

two schools operated by the Bureau in the Territory designed to teach manual training to the natives while dozens of such schools should be maintained;

In that the Alaskan native is in many ways a child; He is inclined to be improvident spending the money earned in the fishing season in a short time and meeting the severe winters utterly unprepared as to food or clothing. The game laws require them to take out licenses to trap and forbid them to kill game out of season. As a consequence every community in Alaska is met with the problem of taking care of these wards of the Government for whom the Government does not provide, a burden which falls heavily upon the resident Alaskan in most cases none too well provided with funds, himself.

WHEREFORE: Your memorialist prays:

I.

That the insufficient force of doctors and nurses in the Territory be at least doubled;

II.

That hospitals for the treatment of tuberculosis be established at Nome, Anchorage, Juneau and Ketchikan.

III.

That the number of manual training schools be increased to at least twenty and that manual training be made a major part of the curriculum of every school operated by the Bureau of Education.

IV.

That the Government provide funds sufficient to take care of indigent natives.

And your memorialist will ever pray.

Passed the House, March 26, 1929.

Passed the Senate, April 27, 1929.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2.

TO THE HONORABLE, THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

Your memorialist, the Legislature of Alaska, respectfully represents:

That Yukon River affords the most convenient and economical means of transportation throughout the entire length of the Interior of Alaska, and its navigability is indispensable to the development of the Territory.

That the navigable channel at the mouth of the river changes position during the break-up season every spring, and each private ship owner is at present forced to expend his own time and labor each year in searching for the new channel, a condition which causes unnecessary delay and expense.

WHEREFORE, YOUR memorialist most respectfully urges that your Department take the necessary steps to annually locate the navigable channel at the mouth of Yukon River and mark the same as early as possible each spring.

And your memorialist will ever pray.

Passed the House, April 2, 1929.

Passed the Senate, April 11, 1929.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 3.

TO THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES:

Your memorialist the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska respectfully represent; that

Whereas, the last sentence of Section 8 of the Act of January 13, 1925, known as the Alaska Game Law, provides as follows:

“Land fur-bearing or game animals which escape from captivity, unless re-captured by the owners, and all fur and game animals hereafter introduced into Alaska are declared to be wild fur-bearing or game animals and shall be subject to the provisions of this Act.”

And whereas, this sentence has been construed by the Solicitor of the Department of Agriculture to mean that after a fur-bearing or game animal has escaped from captivity it may be captured and killed by anybody even though the owner may be in pursuit of it or have means for securing its return into captivity,

And whereas, such construction of this statute operates as an invitation to evil minded persons to assist such animals to escape from captivity;

NOW, THEREFORE, your memorialist respectfully urges that the provisions of the statute in question be so amended that the owner may retain property in fur-bearing or game