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to authorize the approval of the items referred to. If, however, further information or explanation is desired I shall be glad to endeavor to secure the same if you will kindly indicate your wishes in the matter.

(3) Voucher No. 4, Joseph A. Snow, traveling expenses.  
Amount charged U. S. and paid by check \$158, \$61.50  
Correct amount of voucher, \$1.00  
Overpayment, Disallowed, .50

The disallowance of 50 cents on account of overpayment on this voucher is conceded, and I have this day deposited with the First National Bank, of Juneau, the sum of 50 cents to be placed to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., to cover the amount erroneously paid to the officer. Duplicate certificate of deposit covering this refund is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor, and  
Special Disbursing Agent.

Enclosure.

The Auditor for the Interior Department,

Washington, D. C.

TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
JUNEAU.

May 14, 1915.

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TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYES:

Herewith you will find copies of Chapter 51, Session Laws of Alaska, 1915, which amends Section 2022, Compiled Laws of Alaska (Section 142, Carter's Alaska Code as amended February 6, 1909). This Act was approved April 28, 1915, and takes effect on July 28, 1915.

You will note that under this Act the crime of furnishing intoxicating liquors to Indians in Alaska is changed from a felony to a misdemeanor, and that a change has also been made in the penalty attaching to the commission of the crime. It will also be noted that provision is made for the punishment of an Indian who wrongfully and wilfully solicits, incites or induces any person to furnish him with intoxicating liquors, etc. It will also be noted that this Act makes it a misdemeanor to "sell, barter or give to any Indian any spirituous, malt or vinous liquor, etc., etc." This language in the Act makes it possible to prosecute any person who "without the authority of the United States" furnishes intoxicating liquors, extracts, etc., to any Indian in the Territory of Alaska regardless of the political, social, or other status of such Indian. The law therefore includes within its scope Indian women who are married to white men, Indians who may have severed their tribal relations and adopted the habits of civilized life, the Metlakahtla Indians residing in the First Division or elsewhere in the Territory, and every other Indian in Alaska.

When this Act becomes effective, that is, on and after July 28, 1915, all prosecutions against persons charged with furnishing liquor to Indians will be brought by complaint filed with a United States Commissioner and the case will be prosecuted to final termination in the Commissioner's court. The United States District Court will have no jurisdiction in these cases except where an appeal may be taken from the Commissioner's court. It therefore becomes doubly necessary that special employes exercise great care in securing evidence against violators of the law since in many instances they will themselves have to conduct the prosecution of the cases brought by them. It will no doubt be well for the special employes to consult with the United States Attorneys or their assistants with respect to the procedure to be followed in prosecuting these cases before the United States Commissioners, the manner and method of drawing juries, and other matters incidental thereto.

Respectfully yours,

*J. A. Strong*  
Governor.

May 14, 1915.

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Letters as attached sent to the following officers:

Special Employes:

Joseph A. Bourke, ✓	Valdez, enclosing 20 copies of Law.
Thomas Gaffney, ✓	None " " " " "
A. E. Light, ✓	Ruby " " " " "
J. A. Snow, ✓	Juneau " " " " "

Game Wardens acting as  
Special Employes:

J. A. Baughman, ✓	Seward, enclosing 5 copies of Law.
Aron Ericson ✓	Roosevelt " " " " "
Peter S. Ericksen ✓	McCarthy " " " " "
Andrew Hoey ✓	Fairbanks " " " " "
R. S. McDonald ✓	Fairbanks " " " " "
Charles Neuhaus, ✓	None " " " " "
L. F. Shaw ✓	Knik " " " " "
Julius Sternberg ✓	Ketchikan " " " " "
Robert E. Steel ✓	Eagle " " " " "

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May 15, 1915.

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Mr. J. A. Snow,

Special Employee,

Juneau, A.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 215 of this date covering your expense account for the month of April, 1915.

Permit me to call your attention to the fact that you have not yet submitted a written report covering your operations for the month of April as Special Employee, nor have you submitted a similar report of your operations as a Special Game Warden for that month. These reports should be sent it separately, and as soon as possible.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encl.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Empleado,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

I have your two letters of the 10th ultime with respect to the purchase of a motor boat and a motor cycle for use by you in the performance of your official duties, and as to the purchase of articles of food and wearing apparel, and gasoline, at the military post at Fort Gibbon; also privilege of transportation on the government steamers "General Jacobs" and "Jeff Davis."

I am today forwarding copies of your letters to the Secretary of the Interior with my recommendations that your requests be granted. I do not know, of course, what view the Department will take of these matters but will advise you as soon as I receive the Department's answers to my letters.

I hope to make a trip through the interior of the Territory and to Nome, during the coming summer, and trust that I shall meet you somewhere along the Yukon enroute.

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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May 28, 1915.

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Sirs:

I have the honor to enclose herewith copy of a letter of the 10th ultimo addressed to this office by Mr. A. E. Light, of Ruby, Alaska, who is engaged as a Special Employee in the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives in the Fourth Judicial Division of the Territory.

Mr. Light requests permission to purchase at his own expense, for use in connection with the performance of his official duties as a Special Employee, a gasoline launch for use on the Yukon and Tanana rivers and their tributaries. He also requests authority to purchase, at his own expense, for use in connection with the performance of his official duties, a motor cycle for use on the winter trails in his division.

I desire to endorse the application of Mr. Light and the statements presented by him in connection therewith as to the present expensive methods of transportation, and I am fully convinced that if the permission asked for by this officer is granted it will result in greatly increased efficiency in the performance of his official duties as well as in greatly increased facilities for transportation.

Inasmuch as this officer is required to keep his expenditures within a certain specified limit for each quarter it would be impossible for him to increase his expenditures under the plan proposed by him. In fact I am of the opinion that such plan would tend to an economy of expenditure rather than an increase thereof. The points which this officer must necessarily visit in connection with his work are widely scattered and in many cases there is no regular means of transportation to them and it becomes necessary to employ special boats during the open season of navigation, or dog teams in the winter, at rates ranging from \$15 to \$20 per day.

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The amount of travel which an officer can perform under such conditions, when his expense account is limited, is necessarily very small and the extent of his work is materially circumscribed and his efficiency greatly hampered.

Mr. Light is a man of highest integrity and irreproachable character, and an officer who takes an unusual interest in his work. I have no hesitancy in endorsing his application in the premises and trust that the same may receive the Department's favorable consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Enclosure.

Governor.

The Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

May 28, 1915.

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Sir:

I beg to transmit herewith copy of letter of the 10th ultime addressed to this office by Mr. A. E. Light, Special Employee, Ruby, Alaska, who is engaged in the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives in the Fourth Judicial Division of the Territory.

Mr. Light requests the privilege of purchasing from the post commissary and quartermaster's stores at Fort Gibbon, Alaska, such articles of food, and wearing apparel (not part of the military uniform) for family consumption, as may be usually on hand for the use of the military forces in the interior of Alaska. He also requests the privilege of transportation on the government steamers "General Jacobs" and "Jeff Davis" at such times as he may be able to use such transportation without inconvenience to the officers and crew of these steamers.

Mr. Light also requests that he be permitted to buy gasoline from the military authorities at Fort Gibbon in the event the Department authorizes him to secure a motor boat for official use as mentioned in another letter of this date.

I have the honor to endorse the application of Special Employee Light in respect to the matters above mentioned and believe that the permission asked for would, if granted, result in material economy in the expense accounts of this officer.

Respectfully yours,

Enclosure.

Governor.

The Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

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May 28, 1915.

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The American Surety Company of New York,  
Southern Building,  
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

Herewith I hand you postal money order  
in the sum of \$16 in payment of premium on bond  
No. 20,401-0154781, same being for the year ending  
June 24, 1916.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Enclosures.

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June 2, 1915.

Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 216 of this date in your favor for \$133.33, in payment of your salary for the month of May, 1915.

Kindly sign and return to this office the salary voucher blank which accompanies the above check.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

2 encls.

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June 2, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Herewith please find check No. 218 of this date in your favor for \$175 in payment of your salary for the month of May, 1915.

Please sign and return to this office the two salary voucher blanks which accompany the above check.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

3 encls.

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June 2, 1915.

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Mr. Thomas Caffney,

Special Employee,

Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 217 of this date in your favor for \$175 in payment of your salary for the month of May, 1915.

Kindly sign and return to this office the two salary voucher blanks which accompany the check.

Yours truly,

Secretary to the Governor  
and U. D. A.

2 encls.

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June 12, 1915.

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Mr. J. A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that during the fiscal year 1916 (beginning July 1, 1915) your expense account will be limited to an average of \$150 per month, the same as heretofore. The recent special authorization for increase in your expense account will end on June 30.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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June 13, 1915.

Mr. J. A. Snow,  
Special Employee,  
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that during the fiscal year 1916 (beginning July 1, 1915) your expense account will be limited to an average of \$115. per month, the same as heretofore. The recent special authorization for increase in your expense account will end on June 30.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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June 12, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that during the fiscal year 1916 (beginning July 1, 1915) your expense account will be limited to an average of \$225 per month, the same as heretofore. The recent special authorization for increase in your expense account will end on June 30.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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June 12, 1915.

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

Dear Sir:

This is to advise you that during the fiscal year 1916 (beginning July 1, 1915) your expense account will be limited to an average of \$75 per month, the same as heretofore. The recent special authorization for increase in your expense account will end on June 30.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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June 12, 1915.

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

My dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 221 of this date  
issued to you in the sum of \$127 in settlement of your  
expense account for the month of March last.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Enclosure.

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June 12, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Emploee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Herewith find check No. 232 of this  
date issued to you in the sum of \$440.70 in settlement  
of your expense account for the month of April, 1915.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Enclosure

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June 21, 1915.

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,  
Game Warden,  
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find copy of letter of the 19th instant addressed to this office by the United States Commissioner at Craig with respect to alleged violations of the liquor laws at Noyes Island.

If convenient for you to do so, I would suggest that you make a trip to Noyes Island and investigate the charges made by Commissioner Fox.

If any of the parties referred to in Mr. Fox's letter are selling liquor to salmon trollers they are subject to arrest and punishment for selling liquor without a license, and if any sales have been made to Indians they are also subject to arrest and punishment under the provision of law which prohibits the furnishing of intoxicating liquors to Indians. If there is any doubt in your mind as to the course to be pursued by you in case you obtain sufficient evidence to warrant an arrest, I would suggest that you confer with Deputy Marshal Davies at Ketchikan who can no doubt refer you to the sections of the law which apply and suggest to you the proper course of action to be taken under certain conditions.

If, upon receipt of this letter, you do not find it possible to make the trip in question kindly wire this office to that effect so that other arrangements may be made. If you do make an investigation kindly report fully upon returning to Ketchikan.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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June 29, 1915.

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Mr. Charles Neuhaus,  
Special Employe,  
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

I have your letter of the 13th instant containing your report of operations under your appointment as Special Employe for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives. I note you say that part of your April expense was incurred by reason of work in connection with the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives; also that some investigations of game conditions which you had intended to make during the month of May were deferred upon the request of Special Employe Gaffney who asked you to remain in Nome until he had returned from his trip to the north of Nome.

In this connection I beg to advise you that when you were designated as a Special Employe you were definitely instructed to incur no expense in connection with this work, that it was to be merely incidental to your work as a game warden. I would also call your attention to the fact that while you were instructed to confer with Special Employe Gaffney, you were in no sense made subordinate to his instructions and your operations and movements as a game warden should not be interfered with in an effort to further Mr. Gaffney's own work. Your work, first, last, and all the time, is that of a game warden and you must always be your own judge as to when you will go and come. If you can assist Mr. Gaffney or any other officer in suppressing the liquor traffic among the natives without in any way interfering with your own duties as game warden, you will be expected to do so, but such assistance should never interfere with your own duties as game warden.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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June 30, 1915.

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,  
Game Warden and Special Employee,  
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 28th instant in reply to letters from this office dated the 21st and 24th instant.

With reference to an investigation of the charges contained in the letter of Commissioner Fox, I think perhaps the letter of the 21st instant, to you, was somewhat misleading. When it was requested that if convenient you investigate the report made by Commissioner Fox it was not intended that you should make a special trip for this purpose alone, but that if your investigations as a game warden took you to the vicinity in question you should then inquire into the matters referred to in the Commissioner's letter. You will recall that when you were designated a Special Employee you were advised that no expense was to be incurred by you on account of this part of the work but that it was to be merely incidental to your regular work as a game warden. If you plan to visit the section referred to in Commissioner Fox's letter, in your capacity as game warden, it is of course proper to incur the necessary expense therefor but it would not be proper to make a special trip for the sole purpose of investigating these charges and incurring expense in connection with such investigation which would have to be charged to the game fund.

I note your request to take a man with you on the trip which you propose but I regret to say that the condition of the appropriation will not justify this office in authorizing you to do this, since it is assumed that you would have to pay the man for his time as well as to furnish him with subsistence. I am wiring you today asking that you await the receipt of this letter before investigating the charges made by Commissioner Fox.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 1, 1915.

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Mr. J. A. Snow,  
Special Employee,  
Junoau.

Dear Sir:

Your report for June is at hand, and I note you have combined the liquor report with the game report. A circular letter was sent out to all game wardens and special employees some time ago, in which attention was called to the necessity of submitting separate reports on these subjects, since they are handled in two entirely separate files in this office. Kindly make out a separate report as to game law matters, for June, and in future please render this report separate from your regular report of liquor operations.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Juneau, July 1, 1915. O. B.

Julius Sternberg,

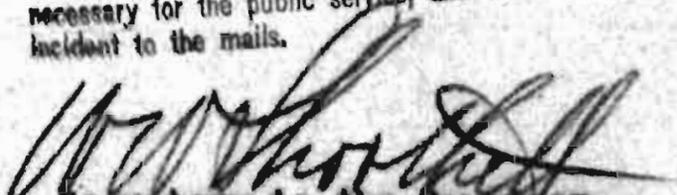
Ketchikan.

Await reply to your letter of June twenty-eight before making trip.

Also advise relative transferring your headquarters to Wrangell as suggested in office letter June nineteenth.

STRONG, Governor.

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

  
Secretary to the Governor.

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July 9, 1915.

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Mr. Jim Junoby,

Native Police Officer,

Eagle, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 226 of this date issued  
to you in payment of your salary for the months of April,  
May and June, 1915, amount \$60.00

Yours truly,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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July 3, 1915.

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Mr. Joseph A. Snow,  
Special Employee,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Snow:

Herewith find check No. 235 of this date  
issued to you in payment of your June salary.

Please call at the office the first of  
next week (Tuesday or thereafter) before you leave for  
Netchikan, as I find one of your sub-vouchers with June  
expense account lacks some information to complete it.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

1 encl.

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July 3, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Herewith find check No. 224 of this date  
in payment of your June salary, and check No. 227 of same  
date for \$344.50 in settlement of your May expense account.

Kindly sign and mail to this office the  
enclosed salary voucher blank.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

3 encls.

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July 3, 1915.

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

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

Herewith find check No. 223 of this date issued  
in payment of your salary for June, 1915, amount \$175.00

Kindly sign and mail to this office the enclosed  
salary voucher blank.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor and  
S. D. A.

3 encls.

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July 6, 1915.

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith requisition for \$1,000 to be placed to my official credit as special disbursing agent of the appropriation for "Suppression of Liquor Traffic among the Natives of Alaska, 1916", the same having received the approval of the Governor.

Respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encl.

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July 6, 1915.

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Sir:

In the absence of the Governor I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Department letter of the 26th ultimo (De Swaenoy, Assistant Secretary) quoting letter of the Honorable Secretary of War of date June 23, 1915, on the subject of the application of Mr. A. E. Light, an employe of the Interior Department, under the supervision of the Governor of Alaska, for permission to purchase subsistence stores and other supplies from the Quartermaster at Fort Gibbon, Alaska, and for authority to travel on the Quartermaster steamers "GENERAL JACOBS" and "GENERAL JEFF C. DAVIS". It is noted that the request of Special Employe Light has been granted and that the commanding general, Western Department, within whose command Alaska is comprised, has been informed to that effect.

A copy of the Department's letter of the above date is being forwarded to Special Employe Light for his information and guidance.

Respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor.

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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July 6, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Empløye,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

There is enclosed herewith copy of letter of the 26th ultimo addressed to this office by Honorable Bo Sweeney, Assistant Secretary of the Interior, in further reference to your recent request for authority to purchase subsistence stores and other supplies from the Quartermaster at Fort Gibbon, Alaska, and for authority to travel on the Quartermaster steamers, "General Jacobs" and "General Jeff C. Davis," and quoting from letter of the 23rd ultimo addressed to the Department by the Honorable Secretary of War.

You will note that the commanding general, Western Department, within whose command Alaska is comprised, has been informed that you are authorized to make the purchases above referred to and to travel on the Quartermaster steamers mentioned, subject to Departmental rules and regulations.

In connection with purchases and travel under the authority above referred to your attention is called to the fact that it will be necessary for you to adhere strictly to the regulations of the War Department and will also be advisable for you to exercise particular care in the taking of receipts for any expenditures made in connection with such purchases or travel. To this end I suggest that if possible you obtain from the Quartermaster at Fort Gibbon a copy of document designated CAR 22-Army Regulations, Changes No. 22, issued March 6, 1915.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 6, 1915.

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Mr. Julius Sternberg,  
Special Employe,  
Ketchikan, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your June report, I note you request advice as to the Metlakatla Indians, saying that a great many of them are in and around Ketchikan and are getting liquor regularly. As Mr. Snow expects to go to Ketchikan within a few days I am asking him to take this matter up with you on his arrival, and I hope that he may be able to take some action in the matter.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 6, 1915.

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Mr. Aron Ericson,  
Special Employee,  
Roosevelt, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

In your letter of June 22nd relating to certain game matters in your district you include a paragraph with reference to the swearing out by you of a warrant for the arrest of one Fred Waller accused of giving liquor to the natives at Kenai, and state that you have submitted the evidence to Mr. Bourke.

In connection with this matter I beg to say that all letters and reports written by you which relate to the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives should be separate from letters and reports relating to game matters. Each of these subjects is a separate file in this office and it is very important that the various officers at all times bear this fact in mind and that they do not indiscriminately refer to both game and liquor matters in one and the same communication. Failure on the part of the officers to observe this distinction makes extra work in this office copying and segregating their reports.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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July 7, 1915.

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The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor herewith to transmit my accounts as special disbursing agent of the appropriation: "Suppression of Liqueur Traffic, Alaska, 1915", for the fiscal quarter ended June 30, 1915, consisting of the following papers:

1. Abstract of Disbursements.
2. Account Current.
3. Vouchers Nos. 1 to 19 inclusive.

Respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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July 7, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Empløye,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Referring to your recent request for authority to purchase at your own expense a gasoline launch and a motor cycle, the same to be used in connection with your official duties, I quote from a letter of the 11th ultimo addressed to this office by the Assistant Secretary of the Interior:

"It is not understood from the correspondence, however, exactly what Mr. Light expects to be paid as return to him for the service which he proposes to render. On the assumption that he would expect a certain stated sum per day, for each day that he might find it necessary to use his launch or motor cycle, on official business, such sum to cover expense to him of fuel, repairs, etc., and to be a substantial reduction from the rate for hire of launch, or other transportation, which he otherwise would be compelled to pay and would later be reimbursed to him, I have to state that the peculiar nature of the conditions surrounding Mr. Light's employment and transportation under such employment, are such as to warrant the Department in presenting the matter to the Comptroller of the Treasury for decision whether such payments to Mr. Light, additional to his salary, can be made from the federal appropriation for suppression of Liquor Traffic, Territory of Alaska.

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However, in view of the fact that your letter and enclosure do not present a statement of facts sufficient to enable the Department to determine just what Mr. Light's position is, it is requested that his proposition be set out in more particularity at your convenience in another letter to the Department, for its consideration with a view to laying the matter before the Comptroller."

I would ask that you kindly advise upon the point on which the Department desires further information, namely, the compensation which you will expect to receive as return to you for the use of the launch and motor cycle above referred to.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

July 8, 1915.

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Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 26th ultimo advising settlement of my account for the quarter ended March 31, 1915, by Certificate No. 10,334, the same showing debit difference in balance of \$14.25 which has been suspended for explanation.

With respect to the first item mentioned in your letter - Voucher No. 12, A. E. Light, apparent duplication of charge for lunch on December 20 - I on this day writing to the Special Employee requesting an explanation of the apparent overcharge and asking that he remit the amount thereof unless a satisfactory explanation can be offered by him.

With respect to the suspended item in Voucher No. 11, H. F. Horton, under the appropriation for protection of game in Alaska, 1915, I respectfully submit that the charges are correct as made and offer the following explanation with respect thereto:

Subvoucher No. 5 covers lodging January 6 and 7, two nights, \$1.50, while in subvoucher No. 2 a charge is made for a berth on a steamer on January 6. The apparent duplication of charges on January 6 is explained by the fact that the steamer on which the officer took passage from Juneau to Tenakee left Juneau about one o'clock on the morning of the sixth. Transportation on this steamer does not include meals or state room (berth), hence the officer was obliged to pay for the use of a state room as well as for his meals enroute between Juneau and Tenakee. The steamer arrived at Tenakee on the afternoon of the 6th and the officer remained at that place on the night of the 6th and the day and night of the 7th, taking the steamer back to Juneau on the 8th. It will therefore be seen that there was no duplication of charges for lodging on January 6.

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Subvoucher No. 9 of this officer covers meals and lodging from lunch on January 27 to breakfast on January 30, three days at \$3, 09. Subvoucher No. 8 contains a charge for a berth on a steamer on January 27. The same explanation applies with respect to these subvouchers as has been made in connection with subvouchers 2 and 3 above, namely, that the steamer on which the officer took passage from Juneau to Hoonah left Juneau about one o'clock on the morning of January 27, arriving at Hoonah shortly before noon of the same day. The transportation charge on this steamer does not include meals or state room (berth), hence the officer was obliged to incur the additional expense of a state room while enroute Juneau to Hoonah. Upon arrival at Hoonah he secured lodging, remaining there three days beginning with January 27. There was, therefore, no duplication of charge for lodging on January 27.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Mr. Oscar A. Price,  
Auditor for Interior Department,  
Washington, D. C.

July 8, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

I enclose herewith a copy of your subvoucher No. 13 of December 20, 1914, and copy of subvoucher No. 14 of December 21, 1914, and beg to call your attention to an apparent duplication of charge for lunch on December 20. The Auditor has suspended the entire amount of your subvoucher No. 14 pending your explanation as to the apparent duplicate charge for lunch on December 20, or refund of 75¢ in the event you find there has actually been a duplication of this charge.

I shall be glad if you will kindly advise with regard to this matter at the earliest possible moment, and if a refund is necessary, kindly remit 75¢ to me and I will deposit it for repayment to the appropriation.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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July 14, 1915.

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney, Special Employee,  
Nome, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I return herewith your expense account and sub vouchers for the month of May. An examination of the account and sub vouchers shows the following items requiring correction or explanation as noted below:

Sub Voucher #1. This sub voucher covers charges on two telephone messages transmitted between Nome and Candle but it is impossible to determine from the sub voucher or from your expense account the amount of charges paid on each message, furthermore you have not submitted copies of the messages with your account as is required by Department regulations. Also you will note that while the sub voucher shows an expenditure of \$9.30 the expense account covers only \$9.00. In submitting copies of the telegrams in question please note on each the amount of telephone tolls paid thereon.

Sub Voucher #3. This sub voucher purports to cover twenty-seven meals, from supper May 7th to breakfast May 18th inclusive, and eleven lodgings, May 7th to 17th inclusive. It would appear that you did not have the full three meals per day on some of the dates included in the period covered by this sub voucher since the total number of meals, which would ordinarily be covered in the period from supper May 7th to breakfast May 18th, is thirty-two, or five more than the number shown in your sub voucher. It will be necessary for you to submit a statement in duplicate to be attached to the sub voucher designating the number of meals had on each date included in the period mentioned on the sub voucher.

Sub Voucher #4. This sub voucher dated at Salomon May 22nd purports to cover seven meals at the rate of \$1.00 per meal from supper May 19th to breakfast May 22nd inclusive, and three lodgings, May 19th to 21st inclusive. Apparently one meal is excepted from the full number covered by the period specified in the voucher since the full number of meals included in the period mentioned is eight and not seven as shown on the sub voucher. Kindly submit a statement in duplicate to be attached to this sub voucher specifying the particular meals had on each date

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included in the perior specified.

Again I have to call your attention to the fact that your official title does not appear on any of the sub vouchers submitted with your May expense account. This is in violation of the instructions given you at the time of your appointment, and I trust you will not overlook the matter in future.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Jos. A. Bourke, Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith you will find the following checks issued to  
you this date:

229	for	\$179.25	covering April expense account
230	"	247.75	covering May expense account
231	"	200.00	covering June expense account

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Joseph A. Snow, Special Employee,  
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Snow:

Upon completing the examination of your expense account for the month of June I find that sub voucher #6, which covers your ferrriage expense between Juneau and Douglas, is incomplete in that you overlooked entering on the back thereof the detail of the expense. I am, therefore, obliged to delay settlement of the account until you can call at the office and supply the missing data.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S.D.A.

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July 14, 1915.

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney, Special Employee,  
Nome, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I have before me your expense account for the month of April, and in connection therewith beg to call your attention to the following items which require explanation before payment of the voucher can be made:

**Sub Voucher #5.** This sub voucher covers the purchase of provisions at Council on April 12th, the amount of the sub voucher being \$6.00. You will recall that you were advised some time ago that an Act passed by the last session of Congress provides that the charges for subsistence of an officer in the service of the government must not exceed \$5.00 for any one day. In view of this, it will be necessary for you to forward a statement in duplicate showing as nearly as you can the dates on which the provisions in question were used so as to bring your subsistence expenses within the limit of \$5.00 per day.

**Sub Voucher #8.** This sub voucher in its present form is misleading, in fact I am utterly unable to make anything out of it. The sub voucher is dated at Council April 22nd for the sum of \$18.00 and reads as follows: "for 14 meals from supper April 15th to breakfast April 22nd at rate of \$1.00 per meal and one lunch 50¢, seven nights lodging, rate 50¢ night from April 15th to April 21st inclusive." There is nothing on the face of this voucher to show what particular meals were had on any date during the period covered by it, but apparently you had but fourteen meals and one lunch during the period from supper April 15th to and including breakfast of April 22nd. It will be necessary for you to furnish a statement in duplicate showing the number of meals had on each date covered by the sub voucher in question and each meal and the price thereof, should be shown.

**Sub Voucher #12.** This sub voucher is dated at Katzebue April 24th and covers provisions purchased by you for value of \$6.00. An explanation is necessary in connection with this sub voucher the same as asked for in connection with sub voucher #5 above mentioned.

Each of the statements asked for above should be in duplicate

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and in such form that they may be attached to the sub vouchers. They should, therefore, be separately written and signed by you.

In this connection, I beg to call your attention once more to the fact that the instructions given you at the time of your appointment were that every sub voucher taken by you in connection with your official expenses should bear both your name and official title. Not a single one of the sub vouchers submitted with your account for April contain your official title, your name alone appearing on them. Please give more attention to this matter in the future.

I regret that I am obliged to hold your April expense account until the statements asked for above have been received, but I have no alternative since the accounts in their present form would not be accepted by the Department at Washington.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S.D.A.

TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
 GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
 JUNEAU

July 16, 1918.

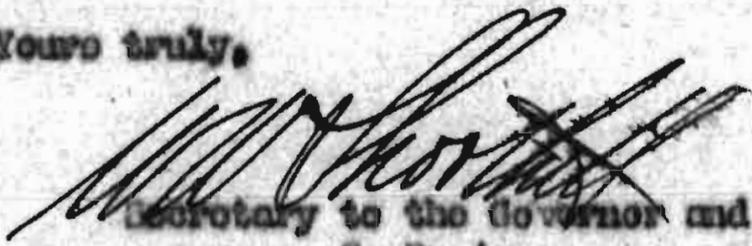
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First National Bank, Juneau,  
 B. H. Bolander Bank, Juneau,  
 First Territorial Bank, Douglas.

Dear Sirs:

Check No. 233 of this date issued to W. W. Shorthill and endorsed  
 by him, drawn on the Treasurer of the United States for the sum of \$2.60, has  
 been lost. This check is signed: "W. W. Shorthill, Sec'y to Gov. and S. D.  
 A." If same is presented for payment please refuse payment, take up the  
 check, and notify the undersigned.

Yours truly,

  
 Secretary to the Governor and  
 S. D. A.

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GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Juneau

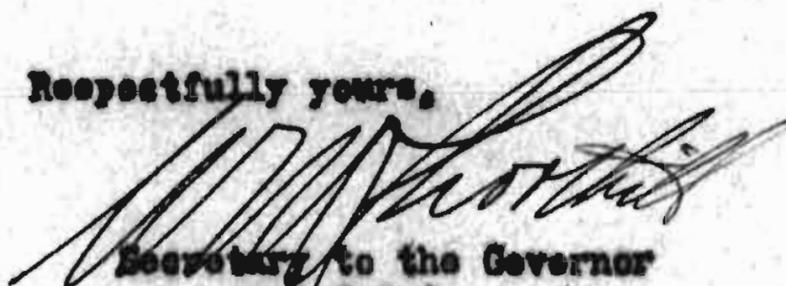
CIRCULAR NO. 1

July 16, 1915.

TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:

In connection with your monthly reports to this office covering your operations, it is requested that in future each report be closed with a statement of the exact amount of your expenses for the month. If no expenses are incurred during a given month the report should state the fact so that this office will be definitely informed.

Respectfully yours,

  
Secretary to the Governor  
and S.D.A.

COPIES SENT TO:

Joseph A. Bourke, Valdez  
Thomas Gaffney, Nome  
A. E. Light, Ruby  
Joseph A. Snow, Juneau.

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BUREAU, JULY 20, 1915. O. B. Ans. PAID.

Secretary Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Replying telegram nineteenth desire appointments issued to Snow, Gaffney, Bourke, Light and Junoby all effective July first, as per my letter May sixth reference suppression liquor traffic. All these officers have been in service since July first under appointments heretofore given and new appointments should begin on that date.

STENOGRAPHER, 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.

*W. W. H. H. H.*  
Secretary to the Governor.

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JUNEAU, JULY 23, 1915. O. B. Govt. NIGHT paid.

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Secretary Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Your telegram yesterday re vacancy in service whereby Robinson could receive appointment except by removal of one of men now employed, all of whom are doing faithful work and securing results. Letter follows.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

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

  
Secretary to the Governor.

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July 22, 1915.

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My dear Mr. Secretary:

I have just returned from a trip through the interior of the Territory, Northwestern and Southwestern Alaska, and found your letters of June 11th and June 12th with reference to the statements made to you by Archdeacon Stuck, as to the lack of enforcement of the law against the sale of liquor to Indians upon the Yukon River, and the added statement that John H. Robinson was the only man that ever enforced the law, and requesting his appointment as Special Employee for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the Indians of Alaska.

In the first place I challenge the truth of the statements made by Archdeacon Stuck and I do this because such statements are not borne out by the facts and the court records. Robinson was never employed in the suppression of the liquor traffic upon the Yukon except as a Deputy Marshal.

During my recent visit to the Yukon Country I made a careful investigation of conditions there obtaining and I found that never in the history of that section had the law against the selling of liquor to natives been so rigorously enforced, and the results secured have been peculiarly gratifying to this office.

At Fort Yukon, where Archdeacon Stuck has his headquarters, and where there is a large native village, Dr. Murphy, Physician of the United States Bureau of Education, informed me that during the preceding eight months he had seen but one drunken Indian - a squaw who was married to a white man - and drinking among the natives had been practically suppressed. This has been brought about largely through the efforts of A. E. Light, Special Employee for the suppression of the liquor traffic among Indians for the 1st Judicial Division, with headquarters at Ruby, with the active co-operation of the various Deputies, U. S. Marshals and U. S. Commissioners.

I found similar conditions at Eagle, Circle, Tanana, Ruby, Hulato and other places where there are native villages. Mr. Light's work has received commendation from several grand juries and from every white man whom I met, who believes in the enforcement of law.

The monthly reports filed by this Special Employee in this office attest the excellence of his work and to remove him in order to make place for Mr. Robinson would, in my opinion, be an act of gross

injustice toward a faithful officer, and an act I am sure you would not approve.

I need not say that I would be pleased to see Mr. Robinson appointed to some position elsewhere in Alaska were it available, solely because of your interest in him. This, however, as I have pointed out, can only be done at the present time by removing some man who has rendered faithful and conscientious service.

One Special Employee is employed in each of the four Judicial Divisions. Jim Juneby, to whom reference is made in your letter of June 11th, is stationed at the Indian Village near Eagle, and his work is confined entirely to the village. He was employed at the request of Archdeacon Stuck, and is probably worth his salary - \$20.00 per month.

If you deem it advisable to appoint Robinson to a position as Special Employee, I have to suggest that he be assigned to the Third Judicial Division with headquarters at Seward or Valdez. This would necessitate the removal of Mr. Joseph A. Bourke, who, I believe, is an active and intelligent officer. While Bourke's district is large there are comparatively few Indian villages where violations of the law are at all numerous.

I may say to you frankly that I am not opposed to the appointment of Robinson, whom I knew slightly, but I agree entirely in your estimate of him. I am not satisfied, however, that he would make an efficient officer, and further I am of the opinion that Archdeacon Stuck's interest in him is not wholly from the standpoint of Robinson's ability as an officer.

I am anxious to meet your views in this, as well as in all matters pertaining to the welfare of the Territory, but I repeat that I have a more thorough knowledge of existing conditions throughout Alaska as a whole than has the good Archdeacon Stuck, nor am I blinded in any way by prejudices of any kind or predilections for any individuals.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

The Honorable Franklin K. Lane,  
Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

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July 23, 1915.

Sir:

I have the honor to confirm the receipt of telegram of July 21st (E. J. Ayers, Acting Assistant Secretary) as follows:

"Your telegram 20th I inadvertently overlooked Secretary Lane's letter to you June 11th regarding Robinson and before submitting matter to Secretary request your recommendation concerning him"

To this I replied as follows: under date of July 22nd:

"Your telegram yesterday no vacancy in service whereby Robinson could receive appointment except by removal of one of men now employed, all of whom are doing faithful work and securing results. Letter follows."

With further reference to the appointment of Robinson to some place in the liquor-to-Indians suppression service, I beg to refer you to my letter of July 22 to the Secretary in which I stated that in my opinion all the present employes were rendering faithful service and in order to place Robinson it would be necessary to remove one of them, and I stated that I believed that this would be a gross injustice to faithful and competent employes. I have to add that should a vacancy occur I would offer no objection to the appointment of Robinson, or if the appropriation for the suppression of the liquor traffic among Indians would permit the appointment of an additional employe, which is doubtful, Robinson could then receive the appointment.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

The Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

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July 23, 1915.

Mr. Charles A. Fox,  
United States Commissioner,  
Craig, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of June 19, with reference to the selling of liquor to salmon trollers at Hoyer Island, which I found awaiting me here upon my return from an official trip through the Territory.

In reply, I have to advise you that during my absence Special Empluye Sternberg was instructed to investigate the matter, and I presume he has done so although no official report has been received at this office to that effect.

I have to thank you for the interest you have evinced in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Governor.

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July 24, 1915.

Mr. Thomas Gaffney, Special Emploee,  
Nome, Alaska

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

I am returning herewith the three enclosures which accompanied your letter of June 1st addressed to this office. I assume that you will wish to keep these communications on file. I have made copies of the opinion of United States Attorney Saxton and am retaining them in our files. This opinion illustrates another inconsistency of the law for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives.

Faithfully yours,

Encls.

Secretary to the Governor.

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*Liquor*

July 29, 1916.

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Mr. Jim Juneby, Special Officer,  
Eagle, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

While I was in Eagle I inquired carefully as to the value of the work you were doing in preventing the sale of liquor among your people and in observing law and order.

I was pleased to find that your work is commended by the people of Eagle and I trust you will give even closer attention to it in the future than in the past, and while you are looking after the welfare of your people in the matter of suppressing the drinking of liquor, you should aid and assist the teacher at the native village, Miss Graves, in every way possible. There is a law for the compulsory attendance of children at school, and I am advised that some of the children do not attend the school very regularly. You should assist the teacher to see that they do because at the school they will learn nothing but what is useful to them, both now and in after years. You should also see that the people keep the village neat and clean. In this way you cannot only assist the teacher but aid to the health, comfort and happiness of the people generally. I am sure that Miss Graves will not ask you to do anything unjust or unreasonable.

With best wishes for your success, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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August 3, 1915.

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney,

Special Employee,

Nome, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

Enclosed find check No. 335 of this date  
in your favor for \$175 in payment of your salary for the  
month of July, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encl.

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August 2, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,

Special Employee,

Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Herewith find check No. 236 of this date in  
your favor for \$175 in payment of your July salary.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encl.

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August 2, 1915.

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Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 234 of this date in your favor  
for \$133.33 in payment of your salary for July, 1915.

Kindly sign and mail to this office the voucher blanks  
which accompany the above check.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encls.

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Juneau, August 3, 1915. O. B.

Thomas Gaffney,

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Referring your sub-vouchers five, six and seven with June expense account, covering provisions amounting to one hundred sixteen dollars ninety five cents, for use of yourself, launch captain and engineer. Send first mail statement in duplicate showing that provisions were used when absent from headquarters by yourself, captain and engineer, and giving dates during which same were used so as to bring cost within limit of five dollars per day.

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.

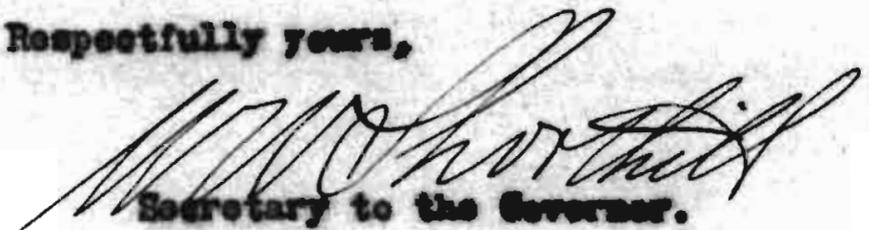
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TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES #2.

heretofore. Letters relative to general conditions should be separately written - monthly reports should not be burdened with such matters.

The Special Employees who are also serving as Special Game Wardens need not submit <sup>game</sup> a report in daily diary form but may continue to submit a letter at the end of each month covering in a general way their investigations of game matters.

Respectfully yours,



Secretary to the Governor.

COPIES MAILED AUGUST 5, 1915, TO:

Joseph A. Bourke, Valdez,  
Thomas Gaffney, Nome,  
A. E. Light, Ruby,  
J. A. Snow, Juneau.

TERRITORY OF ALASKA

GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

JUNEAU

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Circular No. 2.

August 5, 1915.

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TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:

In making out your monthly reports of operations in the future, the Governor desires that you present the same in the form of a daily diary showing your whereabouts, operations and movements for each day of the month. For your guidance in this matter I quote below from reports on file in this office which have been made out substantially as indicated above:

- March 1 -- Juneau. At court house, interviewing witnesses in case of U. S. vs. John Doe; working in vicinity of sawmill and in Indian town.
- March 11 - Working in Juneau and Douglas. Investigated Jim Smith, Jap Restaurant, and others.
- March 16 - Left Juneau 8 a. m. for Hoonah, arriving at 4 p. m., and began investigation of beer-making among the Indians.
- March 17 - Continued investigation at Hoonah.
- March 18 - Hoonah. Arrested Jimmy Jim, Indian, for giving beer to Indians; left at 9 p. m. with defendant and several witnesses for Juneau.
- March 21.- Juneau. Jimmy Jim bound over. Working around sawmill and Indian cabins.
- March 24 - Juneau. Watching Jap Restaurant and others, and working in Indian town.
- March 31 - Juneau. Had various suspects under surveillance; making out reports etc.

Proper reference should be made to cases investigated from time to time, giving names of suspects etc. and such other information as may be of value to this office should be incorporated in the reports as

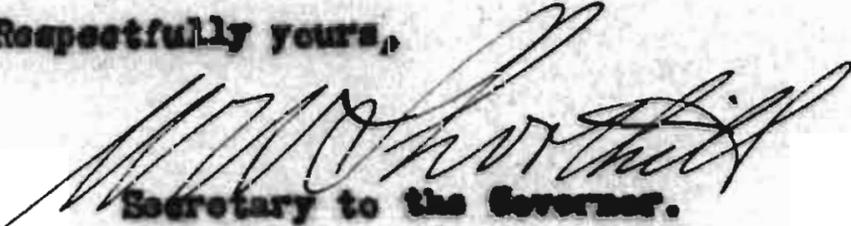
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Respectfully yours,

  
Secretary to the Governor.

COPIES MAILED AUGUST 5, 1915, TO:

Joseph A. Bourke, Valdez,  
Thomas Gaffney, Nome,  
A. E. Light, Ruby,  
J. A. Snow, Juneau.

August 9, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,

Special Employee Suppression of Liquor  
Traffic among Natives,

Nusy, Alaska.

My dear Sir:

I beg to advise you that from and after July 1, 1915, appointments as special officers for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives of Alaska will be made by the Secretary of the Interior upon the recommendation of this office.

You will, therefore, find enclosed herewith your appointment as a special officer effective July 1, 1915, for a period of six months. There is also transmitted herewith a blank oath of office which you will sign and return to this office at your earliest convenience. You will also find a status card which you will fill out and return with your oath of office as soon as executed.

Yours very truly,

Encls.

Governor.

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August 9, 1915.

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Mr. Jos. A. Snow,

Special Empløye Suppression of  
Liquor Traffic among Natives,

Juneau, Alaska.

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Yours very truly,

Encls.

Governor.

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August 9, 1915.

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Valdez, Alaska.

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Yours very truly,

Encls.

Governor.

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August 9, 1915.

Mr. Thom. Gaffney,  
Special Employee Suppression of Liquor  
Traffic among Natives,  
Nome, Alaska.

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Yours very truly,

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August 9th, 1915.

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Mr. Jim Juncoy,

Eagle, Alaska.

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Yours very truly,

Encls.

Governor.

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August 10, 1915.

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Mr. H. W. Reeth,  
Bethel, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Reeth:

I am in receipt of your letter of May 18th, 1915, which reached this office a few days ago. It is needless to say that it was a long time in coming, and that it shows that you live in a remote part of Alaska. I am hopeful, however, that your country will soon be connected by railroad with the Alaska coast, and when this shall have been accomplished the rich and fertile region where you reside will no more be isolated, and will be speedily populated.

I am glad to hear from you after the lapse of so many years, which I trust have set lightly upon you.

I note what you say with reference to the violation of law in the Kuskokwim country, and I am indeed surprised to learn that the Kuskokwim Commercial Co. is one of the chief violators. Of course, you will readily admit that the very remoteness of your district renders the enforcement of law a difficult matter, especially in the absence of officials to enforce it.

It seems to me that it should not be a matter of much difficulty to obtain the appointment of a U.S. Commissioner at Bethel, and I am somewhat surprised to learn that Judge Tucker did not respond to your appeal. There used to be a deputy marshal located at Georgetown but I assume that the office has been abolished.

I shall endeavor if possible to have an investigation made of the conditions that obtain in the Kuskokwim country.

Under the direction of this office a Special Employee for the Suppression of Liquor Traffic among the natives is stationed at Nome, but whether it will be possible for

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Mr. H. W. Reeth---No. 2

him to visit your section before winter I cannot say at this time, in view of the heavy travelling expense that the trip would entail and the limited allowance for his expense account. However, I shall see what can be done.

I am pleased to learn that encouraging prospects have been discovered in the Kuskokwim country during the past two years, and that the outlook for a good mining camp in the lower Kuskokwim is good.

With assurances of my personal esteem,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 13, 1915.

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Mr. Walter E. Cochran,  
#1223 L.C. Smith Building,  
Seattle, Washington.

My dear Mr. Cochran:

I have your letter of August 3rd, which I have read with much interest.

In reply, I may say that I fully concur in what you have stated concerning the natives of the Delta country between the mouths of the Yukon and Kuskokwim rivers. Last year I gave the condition of these natives, as reported to me, some extended mention in my annual report. The information at my command was by no means complete, having gathered it from various sources which I consider reliable.

Simultaneously with the receipt of your letter, I received a more extensive report from Special Employee Gaffney in which he also discussed the condition of the natives in the region mentioned in some detail, his report fully coinciding with the statements contained in your letter.

I am convinced that these people should be given Government aid in order to change their manner of living, and it seems to me that the first necessity is the consolidation of the scattered villages of underground igloos into central community centers as far as may be possible. This necessarily would mean the construction of comfortable houses for them. Then would necessarily follow the establishment and encouragement of industrial training and industrial enterprises whereby they may add to their means of self-support.

The stationing of a special employe for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives is also a matter of prime importance, and in my annual report, which I am now preparing, I shall take up this subject and, with your permission, I shall quote at length from your letter as coming from a man who speaks with authority and knowledge of this matter.

W.E.

Mr. Walter E. Cochran - - #2.

Your letter contained a surprise for me inasmuch as you state that there are 5000 natives in the Delta region. I did not think that the number was so large.

The very remoteness and difficulty of access no doubt has rendered these people, isolated as they are, the prey of unscrupulous white men to an extent unknown in any other portion of the territory.

You may rest assured that I shall give this matter close attention, and I trust that we may be able to accomplish something of real benefit for these poor people.

I shall be glad to keep in touch with you and shall be pleased to hear from you anytime.

I trust that the rest that is in store for Mrs. Cochran will result in her restoration to perfect health.

With assurances of my personal esteem, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor.

August 14, 1915.

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Captain W. H. G. Bullard,  
Superintendent of Radio Service,  
U.S. Naval Radio Service,  
Radio, Va.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 4th instant (No. 10080 - 252), addressed to the Governor enclosing statement and bill showing a balance due of the sum of \$1.16 on account of official message handled during the month of April 1915.

Enclosed herewith is a voucher filled out to cover this charge which you will please sign and return to this office.

Upon receipt of the signed voucher a check will be sent you in payment of the account.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Enclosure.

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Sir:

I beg to refer to your letter of June 26th last, advising settlement of my account for the quarter ended March 31, 1915 by Certificate No. 10534, the same showing debit difference in balances of \$14.25, suspended for explanation.

With respect to the first item mentioned in your letter - Voucher No. 12, A.E. Light, apparent duplication of charge for lunch on December 20 - I am enclosing letter of Special Employee Light, dated 24th ultimo, which I believe furnished a satisfactory explanation of the duplicate charge.

It appears that the officer started at 6 A.M. and traveled over a very heavy snow trail until 6 P.M. and no doubt needed the four meals. In fact it is quite the custom for people who are traveling over the heavy winter trails to eat at every opportunity since the work of breaking trail is of the very hardest kind.

It is respectfully submitted that since the officer's charge for December 20th does not exceed the limit of \$5.00, it should be allowed.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Mr. Oscar A. Price,  
Auditor for the Department of the Interior,  
Washington, D.C.

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

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

From time to time letters are received from you addressed to the Governor which, in some cases, refer indiscriminately to both personal and official matters. This results in some confusion in the matter of filing such letters.

It would be appreciated if in the future you would write on but one subject in each letter, particularly where the same relates to official matters.

Our letters are filed under SUBJECT HEADINGS and, therefore, where a letter covers two or more subjects we are compelled to make copies of it so that one may be filed under the head of each subject treated in the letter.

With best wishes, I am,  
Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 24, 1915.

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

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

Herewith you will find the following checks of  
the 23d instant, issued to you:

No. 239 for \$375.00, in settlement of April expense account.

No. 240 for \$375.00, in settlement of May expense account.

No. 241 for \$374.95, in settlement of June expense account.

No. 242 for \$45.75, in settlement of July expense account.

The May accounts returned by you with corrections  
and explanations, and the explanations furnished with respect to the  
April and June accounts will, I think, pass muster with the Department  
and the Auditor at Washington -- both of whom now scrutinize all  
vouchers, etc. By the time we get by then we have earned our money  
twice, don't you think? I am sorry to have had to delay payment  
of your accounts for so long, but it could not be helped. Am wiring  
you today advising the forwarding of these checks.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encls.

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Juneau, August 24, 1915. O. B.

A. E. Light,

Ft. Gibbon.

Forward first mail duplicate statement covering subvoucher three year  
June account showing dates on which provisions valued at seventeen dollars  
forty-five cents were used.

STRONG, Governor.

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

Secretary to the Governor.

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August 24, 1918.

Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

I wired you this morning at Ft. Gibben as follows:

"Forward first mail duplicate statement covering subvoucher three your June account showing dates on which provisions valued at seventeen dollars forty-five cents were used."

I have been holding your June account since the 3d instant, waiting to hear from you so as to know where to send a message. Your wire came this morning advising arrival at Ft. Gibben and stating that you would remain there for a week.

I am beginning to despair of getting the Special Employees and Case Wardens to send in their expense accounts in such form that they will pass muster at first examination. When they get set right on one point they seem to overlook another, and so it goes. If it were not for the Department and the Auditor at Washington the situation would not be so bad, but with both of them to get by I am obliged to insist upon strict observance of all regulations. Hence I shall have to hold your June account until I receive the statement showing on what days you used the provisions covered by your subvoucher No. 3, for \$17.45. You understand, of course, that you are limited to \$5 per day for subsistence, and wherever you purchase provisions amounting to more than that sum you should send along

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with the sub-voucher a statement, in duplicate, showing the dates on which the provisions were used, so as to make it clear that you have not exceeded the limit of \$5 per day.

I understand the Ruby Telegraph Company now gives a special rate between Molozi and Ruby on government messages. This will help a little.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

August 24, 1915.

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Rev. J. W. Chapman,  
Anvik, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Chapman:

I am enclosing herewith copy of the Session Laws of the Alaska Legislature of 1915 relating to Indians, which I discussed with you briefly during your recent visit to Juneau.

I regret to state that there is not a copy of the Governor's report left for the fiscal year 1914. I shall, however, put your name on the list for the next annual report, which is now in process of preparation.

With assurances of my personal esteem, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

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

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 this date and to continue until further notice.

Your work as such Special Employee will be incidental to that of your regular duties as a game warden, but you will be expected to exercise due diligence within the limitation herein prescribed in the enforcement of the law prohibiting the furnishing of liquors to Indians. In this work you are advised to consult freely with the United States Attorney and his assistants and the United States Marshal and his deputies, as also with Mr. Jos. A. Snow, who is regularly employed as Special Employee for the First Judicial Division. It will not be necessary for you to execute an oath of office under this appointment.

You will be expected to submit a report to this office at the end of each calendar month covering your operations under this appointment.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
JUNEAU

September 3, 1915.

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Dear Sir:

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

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and C. D. A.

Mr. Joseph A. Dourko, Special Employee, Ch. # 243 for \$ 133.33  
Valdez, Alaska.

Mr. Thomas Gaffney, Special Employee, Ch. # 244 for \$ 175.00  
Yana, Alaska.

Mr. A. E. Light, Special Employee, Ch. # 245 for \$ 175.00  
Ruby, Alaska.

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Mr. G. H. Fests, Manager,  
Postal Telegraph-Cable Co.,  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 248 of this date issued to your  
Company in the sum of Sixty Cents, in payment of your bill for the  
month of July, 1915, your account No. A-962. Signed voucher covering  
the claim was received a few days ago through the Interior Depart-  
ment.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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Mr. A. H. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Enclosed find check No. 240 of this date in  
your favor for \$143.00, in settlement of your expense account for  
the month of July, 1915.

Faithfully yours,

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

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Mr. Joseph A. Snow,  
Special Employee,  
c/o U. S. Marshal's Office,  
Ketchikan, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Snow:

Herewith find check No. 247 of this date in your favor for \$77.15, in settlement of your expense account for August, 1915.

Also find enclosed some blank salary vouchers, which please sign and mail to me. I find I have none on hand signed by you, hence am unable to pay your August salary until the enclosed vouchers have been signed and returned to this office. Please advise, when returning the voucher blanks, where I shall send your check -- or shall I hold it here until you return?

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor and  
S. D. A.

Encls.

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Juneau, September 8, 1915. O. B.

The deputy U. S. Marshal,

WRANGELL.

Joe Snow left Kotchikan for Wrangell and west coast today. Please see ~~him~~ him on arrival at Wrangell and tell him this office desires his return to Juneau earliest possible date, cancelling west coast trip unless very important.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

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

  
Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. E. M. Alexson,  
Yakutat, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Axelson:

I have your letter of the 5th instant and I very much regret to hear of the demoralized condition of your village. I was not surprised however as I have some idea of the demoralization that ensues among Indians wherever they are enabled to get whiskey and the ingredients for beer making. I had intended to send Mr. Snow, the special employe for the suppression of liquor traffic among the natives in this division, to Yakutat sometime ago, but he has been engaged in a number of cases on the southern end of the division, at Ketchikan and other points. I expect him to return to Juneau within a few days and I shall then instruct him to take the first steamer for Yakutat, in the hope of being able to accomplish some efficient work.

I may say that I realize the difficulty of the situation, which in my opinion can only be adequately met by the stationing of a deputy United States marshal in your village and the appointment of a United States commissioner. If this were done and the right kind of officials could be gotten I have no doubt whatsoever that a wonderful change could be speedily effected, and that within a short time.

With this end in view I shall again take up the matter of the appointment of a Deputy United States Marshal with the Department of Justice and I shall take the liberty of forwarding a copy of your letter to the Department to bring the situation in as vivid a manner as possible to the heart and conscience of the Department.

I can well understand your feeling of discouragement, and especially so from the actions of those natives who have the benefit of educational facilities at Chemawa. However I know that you are doing your very best and that is all that anyone can be expected to do.

I am also glad to know that you have enlisted the aid of your church in the States and its cooperation will no doubt assist in securing some results. In my opinion there is no legitimate reason why the sum necessary for the payment of the salary of a deputy marshal at Yakutat cannot be provided.

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I note what you say with regard to an appropriation for a road to the Indian village and that the Indians will make the necessary repairs either this or the coming year.

I have to thank you for your letter, and shall be pleased to hear from you at any time.

With best wishes, I am,

very truly yours,

Governor.

September 21, 1915.

Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

I have yours of the 2nd from Ruby, and in response to your request I am sending some letter heads and second sheets. Am also enclosing a few expense account forms, as they will probably not be amiss.

Your monthly report in diary form, to which you refer, may be made just as full as you deem advisable. The more we know of the details of your work the better we like it, for it enables us to get a better idea of what you are up against. So do not be afraid of going into detail, so long as it contains information. The Governor also greatly appreciates your general letters which cover matters not necessarily a part of your regular monthly report. I note you have a couple of these this month, which are full of interesting information. Don't think you need to worry so far as other officials in your division are concerned.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

The Department has referred back to me your February expense account, calling attention to the following discrepancies in the sub-vouchers mentioned:

**SUB VOUCHER NO. 8.** This sub-voucher, dated at St. Michael February 8, 1915, is for \$12.00, and purports to cover 9 meals and 3 lodgings at \$1 each. Your ink notation thereon shows that the payment covers meals "from dinner Feb'y 6 to breakfast Feb'y 8 inclusive". You will note that this makes a total of but 6 meals and 3 lodgings, for which the charge would be \$9. Either you got mixed in your dates or else you charged too much in the sub-voucher. Please look up your records and make the necessary correction in the sub-voucher, if a correction in the dates is required. If, on the other hand, you have shown the right dates but charged too much, then you should remit to me the amount of the overcharge, so that I may deposit it to the credit of the appropriation. Return the sub-voucher. Also, please submit a statement, in duplicate, in explanation of the error, so that it may be attached to the sub-voucher. This statement should be separate from the letter of transmittal which you write when returning the sub-voucher.

**SUB VOUCHER NO. 9.** The Department objects to this one for the reason that the "execution is defective". I do not see anything wrong with it, except that the name of the company is abbreviated instead of being written out in full. Probably the clerk took the initials "N. C. Co." for "N. C. W.", and wants the full name of the supposed "man". I suppose you will have to mail the sub-voucher to St. Michael and ask the agent of the Northern Commercial Company to write the Company's name out in full. Also, have him put his initials as well as his name on it. Possibly it would be as well to make out a new sub-voucher (two copies) and put on all the detail and then send it to St. Michael to be signed up in proper form.

**SUB VOUCHER NO. 23.** The Department wants to know the dates on which the dogs and sled were used. Kindly show them, being careful to show the beginning and ending dates.

The foregoing show how important it is to go over your

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accounts and sub-vouchers each month before you mail them, to make sure that you have shown all necessary detail.

I am advising the Department that I have taken these matters up with you, and that, owing to the lateness of the season, they may expect to hear from them in the course of the next six months. However, I trust you will expedite the matter as much as you can.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor and  
S. D. A.

3 enclosures.

September 21, 1915.

The Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Department's letter of the 1st instant (Assistant Secretary De Sweeney), returning my account current, abstract of disbursements, and vouchers 3 and 19, from my accounts under the appropriation for Suppression of Liquor Traffic, Alaska, 1915, for the final quarter of that year.

Exception is taken to sub-vouchers 8, 9 and 28 of voucher No. 3, and to sub-voucher 8 of voucher 19, for the reasons stated in the Department's letter.

With respect to sub-vouchers 8, 9, and 28, voucher No. 3, submitted by Special Employee Thomas Gaffney, of Nome, I have to advise that I am today transmitting these subvouchers to this officer for his attention, with a request that he supply the information which is lacking on Nos. 9 and 28, and that he make such correction in No. 8 as may be necessary. Owing to the lateness of the season it will probably be several months before a reply is received from this officer, as it will be impossible for him to send his reply out on the last steamer leaving Nome this fall, and it will therefore have to wait until winter sets in and the trails are open for travel.

With respect to sub-voucher No. 8 (dated December 10, 1914) with voucher No. 19, covering telegraph tolls, Helesi to Ruby, on message from Roth (U. S. Attorney) Fairbanks, to Special Employee Light, at Ruby, I beg to advise that the payment of this charge by the Special Employee was, in my opinion, proper, since the Duke case, referred to in the message, was one instituted by the Special Employee in the regular discharge of his duties in the enforcement of the act prohibiting the furnishing of liquor to natives. The officer was a necessary witness in the case, having obtained the evidence upon which the action was based, and it was at his own request that the U. S. Attorney wired him, advising when to report at Fairbanks. This statement of facts is based upon the monthly reports of the Special Employee which are on file in this office, and with which I am familiar. It is respectfully submitted, therefore, that the charge should stand.

In view of the long delay which will ensue in connection with the reference to Special Employee Gaffney, of Nome, of sub-vouchers 8, 9 and

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28 of voucher No. 3, above referred to, I am returning herewith the account current, abstract of disbursements, and voucher No. 19, which accompanied the Department's letter of the above date. Voucher No. 3 will be held until reply is received from Special Employee Gaffney.

Respectfully yours,

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

Enclosures.

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The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Herewith I have the honor to transmit oaths of office and information cards executed by the following named officers recently reappointed, through your office, for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives of Alaska:

Joseph A. Snow, Special Employee, Juneau.

Joseph A. Bourke, " " Valdez.

A. E. Light, " " Ruby.

Jim Juneby, Native Police Officer, Eagle.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

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September 23, 1915.

Mr. Charles Neuhaus,  
Game Warden,  
Nome, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 5th instant, addressed to me, reporting with respect to the enforcement of the law for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives, for the month of August. The report is signed by you as game warden.

You are advised that all letters to this office should be addressed to the Governor, no matter by whom letters to you from the office are signed. Also, your reports on liquor matters, as I believe you have already been advised, should be signed over the title of "Special Employee", and not "Game Warden".

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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September 24, 1915

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith, by direction of the Governor, the oath of office of Thomas Gaffney, Special Employee in the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives of Alaska, whose headquarters are at Nome, Alaska. Personal record card signed by this officer is also enclosed.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Messrs. L. A. Slane, et al.,  
Douglas, Alaska.

Gentlemen:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 21st with reference to the furnishing of intoxicating liquors to the Indians in your town, for which I thank you.

In reply I have to advise you that a special officer from this office has been detailed to investigate the conditions complained of in your favor.

In this connection, permit me to assure you that I appreciate to the fullest extent the interest you are taking in this case, and I shall esteem it a favor if you will afford the special officer such information as you may have at your command.

Yours very truly,

Governor.

September 25, 1915.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
R u b y, Alaska.

My dear Light:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of September 4th, together with your reports for the month of August as special agent for the suppression of liquor traffic among the natives, and special game warden.

I note from the statement contained therein that you have, as usual, been securing results. I may say that your work meets with the approval of this office in all respects. Your activity is to be commended; also the intelligent efforts which you are putting forth not only to suppress the sale of liquor to the natives, but in the preservation of law and order generally. As you know, I have every confidence in your activity, your ability and your discretion, and I am assured that the confidence so reposed in you will not be misplaced. I trust that your activities of the winter season will also be as fruitful of results as heretofore. I am thoroughly familiar with the handicaps under which you labor. These are numerous but I believe that in the process of time many of them will be eliminated.

I have nothing new to report as to the securing of a power launch for service on the river. I have again recommended in my annual report, which went forward to Washington several days ago, that you be supplied with a power launch for operation on the river. You know, however, how slow Congress is to make an appropriation of any kind for Alaska. However by keeping at it in time a launch may be provided for the Yukon service.

I can readily understand your work interferes with the saloon men. However if they were doing a legitimate business at all times they would not suffer interference. The trouble is that so many saloon men disregard law in every respect if it interferes with the acquisition by them of the dollar.

With reference to Marshal Erwin I have to say that never at any time, either orally or by writing, has he spoken of you or your efforts in running whiskey peddlers to earth and in the preservation of law and order, in any other than the highest possible manner. On the contrary he has informed me of his desire to cooperate with you in every way and to see that his deputies did also. With reference to the question asked you as to "What is the matter with Erwin", I believe that this was simply actuated by the fact that so many people were assailing and "knocking" Erwin. So far as my observation has gone I believe Mr. Erwin is giving as good an administration of his office as he is capable of

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doing. The assaults made upon him by his enemies, and he has many, I have paid but little attention to because I notice that in cases of this kind if you look far enough you will find the animus of these attacks, lying usually under cover, but nevertheless active. I, therefore, do not think that Mr. Erwin has any quarrel with you or any fault to find with your activities as a special officer of the Government. I believe that an investigation would show this to be the undisputed fact, and I trust therefore that you and Mr. Erwin and his deputies will continue to cooperate in every way possible.

I had a letter from Representative Snow a few days ago with reference to the location of the home for aged prospectors in the interior. I note that Mr. Wickersham visited Big China Hot Springs during the summer; in fact while I was in Fairbanks I discussed the matter with him and suggested that he visit the springs and look them over. I note that upon his return, according to a newspaper account, he stated that the availability of the springs would depend upon good road facilities being provided. For my own part I may say that I am inclined to the opinion that the selection of the Big China Hot Springs is out of the question because of their remoteness. Anyway the lack of road facilities at the present time is an insurmountable objection. Farther I may add that it is my opinion that the matter of the selection of a site for the prospectors' home is not an important matter at this time, and in all probability it will be several years before it becomes such. I believe it would be the height of folly for the Territory at the present time to erect a building of this nature in the interior. The cost of construction would be trifling compared with the cost of maintenance. In other words, there is in my opinion no urgent demand for such an institution. In any event I may assure you that in case of a selection being made during my term as Governor, and incidentally as a member of the board, the claims of all other hot springs in the interior will be given the fullest consideration.

I have to thank you for the receipt of interior conditions which I received from you, but not in time to incorporate with my annual report. However, I am pleased to say that I had touched upon most matters dealt with in your communication.

It is possible that I will visit Washington sometime during the winter or early spring, this being the long session of Congress.

I shall be pleased to hear from you at any time and with best wishes for your continued success, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Governor.

September 25, 1915.

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Captain W. H. C. Bullard,  
Superintendent of Radio Service,  
Radio, Va.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find check No. 250 of this date in your favor for \$1.16, covering your bill transmitted with your letter of August 4, 1915, addressed to the Governor of Alaska, account radio tolls, S. S. "Admiral Evans", Kodiak, Alaska, in April, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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September 30, 1915.

Mr. A. B. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Enclosed find check No. 251 of this date in your  
favor for \$473.95 in settlement of your June, 1915, expense account.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encl.

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October 1, 1915.

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

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

Herewith find check No. 252 of this date  
for 19 dollars, in settlement of your expense account for the  
month of August, 1915.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Light:

Herewith find check No. 253 dated the 30th  
ultimo, in your favor for \$236.55, in settlement of your ex-  
pense account for the month of August, 1915.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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October 5, 1915.

First National Bank,  
Juneau, Alaska,

Dear Sirs:

Herewith I hand you check No. 256 of this date in your favor for the sum of \$161.11, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as "Deposit of unexpended balance of Liquor appropriation, 1915, on closing accounts for fiscal year."

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  
Special Disbursing Agent.

Encl.

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Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith my accounts as Special Disbursing Agent of the appropriation "Suppression of liquor traffic, Alaska, 1915", the same being the closing accounts for the fiscal year 1916.

The papers transmitted are -

1. Abstract of disbursements.
2. Account current.
3. Supplemental account current, covering deposit of unexpended balance on closing of accounts with duplicate certificate of deposit No. 911 attached thereto.
4. Vouchers Nos. 1 to 16, inclusive.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D.C.

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Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith my accounts as Special Disbursing Agent of the appropriation "Suppression of liquor traffic, Alaska, 1916" for the fiscal quarter ended September 30, 1915.

The accounts include the following papers:

1. Abstract of disbursements.
2. Account current.
3. Vouchers Nos. 1 to 17, inclusive.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

The Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D.C.

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee, etc.,  
Ruby, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check No. 259 for  
ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY-FIVE DOLLARS  
(\$175.00) to cover your salary for the  
month of September 1915.

Please sign and mail to this  
office the salary voucher blank which  
accompanies the above check.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Jim Juneby,  
Native Police Officer,  
Eagle, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith find check No. 260 in your favor for SIXTY DOLLARS (\$60.00) covering your salary for the month of July, August and September, 1915.

Please sign and mail to this office the salary voucher blank which accompanies the above check. A franked and addressed envelope for mailing the voucher is also enclosed.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee, etc.,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith find check No. 257  
in your favor for \$122.34, covering your salary  
for the month of September 1915.

Please sign and return to this office  
the blank salary voucher which accompanies the  
above check.

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter  
of the 30th ultimo in which you say you are short  
of expense voucher forms and monthly report blanks.  
I am forwarding some of each of these blanks to you  
under separate cover.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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October 9, 1915.

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

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check No. 258 in your favor  
for \$175.00 covering your salary for the month of  
September 1915.

Please sign and mail to this office salary  
voucher blank which accompanies the above check.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

Encls.

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October 9, 1915.

Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find check No. 261 of this date in your favor  
for \$89.00, in settlement of your expense account for the month of  
July, 1915, which was received today.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

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Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is acknowledged of your report for the month of July, which is submitted in daily diary form, in accordance with instructions given in circular of August 5, last.

I beg to call your attention, however, to the fact that you have failed to cover the following dates: July 2 to 13, inclusive, July 25 to 28, inclusive, and July 30.

In your monthly report you should cover every day of the month and not limit your report to days when you are absent from your official headquarters.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor.

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October 20, 1915.

Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Ruby, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd instant, in reference to general conditions in your district. I am pleased to know that a diminished use of liquor by the natives is noticed, and I sincerely trust that this condition will continue indefinitely.

I had noticed the arrest of Phil Mayhan with some surprise, as when I knew him he was a hard-working freighter, although I believe he was in the habit of indulging at times more than was good for his constitution. I never saw him, however, in a drunken condition.

I was not advised that the deputy marshal had been removed from Kulate until the receipt of your letter. It appears to me that this is an important point on the river, especially insofar as the sale or giving of liquor to natives is concerned, and it would probably be well for you to keep a close eye upon that precinct during the winter.

During my visit in the interior this summer I noticed with pleasure the attempts being made by the natives to cultivate garden plots and raise vegetables of various kinds. Particularly at Eagle,

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--Mr. A. B. Light, p. 2--

I noticed that many Indians had small gardens attached to the grounds and the vegetables looked promising.

I may say for your information that Archdeacon Stuck was here recently, and in discussing conditions among the natives of the Yukon and Tanana he spoke in a complimentary manner of your work. But of course, in the Archdeacon's opinion the best man that ever lived in the interior was one Jack Robinson, whom you probably knew. I may say that I do not share the Archdeacon's opinion.

With best wishes for your continued success, I am

Very truly yours,

Governor.

Juneau, October 20, 1915. O. B.

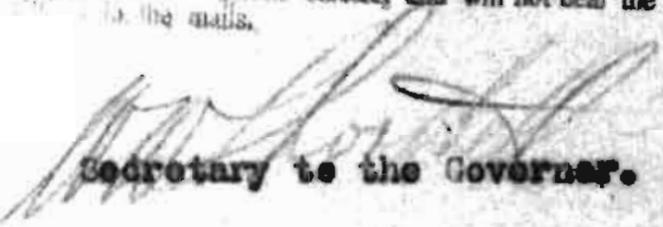
Roth, U. S. Attorney,

Fairbanks.

Edward Porter, convicted March ninth last for furnishing liquor to Indians, sentenced one year penitentiary, applicant for clemency. Kindly wire your views to this office.

STRONG, GOVERNOR.

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



Secretary to the Governor.

TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
JUNEAU

October 21, 1915

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- Mr. Joseph A. Snow, Special Agent,  
Suppression of Liquor Traffic,  
Juneau, Alaska
- Mr. Joseph A. Bourke, Special Employee,  
Suppression of Liquor Traffic,  
Valdez, Alaska
- Mr. A. E. Light, Special Employee,  
Suppression of Liquor Traffic,  
Ruby, Alaska
- Mr. Thomas Gaffney, Special Employee,  
Suppression of Liquor Traffic,  
Nome, Alaska

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith, for your information and guidance, copy of a letter received from the Department of the Interior, with respect to the enforcement of the game laws and the law for the suppression of the sale of liquor to natives.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Res.

Governor

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
JUNEAU

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

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

Mr. Aron Erickson,  
Game Warden,  
Roosevelt, Alaska

Mr. Andrew Hoey,  
Game Warden,  
Fairbanks, Alaska

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

Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith for your information and guidance, copy of a letter received from the Department of the Interior with respect to the enforcement of the game laws and the law for the suppression of the sale of liquor to natives.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Enc.

Governor

TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
JUNEAU

CIRCULAR NO. 3

October 22, 1915

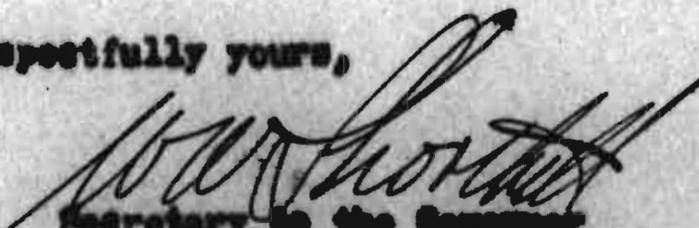
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TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:

This office has had printed a supply of certificate slips for use of the Special Employees in connection with their expense accounts. These slips (25 of which are enclosed herewith) are intended for use where Special Employees find it necessary to purchase provisions of the value of more than FIVE DOLLARS at any one time. As explained in circular letter of May 11, 1914, an act of Congress passed April 6, 1914, provides that no officer shall be allowed more than five dollars per day for meals and room rent while absent from his official headquarters. Where a Special Employee submits a sub-voucher covering the purchase of provisions for use on the trail or river, therefore, it is necessary that a statement be submitted with such sub-voucher if it amounts to more than five dollars. The certificate slip referred to is intended for use in such case. The Special Employee should attach such slip, duly filled out and signed, to each copy of the sub-voucher to which it refers. Care should be taken to see that the correct dates on which the provisions are used are written in on the line provided for that purpose on the certificate slip. Additional slips will be furnished when needed.

(Mailed to Bourke, Gaffney,  
Light and Snow, Oct. 22,  
1915.)

Respectfully yours,

  
Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Enc.

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October 25, 1915

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney,  
Special Employee,  
Nome, Alaska

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

In response to your request of the 12th instant, I am sending you, under separate cover, a supply of stationery, voucher forms, and monthly report blanks.

In this connection I beg to say that there has just been received from you a monthly diary of operations for September, which was made out on the monthly report form. This blank is not intended to be used for this purpose, but for reporting cases instituted by you in the course of your operations. The monthly diary report should be made out on regular letter stationery so that it may be filed with other correspondence.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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October 25, 1918

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Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your several reports of your activities during the past three months. It is noticed that you have covered considerable ground, and that you have also secured some results in the prosecution of illegal liquor selling and in the enforcement of law, and I, therefore, have to commend your industry. There is no doubt that the convictions that have been secured through your aid will have a salutary effect in the precincts where your arrests were made.

I apprehend that it is difficult many times to secure evidence necessary to secure a conviction, and there are besides, frequently miscarriages of justice as in the case of the native woman, Marina Semokensky. There is no doubt that white men should be prevented from making their abode in native villages, but I know of no way in which this evil may be obviated. As a matter of fact, the white man who makes his home in a native village does not do so for any

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Mr. Joseph A. Bourke

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altruistic purposes, and men of this class should be under strict surveillance, or at least, so far as it is possible, they and their doings watched.

I trust that you will continue your vigilance, and that it will result in practical good to the natives of your district.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

October 26, 1915.

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney,

Special Employee,

Nome, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

Herewith find check No. 265

of this date in your favor for \$35.00, in settlement  
of your expense account for September, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

1 encl.

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October 26, 1915.

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Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

Herewith find checks Nos. 263 and 264  
of this date in your favor for \$64.00 and \$137.40,  
respectively, in settlement of your expense accounts  
for August and September, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor  
and B. D. A.

2 encls.

October 30, 1915

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Mr. Joseph A. Snow,  
Special Employee,  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Your attention has several times been called to the Governor's request that, when in Juneau, you report at regular intervals to this office. Your compliance with this request, however, has been rather intermittent. Please note that, effective November first, you will be expected to report daily to this office, either in person or by telephone when you are in Juneau.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

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November 1, 1915

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney,  
Special Employee,  
Nome, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed I hand you check No. 367, of this date, in  
the sum of \$175, in payment of your salary for the month  
of October, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

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

Enc.

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November 1, 1918

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Mr. A. E. Light,  
Special Employee,  
Sibby, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed I hand you check No. 268, of this date, in  
the sum of \$175, in payment of your salary for the month  
of October, 1918.

Respectfully yours,

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

Enc.

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November 1, 1915

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Mr. Joseph A. Bourke,  
Special Employee,  
Valdez, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith I hand you check No. 266, of this date, in the sum of \$133.23, in payment of your salary for the month of October, 1915.

Respectfully yours,

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

Enc.

November 10, 1918

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Mr. Jim Juneby,  
Special Employee,  
Eagle, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 14th, in which you tell me what you have done for the school teacher and others at your place.

You must remember that you have duties to perform always, and that you are not kept in the service of the Government merely to draw your salary. You are expected to see that your people do not get liquor to drink, and that white men are not permitted to sell or give them whiskey or other intoxicating liquors. You can be of great assistance to the teacher in seeing that the children of the village attend school regularly, and in many other ways you can make yourself useful as a good citizen, as well as an agent of the Government of the United States.

I trust that you will remember what I am telling you, and that you will be active, at all times, in prevention of crime, and in seeing that all the laws are obeyed.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

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November 10, 1915

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Miss Lulu Graves, Teacher,  
United States Public School,  
Eagle, Alaska

Dear Madam:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of October 21st, together with a letter of Jim Juneby, both of which I have read with interest. I note what you say with reference to Juneby's services, and, if at any time you believe that his services are of no further value, kindly notify this office, and appropriate action will be taken. I have been doubtful, for some time, whether it was advisable to retain Juneby's services. I fear, from what you say, that he is becoming somewhat useless, and, unless his work shows some results, in my opinion his services should be dispensed with.

I am enclosing herewith a letter in acknowledgment of Juneby's communication to this office, which you will kindly read to him.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Enc.

Governor

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE  
JUNEAU

Circular No. 4

November 9, 1915

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TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:

There are enclosed herewith copies of the following laws passed by the Alaska Territorial Legislature at its 1915 session.

1. Chapter 7, entitled "An Act providing for an expression, by the people of the Territory, as to whether or not intoxicating liquors shall be manufactured or sold in the Territory of Alaska, after the first day of January, 1918."
2. Chapter 11, entitled "An Act to provide for local self-government in certain native villages in the Territory of Alaska."
3. Chapter 24, entitled "An Act to define and establish the political status of certain native Indians within the Territory of Alaska."
4. Chapter 64, entitled "An Act to provide allowances for certain aged residents of Alaska, and for other purposes."

Copies of the above-mentioned acts are sent you so that you may be in position to answer any questions which may be asked by the people in your division.

With reference to Chapter 64, commonly called the "Alaska Pension Act," you are advised that the various United States Commissioners throughout the Territory, have been supplied with application blanks. Persons desiring to make application for pension can obtain blanks from the Commissioner for their precinct, or by addressing this office.

Respectfully yours,

Encs.

Secretary to the Governor

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November 12, 1915

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Hon. James A. Smiser,  
United States Attorney,  
Juneau, Alaska

My dear Mr. Smiser:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of the tenth, with enclosure. In reply, I have to advise you that I have noted the statements contained in Mr. Coker's letter, and I will at once cause an investigation of conditions at Craig.

Thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor

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November 19, 1915.

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First National Bank,  
Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sirs:

Herewith I hand you the sum of Four Dollars (\$4.00) in cash, which amount I will thank you to place to the credit of the Treasurer of the United States, Washington, D. C., as: "Refund to appropriation for Suppression of Liquor Traffic, 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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November 17, 1915

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Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Department's letter of the ninth instant (Assistant Secretary De Sweeney), returning my accounts as Special Disbursing Agent of the federal appropriation for suppressing liquor traffic of Alaska, first fiscal quarter, 1916, for the reasons stated therein.

The sub-vouchers covering the various charges for steamer transportation, have, as far as possible, been corrected in accordance with Departmental Travel regulation No. 5.

With reference to voucher No. 10, which shows a charge of \$9 for transportation, (Ruby to Lewden), with a return charge of \$9 (Lewden to Ruby), you are advised that the return, or upstream, charge is correct as shown in the voucher. While this office is not in possession of tariff sheets of the various transportation lines operating on the Yukon river and its tributaries, and reference, therefore, cannot be had to such tariffs, I am informed that the upstream rate is higher than the downstream rate, on the various steamers

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operated, for the reason that a considerably longer time is required between given points on the upstream trip than is required between the same points on the downstream trip. It will be noted that both the main voucher and subvoucher No. 2 contain the word "upstream," which the Special Employee evidently intended as an explanation of the difference in rates. I have conferred with Governor Strong, and with Mr. J. R. Willis, ex-Collector of Customs for Alaska, both of whom have made numerous trips on the Yukon River, in Alaska, and they tell me that it is a fact that the transportation companies operating on the Yukon and its tributaries charge a higher rate for upstream than for downstream transportation.

With reference to voucher 11, sub-voucher No. 4, it will be noted that the Special Employee has shown on the sub-voucher that the steamer left Ketchikan at 10:30 p. m. on August 18 and arrived at Wrangell at 6 a. m. on the 19th, and the trip was, therefore, made between the time of incurring expense for supper on August 18, and for breakfast on August 19. With reference to sub-voucher No. 5, the Special Employee advises that the expense included in this sub-voucher began with breakfast on August 19 and ended with lunch (or dinner) on the 23d, making four and a half days, as stated in the sub-voucher.

With reference to voucher No. 15, and sub-voucher No. one, the Department asks what connection this item has with the work of suppressing the traffic in intoxicating liquors, or how it is understood to be an appropriate charge against the appropriation therefor. In reply I have to offer the following explanation: The Special Employee had, for some time previously, been endeavoring to apprehend one Joe Sprunger, who had been actively engaged in furnishing liquor to natives along the Yukon River. While the officer was well satisfied that Sprunger was systematically engaged in the business, he could not secure sufficient evidence of any specific act to warrant making an arrest. While engaged in shadowing the man and gathering evidence, the officer learned that Sprunger had shipped strychnine through the United States mails. He investigated the matter very thoroughly, and secured evidence which materially assisted in the final conviction of Sprunger on the charge of shipping poison through the mails, and he was committed to the penitentiary for a term of two years. The telegram referred to was sent by the Postal Inspector to officer Light, requesting a conference in connection with the case against Sprunger for shipping poison through the mails. The expense was paid by the Special Employee and allowed by this office on the theory that, while the charge upon which

Sprunger was confined was not directly connected with the traffic in intoxicating liquors among the natives, the conviction had the result of terminating the man's activities in the furnishing of liquor to natives, and was, therefore, of direct benefit to that service. Had the officer confined himself strictly to the suppression of the liquor traffic and declined to assist in bringing Sprunger to justice on the other charge, the latter might still be engaged in furnishing liquor to natives. It is respectfully submitted, therefore, that the charge should be allowed as an expense incidental to the officer's regular work.

Vouchers 6 and 14, covering items for rent of telephone in a house, submitted with accounts of Special Employee Theo. Gaffney, at Nemo, are questioned as being inhibited under section 7 of the legislative act of August 23, 1913. The explanation of this charge is as follows: The Special Employee has a very limited expense account, and is not allowed any expense for office rent. He, therefore, used his own house as an office. The telephone in question was installed in the officer's house solely for the purpose of facilitating his work in the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives, it being found that in this way he could obtain immediate information of infractions of the law, whether by day or night. It is assumed there would be no question raised were the officer allowed to maintain an office separate and apart from

his house. This, however, would involve an expense which the limited appropriation will not permit, and the same practical results are obtained by using the officer's house as an office; and, as the telephone has proved to be of very material aid, if not an absolute necessity, to the officer in his work, it is respectfully requested that the expense be authorized.

As requested in the Department's letter of the above date, the use of a joint account current, covering the appropriations for the protection of game, and the suppression of liquor traffic, will be discontinued, and a separate account current will be made for each appropriation.

The accounts transmitted with the Department's letter are herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Secretary to the Governor  
and S. D. A.

Encs.

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TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Circular No. 6

November 20, 1915

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TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:

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.

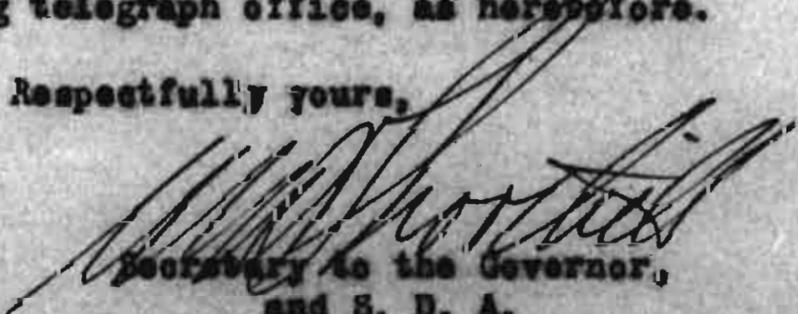
To conform to the change in method made necessary by the Department orders, you are directed to adopt substantially the following system in the sending of official messages which must go, either in whole or in part, over commercial lines and on which tolls are required.

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. 5

November 20, 1915  
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TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:

Regulation No. 5 of the Interior Department Travel Regulations of September 20, 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 the steamer, name of the company operating same, and points between which travel is made.

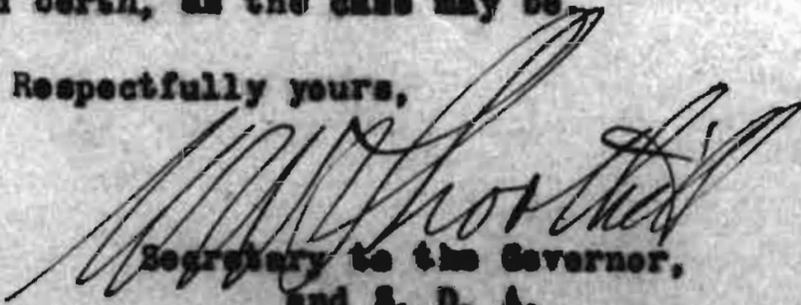
To comply with the foregoing it is suggested that, in the future, your subvouchers covering travel by water be made up in substantially the following form, in addition to the other necessary information required thereon:

"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 settlement of 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.

November 24, 1915

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Sir:

I have the honor to again refer to the Department's letter of September 1, 1915, returning vouchers 3 and 19 of my accounts for the final fiscal quarter of 1915, under the appropriation for the suppression of the liquor traffic in Alaska.

I am returning herewith voucher No. 3 with the following explanation respecting same:

Subvoucher No. B is returned herewith together with duplicate certificate of deposit No. 957, dated the 18th instant, covering refund to the appropriation above mentioned of the sum of \$4, which was remitted to me by Special Employee Gaffney to cover the apparent over-payment on the subvoucher referred to.

With respect to subvoucher No. 9, the execution of which the Department objected to as defective, and which was returned by me to the special employee, I beg to advise that I am in receipt of a letter dated the first instant from Special Employee Gaffney, in which he states that he will

take the matter up by letter with the manager of the company at St. Michael, but may have to defer adjustment of the matter until he can visit St. Michael, since the clerk who signed the subvoucher is now in the states.

I am also returning subvoucher No. 23, with the information desired by the Department noted thereon; namely, the dates upon which the dogs and sled were hired.

Respectfully yours,

Encs.

Secretary to the Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

November 24, 1915

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Mr. Thomas Gaffney,  
Special Employee,  
Nome, Alaska

My dear Mr. Gaffney:

I have your letters of October 29 and 30, and November 1, with respect to discrepancies in subvouchers submitted with your expense account for the month of February, 1915; and also acknowledge receipt of a postal money order in my favor for the sum of \$4 covering refund of overpayment on subvoucher No. 8, referred to in my letter of September 21 last.

I deposited the amount to the credit of the appropriation for the suppression of the liquor traffic in Alaska, 1915, on November 19th, and am today writing the Department with regard to the matters mentioned in my letter of September 21 to you.

Faithfully yours,

Secretary to the Governor

**TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE**

Circular No. 7

November 26, 1915

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**TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:**

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

November 27, 1915.

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Mr. H. F. Morton,

Juneau, Alaska.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby appointed a Special Employee, without compensation, for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives of Alaska, effective this date and to continue until further notice. It will not be necessary for you to execute an oath of office.

Respectfully yours,

Governor.

November 30, 1918

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Rev. Geo. B. Burgess,

Eagle, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 12, conveying the information that Jim Juneby, native police officer at the Indian village near Eagle, died of pneumonia on November sixth, and asking that the check due him from the Government for services rendered, be forwarded to Mr. C. A. Thompson, Manager of the Eagle Trading Company, for goods purchased by Juneby prior to his death.

In reply I have to advise you that this is a matter that must be taken up with the Auditor for the Interior Department. This will be done at once, and his instructions with regard to the disposition of the amount due Juneby, will be followed. I trust that the Auditor's decision may be such as will enable Mr. Thompson to receive payment for the goods furnished Juneby.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

November 30, 1915

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Sir:

This office has been advised that Jim Juneby, a native employed in the suppression of the liquor traffic among the Indians, stationed at the Indian village near Eagle, Alaska, died on the sixth instant. Prior to his death, he purchased goods of the Eagle Trading Company, Eagle, Alaska, promising to pay therefor as soon as he had received his quarterly check in payment for his services. The Eagle Trading Company, therefore, has requested that the amount due Juneby, namely, \$24, be forwarded to that concern.

It is understood that Juneby did not leave any estate, or family.

I would, therefore, respectfully ask to be advised as to the procedure which should be followed in this case in the payment of the amount due Juneby as a special employee in the suppression of the liquor traffic.

Respectfully,

Governor

The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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December 1, 1915

Mr. Thomas Gaffney,  
Special Employee,  
Nome, Alaska

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith find check No. 376 of this date,  
payable to your order, in the sum of \$4, 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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**TERRITORY OF ALASKA  
GOVERNOR'S OFFICE**

**Circular No. 8**

**December 1, 1918**

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**TO ALL SPECIAL EMPLOYEES:**

Effective this date, checks in payment of salaries of special employees 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. B. A.**

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December 1, 1915

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The Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

Sir:

In connection with the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives of Alaska, I have the honor to recommend the reappointment of the following named officers for the period January 1 to June 30, 1916:

Joseph A. Bourke, Special Employee, Valdez,  
Salary \$1,600 per annum;

Thomas Gaffney, Special Employee, Nome,  
Salary \$2,100 per annum;

A. E. Light, Special Employee, Ruby,  
Salary \$2,100 per annum;

Joseph A. Snow, Special Employee, Juneau,  
Salary \$2,100 per annum;

each of said officers to be allowed an expense account for travel and subsistence, same to be fixed by this office. These officers continue to render most efficient service, and they are, I believe, entitled to reappointment.

Jim Junoby, native police officer at Eagle, Alaska, died at that place on the sixth of November. I have no recommendation to make at this time as to a successor to Junoby. From the reports which I have received from Eagle recently, I am in hopes that a native officer will no longer be needed there.

Respectfully,

Governor

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December 2, 1915

Sir:

In connection with the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives of Alaska, it has been found advisable, from time to time, to engage the services of natives or white men as temporary assistants to the regular special employees, to aid in securing evidence against suspected liquor peddlers. It has also been found necessary at times, in the absence from Juneau of the regular officer, to employ a white man as temporary special employee, there being quite a large native population at Juneau, as well as at Douglas, two miles distant, in both of which places peddlers are more or less active all the time. No such temporary assistants have been employed since July 2, 1915, but it is quite likely that it will be necessary to enlist the services of such persons at various times in the future. Formerly the plan under which such persons were employed was as follows:

(1) The temporary assistants to the regular special employees were engaged by the regular officers, when in their judgment the needs of the service demanded their employment;

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no formal appointments were issued and no oaths of office were required. Payments for such services were made by the regular officers, who took receipts in duplicate for same, and who included the expense in their regular monthly expense accounts. This plan permitted quick action and prompt payment, both of which are quite essential; in fact, to have required a formal appointment and the execution of an oath of office in each case would have been to defeat the very purpose of the employment, since in most cases the need of the assistant would have passed before the appointment could have been placed in his hands.

(2) The temporary special employees were appointed by this office, and oaths of office required of them. They were paid by voucher and check, the same as the regularly employed officers.

The employment of temporary assistants to the regular officers is most likely to become necessary in remote villages which the officer can visit only at very infrequent intervals, or where he is gathering evidence against suspects in a particular community. The necessity for a temporary special employee arises, usually, when the regular special employee is absent from his official station on an extended trip through his division. Violators of the law become active at such times, and it has occasionally been found advisable to temporarily employ a man to act in the

absence of the regular officer. Numerous violators have been apprehended in this way.

In view of the foregoing, I have the honor to ask if it can be arranged to permit this office to authorize the special employees to employ temporary assistants at not to exceed \$1 per day for natives, and \$2.50 per day for whites, and for periods of not to exceed sixty days, the special employees to pay them for their services and take duplicate receipts therefor, including such expenses in their regular expense accounts submitted to this office. Such employment to be without formal appointment or the execution of an oath of office, for the reasons stated above.

As to the employment of temporary special employees, I have the honor to request to be authorized to make such appointments, for periods of not to exceed sixty days, the appointees to be given formal appointments and to execute oaths of office, and their compensation not to exceed \$5 per day. These appointees will, of course, be white persons.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

Secretary of the Interior,  
Washington, D. C.

December 4, 1918

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Mr. Wm. E. Sweeney,  
318 North Third street,  
Missoula, Montana

Dear Sir:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 27, in which you make application for appointment to a position in the work of suppressing the liquor traffic among the natives of Alaska.

In reply I have to advise you that appointments to this service are made by the Secretary of the Interior, Washington. I may say, for your information, however, that only four officers are employed, and there is no vacancy at this time. Your letter will be filed for future reference should this office be required, at any time, to make recommendations for appointment to this service.

I am,

Yours very truly,

Governor

December 9, 1915

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Mr. W. T. Lopp,  
Chief, Alaska Division,  
Bureau of Education,  
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Mr. Lopp:

The receipt is acknowledged of your letter of November 23d ultimo, with reference to alleged whiskey peddling among the Eskimos by Chinamen employed at the canneries in the Port Moller country; and in which you also state that Mr. Charles Madsen is willing to act in the capacity of special officer for the suppression of the liquor traffic during the remainder of the fiscal year, without salary, if there are no funds available with which to pay him.

In reply I have to advise you that, at this time, we are without funds for the employment of additional officers, but, upon your recommendation, I shall be pleased to recommend Mr. Madsen for appointment as a special employee without pay. Appointments to this service are now made directly by the Department of the Interior, upon recommendation from this office. It may also be possible, later in the fiscal year, to allow Mr. Madsen some compensation. This,

however, cannot be guaranteed. The funds available for the employment of officers for the suppression of the liquor traffic among the natives, permit the employment of only four officers (one in each of the four judicial divisions), and, while they are doing good work, manifestly the extensive areas which they must cover render effective suppression of the sale of liquors absolutely impracticable.

I shall probably see Mr. Madsen upon his arrival in Juneau and shall consult with him as to conditions in the Port Moller district.

Thanking you for your letter, I am,

Very truly yours,

Governor

December 9, 1915

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**Sir:**

Referring to my letter of the thirtieth ultimo, in which instructions were requested as to the method of payment of salary due to Jim Juneby, native police officer at Eagle, Alaska, who died at that place on the sixth ultimo, I have the honor to advise that, since that letter was written, this office has been informed by the United States deputy marshal at Eagle, that Juneby left a family consisting of a wife and three small children.

Respectfully yours,

Governor

Secretary of the Interior,

Washington, D. C.

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