

Alaska, do most respectfully and earnestly represent that

Whereas, the fishing industry of Alaska now in the early stages of development bids fair to be the greatest industry of its kind in the world, if such is properly protected; and

Whereas we believe it to be our duty to use every effort towards the protection and conservation of the great natural food supply of the nation; and

Whereas, at the present time the food fish of the waters of Alaska are being depleted by the use of same for the manufacture of same into fertilizer; and

Whereas, we believe that the taking and using of any food fish for any other purpose than for food and bait should be prohibited;

Therefore, your memorialists earnestly and respectfully petition your honorable body that laws be enacted prohibiting the use of herring or any other food fish for the purpose of manufacturing the same into fertilizer or oil after the 1st day of January, 1915;

And we further pray that a law be enacted by Congress prohibiting the erection, maintenance or use of any manufacturing or other plant in addition to those being now operated for said purposes.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the Senate, April 26, 1913.

Passed the House, April 30, 1913.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 28.

To the Honorable, the President, the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

We your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, do most respectfully submit the following facts:

That under the United States mining laws, applicable

to the Territory of Alaska, it is required that one hundred dollars worth of labor be performed or improvements made on or in connection with each claim annually;

That many claims in Alaska are deep and of such a nature that the expenditure of one hundred dollars thereon, in the way of labor, as required under the said United States mining laws, cannot possibly result in any improvement thereof;

That it is a well known, and generally admitted fact, that the construction of wagon roads and the building of trails in Alaska are of urgent necessity to the development of the resources of the Territory;

Now, therefore, in view of these facts, we respectfully urge that the United States mining laws, in their application to the Territory of Alaska, be amended so that it may be optional with any claim owner to either perform one hundred dollars worth of labor upon his claim, as now provided by said United States mining laws, or to pay to the Recorder of the Precinct in which his claim is situated, the sum of one hundred dollars, and that all sums thus collected be expended in the construction of roads and trails in the precinct in which the same is collected, under the supervision of the Alaska Road Commission.

Passed the Senate, April 26, 1913.

Passed the House, April 29, 1913.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 30.

To the Honorable, the Postmaster General of the United States:

We, your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, most respectfully represent that;

Whereas, the people of the mining districts, situated in the valleys of the Innoko River, the Iditarod River and the upper Kuskokwim River, and their various tribut-