

## HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 20.

TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF  
THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IN CONGRESS AS-  
SEMBLED:

Your memorialists, the Legislative Assembly of the  
Territory of Alaska, respectfully represent:

That by the purchase of the Alaska Northern Railroad,  
the Government becomes the owner of eighty acres of  
land, in the heart of the town of Seward, and as the west  
side of said land can in no way be used for railroad pur-  
poses, we ask that ten acres of the west side of said land  
be deeded to the town of Seward for public school pur-  
poses, and for the favorable consideration of this petition,

Your memorialists, shall ever pray.

Passed the House, April 22, 1915.

Passed the Senate, April 27, 1915.

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 21.

TO THE PRESIDENT, AND THE HONORABLE SENATE AND  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, IN CONGRESS AS-  
SEMBLED:

We, your memorialists, the Legislature of the Terri-  
tory of Alaska, do most respectfully and earnestly rep-  
resent, that

Whereas, Seward Peninsula, which has increased  
the world's production of gold over \$70,000,000, is with-  
out adequate means of transportation from its seaports  
to the interior, through the suspension of the operation  
of the Seward Peninsula Railroad, the only road to the  
interior of the Peninsula, and

Whereas, it is impossible to mine the enormous low  
grade placer gold deposits of the Kougareck and interior  
of said Peninsula without cheaper transportation facili-  
ties;

Now, Therefore, we, your memorialists, respectfully  
ask that the Senate and House of Representatives

in Congress assembled, will appropriate sufficient funds or direct the expenditure of any unused portion of the \$35,000,000 now appropriated for railroad construction in Alaska for the purpose of providing railroad transportation facilities from the tide waters of Behring Sea to the town of Taylor, Kougarok Mining District, which is the center of the interior mining section of said Peninsula;

Be it Resolved, that a copy of this memorial be sent to the Senate and House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, to the Honorable Secretary of the Interior, Franklin K. Lane, and to the Honorable James Wickersham, Delegate from Alaska to the House of Representatives;

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the House, April 22, 1915.

Passed the Senate, April 27, 1915.

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#### HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 23.

*Petition to the Congress of the United States to enact such legislation as will be necessary for the establishment of an insane asylum within the Territory of Alaska, instead of caring for the Alaska insane by means of the contract system at Morningside, near Portland, Oregon:*

TO THE HONORABLE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES ASSEMBLED:

Many complaints have been lodged with various members of the present Alaska Territorial Legislature with respect to the improper (and in some cases inhuman) treatment of the Alaska insane patients sent from Alaska to the Morningside Sanitarium, near Portland, Oregon.

The complaints were referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Federal Relations of the House for investigation and report.