

placer gold and is one of the most promising camps of Northern Alaska.

The establishment of these stations will facilitate transportation to all Upper Yukon points and will be of great benefit to the traveling public as well as the transportation companies.

And we, your memorialists, will ever pray.

Passed the Senate, March 9, 1915.

Passed the House, March 26, 1915.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2.

(Senate substitute for House Joint Memorial No. 3.)

TO HIS EXCELLENCY, THE PRESIDENT, AND THE SENATE
AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED
STATES:

Your memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, in second regular session assembled, do most respectfully and earnestly represent:

That the citizenship of Alaska are a law-abiding people and fully capable of adjusting their own affairs, through their representative body. Under the Organic Act creating a Legislative Assembly in the Territory of Alaska, to confer legislative power thereon, and for other purposes, we, the people of Alaska, did not have the powers of legislation through the above mentioned Enabling Act that all other Territorial people of the United States have enjoyed.

We therefore pray for the fuller rights conferred upon the people of other Territories by the several acts of Congress pertaining thereto. In other words, we most earnestly pray that Congress amend the Alaska Territorial Enabling Act to the end that the people of Alaska, through their representatives, may have the power to enact laws as fully as the people of the Territories of New Mexico, Arizona, Nevada, Montana and Oklahoma

and many other Territories in the United States have enjoyed, and that of Porto Rico and the Philippines have, of the outlying Territories.

The people of Alaska understand that the President of the United States is heartily in favor of granting the request herein set forth.

Passed the Senate, March 31, 1915.

Passed the House, April 8, 1915.

SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 4.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully represents and suggests:

1. The importance of actual construction work on the government railroads in Alaska during the year 1915 to the extent of the present appropriation by Congress;

2. The serious injury and disappointment to the business interest of the Territory that would result from a delay or postponement of the construction work during the year 1915;

3. The further disappointment and injury to the large number of citizens of the United States, who, inspired by the legislation of Congress to construct Government railroads therein, have already made final preparation to come to Alaska this year to establish permanent homes in the Territory;

4. The need for immediate relief from inexcusably excessive and prohibitive freight rates, by the exhausted and suffering people in the great Yukon and Tanana river basins, certainly appeals for immediate action;

5. To encourage permanent settlers and home builders by the employment in such railroad construction work, as far as it can consistently be done without in any manner causing delay in operation, of actual residents of the Territory, preference being given to citizens of the United States or those who have declared their intention