

file from New York City, a far cry from Point Hope, but this has not necessitated any real period of adjustment.

I received my Bachelor of Arts in anthropology from the University of Pennsylvania just this last spring and have plans to continue in this field at some time in the future. There is also a possibility that BIA teaching might occupy my time during the next few years.

I trust that there is enough information included in this writing. The village is great and I am looking forward to a very exciting and successful year.

If you can include mention of this seawall project, it will be greatly appreciated.

(Editor's Note: The people of the village of Point Hope have long been worried about the erosion of the old settlement site of Tikigaq (Tigara). Famed settlement site of Ipiutak about a mile east of the present village, and which had been estimated to be about 1,500 to 2,000 years old, is also on the path of erosion.

The following resolution was drawn up by a quorum of the village council of Point Hope with the able assistance of Kenneth Pletter, VISTA Volunteer, who is now performing his tour of duty at that village.)

RESOLUTION NO. 65-2

WHEREAS, the Native Village of Point Hope, Alaska, is urgently concerned with the potential destruction of the pre-contact habitation site known as Old Tigara; and

WHEREAS, the old village is eroding at a rate which will completely destroy it in 120 years, one-half of the remains eroding in less than 40 years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Froelich Rainey noted 40 per cent fewer remains in 1940 than Knud Rasmussen had observed fifteen years earlier. An additional 200 feet of ruins on beach ridges cut obliquely by the north beach has been eroded since 1962; and

WHEREAS, there has been noted an annual recession of three to six feet on this north beach, most of this occurring when the ground is frozen during the great autumn storms; and

WHEREAS, this flooding is becoming a real danger to the established dwellings of Point Hope; and

WHEREAS, a seawall of fuel drums filled with sand having been installed is of no benefit whatever to the ruins and of only the slightest aid to the safety of the village; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that a quorum of the Village Council of Point Hope, Alaska, has seen fit to request emergency assistance from the United States Army Corps of Engineers in taking preventive action to control this situation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all assistance from any interested party or agency would be greatly appreciated by the people and the Village Council of Point Hope.

Approved and signed this 21st day of August, 1965,
Point Hope, Alaska

/s/ JACOB LANE

Acting Village Council President

NOTICE

For those of our readers who enjoy reading the editor's Arctic Survival stories, we are sorry to say that the story about an orange has been bumped by lack of space. Look for this unusual story in our next issue on October 4.