game trophies, with the request that you kindly fill the same out and execute it before a notary public or other proper officer, and forward both copies to the Deputy Collector of Customs at Skagway, who, upon receipt of same, will arrange for shipment of the head to Senator Overman.

Permit me to suggest that, had you conferred with Game Warden Hoey, or Game Warden McDonald, of your town, before making the shipment, considerable delay might have been avoided.

Respectfully yours,

Encs. Secretary to the Governor

November 1, 1928

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Mr. F. J. Vandevall,

Deputy Collector of Customs,

Skagway, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 28th ultimo, in which you advise that the shipment of one caribou head, consigned by Mr. T. H. Deal of Fairbanks to Senator Lee S. Overman, Washington, D. C., is being held by you pending the receipt of the required license and affidavit of shipment.

Enclosed herewith you will find general game shipping license No. 94, issued this date to Mr. Deal, to cover the shipment of the trophy referred to.

A letter is being addressed to Mr. Deal, calling attention to the necessity of furnishing the affidavit of shipment, and enclosing blanks therefor. He has been requested to forward the affidavit, in duplicate, direct to you. Upon its receipt, will you kindly arrange for shipment of the trophy, advising this office in due course.

Respectfully yours,

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Enc. SECRETARY to the Governor

November 14, 1918

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Collector of Customs,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of section 5 of the Alaska Game Law, you are advised of the issuance this date of General Game Shipping License No. 94 to Mr. T. H. Neal of Fairbanks, Alaska, covering the shipment of one caribou head, which will be consigned to Senator Lee S. Overman, Washington, D. C., passing through Seattle en route.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

November 3, 1915.

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First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the Alaska game law I hand you herewith the sum of $9 which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing SHIPPING licenses under the Alaska game law."

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.

(Gen. Shpg. Lic. 94 -- 11-1-15.)

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Mr. W. B. Stout,

Haines, Alaska

My dear Judge:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 29th, with reference to securing a permit for Mr. S. J. Weitzman, for the shipment of two mountain sheep heads from the Territory.

In reply I have to advise you that, if these game trophies were secured in American territory, the law requires that, before a shipping license may be issued, a fee of ten dollars for each head shall be paid; and, before they shall be shipped from Alaska, the person desiring to make the shipment must first make and file, with the customs office at the port from which such shipment is to be made, an affidavit to the effect that he has not violated any of the previsions of the law; that the trophy, or trophies, has not been bought or purchased, and has not been sold, and is not being shipped for the purpose of being sold, and that he is the owner of the trophy which he desires to ship. See paragraph two of section 5, of the Alaska Game

Law, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

If the heads which Mr. Weitzman desires to ship were obtained in British territory, it will be necessary for him to file an affidavit to that effect, or submit such other evidence as may be required, showing that they were so obtained, at the customs house at the port of shipment, and a shipping permit will then be issued by the customs officer.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Enc.

Governor

November 2, 1918

Collector of Customs,

Port of Seattle,

Washington

Sir:

This office is in receipt of a letter and affidavit from George W. Joseph, of Portland, Oregon, with reference to a pair of sheep horns which, his affidavit alleges, is being held by you pending authority for its release. As Mr. Joseph states in his affidavit that the sheep from which said horns were taken, was killed in the Dominion of Canada, this letter will be authority to you for delivering them to Mr. Joseph.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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Mr. George W. Joseph,

809-811 Corbett Bldg.,

Portland, Oregon

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 26th, accompanied by an affidavit, concerning the origin of a pair of horns now held at the customs house at the port of Seattle.

I am enclosing herewith a letter to the Collector of Customs, authorizing him to release this trophy.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Enc.

Governor

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November 1, 1915

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Mr. Roland Cotterill, Secretary,

Board of Park Commissioners,

Seattle, Washington

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of October 26th, in which you suggest that Woodland Zoological Park, Seattle, Wash., be included in the parks to which live animals and live birds may be shipped from Alaska without a permit, if shipped direct to said park, and not to some agent.

In reply I have to advise you that it will give me pleasure to recommend that Woodland Park be included in the list of parks.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Department's letter of October 22d (Hon. Stephen T. Mather, Assistant to the Secretary), concerning the price, per volume, of the Session Laws of Alaska, 1915.

In reply I have to advise you that these laws are sold at $5 per volume, the ex officio Secretary of Alaska being their custodian.

Respectfully,

Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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Sir:

Under Regulation 3, of the Regulations of the Department of Agriculture, a list of public zoological parks is published to which consignments of live animals and live birds from Alaska may be made without permit. I am advised by the Secretary, Board of Park Commissioners, Seattle, Wash., Roland Cotterill, that it is the desire of the board to have Woodland Zoological Park, Seattle, included in this list. I have, therefore, to recommend that the request of the Board of Park Commissioners of Seattle, be granted.

I am,

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of Agriculture,

Washington, D. C.

November 3, 1913

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Mr. Fred J. Rand,

424 East Third Street,

Hood River, Oregon

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 25th ultimo, addressed to the Governor, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the Game Law and Regulations of Alaska.

In response to your request, I take pleasure in enclosing herewith a copy of Circular No. 3, issued by this office which contains the full text of the Alaska Game Law and all regulations now in force thereunder. Section 5 of the law contains the provisions relative to the shipment of game trophies from the Territory.

Respectfully yours,

Enc.

Secretary to the Governor

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November 3, 1915

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Mr. Aron Ericsen,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

You are advised that, in reply to my wire of October 29th, to Lieutenant Mears, inquiring as to available ground for your headquarters at Anchorage, I have today received the following from him:

> "Your wire twenty-ninth. Plenty of ground available for headquarters of Game Warden Ericsen in vicinity of Commission buildings, Ship Creek; for forester's quarters, same vicinity. Will gladly assign him plot, as desired."

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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November 3, 1915

Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

By reference from Doctor H. W. Henshaw, Chief, Bureau of Biological Survey, this office is in receipt of a letter addressed by Charles Haseltine to Doctor W. T. Hornaday, Director, Zoological Park, New York City, with reference to alleged game violations on the Kenai Peninsula, and hunting with big, high-power guns, etc.

Kindly advise this office as to the allegation made in the case of Dan Dunlap, and the use of high-power guns in your district.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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November 2, 1918

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Mr. J. A. Loughrey,

Care Morton,

Nenana, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith a copy of a letter received at this office from C. B. Garfield, Special Deputy Collector of Customs at this port, with reference to a shipment of caribou skins supposed to have been made from Anchorage in baggage, on a recent trip of the steamer Alameda. The letter is self-explanatory, and is forwarded for your information.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Encl.

Governor

Copy to
Mr. Arvon Erickson,
Anchorage, Alaska

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November 4, 1915

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Mr. John J. O'Fallon, Jr.,

On board s. s. Admiral Farragut,

Juneau, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find Special Moose Shipping Licenses Nos. 66 and 67, issued to you this date in response to your telegram of the first instant, reading as follows:

> "Issue two special moose shipping licenses. Money orders on Farragut. Consigned to myself, Seattle."

There are also enclosed two copies of an affidavit of shipment form for use in the event you have not already covered the shipment of these trophies by an affidavit. Your trophies will be cleared by the customs officer at Ketchikan, and, if an affidavit is needed, it can be executed by that officer.

When obtaining your hunting license you advised that any trophies obtained by you would be consigned to yourself at St. Louis, passing through Seattle en route. It is assumed that your moose trophies will be so consigned, and the Collector of Customs at Seattle is being advised accordingly. If this is not correct, please leave a note

with the Agent of the Admiral Line, who delivers this letter to you, and we will wire the correction to the Collector at Seattle.

Respectfully yours,

Encs. Secretary to the Governor

November 4, 1915

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Mr. H. P. Gallagher, Agent,

The Admiral Line,

Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Gallagher:

Enclosed herewith is a letter addressed to Mr. John J. O'Fallon, Jr., who is a passenger on board your steamer Admiral Farragut, en route to Seattle. The letter contains two Special Moose Shipping Licenses, which Mr. O'Fallon wired for from Seward. There will be nothing to collect from Mr. O'Fallon, as he has forwarded the necessary fees through the mails. It will be appreciated if you will kindly see that the letter is delivered to Mr. O'Fallon while the Admiral Farragut is in port tonight.

Thanking you for the courtesy, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

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November 4, 1915

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The Collector of Customs,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of section 5, of the Alaska Game Law, you are advised of the issuance this date of Special Moose Shipping Licenses Nos. 66 and 67, to Mr. John J. O'Fallon, Jr., of St. Louis, Missouri. Each of these licenses covers the shipment of one moose head.

Mr. O'Fallon is a passenger on the steamship Admiral Farragut, sailing south from Juneau tonight, and has his trophies with him. The trophies are consigned to himself at St. Louis.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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November 4, 1915

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Mr. Aron Ericson,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The Governor has instructed you to transfer your headquarters from Roosevelt to Anchorage. When this transfer has been made, please advise this office the date of leaving Roosevelt and the date of arrival at Anchorage.

This information is desired in connection with the examination of your expense accounts.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

November 4, 1915

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The Commanding Officer,

Royal Northwest Mounted Police,

Atlin, British Columbia

Sir:

By direction of the Governor, I have the honor to call your attention to the fact that certain residents of the town of Douglas, Alaska, near Juneau, have recently returned from the Taku river region, bringing with them moose meat and trophies which they claim were obtained on the British Columbia side. The meat and trophies have been entered at the United States customs office at Juneau, as coming from British Columbia.

This office is not entirely familiar with the game regulations of British Columbia, hence is not able to say whether these regulations have been violated or not. The first case called to the attention of this office was that of four persons from Douglas who went on a hunting trip up the Taku River. They did not claim to have been prospecting or mining, but were simply out for game. The last case was that of two men who claimed to have been doing some work on mining

claims located by them two or three years ago on the British Columbia side. They hold miner's licenses, issued by British Columbia authorities, which they exhibited to the customs officer when entering their moose meat. They claim to have killed only for food, and state that they brought with them what meat was left when they finished work on their claims, as they were somewhat short of provisions, and did not know just how long it would take them to make the return trip.

This matter is brought to your attention for such action as you may deem appropriate.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

Juneau, November 5, 1915. O. B.

DeArmond, Commissioner,

SITKA.

Replying yours date have deputy marshal hold deer until further advised. Will wire tomorrow if possible and give definite instructions.

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.

Honorable James A. Gaiser,

United States Attorney,

Juneau, Alaska.

Sir:

This office is just in receipt of a telegram from the United States Commissioner at Sitka, advising that the steward of the U. S. S. "Prometheus", who has been at Sitka for some days negotiating the purchase of deer meat from native hunters, has been fined for violating the game law in making such purchase, and that the deputy marshal has in his custody the carcasses of 26 deer purchased by said steward. The Commissioner asks instructions as to the disposition of the carcasses.

I beg to enclose herewith a copy of office circular No. 3, which contains the full text of the Alaska game law and all regulations in force thereunder. Sec. 2 of the law authorizes the Secretary of Agriculture to prohibit the sale of any game in any locality, while Regulation 3 (see insert at pages 12 and 13 of the circular) suspends the sale of deer carcasses until August 1, 1916. The law and regulations having been violated by the purchase of deer meat, the question arises as to how the meat is to be disposed of. Sec. 7 of the law provides, among other things, that "any game, birds, or hides, * *" may be seized, and when so seized shall be delivered to a marshal or deputy marshal. In the present case the purchaser has been convicted and, under Sec. 7 of the law, has forfeited

to the United States the carcasses now in the possession of the deputy marshal at Sitka.

The game law does not contain any provisions specifically designating how the carcasses in question are to be disposed of by the deputy marshal, and it is upon this point that the Governor would like to have the benefit of your opinion. It will be appreciated if you will kindly furnish such opinion at the earliest possible moment, so that the Commissioner and deputy marshal may be properly instructed.

Respectfully yours,

FOR THE GOVERNOR:

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

Juneau, Alaska, Nov. 5, 1915. 0. B.

Collector Customs,

SEATTLE.

Referring to letter of yesterday moose trophies of John J. O'Fallon are consigned himself at Seattle instead of St. Louis.

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.

November 5, 1915.

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First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5 of the Alaska game law I hand you herewith the sum of $298, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing shipping licenses under the Alaska game law."

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.

Encl. / Cash, $298.

(Moose Lic. #66-67, 11-4-15.)

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Mr. A. S. Dautrick,

Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Dautrick:

In response to your verbal request of a few days ago, I take pleasure in sending you herewith several copies of Circular No. 3, issuedby this office, which contains the full text of the Alaska Game Law and all regulations now in force thereunder.

I shall be pleased to furnish you with additional copies of this circular at any time that you may wish to have them.

Respectfully yours,

Encs.

Secretary to the Governor

November 9, 1918

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Mr. Charles Nickett,

Box 435,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the third instant, in which you make application for appointment to the position of game warden to sucseed Mr. Sternberg, the present incumbent.

In reply I have to advise you that this office has received no intimation from Mr. Sternberg that he intended to resign. In the meantime, your letter and application will be filed for future reference, should a vacancy arise.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

Juneau, November 9, 1915, 0. B.

DeArmond, Commissioner,

SITKA.

Opinion U. S. Attorney that game held by deputy marshal is property of Government and suggests that a part of meat be used by Pioneers' Home and remainder distributed to U. S. jails at Juneau and Ketchikan. Deputy marshal therefore instructed to so dispose of said forfeited meat, making such distribution as may be deemed equitable. Deputy should consult Marshal Bishop as to distribution to jails and expense of transportation connected therewith.

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.

November 9, 1918

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,

Game Warden,

Wrangell, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have your expense account for the month of October, which appears to be in satisfactory form with the exception of sub-voucher No. 10. This sub-voucher calls for provisions amounting to $19.27, and your certificate, attached to the sub-voucher, shows that the provisions were used on October 29th, 30th, and 31st. In addition, your sub-vouchers 11 and 12, for $1 each cover food certified to have been used on October 29th, 30th, and 31st. These three sub-vouchers aggregate $21.27, making an average expense of $7.09 per day for the days shown on the certificates attached to the sub-voucher's. As you are aware, you are limited to a maximum of $5 a day for subsistence, and, on the face of your accounts, it would appear that you have exceeded this limit for the days of October 29th, 30th and 31st.

It will be necessary for you to submit further explanation in connection with these sub-vouchers. I assume that

you had on hand, at the end of the month, a considerable portion of the supplies covered by sub-voucher No. 10. If so, you should have submitted with the sub-voucher, an itemized statement showing the quantities and values of the various items on hand so as to bring your actual expense for October 29th, 30th and 31st within the $5 limit.

In connection with sub-voucher 10, I wish to call your attention also to the fact that the extensions of the fifth and sixth items appear to be incorrect. The fifth item calls for 8½ pounds of bacon at 28¢, $2.31, whereas the correct amount is $2.38; the sixth item calls for 10¢ pounds of ham at 24¢, $2.56, whereas the correct amount is $2.58.

I would suggest that the necessary corrections be made in the sub-voucher, as well as in the main voucher. I am returning your accounts herewith for explanation and correction in accordance with the foregoing.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and S. D. A.

Encs.

November 10, 1915

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Mr. R. W. DeArmond,

United States Commissioner,

Sitka, Alaska

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor, I enclose herewith confirmation copy of yesterday's telegram to you with regard to the disposition of the deer carcasses held by the United States Marshal under seizure, in the case against the steward of the U. S. S. Prometheus.

It will be appreciated if you will furnish this office with a report on this case, advising the amount of the fine, and costs assessed against the steward, and also as to the number of deer purchased by him. The telegram received from you on the fifth instant asked disposition of 26 deer, while the telegram received from the commanding officer of the Prometheus on the sixth instant, stated that the steward had plead guilty to buying nine deer.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

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November 10, 1915

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Mr. Aron Ericson,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find check No. 439 of this date, in settlement of your expense account for the month of October, the amount being $84.90.

You will note that the amount of the check is 5 cents less than the total of your expense account as submitted. The difference is due to corrections made in your sub-vouchers 2, 3, 4, and 15, covering car fare over the Seward railroad. These sub-vouchers and the expense account have been corrected to show the exact charge at 8 cents per mile in each case instead of the actual amount paid by you.

Future sub-vouchers and expense accounts for mileage should show the exact amount of mileage, even though it may be one or two cents more or less than the amount you actually paid, since, of course, you do not use pennies in making change.

Respectfully yours,

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Secretary to the Governor

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE, JUNEAU. RECORD OF GUIDE BADGES, ETC.

(As of date November 13, 1915.)

Badge No.	Issued to.	Residence.	Date of Apptmt.	Remarks.
1	Andrew Berg	Kenai	Aug. 10, 1914	
2	J. C. Tolman	Seward	Oct. 11, 1913	Commission has expired.
3	Henry Lucas	"	Sept. 8, 1913	" " "
4	Julius Christiansen	Seldovia	Sept. 2, 1913	" " "
5	H. G. Singer	Kenai	Sept. 1, 1913	Badge turned in to Baughman & Ericsson
6	Manala Dimidoff	"	Aug. 22, 1913	Badge to Baughman, Mar. 1915
7	J. C. Gilpatrick	Seward	Aug. 19, 1913	Commission has expired.
8	Pitka Bakoff	Kenai	Oct. 7, 1912	" " "
9	Inokenty Shangay	"	Oct. 7, 1912	" " " Badge to Baughman in March, 1915.
10	John Wik	"	May 23, 1914	
11	E. E. Chamberlain	Seward	Apr. 1, 1913	Commission has expired.
12	C. C. Tolman	"	Sept. 9, 1915	
13	Joseph Falandeau	Seldovia	June 18, 1913	Commission has expired.
14	Henry E. Revell	Seward	Apr. 22, 1913	Revell claims lost badge.
15	W. G. Weaver	"	June 18, 1913	Commission has expired
16	B. F. Swasey	"	Sept. 9, 1915	
17	Charles Emsweiler	"	Nov. 12, 1912	Badge to Baughmann, Mar. 1915
18	W. E. Dewitt	"	May 22, 1913	Badge to Ericson, June or July, 1915
19	Andrew Simons	"	July 20, 1915	
20	Thomas B. Towle	"	Aug. 21, 1915	
21	Emil Berg	Kenai	Nov. 10, 1913	Commission has expired.
22	Gust Ness	"	Aug. 14, 1911	Ness claims badge lost.
23	Theador Chickalush	"	June 9, 1914	

Badge No.	Issued to.	Residence.	Date of Apptmt.	Remarks.
24	C. I. Strathcona	Seward	July 9, 1914	
25	Fritz Poath	"	Aug. 30, 1913	Post reports badge lost.
26	W. J. McKeon	Soldovia	July 12, 1913	Commission has expired.
27	William Kaiser	Seward	June 20, 1914	
28	M. L. Bell	"	June 24, 1914	
29	John Lean	"	June 20, 1914	
30	Charles Schulz	"	April 13, 1914	

31 - 40 inclusive, held in Governor's office for issuance when called for.

NOTE: Badges Nos. 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 15, 21, and 26 should be taken up by the game wardens, the commissions of the holders thereof having expired.

November 13, 1929

Mr. J. A. Baughman,
Game Warden,
Seward, Alaska

Mr. Aron Ericsen,
Game Warden,
Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find a statement showing the record in this office of licensed guide badges which have been issued from time to time in connection with appointments made by this office. Kindly check the same over and advise if your records agree therewith.

You will note that the commissions of quite a number of guides have expired. Immediate steps should be taken by you to call in the badges held by the men whose commissions have expired. Kindly advise this office when badges are surrendered to you so that proper record thereof may be made.

In making up this statement, it has been assumed that guides B. F. Sweecy, C. C. Tolman, and Thomas B. Towle have retained the badges which they held under former appointments.

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Please advise the number of the badge issued to Tyler Poath, under his appointment dated September 17, 1913. There is on file in this office his letter of October 13, 1913, to game warden Erickson, advising that badge No. 25, held by him under the appointment of Aug. 20, 1913, had been lost.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

November 17, 1915

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Sir:

Replying to the Department's letter of the sixth instant (Stephen T. Mather, Assistant to the Secretary), I have the honor to advise that the services of game warden Henry Alheidt expired on August 15, 1914, while the services of Martin Hansen, who was temporarily employed as assistant to the game warden at Juneau, terminated on February 13, 1915. The services of Alheidt were terminated by order of this office, on account of lack of funds. The services of Martin Hansen were terminated by the completion of the special work for which he was temporarily employed.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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LICENSED GUIDES FOR KENAI PENINSULA

(Corrected to November 17, 1915).

Name	Residence	Appointed
Charles Schulz	Seward	April 13, 1914
John Wik	Kenai	May 23, 1914
Theader Chickaluah	Kenai	June 9, 1914
William Kaiser	Seward	June 20, 1914
John Lean	Seward	do
M. L. Bell	Seward	June 24, 1914
C. I. Strathcona	Seward	July 9, 1914
Andrew Berg	Kenai	Aug. 10, 1914
Franklin Johnston	Anchorage	Nov. 18, 1914
Andrew Simon	Seward	July 30, 1914
Thomas B. Towle	Seward	Aug. 21, 1915
B. F. Sweney	Seward	Sept. 9, 1915
C. C. Tolman	Seward	Sept. 9, 1915
Fritz Poth	Seward	Sept. 17, 1915

All guides listed above are of the first class

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Department's letter of the sixth instant (Stephen T. Mather, Assistant to the Secretary), relating to the matter transmitted with my letter of the 16th ultimo, respecting the guides, etc., on the Kenai Peninsula, which is intended to correct similar data in the departmental circular of general information regarding Alaska.

The printed matter marked "A" is merely a summary of that contained in the matter marked "B". As the matter marked "B" contains the full text of the regulations relating to licensed guides, as heretofore enforced, it will probably be better to use this matter instead of that marked "A". To this should be added the matter marked "C", as suggested in my former letter.

The list of licensed guides for the Kenai Peninsula has been corrected to this date, and contains the names of all persons holding guide licenses for the Kenai Peninsula. As the Alaska Game Law does not require the employment of licensed

guides in any portion of the Territory other than the Kenai Peninsula, this office has never appointed any guides outside of that section.

The practice of requiring fees for the issuance of guides' licenses, as set forth in paragraph 2, of the matter marked "B", above alluded to, is still in force. The records of this office show that the sum of $1,377.50 has been collected on account of fees paid for guide licenses since the passage of the Alaska Game Law. These fees were all paid to the Governor's office, and deposits have been made of the same from time to time to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, same being designated as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing guide licenses under the Alaska Game Law. Collections and deposits of game fees have been accounted for in the form of itemized statements submitted with the quarterly accounts of the Governor as special disbursing agent of the appropriation for contingent expenses of this office, and duplicate certificates of deposit have accompanied these statements in every case.

The enclosures which accompanied the Department's letter of the above date, are returned herewith.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

Enc.

Secretary of the Interior,
Washington, D. C.

November 20, 1915.

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First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5 of the Alaska game law I hand you herewith the sum of Four Dollars in cash, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing shipping licenses under the Alaska game law.

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.

(Gen. C. S. Lic. #1, new form, 11-19-15.)

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The Collector of Customs,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Governor I write to advise you that this office has today issued General Cargo Shipping License No. 1 (new form) to Miss Signa Robinson, of Juneau, covering the shipment of one brown bear skin which will be consigned to herself at Seattle.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

November 20, 1915

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Mr. W. G. Weigle,
Forest Supervisor,
Tongass National Forest,
Ketchikan, Alaska

My dear Mr. Weigle:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November eighth, in which you endorse Mr. G. H. Lee for the position of game warden, should a vacancy in that office occur. In reply I have to advise you that your letter will be filed and given due consideration should a vacancy arise.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

November 20, 1915

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Mr. R. W. DeArmond,

United States Commissioner,

Sitka, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 17th, with reference to the cause brought against the steward of the U. S. S. Prometheus, and the disposition of the game seized under the Alaska Game Law.

While the Game Law is not clear as to what disposition should be made of game that has been seized, your action in holding it, nevertheless, was entirely proper. To the end that a ruling might beobtained as to what disposition should be made of game seized by a game warden or other official, I asked the United States Attorney for an opinion, a copy of which is transmitted herewith, for your information.

This office, upon the receipt of information that the steward of the Prometheus was negotiating for the purchase of deer at Sitka, took the matter up with Captain Offley, of that steamer, who, I believe, instructed the steward not to

make such purchase, as he would thereby be violating the law. After the steward had been fined and the deer confiscated, I received another wire from Captain Offley, expressing regret for the occurrence.

I do not believe that it would have been proper, under any circumstances, to have permitted the officers of the Prometheus to have the deer. The game of Alaska is primarily for the people of Alaska, and, in the case of the steward of the Prometheus, he should have informed himself as to the law before making his purchases; and sympathy upon him, I think, is wasted. I may further add that criticism of you and the deputy marshal, for enforcing the game law, is entirely misplaced, and, instead of criticism, you are entitled to commendation for the activity displayed. Laws are placed upon statute books to be enforced and not violated at will. The deer of southeastern Alaska are an important asset, and, unless they can be given a reasonable measure of protection and indiscriminate slaughter prevented, they will soon become extinct.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

TERRITORY OF ALASKA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Circular No. 5 November 20, 1915

TO ALL GAME WARDENS:

Interior Department orders of September 27 and October 8, 1915, provide that, on and after January 1, 1916, where an official message is to be transmitted over a commercial line, or over both the Government line and a commercial line, the original of such message must be submitted with the accounts covering payment of tolls thereon over the commercial line. The practice heretofore, as you know, has been to submit a copy of such message, the original being filed with the sending telegraph office.

To conform to the change in method made necessary by the Department orders, you are directed to adopt substantiall y the following system in the sending of official messages which must go, either in whole or in part, over commercial lines and on which tolls are required:

Make four copies of each message, certifying the same as heretofore. File a COPY of the message with the sending telegraph office, taking a receipt (subvoucher) in duplicate for the amount of tolls paid. Retain the receipt, and the original and one copy of the message until the end of the month, for submission with your monthly expense account. The fourth copy of the message should be retained for your own files.

Where tolls are required on an official message the officer should, in every case, prepay such tolls, and all copies of the message should be marked to show whether sent at day or night rate. Night service should be employed when practicable.

Where messages are to be transmitted over Government lines only, such messages go free and the originals should be filed with the sending telegraph office, as heretofore.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and S. D. A.

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Circular No. 4 November 20, 1915

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TO ALL GAME WARDENS:

Regulation No. 5 of the Interior Department Travel Regulations of September 30, 1914, provides that

> "Charges for fares on steamers, packets, or other means of travel by water must show whether meals or lodging, or both, were included without increase of fare over the lowest first-class rate."

Recent Department letter relative to accounts asks that, wherever possible, the accounts show the name of steamer, name of company operating same, and points between which travel is made.

To comply with the foregoing it is suggested that, in the future, your subvouchers covering travel by water be made up in substantially the following form, in addition to the other necessary information required thereon:

> "For fare, Juneau to Ketchikan, Alaska Steamship Co. steamer Alameda, including meals and berth without increase over lowest first-class rate."

Subvouchers worded substantially as above will, it is believed, comply with the Department requirements. Care should be taken to see that every subvoucher for water transportation contains full information, otherwise delay in settling accounts will result.

If, in any case, the fare paid does not include meals, or meals and berth, the subvoucher covering fare should show that fact, and a separate subvoucher should be submitted to cover meals, or meals and berth, as the case may be.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and S. D. A.

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November 22, 1915.

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The Treasurer of the United States,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 11th instant (initialed CFA-S) with respect to my report of outstanding checks and balance on September 30, 1915, in connection with my account No. 69003.

I have to advise that upon again checking over my records I find that check No. 428, of August 3, 1915, for $52.43, and which was paid in the month of August, was inadvertently shown as outstanding in my report dated October 29, on form 5585, to which you refer. The correct total of outstanding checks on September 30, 1915, was, therefore, the sum of $3,539.80, instead of $3,592.23 as at first reported.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

November 25, 1915

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Mr. Robert E. Steel,

Game Warden,

Eagle, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letters of October 30th and November third, together with your report for the month of October.

With reference to the subject matter of your letters, I have to say that the complaints which reached this office as to the needless slaughter of game animals in your district, came to this office from a number of Indians at Chicken Creek. I have no doubt that the letter was inspired by some white man or white men, and viewed the matter accordingly.

I am convinced, of course, that you will use due diligence in the enforcement of the game law and regulations at all times. To this end, it will be necessary for you to be out in the field more or less. I am thoroughly aware of the fact that any official, no matter whom he may be, will be needlessly criticised and all his actions misrepresented,

no matter how faithful and devoted he may be to the duties of his office. However, no one need mind criticisms if his duties are faithfully and intelligently discharged, as I am sure yours are.

I am enclosing herewith copies of regulations for the protection of fur-bearing animals, as per request contained in your letter.

I shall be pleased to hear from you at any time on any matter of interest to yourself or your district.

Yours very truly,

Enc. Governor

November 24, 1918

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Mr. Aron Eriesen,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your report for the month of October, I beg to ask that you advise this office as to the final disposition of the meat seized in the cases against Oscar Larsen and Martin Johnson, Steve Bismark and Anton Chicka-loon.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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November 24, 1913

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Mr. Robert E. Steel,

Game Warden,

Eagle, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have your expense account for the month of October and am returning to you herewith your subvouchers Nos. 1 and 7, covering the purchase of provisions from the Eagle Trading Company. The receipt on subvouchers is not in very good form, since it reads "Paid October 31-15, E. T. Co., by C. A. T. The full name of the person signing for the company should have been shown on the subvouchers, and I have to request that you present the subvouchers at the Eagle Trading Company's store and have such correction made in them.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Circular No. 6 November 26, 1915

TO ALL GAME WARDENS:

With further reference to the complaints filed by this office with the Department of the Interior, as to the violation, by non-commissioned officers and enlisted men stationed in Alaska, of the game laws of the Territory, and the suggestion that instructions issued by the Commanding General include the suppression of the sale of liquor to Indians as well, this office is in receipt of the following from the Commanding General, Western Department, addressed to all posts and stations in Alaska:

> "Department Commander directs strict compliance with the law relating to the suppression of the sale of liquor to Indians. Commanding officers of posts and non-commissioned officers in charge of detachments will take prompt steps to carry this order into effect."

This is for your information.

Yours very truly,

Governor

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November 26, 1918

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Mr. R. S. McDonald,

Game Warden,

Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check No. 493, of this date, for $11, in settlement of your expense account for the month of October.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

Enc.

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November 26, 1915

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Mr. Peter S. Ericksen,

Game Warden,

McCarthy, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith I send you check No. 491, of this date, for $21.85, in settlement of your expense account for the month of October.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

Enc.

November 26, 1915

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Mr. Andrew Hoey,

Game Warden,

Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith I send you check 491, of this date, in settlement of your corrected expense account for the month of August.

The voucher, in the form in which you have not submitted it, should meet all requirements.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

Enc.

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November 26, 1915

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Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 18, with reference to the application for investigation, by Charles Emswiler, of certain matters connected with his application for a license as a guide on the Kenai Peninsula.

I have carefully noted your statement, which seems to be a fair expression of facts as you have seen them and know them. So far as your suggestion that you be authorized to present the facts in your possession of the violation of the law by Emswiler in 1913, to District Attorney Spence, is concerned, I have to advise you that you are authorized to go to Valdez and interview Mr. Spence along the lines outlined in your letter.

I note also that you are willing to have Mr. Emswiler make any statement to you that he may deem necessary, or appear with any persons whom he may desire, to establish his good character and his reputation, for the purpose of

showing whether a guide license should be issued to him. I can see nothing wrong in such proposal, if Mr. Enswiler wishes to avail himself of such opportunity. In this matter, as you say, there should be no personal feeling on your part, as you are under oath to enforce the law without respect to any person or persons, and I say say that I believe this is your desire. I do not question your conscientiousness in the matter. On the other hand, Mr. Enswiler seems to believe that he has a grievance, and he is fairly entitled, therefore, to his day in court, so to speak.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

November 26, 1915

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Dr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 16th, being a reply to a letter written by Charles Knewiler, of Seward, Alaska, to Dr. W. T. Hornaday, New York, with reference to alleged unlawful killing of a mountain sheep on the reserved portion of the Kenai Peninsula, and the statement that "the woods are full of hunters now, everywhere, with all kinds of big, high-power guns, and our game has no protection whatever."

In reply I have to advise you that your letter seems to cover the case, and is deemed satisfactory by this office. A copy of your letter will be forwarded to H. W. Henshaw, Chief, United States Biological Survey, Washington, D. C., to whom Knewiler's letter was forwarded by Doctor Hornaday.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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November 27, 1915

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Mr. Christian L. Larsen,

Chicken, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith, I return to you your receipt dated April 24, 1914, for one game warden's badge which was furnished to you by this office. The badge was turned over by you to Mr. Steel, your successor, and a copy of the receipt given by him to you is on file in this office.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

November 27, 1916

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Mr. J. W. Brown,

c/o Julius Ramsdorf,

Rampart, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 26th ultimo, and, in response thereto, I am sending you herewith two copies each of the following circulars:

1. Alaska Game Law and Regulations, containing the full text of the law and all regulations now in force;

2. Regulations for the protection of fur-bearing animals in Alaska;

3. Mining laws of Alaska;

4. Chapter 10 of the 1915 Session laws of Alaska, containing amendments to the mining laws.

Mr. E. P. Walker, of Wrangell, Alaska, who is a representative of the Bureau of Fisheries, is being requested to forward copies of the fisheries regulations to you.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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November 27, 1915.

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Mr. E. P. Walker,

Fur Warden at Large,

Wrangell, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Walker:

Mr. J. W. Brown, of Rampart, Alaska, has written this office for a number of documents, among them the fisheries regulations. We have none of these regulations on hand at present, and I am therefore writing to ask that you will kindly forward to Mr. Brown at Rampart, care of Julius Ramsdorf, a copy thereof.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

November 29, 1913

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Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith my report on the Alaska Game Law for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913.

I have the honor to request that the usual number of copies of the printed report be forwarded to this office for distribution throughout the Territory.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of Agriculture,

Washington, D. C.

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November 20, 1915

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,

Camp Warden,

Wrangell, Alaska

Dear Sir:

This office has been informed, in an indirect way, that a fishing outfit which has been operating at Snow Pass, Alaska, is supplying its men with fresh venison. It is understood that this outfit will move camp to Deep Bay next month.

It is suggested that you investigate this matter at the earliest opportunity, and report results to this office.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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November 29, 1915

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Mr. H. W. Henshaw,
Chief, Biological Survey,
Department of Agriculture,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herewith, for your information, a copy of a letter received by this office from J. A. Baughman, Game Warden, Kenai Peninsula, in reply to a letter written by Mr. Charles Sheadler of Seward, Alaska, to Dr. W. T. Hornaday, Director, Zoological Park, New York, with reference to game conditions on the Kenai Peninsula, and to alleged violations of the Alaska Game Law.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Enc.

Governor

November 20, 1913

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Mr. George F. Deiser, Librarian,

The First Free Law Library,

Philadelphia, Penna.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the second instant, addressed to the Governor, requesting to be furnished with a copy of the Game Law and regulations relative to guides and packers.

Enclosed herewith is a copy of office circular No. 3, which contains the full text of the Alaska Game Law and all regulations now in force thereunder. This circular, however, does not contain the regulations relative to the guides and packers on the Kenai Peninsula. These regulations have recently been revised, and will appear in the forthcoming annual report of the Governor, covering the administration of the Game Law for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1913. Your name will be placed upon the mailing list for a copy of the report.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

November 30, 1915

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Hon. Samuel C. Polley,

Pierre, S. D.

Dear Sir:

In response to the request contained in your letter of the 18th instant, I take pleasure in sending you herewith a copy of office circular No. 3, which contains the full text of the Alaska Game Law and all regulations now in force thereunder.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

Enc.

December 1, 1913

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,

Game Warden,

Wrangell, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith find check No. 503, of this date, payable to your order, in the sum of $70.70, in settlement of your expense account for the month of October.

The corrections in subvoucher No. ten added nine cents to the expense account, making the total $70.70 instead of $70.61, as originally submitted by you.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

Enc.

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Circular No. 7 December 1, 1915

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TO ALL GAME WARDENS:

Effective this date, checks in payment of salaries of game wardens will be mailed without letters of transmittal. The same plan will be followed with respect to the mailing of checks in payment of expense accounts, unless a note of explanation is required in a particular case.

When salary checks are accompanied by salary voucher blanks, the latter should be signed and mailed to the Governor's office. Franked and addressed envelopes will be enclosed with such blanks, for mailing purposes.

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

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December 1, 1915

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First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska

Gentlemen:

In accordance with the provisions of section 5, of the Alaska Game Law, I hand you herewith the sum of $4, in cash, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing shipping licenses under the Alaska Game Law."

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

(General License No. 2,
12-1-15)

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December 1, 1915

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The Collector of Customs,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of section 3 of the Alaska Game Law, you are hereby advised of the issuance, on this date, of General Game Shipping License No. 2, to T. F. Kennedy of Juneau, covering the shipment of one mounted deer head.

This trophy will be consigned to W. F. Burke, San Francisco, California, passing through Seattle en route.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

December 2, 1918

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Mr. Charles Nickett,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 18, together with a petition signed by residents of Ketchikan, recommending you for appointment to the position of game warden for the First Judicial Division.

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

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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December 2, 1915

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Mr. Roland F. Cotterill, Secretary,

Board of Park Commissioners,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

With further reference to your request that the Woodland Zoological Park, of Seattle, be included in the list of parks to which consignments of wild animals may be made from Alaska without permits, I have to advise you that this office is in receipt of a letter from Hon. D. F. Houston, Secretary of Agriculture, in which he states that my recommendation to that effect will be incorporated in the next revision of the regulations under the Alaska Game Law.

Very truly yours,

Governor

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Juneau, December 2, 1915. C. B. Govt. —4—

Joseph A. Snow,

care Marshal's office,

Ketchikan.

If other duties will permit request you go to Hadley and investigate complaint made by I. C. Sparks relative sale of venison.

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.

December 3, 1918

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Mr. John B. Powers,

United States Deputy Marshal,

Eagle, Alaska

My dear Mr. Powers:

I write to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 18, with reference to matters in your precinct.

In reply I have to state that the complaint, with respect to alleged violations of the game law in the Chicken Creek country, was received from a number of natives and, as you suggest, was probably prompted by some white man or men with some ulterior motive in view. Complaints of this nature are constantly being sent to this office from some source or other, and, as a rule, I find upon investigation that there is some motive other than the preservation of the game animals in Alaska behind it. However, when such complaints are received, this office tries to investigate them as far as possible, as the only way in which laws of this kind can be adequately enforced is by constant vigilance; for no matter how active the game warden or other officer may be, violations of law are bound to occur in a country of such great extent as this of ours, and with but few men to enforce the laws.

I had noticed through the medium of a Dawson newspaper, that there had been a big run of caribou in that section, and I trust that the people on our side of the line were enabled to lay in a sufficient supply of caribou for their needs, and especially the Indians who, judging by the complaints received, are always threatened with starvation which, fortunately, however, does not seem to quite overtake them.

I would thank you if you would advise me as to conditions among the Indians in your section, so far as you may be able to do so from time to time. I am glad to note that the Indians have been successful in their fur catch so far, and hope that it will continue during the winter. I regretted to receive news of the death of Jim Juneby. I wish you would also advise me of conditions at the village at any time you may deem proper. It is not likely that a native police officer will be appointed in Juneby's place unless the demand for it should seem to be urgent.

I have to thank you for your most interesting letter, and with best wishes in every way, I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

Mr. Harold W. McCracken,

42 Linwood Avenue,

Columbus, Ohio

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 21, in which you request a permit for the shipment of the pelt of a glacier bear from McCarthy, Alaska, and also the pelt and skull of a mountain sheep.

In reply I have to advise you that this office has no authority whatsoever to issue free permits for the shipment of game trophies from the Territory. The fees to be paid for such permits are clearly defined in the Alaska Game Law, and this office cannot suspend its operation under any circumstances.

For your further information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Alaska Game Law.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Enc. Governor

TERRITORY OF ALASKA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

December 4, 1915

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Mr. Andrew Hoey,
Game Warden,
Fairbanks, Alaska

Mr. R. A. McDonald,
Game Warden,
Fairbanks, Alaska

Mr. A. E. Light,
Acting Game Warden,
Ruby, Alaska

Dear Sir:

With further reference to the violations of the Game Law at Fort Gibbon, Alaska, I have to advise that this office is in receipt of a report of an investigation held at Fort Gibbon by Major John M. Jenkins, Inspector General, dated November 1, and by him transmitted to the headquarters, Western Department, San Francisco. This investigation was made on August 24 last, as a result of complaints made by this office, through the Department of the Interior, to the War Department.

The testimony at this investigation shows that the Game Law was violated when the Commanding Officer, Company B, 14th Infantry, purchased moose meat as follows: March 13, 1915, from Mr. Pinkiert, Tanana, 335 lbs.; March 16, 1915, from Mr. Vachon, Tanana Commercial Co., 290 lbs. The Game Law was also violated when the Commanding Officer, Q. M. C. Detachment, purchased moose meat as follows:

Jan.	9, 1915	404 lbs.
	do	96 lbs.
Jan.	30, 1915	416 lbs.
Feb.	10, 1915	202 lbs.
Feb.	16, 1915	66 lbs.
Mar.	15, 1915	67 lbs.
	do	113 lbs.
Mar.	18, 1915	135 lbs.
Mar.	29, 1915	29 lbs.
Apr.	5, 1915	169 lbs.

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A review of the testimony shows that the "game wardens have never complained of any violation of the Game Law by United States troops to the U. S. Commissioner," nor had any violations of the laws as to the purchase of game out of season, by members of the Fort Gibbon garrison, been reported to the U. S. Commissioner at Tanana, and, further, that in the purchase of game out of season by the Fort Gibbon command, that command had not offended any more than civilians. The U. S. Commissioner at Tanana, testified, as his belief, that the contract or agreement made by the Commanding Officer, Fort Gibbon, with James Duke, of Nenana, for game, was not a violation of the Game law. This belief was based upon the statement that, as the open season begins August 1 and closes December 10, and persons having game meat have until December 25 to dispose of it, the contract made with Duke could not be considered a violation of the law.

The testimony also shows that the game wardens have never complained of any violation of the game laws by U. S. troops to the U. S. District Attorney. The testimony, however, shows that the law was actually violated in the purchase of moose meat, as shown above; that the game warden did report to the Commanding Officer, Fort Gibbon, on or about April 11, 1915, that moose meat was purchased by the command after December 10, the end of the open season; and that the Commanding Officer informed him that the practice would cease, and cautioned all organization commanders to purchase no more moose meat; that several merchants of Tanana approached the Commanding Officer after April 11, and offered moose meat for sale, but he declined to permit the purchase thereof, and informed the merchants of his conversation with the game warden; that the merchants told the Commanding Officer that the Game Law was a dead letter. It was also developed that civilians have offended in this matter to the same, or greater, extent than soldiers, but there is no record of complaint to the commissioner or the U. S. District Attorney, against civilians or merchants for killing or selling game out of season.

The facts deduced from the evidence by the Inspector General are as follow:

1. That the game laws were violated on March 16, 1915, by the purchase of moose meat from merchants of Tanana, by the Commanding Officer, Company B, 14th Infantry.

2. That the game laws were violated on January 9, January 30, February 10, February 14, March 15, March 18, March 29, and April 5 by the purchase of moose meat from merchants of Tanana, by the Commanding Officer, Quartermaster Corps detachment.

3. That no complaint has been made by the game wardens of violations of the game law by U. S. troops to the U. S. Commissioner, Tanana.

4. That no complaint was ever made by the game warden of the violation of the game laws by U. S. troops to the U. S. District Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Division.

5. That the game warden did make complaint to the commanding officer, Fort Gibbon, on or about April 11, of a violation of the game laws, and that the commanding officer immediately gave orders to have the practice cease, and that the practice did cease from that date.

6. That no complaint was made of the violation of the game laws by civilians and merchants who had violated the Law to the same, or greater, extent than U. S. troops; that merchants regard the law as a dead letter.

This synopsis of the evidence adduced at the investigation conducted by Major Jenkins is transmitted for your information, and for such comments as you may deem proper to make in the premises. You are advised that, in the opinion of this office, the many violations reported are a direct reflection upon the activity of the game wardens in the Fourth Judicial Division. The violations seem to have been flagrant and open in many respects, and the testimony seems to show, upon its face, that these violations were openly aided and abetted by the merchants of Tanana. It would also appear that civilians were just as actively engaged in the violation of the Game Law as were the soldiers stationed at Fort Gibbon.

Yours very truly,

Governor

December 4, 1918

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Mrs. Geneva Hardy,

Care of First National Bank,

Butte, Montana

Dear Madam:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 26, in which you state that, while you were in Anchorage, Alaska, friends of yours gave you three caribou pelts, and that, not knowing that a permit to ship such trophies from Alaska was required, they are being held in Seattle for such permit.

In reply I have to advise you that the Alaska Game Law permits the shipment of only two trophies of this kind from the Territory, and the cost of each permit is $10. This office has no authority, under the law, to issue free permits for the shipment, out of Alaska, of any of the game trophies found in the Territory. The law also requires that such permits may be issued only to residents of Alaska.

For your further information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Alaska Game Law.

I am,

Yours very truly,

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Enc. Governor

December 7, 1915

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,

Game Warden,

Wrangell, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your report and expense account for the month of November. Enclosed find check in settlement of the expense account.

Please advise if you think it advisable to continue your headquarters at Wrangell, or do you think it would be of more benefit to the service if you were to be transferred back to Ketchikan?

Respectfully yours,

Enc.

Secretary to the Governor

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December 9, 1918

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Mr. Spencer B. Van Zandt,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your endorsement of Mr. Charles Mickett of Ketchikan, for appointment as game warden for the First Judicial Division.

In reply I have to advise you that the resignation of Mr. Sternberg has not yet been received. Your endorsement of Mr. Mickett, however, will be placed on file for further consideration should a vacancy occur.

Yours very truly,

Governor

HOEY,

Fairbanks.

Include all expenses November trip in November account regardless of fact extended into December.

SHORTHILL, S.D.A.

I certify that this telegram is on official business, and [illegible] service, and will not bear the delay [illegible]

Secretary to the Governor.

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December 11, 1915

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Mr. Robert E. Steel,

Game Warden,

Eagle, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 20, containing an account of your investigations in the Forty-mile country. I note that your investigation seems to have been quite thorough. I am also glad to know that you found the Indians in fairly good condition, wherever you visited them, and with an abundant supply of meat. I also note your statement that the outlook for the winter, for these Indians, is very good, as there promises to be a good catch of lynx and other fur-bearing animals.

I take it from your statement that the report as to the exportation of live foxes to Dawson and elsewhere (like many other reports which originate in Alaska) was grossly exaggerated.

I trust that the people of your district were able to secure their usual supply of meat while the caribou run was on.

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As you know, this office has no authority whatsoever, to suspend the operation of the game laws, but I trust it will be possible to have them amended so as to provide for an emergency like the one pointed out in your letter. Kindly advise me as to whether the people were able to secure a supply of caribou meat.

Remember me kindly to Commissioner Donovan, should you see him. Capt. Donovan is a splendid man, and he will endeavor to do what is right and just at all times, by all men. I hope that he has found a central office location in the meantime.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

December 13, 1915.

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First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5 of the Alaska game law I hand you herewith the sum of $4 in cash, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing SHIPPING licenses under the Alaska game law."

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.

(Gen. Lic. #4 -- 12-13-15.)

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December 13, 1915.

The First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5 of the Alaska game law I hand you herewith the sum of $4 in cash, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing SHIPPING licenses under the Alaska game law."

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.

(Gen. Shipping Lic. #3 --12-13-15.)

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December 13, 1915.

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Mr. James Flynn,
Manager, Cordova Co-Operative Trading Co.,
Cordova, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith I beg to enclose letter addressed to Mr. Ed Barnett, Mile 30, C. R. & N. W. Railway, who recently applied to this office for a shipping license for a brown bear skin, the letter of application being written on the letter-head of your Company. I send the letter to you, thinking you might know when Mr. Barnett will be in Cordova again, and that time might be saved by holding the letter there. However, if he is not expected in town within a few days of the time this reaches you, will you kindly mail the letter to him at Mile 30, and oblige. The license asked for by Mr. Barnett is enclosed with the letter to him.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encl.

December 13, 1915

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Mr. Peter S. Erickson,

Game Warden,

McCarthy (Shushanna Jct.), Alaska

Dear Sir:

Under separate cover, I am sending you a supply of expense account voucher blanks, in response to the request contained in your note of the thirtieth ultimo.

Respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor

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December 13, 1916

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Sir:

Mr. E. P. Walker, Inspector of Fisheries and Fur Warden at Large, under the Bureau of Fisheries, with headquarters at Wrangell, Alaska, advises me that he is about to make application for a permit to take a limited number of birds, nests of eggs, and mammals during the year 1916, for exportation from Alaska for scientific purposes. A similar application was made by Mr. Walker in June, 1914, which I had the honor to endorse, and I now take much pleasure in endorsing Mr. Walker's application for the year 1916.

Mr. Walker is a most painstaking and efficient officer of the Bureau of Fisheries who has, incidentally, aided this office, in a number of instances, in the enforcement of the Alaska Game Law.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of Agriculture,

Washington, D. C.

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December 13, 1915

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Mr. R. M. McGlashan,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 27th ultimo, addressed to the Governor, enclosing postal money order in the sum of $5 and requesting the issuance of a shipping license for the exportation of one brown bear skin and skull to R. M. McGlashan, Motley, Minn.

Enclosed herewith you will find General Game Shipping License No. 3, of this date, issued to you, to cover shipment of the trophy in question, together with affidavit form in duplicate, which should be executed by you.

Respectfully yours,

Encs. Secretary to the Governor

December 13, 1915

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Mr. Ed Burnett,

Cordova, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the tenth instant, enclosing check in the sum of $5, payable to the undersigned, and making application for a permit to ship one brown bear skin, mounted, to Mrs. Cora E. Smith, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

Enclosed herewith you will find General Game Shipping License No. 5 which has been issued to you this date, covering shipment of the trophy in question, together with form of affidavit, in duplicate, which should be executed by you, one copy being filed with the Deputy Collector of Customs at Cordova, and the other to accompany the shipment.

Respectfully yours,

Encs.

Secretary to the Governor

December 14, 1918

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The Collector of Customs,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 5, of the Alaska Game Law, you are advised of the issuance, on the thirteenth instant, of the following general game shipping licenses:

No. 3, to R. E. McGlashan, Seward, Alaska, covering the shipment of one brown bear skin and skull to R. M. McGlashan, Motley, Minn.

No. 4, to Ed. Barnett, Cordova, Alaska, covering the shipment of one brown bear skin, mounted, to Mrs. Cora E. Smith, Muskogee, Oklahoma.

The trophies above mentioned will pass through the port of Seattle on route to their respective destinations.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

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December 14, 1915

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Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Department's letter of the third instant (Assistant Secretary Mc Sweeny), with respect to the manner in which abstracts of disbursements and accounts current are to be made up in connection with my accounts under the appropriations for the protection of game and for suppressing the liquor traffic in Alaska, and beg to advise that the instructions contained therein will be complied with.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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December 14, 1915

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Sir:

I have the honor to advise that, on October 21 last, I gave instructions to Game Warden Aron Eriesen, of Roosevelt, Alaska, to transfer his headquarters to Anchorage. I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. Eriesen, dated at Anchorage, November 12, advising that he left Roosevelt on November 4 and arrived at Anchorage on the eleventh.

Mr. Eriesen will make Anchorage his headquarters until further notice.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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December 14, 1915

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Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your expense account for the month of November, I beg to call your attention to the fact that subvoucher No. 2, covering freight on an Evinrude engine from Seward to Seldovia, amounting to $1.50, should be supported by an expense bill showing the weight or measurement of the engine, and the rate per pound or cubic feet. This information is not shown on your subvoucher. Kindly arrange to forward the expense bill in duplicate at an early date so that payment of your expense account may be arranged.

In this connection, I beg to call your attention to a recent circular to all game wardens, calling their attention to the information which must be shown upon all subvouchers covering steamer fares paid by them.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor,
and S. D. A.

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December 14, 1915

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Mr. Peter S. Erickson,

Game Warden,

McCarthy, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your expense account for the month of November, which has just come to hand, I beg to call your attention to the fact that you signed the carbon copy of the expense voucher and marked the original "copy." In the future please be careful to sign the original voucher, using the carbon copy for the duplicate.

Your subvoucher No. one covers provisions purchased at McCarthy for use on the trial. The subvoucher is not accompanied by a certificate showing that the provisions were purchased for use while absent from headquarters, but the expense voucher contains the information that the supplies were for that purpose, and gives the dates on which they were used.

There was recently sent you a supply of certificate blanks for use in connection with subvouchers covering the purchase of groceries, provisions, etc. In the future please

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use this form of certificate, attaching the same to both copies of each subvoucher covering the purchase of provisions, groceries, etc., for use on the trail.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and E. D. A.

December 15, 1913

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Mr. J. P. Morris,
U. S. Commissioner,
Ester Creek (P. O. Berry)
Alaska

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 26, in which you recommend Mr. J. M. Harris for appointment as game warden, should a vacancy occur.

In reply I have to advise you that there is no vacancy existing at the present time, nor will the condition of the game fund permit the appointment of additional game wardens at this time. Your letter will be filed, however, for future reference, should a vacancy occur.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

Mr. Julius Sternberg,

Game Warden,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December ninth, in which you forward your resignation as game warden for the First Judicial Division.

In reply I have to advise you that your resignation is accepted, to take place December 31. Permit me to say that your services as game warden have been appreciated by this office, and I regret that your health is such as to necessitate your retirement.

Expressing the hope that your health will soon be restored, and with expressions of esteem, I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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December 15, 1915

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Hon. C. H. Cosgrove,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Mr. Cosgrove:

I am in receipt of the resignation of Julius Sternberg as game warden for the First Judicial Division. This resignation has been accepted, to take place December 31. The necessity, therefore, arises for the appointment of a successor. I believe there are now, on file, two applications for this position from Ketchikan, and a number from Wrangell. The names of the Ketchikan applicants are Charles Nickett and C. H. Lee. I also believe that you have endorsed both applications.

Upon receipt of this, I wish you would be kind enough to advise me as to which of the two would be the better man for the place. An active, energetic man is needed in order that results may be had. The appointee will also be expected to furnish his own power boat, as the Government makes no appropriation for the purchase of a boat. An expense allowance, however, is provided for fuel oil, etc.

I may add that both Mr. Nisbett and Mr. Lee are well endorsed by a number of Ketchikan residents, but, as I am not acquainted with either, I would like to consult you in this matter.

Thanking you in advance, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor

December 16, 1915.

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First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

Herewith I hand you the sum of $9 in cash, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing shipping licenses under the Alaska game law."

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.

(Gen. Shipg. Lic. #5, 12-15-15.)

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The Collector of Customs,

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5 of the Alaska game law you are advised of the issuance by this office on the 15th instant of general game shipping license No. 5 to A. W. Newberry, of Fairbanks, Alaska. The license covers the shipment of one mountain sheep head, mounted, which will be consigned to Mr. Newberry at Los Angeles, California, passing through Seattle enroute.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

December 17, 1915

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Mr. Andrew Berg,

Kenai, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 22, in regard to the compensation of game packers, and other matters in your district.

I note that you say it is impossible to get a good white man to serve as packer at less than $5 a day, although natives might be procured at less price, but that no sportsman would want to have his equipment smell like a bunch of smoked salmon, and that besides the Indians are not considered reliable in finding their way about the country.

In reply I have to advise you that I am inclined to coincide with your views as to the wages allowed packers under the regulations, and I shall consider the matter of increasing this from $3 to $5 per day, to take effect next year.

I also note what you say with regard to the registration of packers at Kenai, unless a game warden should be stationed at that place. Of course, a guide is not expected to do the impossible. With the funds at the disposal of this office, for the enforcement of the game laws, it is

impossible to appoint an additional game warden for the Kenai Peninsula at this time. I have to advise you that game warden Ericsen's headquarters were recently changed from Roosevelt to Anchorage, in view of the many complaints that were received as to violation of the game laws in that section, due to the establishment of the town of Anchorage, and the large number of people who have located there, and in the surrounding country, making it, at this time, the most important place of the Cook Inlet country.

I also note your views to the effect that the selling of all game meat should be prohibited. I hope that the Game Law will be amended in many important particulars during the present session of Congress, and that, if such amendments be made, it will be easier to enforce, and will render violations much more difficult than at the present time.

All cases of nonresidents, or others, shooting the limit of moose, as alleged in your letter, and taking out only one out of four, should be promptly reported, and their arrest caused, unless they are provided with licenses to hunt, which, in many cases, they probably are not. No one but the worst kind of a game hog, or a totally irresponsible individual, would shoot down moose and leave them to rot on the ground. It is this class of men that should be

prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. All such cases coming to your knowledge should be reported as promptly as possible, to the nearest game warden, so that they may be investigated.

The more I learn of the operation of the Game Law and the violations that undoubtedly occur, the more I am convinced that the time has arrived when all hunters of game birds or animals should be compelled to secure a license, whether resident or nonresident. Such a provision would result in preventing many unnecessary and needless violations of the law. It would probably be a difficult matter, however, to secure the passage of such a law at the present time.

Thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor

December 17, 1915

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The Director,

Royal Zoological Society of New South Wales,

Sydney, N. S. W., Australia

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 9, with respect to the possibilities of procuring a pair of young Kodiak bears for transportation to your city, for exhibition purposes in your zoological gardens.

In reply I have to advise you that it may be possible for you to secure these bears, but I am somewhat at a loss as to whom you should communicate with. I would suggest, however, that you write Mr. M. D. Snodgrass, in charge of the United States Government experiment station, Kodiak, Alaska. It may be possible that Mr. Snodgrass will undertake to secure the bears for you. You will have ample time to communicate with Mr. Snodgrass and make such arrangements as may be necessary, inasmuch as the bears cannot be taken before sometime next spring. In order to ship these bears from Alaska to Sydney, you should apply to the Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., U. S. A., for the necessary permit, stating in the application that the bears are to be used for zoological purposes.

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the game law of Alaska for your further information.

Yours very truly,

Governor

Enc.

Mr. Aren Ericsen,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of November 30, together with a report of your activities for that month.

I note what you say with reference to the arrests of Russians for violating the Game law, and the opinion of the United States Commissioner that these men were within their rights in killing game, notwithstanding the strong local sentiment against these aliens availing themselves of the game of the country. The commissioner was probably clearly within the law if he considered these men actual residents of the Territory. The law on this point is somewhat vague, and it would probably take a decision of a higher court to determine what constitutes an actual resident of the Territory. I had a similar complaint recently from Doctor Baughman. It is unfortunate that the Game law is so loose in construction that it permits evasion of the law in many ways.

I note you say that the hunter intending to evade the clause of the law prohibiting the shipment of meat from the Kenai Peninsula, for sale, will find no difficulty, during the open season, to enter his meat at Anchorage under the plea of having it for his own use, and afterwards dispose of it. What you say is undoubtedly true; but if the wardens were given the power of search, such a condition would become infrequent. I have recommended that this power be extended to the wardens. I am also hopeful that the Game Law will be amended in many important particulars at the present session of Congress.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

December 17, 1915

Dr. J. A. Baughman,
Game Warden,
Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 20, together with a letter from United States Attorney Spence, with reference to expenses incurred by you, as game warden, in arresting George Norman Brown, at Seldovia, for violation of the Game Law in the killing of a cow moose, said expenses being as follows: Fare for Brown, Seldovia to Seward, $3.0; meals for Brown at Seldovia, $2.65.

In reply I have to advise you that these items, I believe, can be properly taken up in your next month's expense account. You should forward voucher for the meals paid for, for Brown at Seldovia, together with a statement covering the circumstances of Brown's arrest, and his transportation to Seward for trial.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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December 17, 1915

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Dr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 30, together with your report for that month.

I note what you say with reference to the killing of moose by certain Russians, which caused quite a flurry among the people of Seward. The Game Law is somewhat vague as to what constitutes a resident of Alaska. If a citizen, a man cannot vote in Alaska unless he shall have had one year's residence therein. It might be assumed, however, that, when a person comes to Alaska, with a bona fide intention of making it his permanent residence, it could be construed that his term as an actual resident might date from the time of his arrival. As stated, however, the law is vague as to this, and it may take a decision of a court to determine the matter. In this, as in many other matters, an officer should exercise his best judgment in dealing with a case of this kind. I have no doubt that there are numbers of cases of people hunting in Alaska who, while claiming to be

actual residents, have no intention of ever really becoming such. I can readily conceive that the number of new people going into your section will cause many new problems to arise, which, incidentally, will have to be solved in the execution of the game laws of the Territory.

With reference to your suggestion that the sale of all game animals and birds be prohibited on the Kenai Peninsula, I have to say that such prohibition would require an amendment to the Game law. I am hopeful that the law will be amended in many important particulars at the present session of Congress. The killing of H. E. Peterson by a brown bear, as stated in your letter, is another strong argument for the withdrawal of the protection now afforded these animals under the law.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

December 17, 1918

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Mr. R. S. McDonald,
Game Warden,
Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of December 2, in which you state that the work of the game wardens could be made more effective if most dealers who sell game during the open season, were compelled, by a ruling of the Secretary of Agriculture, to keep a record of the parties from whom the game was bought, with the date on which purchased, such record to be open, at all times, to the inspection of the game wardens or deputy marshals.

This suggestion is a good one, but this office is of the opinion that it is not within the power of the Secretary of Agriculture to make such regulation, as it will require an amendment to the Game Law. It is to be hoped that the Game Law will be amended in many important particulars during the present session of Congress.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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December 18, 1918

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Mr. Peter S. Erickson,

McCarthy (Shushanna Jct.),

Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your report for the month of November, and particularly the item covering the case against one of the Bryson brothers, for violation of the game law in exceeding the legal limit in the killing of mountain sheep, it is noted that the carcasses of the sheep were ordered turned over to the custody of the court. Please advise what disposition was made of the carcasses after being turned over to the court.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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December 18, 1915

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Mr. R. S. McDonald,

Game Warden,

Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 19th ultimo, containing information with respect to the case against James Murgill, convicted of exceeding the legal limit in the killing of moose, I beg to ask what disposition was made of the moose carcasses. Were the same seized by you at the time you arrested Murgill, and, if so, what did you do with the carcasses? If they were turned over to the United States marshal, please advise what disposition be made of the same.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 30th ultimo, and to the Governor's reply thereto under date of the 17th instant, relative to the expenses incurred by you in connection with the arrest of George Brown at Soldovia, and his transportation to Seward for trial, I return herewith the duplicate receipt which accompanied your letter, and beg to call your attention to the fact that the same is not in proper form, inasmuch as it does not show the points between which the transportation was had. Notation should be made on the receipt to cover this omission, and further notation should be made thereon in accordance with the circular recently sent you. With these notations made on both copies of the receipt, it will be in proper form, and the item may be included in your next expense account.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

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December 21, 1915.

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First National Bank,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

Herewith I hand you the sum of 21 cents, 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 Protection of Game in Alaska, 1915."

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

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

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December 22, 1915

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Mr. C. A. Haley,

Sitka, Alaska

My dear Mr. Haley:

I have your letter of December 16, with reference to an appointment for your brother as game warden for this district. It is not the intention of this office to appoint a game warden for Sitka Precinct, inasmuch as the funds for the payment of the salaries of the game wardens will not permit such appointment. I realize the fact that a game warden might be stationed at Sitka with much advantage, but, as stated, the money available will not permit it. There are two game wardens now employed, one located at Juneau, and the other at Ketchikan, in the southern end of the Division. There will be a vacancy at Ketchikan, to be filled after the beginning of the year.

With best wishes for the season, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor

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December 23, 1913

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Mr. Charles Hickett,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

In connection with your appointment as game warden, I beg to advise you that, while your appointment is for the entire First Judicial Division of the Territory, you will be expected to give particular attention to that section of the Territory between the southern boundary and Cape Fanshaw and Sitka.

Complaints have reached this office from time to time, alleging that fishermen and natives and other persons have killed deer on Duke Island, near Dixon Inlet, Gravina Island, Suemez and Zarembo Islands, on which islands the killing of deer is prohibited. This prohibition applies equally to natives and white men. Complaints have also been received alleging violations of the game law and regulations by various cannery employees in the First Division, and you are instructed to keepa strict watch on the operations of all cannery employees in your district, to the end that the illegal killing of deer be prevented and the violators of the law be prosecuted.

You are also advised that prevention of game law violations is to be more desired than prosecution, as in preventing violations by watchful and intelligent activity better results will be obtained, the costs of prosecution will be reduced to a minimum, and friction will be diminished or obviated. The exercise of sound judgment is always to be desired, but the central fact that must be borne in mind is that the game law and the regulations thereunder must be strictly enforced without fear or favor. To this end, it is expected that you will thoroughly acquaint yourself with the provisions of the game law and regulations.

It is the understanding of this office that you have a gasoline launch which you will use in your work, without expense to the government, as no appropriation is provided for the purchase of launches for use in the game service.

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It is believed that the expense allowance which has been given you will be ample to furnish you with gasoline for the operation of your launch, and for such other necessary expenses as you may have to incur while absent from your official headquarters in the discharge of your duties.

In the monthly reports which you are required to submit to this office you will give any information that you may acquire concerning the operations of the law, the number of deer in your district, their condition, habitat, and the presence of wolves or other wild beasts that prey upon them, together with such other information as may be useful to this office in the enforcement of the game law and regulations.

You are requested to communicate freely with this office as to any matters pertaining to your duties or the enforcement of the game law and regulations upon which you desire advice or instructions, or in regard to which there may be a doubt in your mind.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

December 23, 1915.

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Mr. Charles Nichott,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Sir:

Under the authority conferred upon my by the Alaska game law, I hereby appoint you a Game Warden for the Territory of Alaska, with official headquarters at Ketchikan, the appointment to be effective January 2, 1916.

Your compensation will be at the rate of $1500 per annum, payable in monthly installments of $125; and you will be allowed an expense account of not to exceed $75 per month, to cover subsistence (meals and room rent) and travel expenses when absent from your headquarters on official business.

Your special field of operations will include that portion of the First judicial division lying south of Cape Fanshaw and Sitka, and extending to the southern boundary of the Territory.

You will be required to submit a written report to this office at the end of each calendar month, showing your operations, points visited, cases investigated, etc. This report should be in daily diary form.

On January 2, 1916, you will take the oath of office, blanks for which are herewith enclosed, and forward both copies to this office.

My secretary, who is the special disbursing agent of the game protection appropriation, will give you the necessary instructions as to your monthly expense accounts, and will see that you are supplied with stationery, game law circulars, and other necessary supplies.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

Encl.

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December 23, 1915.

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Mr. Charles Nickett,
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the Governor's letter of this date, appointing you as Game Warden, effective January 2, 1916, I am directed to say that in general it will be most desirable to avoid newspaper publicity, particularly as to your movements, plans, investigations, etc. In fact, you will find it advantageous to let no one know your purposes or movements, except in such cases as it may be necessary to inform some other government officer, as, for instance, the United States deputy marshal, commissioner, or other official. If you have occasion to prosecute violators of the law and are successful in convicting them, it will be well to give the papers information of such convictions, since it may serve to deter others from violating the law. Otherwise, as said before, all newspaper publicity should be carefully avoided, as also the giving of any information to persons not properly entitled thereto.

Mr. E. P. Walker, Agent of the Bureau of Fisheries, Wrangell, Alaska, has rendered valuable assistance in the enforcement of the game law, and you are advised to consult freely with him as occasion may require, giving him, also, any information gained by you with regard to his work which may be of assistance to him.

Respectfully yours,

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Secretary to the Governor.

TERRITORY OF ALASKA
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE
JUNEAU

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS RELATIVE TO MONTHLY EXPENSE ACCOUNTS

(Reissuance of circular letter of July 10, 1913)

Circular No. 8 December 23, 1915.

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TO ALL GAME WARDENS:

The following general instructions should be observed in connection with your monthly expense accounts, reference being had, also, to such other circulars as contain instructions with respect to such accounts:

1. Expense account voucher forms will be furnished by the Governor's office upon request of the Wardens. Two of these blanks are to be used for each month's expense account, one as an original, which is to be signed and sworn to by the Warden, the other as a duplicate, which is not to be signed nor sworn to.

2. The Warden will make up his expense account promptly at the end of each calendar month, noting proper reference detail thereon from his receipts (or subvouchers), so as to identify the same, and showing the number of each subvoucher under the heading "Subvoucher No." on the expense account voucher form.

Each month's receipts (subvouchers) should begin with No. 1, and all subvouchers must be taken in duplicate, whether in regular receipt form or in the form of itemized bills. Do not attach the subvouchers to the expense account, but send them in detached.

3. Subvouchers must contain the fullest possible information, such as the place where payment is made, the date of payment, the amount, a full explanation of the items covered by the payment, stating quantities, unit prices, etc. If for meals, the particular meals had on each date must be indicated, with the cost of each; and the same applies to payments for room rent or bed.

Where meals and lodging are furnished at a given rate "per day" for both, each meal is regarded as one-quarter of a day, and the lodging is also considered one-quarter of a day. Thus, if two meals and lodging are had on a given date, at a "per day" rate, the charge would cover three-quarters of a day, the subvoucher also showing the particular meals had, as well as the lodging.

4. Wardens are authorized to purchase receipt books in convenient form from time to time for use in connection with their accounts, taking proper subvouchers to cover the cost of same and including the expense in their accounts.

5. Attention is called to circular letter of May 14, 1914, and to circulars Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 5, in further reference to the handling of certain items of expense, etc.

Secretary to the Governor and
Special Disbursing Agent

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December 23, 1913

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Mr. Charles Mickett,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

In connection with your appointment as Game Warden to succeed Mr. Julius Sternberg, whose resignation becomes effective December 31, I enclose herewith a copy of a letter of this date addressed to Mr. Sternberg, with respect to the transfer to you of the official files and property in his possession. As soon after taking the oath of office as may be convenient, kindly call upon Mr. Sternberg and arrange for the transfer in question, giving him such receipt therefor as you and he may agree upon.

Mr. Sternberg will, no doubt, be glad to give you the benefit of such information as he has obtained during his period of service, and this information will, no doubt, be of much assistance to you in beginning your work.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

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December 23, 1915

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,

Game Warden,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to the Governor's recent letter, accepting your resignation, effective December 31, I beg to advise you that your successor will be Mr. Charles Hickett, of Ketchikan, who will enter upon the performance of his duties on January 2. As soon after that date as it may be convenient, Mr. Hickett will call upon you to arrange a transfer of such property as should be turned over to him, including files of official correspondence, official stationery, expense account voucher blanks, receipt books, badges, etc. Any provisions, gasoline, oil, or other supplies which you may have on hand at the expiration of your term, and which have been paid for out of the Game Appropriation, should also be turned over to Mr. Hickett.

Mr. Hickett will give you a receipt covering all articles, supplies, etc., turned over to him. It is suggested that this receipt be made out in triplicate, Mr. Hickett retaining one, and turning the other two over to you, one of

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which should then be forwarded to this office by you. It will be appreciated by this office if you will kindly give Mr. Nickett the benefit of any information obtained by you during your period of service which you think might be of assistance to him in continuing the work.

I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Nickett, and enclose herewith a copy of a letter addressed to him.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

Copy to
Mr. Charles Nickett,
Ketchikan, Alaska

December 23, 1915

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Mr. Charles Hickett,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith I send you circular of May 11, 1914, addressed to all game wardens, also one copy each of circulars Nos. 1 to 8, inclusive.

It is requested that you give special attention to the circulars which relate to the monthly expense accounts of game wardens. In this connection, it is suggested that you confer with Mr. Sternberg, who will, no doubt, be glad to show you how his accounts have been made out.

It is assumed that Mr. Sternberg has on hand a supply of stationery, game circulars, expense voucher blanks, etc., which will be turned over to you. When you are in need of a further supply of any of these articles, kindly write this office.

I enclose herewith some salary voucher blanks which you will please sign and return to this office for future use.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and Special Disbursing Agent.

Encs.

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December 23, 1915

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Mr. Charles Nickett,

Ketchikan, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Under the authority conferred upon me by the Secretary of the Interior, in connection with the work of suppressing the traffic in intoxicating liquors among the natives of Alaska, I hereby appoint you a Special Employee, without compensation or expense allowance, the appointment to be effective January 2, 1916, and to continue until further notice.

Under this appointment your work will be incidental to your regular duties as a game warden, but you will be expected to exercise due diligence within the limitations herein prescribed in the enforcement of the law prohibiting the furnishing of liquors to Indians. In this work you are advised to consult, as your judgment may dictate, with the United States Attorney and his assistants, the United States Marshal and his deputies, and with Mr. Joseph A. Snow, of Juneau, who is regularly employed in this particular work. It will not be necessary for you to execute an oath of office under this appointment. Kindly submit monthly reports of your observations

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and work in this service.

The law relating to the furnishing of liquor to natives is found in Carter's Alaska Code, Section 142, and in the Compiled Laws of Alaska, 1913, Section 2022.

Respectfully yours.

Governor

January 3, 1916

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Sir:

I have the honor to advise the Department that Charles Nickett, of Ketchikan, has been appointed game warden for the First Judicial Division, to succeed Julius Sternberg, resigned, said appointment to take effect on January 3, 1916; and I, therefore, have to request through the Department, the Commission's approval of the appointment of said Nickett, as provided by the Department's ruling of December 10, 1915, notification of which was transmitted to this office by the Department under date of December 16, 1915.

I am,

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C

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January 3, 1916

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Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Department's letter of December 16,(Hon. Stephen T. Mather, Assistant to the Secretary), quoting a ruling of the Civil Service Commission under date of December 10, in which it is held that hereafter it will be necessary for this office to request, through the Interior Department, the Commission's approval of the appointment of any person selected for the position of game warden, appointment to which has been made by the Governor of Alaska, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 4, 1909, (35 Stat., 990), and subsequent annual appropriations without reference to the civil service rules.

In reply I have to advise that this action will be followed hereafter.

I am,

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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January 3, 1916

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Mr. Matthew Johnston,

Port Simpson, B. C.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 21, in which you ask for information as to the taking of game and fur-bearing animals in Alaska. For your further information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Alaska Game Law, together with a copy of the regulations of the Department of Commerce, governing the taking of fur-bearing animals in the Territory.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Encs.

Governor

Juneau, December 31, 1915. O. B. —4—

Charles Hickett,

Ketchikan.

January second falling on Sunday your appointment as game warden will become effective January third, on which date take oath of office as heretofore instructed.

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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Juneau, January 3, 1916. O. B.

HOEY, Game Warden,

Fairbanks.

Trip to lower Yukon authorized. Return to Tanana and remain there until further notice, advising this office by wire soon as you have returned to that place. Also keep this office advised of your whereabouts by wire when possible.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

I certify that this telegram is on official business, and [illegible] service, and will not [illegible] the delay

Secretary to the Governor.

January 3, 1916

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Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 8th ultimo, advising settlement of my accounts for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1915, by certificate No. 11072, same showing a debit difference of $80.96, explained in detail in the letter referred to.

With respect to the suspension of $70.75, continued from settlement No. 10837, under the appropriation "suppressing traffic in intoxicating liquors, Alaska, 1915," the same covering voucher No. 3, Thomas Gaffney, which was not transmitted with the accounts for September 30, 1915, I beg to advise that this voucher was forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior with my letter of November 24 last. Subvoucher No. 9, originally submitted with this voucher, is still in the hands of the special employee to whom it was referred for correction.

With respect to the suspended item of 21 cents under the appropriation "protection of game in Alaska, 1915," covering error in subvoucher No. 1 of voucher No. 12, Adam Schneider, the error is conceded, and the amount of this suspension (21 cents) has been deposited by me to the credit

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of the Treasurer of the United States for repayment to the appropriation named, as per duplicate certificate of deposit No. 980, dated December 22, 1915, enclosed herewith.

Referring to the suspension of $10, covering difference in the fare between Seward and Anchorage City, as charged in subvouchers 2 and 7 of voucher No. 24, Aren Ericsen, under the appropriation, "Protection of Game in Alaska, 1916," I have to advise that the charges as shown in the accounts are correct. The regular tariff rate for first-class transportation between Seward and Anchorage, Alaska, on the dates shown in the subvouchers referred to, was $20, and not $15 as stated in your letter. In corroboration of this statement, I enclose herewith a telegram received from the agent of the Alaska Steamship Company, Seward, Alaska, dated the 22d ultimo, advising that the first-class fare between Seward and Anchorage in July last, according to the regular tariff of that company, was $20. I am unable to refer to the particular tariff in question, but the tariff sheet issued by the Pacific-Alaska Navigation Company, which also operates a steamship line to Seward and Anchorage shows a first-class passenger rate of $20 between Seward and Anchorage, the tariff sheet being dated Feb. 1, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

Geo. Parkins

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

January 3, 1916

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Mr. Graham H. Harris,

208 South La Salle street,

Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Acknowledging receipt of your letter of the 21st ultimo, in which you state that you contemplate a hunting and fishing trip into Alaska next fall, and would like to know the laws and regulations concerning the hunting and fishing, etc., I beg to enclose herewith a copy of Circular No. 3, issued by this office, which contains the full text of the Alaska Game Law and all regulations now in force thereunder. There is also enclosed a copy of the regulations for the protection of fur-bearing animals. The laws and regulations with respect to fishing cover only the fishing industry, and do not affect sportsmen or others who fish for their own amusement.

You state that your particular objective is the Kenai Peninsula, where you intend to hunt moose. By reference to section 2 of Circular No. 3, you will note that the season for moose, in the regions south of latitude 62 degrees (which includes the Kenai Peninsula), is from August 20 to

December 31, inclusive.

Section 3 prescribes the limitations upon the number of game animals which may be killed by any one person in one year, the number of moose being limited to two. Section 5 relates to the issuance of hunting and shipping licenses. You will note that a nonresident, who is a citizen of the United States, must pay a fee of $50 for his hunting license, while an alien is required to pay a fee of $100. Each hunting license is accompanied by shipping coupons, as stated in the section referred to. The shipping coupon covering the shipment of two moose, which is attached to each hunting license, does not, however, cover the shipment of moose taken south of latitude 62 degrees. In order to ship the trophy of a moose killed south of latitude 62 degrees, the hunter must obtain a "special moose shipping license," the fee for which is $150, and not more than two such special moose shipping licenses may be issued to any one person in one year.

Should you wish to obtain information regarding guides, packers, etc., and facilities for outfitting, it is suggested that you write to Dr. J. A. Baughman, game warden at Seward, Alaska, or Mr. Aron Ericson, game warden at Anchorage, Alas Both of these wardens are located in the Kenai Peninsula region and are entirely familiar with game conditions the

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Gov

January 3, 1916

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Mr. Ernest P. Walker,

Inspector of Fisheries,

Wrangell, Alaska

My dear Mr. Walker:

By direction of the Governor I write to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 30th ultimo, with reference to your application to the Secretary of Agriculture, for a permit to collect, in the Territory of Alaska, during 1916, for scientific puppose, specimens of birds, their nests and eggss, and specimens of the various game mammals, and requesting that the Governor endorse your application to the Secretary.

On December 13 last, the Governor addressed a letter to the Secretary of Agriculture, stating that he understood you were about to make application as outlined in your letter, and endorsing the application and urging that the permission asked for be granted. Through an oversight on my part, this letter was mailed direct to the Secretary of Agriculture instead of to you. In making your application, it might be well to refer to the Governor's letter of December 13, with respect thereto.

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You will remember that, when you were in Juneau on December 12, you phoned to me that you would like to have the Governor endorse your application. I took the matter up with him on the 13th with the result already stated.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

January 3, 1916

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Department's letter of the 17th ultimo (Stephen T. Mather, Assistant to the Secretary), making inquiry with regard to the form of the license issued to registered guides for the Kenai Peninsula (under the provisions of the Alaska Game Law), and as to the procedure followed with respect to the issuance of guide licenses, expense of printing such licenses; and inquiring whether any portion of the fee is retained by the clerk issuing such license, and through what channel the proceeds from these fees reach the Treasurer of the United States.

Licenses to guides appointed in the Kenai Peninsula are issued in the form of letters of appointment, which are separately written in each case, upon the official letter-head of this office, a sample of which is herewith enclosed. There is also enclosed a sample copy of the identification card which is issued to each guide when appointed. The expense of printing these cards was paid for from the game protection appropriation.

The entire amount of each guide license fee is deposited with the First National Bank, Juneau, to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, being specially designated as "Miscellaneous Receipts, fees for issuing guide licenses under the Alaska Game Law." The Alaska Game Law does not authorize the retention of any portion of a guide license fee, nor does it make any provision for payment of the expense of providing a license form, and, in the opinion of this office, such form is unnecessary in view of the limited number of guides under appointment at any one time.

In addition to the inquiries noted above, the Department 's letter contains the following statement.

> "Thus far, there have been received in this Department, for administrative examination, only proceeds from hunting, game shipping, and special moose shipping licenses, since the passage of the legislative act of March 4, 1915, transferring such administrative examination to this Department."

Referring to this portion of the Department's letter, I have the honor to advise that there were no game licenses issued during the fiscal quarters ended March 31 and June 30, 1915. During the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1915, licenses were issued to five first-class guides. Data covering the issuance of these licenses was contained in the quarterly statement covering the collection and disbursement of license fees under the Alaska Game Law, for the fiscal

quarter ended September 30, 1915. This statement was transmitted to the Department with my letter of October 4, 1915. The account was settled by the Auditor for the Interior Department on November 22, 1915, by certificate No. 11010 of that date.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

January 5, 1916

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Mr. L. M. Olson,

Seward, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 15, with reference to your securing a permit to capture two live mountain sheep (one ewe and one ram), for propagation purposes.

In reply I have to advise you that, under the Alaska Game Law, there is no inhibition against taking animals of this kind for propagation purposes, if taken during the open season; but regulation 3, of the Department of Agriculture, concerning live animals and birds, provides that "Live animals or birds, for exhibition or propagation, may be captured, in a close season, under permit only." As the open season on mountain sheep is from August 20 to December 31, both inclusive, it will be necessary, therefore, for you to secure a permit from the Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., for this purpose.

In this connection, I have further to advise you that the killing of mountain sheep in the eastern part of the Kenai Peninsula, east of longitude 150, is prohibited until April 1, 1916.

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For your further information, I am enclosing herewith a copy of the Game Law and regulations thereunder, for the Territory.

I may say that I was glad to hear from you, as I remember you very well from the days of '99, when we were shipmates on the river steamer Hamilton, en route to Nome. If I can be of any further service to you in this, or any other, matter, kindly command me.

Trusting that your enterprise will be a success, and that your homestead will prove remunerative, I am,

Very truly yours,

Enc.

Governor

January 5, 1916

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Mr. Peter 3. Erickson,

Game Warden,

McCarthy, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of December 30, I beg to advise that I am sending to you, in this mail, under separate cover, another supply of expense voucher blanks, which I trust will reach you with undue delay.

Kindly advise me if the package heretofore mailed to you is received.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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January 5, 1916

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Mr. Andrew Hoey,

Game Warden,

Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Your telegram of the third instant was received the same day, reading as follows:

> "Opportunity to make extended trip to lower Yukon, Ruby and Nulato, in company Fur Warden Townsend, with Bureau's dog team. No expense other than sustenance and equal share of dog feed. Trip necessary. Advise."

to which I replied, as per confirmation copy herewith enclosed.

The instruction in my telegram to you to "return to Tanana and remain there until further notice, advising this office, by wire, soon as you have returned to that place," was intended to indicate a transfer of your official headquarters from Fairbanks to Tanana until such time as it may be deemed advisable to have you return to Fairbanks, or go to some other point. Tanana seems to be the center of considerable activity on the part of market hunters and others, and it is believed that the presence of a game warden there, for some months to come, will have a tendency to reduce the number of game violations and generally improve conditions.

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From the time of leaving Fairbanks on the trip referred to in your telegram, and until you have returned to Tanana, you will be allowed such travel expenses as it may be necessary to incur. Upon taking up your headquarters at Tanana, you will, of course, receive no expense allowance while there, but will have the benefit of the same monthly allowance as heretofore when absent therefrom on official business.

I shall be glad to have a full report from you covering the trip to the lower Yukon, as well as one covering conditions in the vicinity of Tanana.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Governor

January 6, 1916

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Mr. Daniel N. McDonald,

Wrangell, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 31, in which you make application for appointment as game warden.

In reply I have to advise you that on December 24, Mr. Charles Nickett, of Ketchikan, was appointed game warden to succeed Julius Sternberg, resigned, the appointment to take effect on January 3, 1916.

In view of the representations made to this office, which were verified, it was deemed advisable to make the headquarters of the game warden at Ketchikan instead of Wrangell, as better patrol service from the latter point is possible, and many more cases of alleged violations are occurring in that section.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

January 6, 1916

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Mr. Andrew Hoey,

Game Warden,

Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 20, with reference to that part of your November report which states that you have included seven days of your December expense account, but that later you segregated the accounts and included the seven days alluded to in the November account, as per instructions received from this office.

In reply to the other matters mentioned in your letter, you are advised that a supply of voucher blanks will be forwarded to you. We have no weather-proof posters, such as you desire, but will have some printed as soon as possible, and upon receipt they will be sent to you.

With regard to a camp outfit, consisting of a tent, stove, dishes, cooking utensils and snow shoes, I have to advise that this kind of expenditure will be allowed, if the amount be reasonable, as I believe it can fairly be covered in your expense account. Be sure to submit your

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subvouchers showing the amounts paid in detail, etc.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

January 6, 1916

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Mr. Robert E. Seel,

Game Warden,

Fairbanks, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of December 17, addressed to Secretary Shorthill, in which you ask if it would be possible for you to get an appropriation of $15 from the Game Fund, to be used in buying a desk in which to keep your stationery and other supplies pertaining to the office, I have to advise you that an expenditure of this kind cannot be allowed, as it would be certain to be rejected by the Auditor for the Interior Department. I regret that this is the case, but it is a condition, and not a theory by which we are confronted, having had similar experiences in cases of this kind, and the accounts disallowed.

An additional supply of stationery, both official and plain writing paper, together with vouchers for your traveling expenses, will be forwarded to you in due course.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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Mr. Arthur Thebe,

Wrangell, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of December 27, in which you make application for appointment as game warden for southeastern Alaska.

In reply I have to advise you that, on December 24 last, Mr. Charles Hickett of Ketchikan was appointed game warden to succeed Julius Sternberg, resigned, and, therefore, there is now no existing vacancy.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

January 7, 1916

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Mr. Lee Van Slyke,

United States Commissioner,

Susitna, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The Territorial Registrar of Vital Statistics has referred to this office for attention, that portion of your letter of December 20 last, which relates to the matter of shipping licenses for two brown bear skins which one of the miners of your community wishes to take out with him next fall.

The owner of the trophies in question should make application to this office for shipping licenses covering the two trophies owned by him, the application to be in the form of a letter, specifying what trophies are to be shipped, where they would be shipped from, to whom they will be consigned in the States, the point of destination, and whether they will pass through the port of Seattle, Portland, or San Francisco en route from Alaska to their destination..

By reference to section 5 of the Alaska Game Law (see page 6 of circular No. 3 enclosed), you will note

that provision is made for the issuance, to residents of Alaska, of shipping licenses, and that the fee for a shipping license for a single head or trophy of a brown bear is $5. As the party referred to in your letter has two brown bear skins, it will be necessary for him to obtain two of these $5 licenses. The licenses may be obtained at any time and are good until used.

Under separate cover, there are being sent you a number of copies of circular No. 3, which contains the full text of the Alaska Game Law and all regulations now in force thereunder. The most recent regulations will be found on the inserts between pages 12 and 13 of the circular.

Respectfully yours,

Encs. Secretary to the Governor

January 7, 1916.

Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 29th ultimo transmitting shipping receipt in duplicate covering freight on one Evinrude engine, Seward to Seldovia, November 10, 1915, on the S. S. "Admiral Evans".

I am obliged to return the receipt to you for the reason that it does not show the RATE at which freight was charged. If you will refer to letter of December 14 last to you, you will note that you were requested to secure an expense bill (shipping receipt) "showing the weight or measurement of the engine, and the RATE PER POUND OR CUBIC FOOT."

Kindly have the rate endorsed on the receipt (both copies).

It is noted, also, that while the amount shown on the expense bill is $1.65 ($1.15 freight, 50c wharfage) you have taken up only $1.50 in your accounts, as shown by your sub-voucher No. 2. I am returning both copies of sub-voucher 2, and suggest that you have a new one signed (dating it the same as the one returned herewith) and making it cover the entire charge; or, return the sub-voucher in its present form and amount, and endorse across the face of both copies of the shipping receipt the following:

"Account submitted for $1.50; balance waived"

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and sign your name thereunder. If, however, you actually paid $1.65 on the shipment, there is no reason why the full amount should not be taken up in your expense account. If the sub-voucher is changed to $1.65 I will make the necessary change on the expense account voucher.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor
and S. D. A.

Encls.

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Mr. A. B. Hepburn,
Chairman of the Board,
The Chase National Bank,
New York City

My dear Mr. Hepburn:

The receipt of your letter of December 22 is acknowledged, in which you express your intention to visit Alaska during the current year, for the purpose of obtaining big game trophies for presentation to Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont; and you enclose a letter addressed to you by the Honorable the Secretary of the Interior, in which he advises that you apply to me direct for full information as to game licenses, guides, and other preliminaries necessary to big game hunting in this Territory; and the Secretary adds that, when the date of your departure for Alaska shall have been decided upon, he will take pleasure in forwarding you a letter of introduction to me.

In reply I have to state that it will afford me great pleasure not only to meet you, but to render such assistance as may be possible, and to facilitate in every way that I can, the objects of your expedition. I note, with satisfaction, that you are planning the expedition in connection with

Mr. H. F. Alexander, President of the Pacific-Alaska Navigation Company, Tacoma, Washington, and I may take the liberty of saying that you are, indeed, fortunate in having made such arrangement, as Mr. Alexander is not only well acquainted with Alaska, but he will aid you in every way to the end that your expedition shall be successful, and also that it be made as pleasant as could be desired. Personally, I have high regard for Mr. Alexander, whom I have known well and favorably for a number of years.

With respect to obtaining permits to kill moose, brown bear, mountain sheep and goats, caribou, and such other specimens of beasts and birds as you may find during your hunting trip, I have to advise you that, as you propose to present the fruit of your expedition to a college, the trophies so secured may, in my opinion, be regarded as having been taken for "scientific purposes," as provided in regulation 1 of the regulations of the Department of Agriculture, Alaska Game Law, a copy of which is transmitted herewith. License fees are not required for shipment of trophies of this kind. It will be necessary for you, however, as you will notice, to "satisfy the Department that the specimens are intended for such purposes (in this case, presentation to a college) before permit will be issued." Your shipments, if any, will be made through the port of Seattle, I assume. I entertain no doubt that you will be able to secure the necessary permits fr-

the Department of Agriculture, and your application should show the number of each kind of trophy you desire to present to Middlebury College.

You are referred to section 2 of the Alaska Game Law as to the open and close seasons for game in the Territory. North of latitude 62 the open season for such animals as you propose to secure, begins on August 1; south of latitude 62, the open season for moose, caribou, mountain sheep, etc., begins on August 20, while brown bear may be killed between October 1 and July 1 only; north of latitude 62 brown bear may be killed at any time. I may add that Kenai Peninsula (the great moose section of Alaska), is south of latitude 62 degrees. Section 5 of the Alaska Game Law, to which your attention is also directed, relates to hunting game animals by nonresidents, licenses, the fees in payment therefor, and the number of game animals that may be taken and shipped under each license.

A list of the guides on the Kenai Peninsula will be found on page 15 of the copy of the Game Law and regulations herewith. All these guides are supposed to be reliable and experienced men; and, although this office does not recommend guides, an exception will be made in your case, and it is suggested that you write to either or all of the following: J. C. Tolman, C. C. Tolman, Andrew Simons, Thos.

B. Towle, whose post-office address is Seward, Alaska; and Andrew Berg, Kenai. I believe that any of these guides would be found satisfactory to you. I shall ask, however, that you consider this information in a confidential way, as I do not wish to be considered as discriminating in favor of any particular guide or guides, my desire being to render you such service and assistance as may be of value to you.

Should there be any other information you desire, or any points upon which you wish to be further enlightened, kindly communicate with me. I trust that you will favor Juneau with a visit en route to the hunting field, and it will afford me much pleasure, indeed, to meet you and render such assistance as may contribute to the success and pleasure of your expedition.

I am,

Cordially yours,

Governor

January 8, 1916

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Mr. Arvid H. Franzen, Homesteader,

Doty's Cove (via Juneau),

Alaska

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January third, with reference to certain hunting parties which you have reason to believe have been killing deer, in violation of the Game Law, near Doty's Cove.

I have to thank you for your letter, and beg to advise you that I have instructed the game warden to make an investigation of this matter. This he will do just as soon as it is possible for him to make the voyage. The heavy winds of the past few days have prevented an earlier investigation.

Again thanking you for the interest shown, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor

January 10, 1916

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Mr. Wm. Douglas Elliott,

Old Knik, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter in which you apply for appointment as deputy game warden, to be stationed at Old Knik.

In reply I have to advise you that the state of the fund allotted for the protection of Alaska game will not permit the employment of an additional warden at this time. For your information, I may say that a warden is now regularly stationed at Anchorage.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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Juneau, January 12, 1916. O. B.

Charles Hickett, Game Warden,

KETCHIKAN.

Replying your letter tenth, turn deer carcasses and guns over to deputy marshal at Ketchikan. The witness fee of two dollars should be returned to the Commissioner as you are a government officer and fee should not have been paid to you.

STROBE, 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 mail.

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Aron Ericsen,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have for acknowledgment your letter of December 31, addressed to Mr. Shorthill, with reference to a sale of moose meat confiscated by you on October 23. I note that the receipts of the sale amounted to $171.02. Will you kindly advise, for the information of this office, what disposition is made of this money; that is, to whom it is paid or to what fund it is deposited.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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Mr. Peter S. Ericksen,

Game Warden,

McCarthy, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of January 1, addressed to Mr. Shorthill, with respect to the disposition of two mountain sheep confiscated in the case of the United States v. Ernest Bryson. I note that you say the sheep were turned over to the United States Commissioner at McCarthy, who is holding them, pending orders from the prosecuting attorney as to the disposition of the same.

You will kindly advise this office, as soon as such disposition has been made that official record may be noted.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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Dr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have, for acknowledgment, your report for the month of December. I note, with satisfaction, that you have done considerable field work, and that you report that no violations of the game law have been found in your immediate district, although sheep are reported as having been killed outside of the Kenai Peninsula, for marketing at Anchorage. I assume that Mr. Ericsen will give due attention to these reported violations.

I also note what you say with regard to the Emeuiler matter.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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Mr. J. A. Baughman,

Game Warden,

Seward, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 29th ultimo, containing a corrected list of guide badges. I have checked this against the record in this office, and find that it agrees therewith in most particulars.

Enclosed you will find a revised record of guide badges and identification cards which I have made up this date, after entering upon the office record the information contained in your letter of above date, and a letter from warden Ericsen, under date of November 23 last. According to the revised record, it appears that the following badges are outstanding, on account of guide licenses which expired:

Badge No. 3, held by Henry Lucas, of Seward, whose license expired September 8, 1915;
Badge No. 4, held by Julius Christiansen, Seldovia, whose license expired September 2, 1915;
Badge No. 21, held by Emil Berg, Kenai, whose license expired November 10, 1915; and
Badge No. 26, held by W. J. McKeen, Seldovia, whose license expired July 12, 1915.

From your letter, and that of Warden Ericsen, above referred to, it appears that the guides above mentioned have not been instructed to surrender their badges.

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The revised record herewith enclosed shows that you now hold the following guide badges which have been turned in by the guides to whom they were issued: Nos. 2, 6, 7, 8, 9, 13 and 17. The record also shows that badge No. 5 is held by warden Ericson, to whom it was surrendered by H. G. Singer, of Kenai.

Your attention is called to the record of badge No. 10, issued to John Wik in connection with his appointment dated May 23, 1914. In your letter of March 31, 1915 you reported that badge No. 10 and the card held by John Wik had been turned in to you. Is this correct? If so, please explain why Wik surrendered the badge and card prior to the expiration of his license.

With reference to badge No. 15, you will note that Warden Ericson, in his letter of November 23, 1915, reports this badge as lost, while in your letter of December 19, 1915, you state that th badge has been turned in to you. Kindly advise as to this.

Referring to badge No. 25, issued to C. I. Stratheens, you state, in your letter of December 29 last, that this badge has been returned. Inasmuch as Mr. Stratheens's license does not expire until July 9, 1916, it would seem that there must be some mistake regarding the return of this badge. Please advise.

In your letter of the 29th ultimo, above mentioned, you show badge No. 30 issued to Franklin Johnston, and again the same badge issued to Charles Schuls. The records of this office show that badge No. 30 was issued to Charles Schuls, under his appointment of April 30, 1914. We have no record of the issuance of a badge to Franklin Johnston, who was given a guide license on November 18, 1914. It is the understanding of this office that no badge has yet been issued to him, and that he has never made any attempt to act as a guide. Please advise if your letter was not in error in stating that a badge had been issued to Franklin Johnston.

Respectfully yours,

Enc. Secretary to the Governor

January 12, 1916

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Mr. Aron Ericsson,

Game Warden,

Anchorage, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 23d of November last, giving a list of guide licenses in force in the Kenai Peninsula on that date. A similar list has been receiged from game warden Baughman, with a record of the disposition of guide badges. The records of this office have been corrected to include the information contained in your letter and that of Mr. Baughman, and a revised record of guide badges and cards has been made this date, a copy of which is enclosed herewith.

According to this record, you will note that the outstanding badges, held by persons whose licenses have expired, are the following: Nos. 3, 4, 21 and 26. It is the understanding of this office that both you and Mr. Baughman have notified the holders of these badges to turn them in. When the badges are surrendered, this office should be notified.. Please note the paragraph on page 2 of the enclosed record, with reference to Franklin Johnston of Anchorage. Please advise what this man is doing, and whether he has made any attempt to act as a guide.

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