

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a law be enacted authorizing the Army and Post Surgeons in Alaska to enter into contract with the Alaska Division of the Bureau of Education for hospital and surgical treatment of natives of Alaska at rates covering the actual cost of subsistence, drugs and dressings furnished, and nominal fees for surgical services rendered.

That a copy of this memorial be sent to the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States, to the Secretary of War, to the Secretary of the Navy, to the Secretary of the Interior and to the Delegate from Alaska.

Adopted by the House April 23rd, 1919.

Adopted by the Senate April 29th, 1919.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 17

PETITION TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE EXTENSION OF THE PROVISIONS OF THE ACT OF CONGRESS OF FEBRUARY 23, 1917, WHICH PROVIDES FOR THE PROMOTION OF VOCATIONAL EDUCATION, TO THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA.

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

Your petitioners, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, represent as follows, that:

WHEREAS, the Act of Congress of February 23, 1917, entitled, "An Act to provide for the promotion of vocational education, to provide for co-operation with the States in the promotion of such education in agriculture and the trades and industries, to provide for co-operation with the States in the preparation of teachers of vocational subjects, and to appropriate money and regulate its expenditure," does not include within its terms the Territory of Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, a Bill was introduced in the House of Representatives on January 30, 1919, entitled, "A Bill to create a Department of Education, to authorize appropriations for the conduct of said Department, to authorize the appropriation of money to encourage the States in the promotion and support of education, and for other purposes," and said Bill did not apply to the Territory of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, one of the most pressing problems now confronting the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska is the

matter of securing adequate revenue for the support of its public schools and other educational institutions;

And the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska does respectfully represent that the young men and women of Alaska are in the same need of vocational education as those of any State of the Union, and that the Territory of Alaska is deserving of the same consideration at the hands of Congress as the States of the Union; and

WHEREAS, in support of the war with Germany the Territory of Alaska—

1. Exceeded her quota of subscription to Liberty Bonds in greater proportion than any State of the Union;

2. Led all the States of the Union in exceeding her quota of subscription to the American Red Cross; and

3. Has furnished more young men for service in the war in proportion to her population than any State of the Union, twelve per cent of her population having enlisted or been drafted into the service;

NOW, THEREFORE, your petitioners pray that Congress extend the provisions of the Act of Congress of February 23, 1917, known as the Smith-Hughes Act, to the Territory of Alaska, and that in all future legislation in aid of the support of education in the States, the Territory of Alaska be given the same consideration as the States of the Union.

And your memorialists will ever pray.

Passed the House April 24, 1919.

Passed the Senate April 30, 1919.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 18

TO THE PRESIDENT AND CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

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

1. That the law providing for the location and sale of oil and gas bearing lands in the Territory of Alaska was abrogated by executive order issued on November 3rd, 1910, withdrawing all the oil lands in the Territory from location and sale, and there has been no law in effect on that subject since then.

2. That there are large areas of oil and gas bearing lands in various localities in the Territory, but that it all belongs to the Public Domain of the United States, except