

Now, if we are going to get the 103 million acres that we are entitled to under the statehood act for all the people of Alaska and give the native people their settlement that they think they need in the way of land, they will obviously have to come out of the federally withdrawn areas because the amount of usable land of which the Federal Government has withdrawn approximately 112 million acres, and we have the right for 103 million acres, that obviously some of that acreage they want for their settlement would have to come out of the federally withdrawn lands.

Mr. SAYLOR. Now, the federally withdrawn lands are in fairly large blocks, is that not correct?

Governor HICKEL. Yes, in all categories. This includes parks and everything else.

Mr. SAYLOR. Now, the first real big withdrawal that took place in Alaska is the withdrawal up in the northern area. The Navy withdrawal. Is that not correct?

Governor HICKEL. That is correct.

Mr. SAYLOR. The second withdrawal that took place in Alaska of a large size was for the establishment of the two national parks. The third withdrawal of any size is the Arctic Wildlife Range; is that correct?

Governor HICKEL. Yes.

Mr. SAYLOR. These are the three big ones. Are there any others?

Governor HICKEL. The Federal forest reserves and then, of course, you have—you have the wildlife, you have PET IV, the parks, the Lewis Range.

Mr. SAYLOR. The Kenai Peninsula.

Governor HICKEL. The Moose Range; I forgot about that one.

Mr. SAYLOR. Now, Governor, let's look at them. The first withdrawal is the withdrawal for the Navy—oil. Is that not correct?

Governor HICKEL. That is correct.

Mr. SAYLOR. There has been some exploration in that area by the military and by certain other companies for the military?

Governor HICKEL. That is correct.

Mr. SAYLOR. Now, one of the real important features of maintaining this area is for this country's military posture and its oil supply. Now, do you want to get rid of part of that?

Governor HICKEL. I think there have been some requests in Congress this session to give up PET IV. Perhaps Senator Gruening can help me, but I think the native itself was willing to relinquish it. Is this right, Senator?

Mr. ASPINALL. The Chair objects to this procedure. This is not in accordance with our rules.

Mr. SAYLOR. The second withdrawal was our national parks. Do you want to cut down on the size of the national parks up there?

Governor HICKEL. Maybe not necessarily the national parks. We think there could be multiple use of the lands of some of the parks that have taken such vast areas.

Mr. SAYLOR. Now, we don't have that type of system. In other words, the act of 1916 which established the national park system says that when Congress establishes a national park the land will be set aside for a special use and we haven't allowed multiple use in our national parks. It becomes a little difficult to try to do it in Alaska.