

NOW, THEREFORE, we, your Memorialists, earnestly pray that Federal aid may be extended to this Territory to maintain continuous and reliable routes of transportation at such cost to the public as would tend to revive the vanishing industries of the Territory.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, that copies of this Memorial be furnished to the President and to the Congress of the United States, to the Secretary of the Interior and to the Delegate to Congress from Alaska. And your Memorialists will ever pray.

Adopted by the House, April 2, 1921.

Adopted by the Senate, April 25, 1921.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 7.

TO THE HONORABLE HERBERT HOOVER, SECRETARY OF COMMERCE AND THE HONORABLE DAN. A. SUTHERLAND, DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

We, your Memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully and earnestly represent:

That, while the waters contiguous to the coasts of southwestern and southeastern Alaska have received quite thorough investigation by the vessels and officers of the Bureau of Fisheries of the Department of Commerce, there still remains a great area in which competent exploration should be ordered.

It is known that a great number of valuable food fishes are found in both Bering Sea and in Kotzebue Sound and navigators have expressed their belief that there exist in these waters halibut and cod banks equal to if not greater than the known banks. It is definitely reported by the crews of trading vessels that they have caught numbers of halibut and cod far from any at present demonstrated fishing grounds.

THEREFORE, we, your Memorialists, believing that the fishing industry can be greatly enlarged, respectfully request that there be ordered to Alaskan waters a suitable vessel of the Bureau of Fisheries and that there be conducted a careful survey of the fish possibilities in the waters named above. This, we believe, can be ordered by you without any special legislative action.

We draw your attention to the fact that the fisheries of Alaska furnish annually, trade with the United States to the value of approximately \$50,000,000, and it is our belief that with practical assistance from the Department of Commerce that this amount can be immeasurably increased.

We commend this Memorial to your earnest consideration.

Passed by the House, March 31, 1921.

Passed by the Senate, April 5, 1921.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 8.

TO THE HONORABLE ALBERT B. FALL, SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR AND TO THE HONORABLE DAN A. SUTHERLAND, DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialists, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska, respectfully draw your attention to:

First; the excellent results which have been obtained through the establishment at Fairbanks, Alaska, of an Experiment Station of the United States Bureau of Mines, whereat the technical assistants of the Bureau have given wise advice to prospectors and mine operators, furnishing to them in addition, both quantitative and qualitative analysis of mineral ores and fuels.

Second; the encouragement and confidence given to the mining industry, when prospectors and operators know that they will be given fair, impartial and skilled reports on any rightful subject for investigation.

Third; that during the year 1919 there was produced on the Seward Peninsula gold, silver, platinum and tin to the value of \$1,423,449, and this practically without competent advice of any sort.

THEREFORE, we, your Memorialists, knowing that the mineral resources of the Seward Peninsula are such as to be capable of great development under the stimulus of the practical advice which can be given by the experts of the Bureau of Mines, ask that there be established at Nome an experiment station similar in all respects to the station now maintained at Fairbanks, so that the residents of this far away section of