

Paul F. Royster

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July 7, 1959

Item 4

Military Mileage:

Army - 188.77 on and off Base

Air Force - 626 on Base, 586 off Base

Navy - ~~Not presently available~~

545 on and off Base - (sec tt. 7-9-59 From Niemi.)

Enclosure:

Telegram (copy)

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W J NIEMI

BUREAU PUBLIC ROADS JUN 112

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ABOVE INFORMATION DESIRED BY TUESDAY MORNING JULY 7, 1959 FOR TRANSMIT...  
TO SENATOR GRUENING

ROYSTER BUREAU PUBLIC ROADS

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*Quick copy*

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*Sent to Gruening's  
office 7/10 - with  
understanding that  
corrections found necessary  
on a result of our  
review has moved  
to forward later*

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REQUEST FROM GRUENING. SUPPLEMENTING OUR

MEMO OF JULY 7, 1959. RE: NAVY MILEAGE ON AND OFF BASE 545.

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FORM 805 THE STANDARD REGISTER CO., DAYTON 1, OHIO, U. S. A. STANLUC PAT 2685

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Mike Dales called  
to say his reply would  
call for a telegram  
"6 feet long" - and that  
he leaves get it out air-  
mail yesterday ~~the~~ so it  
should be here Thursday.

I did not know of  
your request for a  
one page summary, so  
told Mike to mail it.

RF 7/8

from the desk of

PAUL F. ROYSTER

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FM NIEMI BUPUBRD JUNEAU ALASKA

TO PAUL F ROYSTER BUPUBRD WASHDC

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UNCLAS ATTENTION ERHART'S REPORT OF GRUENING REQUEST BEING AIRMAILED  
TODAY AS AGREED BY MR ROYSTER INTELECON THIS MORNING

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*This is information that Gruening's office is insistent upon receiving at its earliest time possible. I talked to Dunson late yesterday and asked De Labart to condense the information for transmission by wire which he said could be done, with detailed air mail letter to follow.*

*Gruening's office thinks we are giving them the run around.*

*ELW 7/8*

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FORM 805, PRINTED BY THE STANFORD REGISTER CO., DAYTON 1, OHIO, U. S. A. STANFORD REGISTER CO., DAYTON 1, OHIO, U. S. A. STANFORD

23-10

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

PUBLIC ROADS

X  
WASHINGTON, D. C. JULY 2, 1959

W. J. NIEMI  
PUBLIC ROADS  
JUNEAU, ALASKA

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Paul F. Royster  
ROYSTER

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cc - Files  
Federal Hwy. Projs. Div. ✓  
Mr. Royster - Room 814

Miss Simpson in Senator Gruening Office

Mr. B.

Would like to know Primary, Secondary and Urban mileage for Alaska as of now. Also total paved roads, total roads open all year round, total forest roads, total Military access. All totals pertain to mileage.

Code 180

Ext. 3004



# Forest Highway

<u>Class 1</u>	<u>Class 2</u>	<u>Class 3</u>	<u>Total</u>
166.4	245.0	34.8	446.2

Military Access Rds constructed by Public Roads.

117.2	1991 Act Access	} from Ladson
<u>7.8</u>	since	
125.0	miles	

Miss Gurneally  
6148

Surface	F.A.P.		F.A.S.		Total	
	R.	U.	R.	U.	R.	U.
Minings	354 <sup>4</sup>	-	1,036 <sup>24</sup>	-	1390	-
Gravel or Stone	499	-	2222	-	2721	-
Surf. In Bit	37	-	1	-	38	-
Bit. Conc. or P.C.C.	1,055	15	25	6	1080	21
Totals	(1945)	(15)	(3284)	(6)	(5229)	(21)
5961 ?			-7.4 C. -7.4 S.			
9240			-6.5 C. -26.0 S.			
9431			0.6 C. 0.6 S.			
35	48 C. 161 S.					
37 (unbr.)?	0 C. 75 S.					
391			0 C. 10 S.			
510			-40 C. -63.3 S.			
639			-0 C. -25.6 S.			
929			+6.5 C. +26.0 S.			
999			+0.2 C. +6.3 S.			
	2181	15	3155.2	6	5,356.9	

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Mil. Access

seasonal closures

✓ enc. Zorini (miles)

390 + 8 miles unconstructed

✓ where - what roads

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Urban areas:

(3/58)

Anchorage

Fairbanks

Juneau

Ketchikan

114.2

1941 Act. Access

4.8

since

~~119.4~~ 122.0 miles

21-40

Honorable Ernest Gruening  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Gruening:

Attention: Miss Simpson

Response to your request, we are enclosing a tabulation showing for each State the Interstate System mileage, total area of State, and miles of Interstate System per thousand square miles of area. We are also enclosing a log of the Federal-aid primary and secondary systems in Alaska.

*2-26-57 copy  
brought to state  
then w/s change*

The Federal-aid Highway Act of 1956 authorized \$3 million of public lands funds for each of the fiscal years 1956 and 1957, ordinarily requests totaling several times the amount available are submitted by the States for financing from public lands funds. Allocations of available funds are then made for individual projects on the basis of need. No request for public lands funds has been received from Alaska. The usual time for the next allocation of public lands funds would be during the last half of fiscal year 1959.

We shall be pleased to furnish any further information you may require regarding the Federal-aid highway program.

Sincerely yours,

F. C. Howe  
Deputy Commissioner

Sincerely,

Attachments/enc  
cc: Mr. F. C. Howe  
Mr. A. L. Mathers  
Mr. B. D. Tallant  
Mr. J. C. Allen  
Mr. C. E. Hammer  
Mr. D. H. Beach

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Table 1. Land area in acres, by State  
 and District of Columbia, 1900

State	Land area in acres	Total area of State (1900, 1900)	Percentage of land area
Alabama	57,000	31,000	18.40
Arizona	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Arkansas	500,000	500,000	100.00
California	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Colorado	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Connecticut	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Delaware	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Florida	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Georgia	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Idaho	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Illinois	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Indiana	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Iowa	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Kansas	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Kentucky	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Louisiana	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Maine	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Maryland	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Massachusetts	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Michigan	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Minnesota	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Mississippi	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Missouri	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Montana	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Nebraska	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Nevada	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
New Hampshire	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
New Jersey	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
New Mexico	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
New York	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
North Carolina	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
North Dakota	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Ohio	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Oklahoma	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Oregon	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Pennsylvania	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Rhode Island	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
South Carolina	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
South Dakota	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Tennessee	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Texas	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Vermont	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Virginia	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Washington	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
West Virginia	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Wisconsin	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
Wyoming	1,111,000	1,111,000	100.00
District of Columbia	60,000	60,000	100.00
Puerto Rico	3,000,000	3,000,000	100.00
Totals excluding Alaska and Hawaii	10,000,000	10,000,000	100.00
Ala., Kans. and Puerto Rico	10,000,000	10,000,000	100.00

BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS

Mr. W. J. Niemi, Regional Engineer  
Juneau, Alaska

July 2, 1959

23-10 Paul F. Royster, Assistant Commissioner  
Washington 25, D. C.

Paul F. Royster

Your memorandum of April 29 advised of Senator Gruening's inquiry about the location of the Denali Highway in the vicinity of Tangle Lake Lodge. You enclosed a copy of your reply to the Senator in which you indicated that an investigation would be made when weather conditions became favorable and that a report would be transmitted through this office.

Anticipating that Senator Gruening may direct an inquiry to this office concerning the report, please advise as to when we can expect to receive this information.

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(Re: Control No. PR-4173)

Federal Hwy. Projs. Div.

Mr. Royster - Room 814

23-10

X  
Fred Henry Perry  
Alaska  
JUN 9 1953

Honorable K. L. Bartlett  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Bartlett:

Your letter of May 27 to Mr. William J. Nisani, Regional Engineer, Juneau, pertaining to a communication you had received from the Northwestern Alaska Chamber of Commerce has been forwarded to this office for reply.

The Northwestern Alaska Chamber of Commerce has expressed concern about some delay in initiating construction work on two highway projects in the Nome area. The projects referred to are units of the Huniwin-Coffee Creek and the Nome-Teller roads. This matter has been discussed with Mr. Nisani who has confirmed the schedules under discussion. He advised of the necessity for a field review of plans before advertising for bids can be authorized. This inspection is a part of our established procedure which is particularly important in this instance considering the climatic conditions of the area. Such inspection is also necessary to insure that the location and initial improvements will fit the improvements as permanently planned. Every effort is being made to minimize the delay and Mr. Nisani has advised that the advertising dates will be advanced if it is found possible to do so.

The brief season available for construction in the vicinity of Nome is a handicap that is fully understood by Mr. Nisani and by this office. However, with the advertising dates as presently scheduled, a substantial part of the working season will remain after award of contracts, assuming receipt of satisfactory bids.

In its letter to you the Northwestern Alaska Chamber of Commerce did not mention that two highway construction contracts for work near Nome have been awarded. These include the construction of the Penny and Snake River Bridges and the paving of Nome city streets and the Nome-airport road. These projects total about \$266,000 in construction cost and should be of considerable benefit to the economy of the area.



The slight delay in initiating work on the other projects is regretted. However, thoroughness in the preparation of plans to secure the greatest possible benefit from the expenditure of public funds is of such importance that we feel that the delay is well justified. Nevertheless, Mr. Niemi has been requested to expedite the award of contract on the projects as programmed.

If we can be of further assistance to you concerning this and other road matters in Alaska we will gladly do so upon receipt of your request.

Sincerely yours,

Paul F. Royster  
Assistant to the  
Federal Highway Administrator

EEErhart:nk (Refer to Control No. FR-4381) (6/8/59)

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Mr. Niemi (2-cc)

Mr. B. D. Tallamy

Mr. E. L. Armstrong

CC Unit - Room 810

Mr. Royster - Room 814

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Administrator's Correspondence Unit

## BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :Mr. Paul F. Royster, Assistant Commissioner for Operations, Washington, D. C. DATE: June 1, 1959  
23-00

FROM :Wm. J. Niemi, Regional Engineer WJN  
10-00 Juneau, Alaska

SUBJECT: Congressional Correspondence--Senator E. L. Bartlett

Attached is a copy of a letter from Senator Bartlett which requires an answer. This is the same subject on which Mr. Tallamy wrote the Northwestern Chamber of Commerce under date of May 29, 1959.

A suggested reply to Senator Bartlett may be based on information contained in the attached copy of a memorandum to the "File" in Region 10 headquarters, dated May 29, 1959.

The same concern over our handling of the program in the Nome area was expressed about a year ago by the Northwestern Alaska Chamber of Commerce (Nome) and appears to have taken on the aspects of an annual event.

Attachments--2  
copy ltr 5/27/59 from Senator Bartlett  
" memo to the File 5/29/59

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Office Memorandum  
Mr. Bartlett  
Mr. L. Bartlett

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United States Senate  
COMMITTEE ON  
INTERSTATE AND FOREIGN COMMERCE

May 27, 1959

MAIL ROOM  
RECEIVED  
MAY 28 1959

Mr. William J. Niemi  
Bureau of Public Roads  
P. O. Box 1961  
Juneau, Alaska

Dear Mr. Niemi:

Enclosed is copy of a letter I have received from the Northwestern Alaska Chamber of Commerce dated May 18. Since this appears to me to be a matter for your consideration, I am sending it on to you.

I hope you will be able to advise me on this so that I may reply to the Nome Chamber.

It is my understanding that Senator Gruening talked with you about this matter on the telephone.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

*E. L. Bartlett*  
E. L. Bartlett

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