Letters from Here and There

Reader Feels Like Criticizing

Dear Mr. Howard Rock. Editor of Tundra Times .

Like any other letter reader in your Tundra Times, I felt like criticizing a little about our Native environment here in the great land of Alaska. As a young consort of Alaska and its people, I believe it is good to confirm your desire for oncoming challenges concerning the Native Claims Settlement Act. This matter is actually a prominent position to me, and of course to many others. I know that no ones got a logical solution to this historical event taking place, but we undertstand this newspaper was established basically for our intentions and inclinations.

With understanding as young people, we are contemporary participants of this substantial flow of the Land Claims Act, and will be, one by one, in the near future. I believe it is good to detonate your feelings with no contention of conflict on our emphasis. Knowing that we possess access to venture in liberty as Americans about our possessions, we should be able to obtain our rights to their full capacity and destination.

An obvious accumulation of opinions and criticism, appeared with the fact that this resolution on the claims does not quite harmonize immense amount of people with the imperative side. And I believe democracy is present here in Alaska as well as it is down in the states. But how could we influence or innovate To:ATS-1 Satellite users

the high degree of other organizations with our short ranged vigors and establishments? The individual awareness of the objective world in its relation to the self effects my conscience when me and my other friends discover the incidents coming into process which might create extricable situations concerning those who are working together in the Land Claims. We have potential subsistence to control in cooperation with some other authorities which might lead to more land ownership and friendship. I believe that strict criticism would only result in tracting our process with the things that we perceive contrary to our culture, but should be completely fastened to our patience and serotinous, I am positively concerned about my land and the people who do not know what is happening to their land. But as long as my folks back home are living the way they want to in the land they step on and gather food from it. I could settle down with no intent to be subsequent to those who burn with opposition about getting the least of what God has sparkled in this universe from His beautiful paradise, in which mankind is destroying both mentally, and physically.

E.G.A., a fellow Alaskan

Another Year For ATS-1 TV

Tanana Chiefs Conference 102 Lacey Street Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

From: ATS-1 Satellite coordinator Re: Continuation of the ATS-1 and program information

Dear Satellite users:

The ATS-1 satellite was to be terminated on June 30th of this year but it will continue to service Alaska and the Pacific area for another year. The company in North Carolina that operates the satellite will provide 16 hours a day, five days a week of servicable air time. If any time changes occur for TCC programing, you'll be notified immediately.

During the month of May there will be two special programs scheduled both dealing with network communication. One of the programs, entitled Peacesate Exchange is a communications effort between all the stations in Alaska and the South Pacific area. This will be aired Monday, May 12th at 8:00 p.m. The other program will be especially for the Alaska area, and is entitled the Alaska ATS-1 Network Information. This ninety minute program will be aired Monday. May 26th at 8:00 p.m.

Keep listening, especially try and listen in on these two specials. and if you are having any problems or have any ideas please let us know!

Sincerely. Jane Smith

They Chopped Up Our Poker Table'

Galbraith Lake, Alaska May 17, 1975

Dear Friend Howard Rock:

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Well, it's still winter here. North wind 30 miles an hour, 20 above. Feels like 20 below all day. No summers here.

Well, they chopped up our poker tables and burned it up the same day I came back. I guess they don't want us to gamble. Little penny ante game. But they allow women, booze. They don't throw them out. So I guess I have to get off the Slope. I hate to leave this good living, good money. I didn't know who I was working for.

Lots of people ask me who you're working for. I said Arctic, then L.C.I. finally after ten days I said, what's L.C.I. stands for? Locker, Cook Inlet. So that's the maintenance here.

The only thing I heard, no double time on Sundays. Cheap outfit. Green pays double time.

Fred Stickman, Sr.