

Proud of our role

Historian Bill Hunt recently reviewed the best books on Alaska published last year. Among his favorites was Dan O'Neill's "The Firecracker Boys," a description of the aborted government effort to detonate a nuclear device near Pt. Hope.

The advent of Project Chariot was a galvanizing event in Alaska Native history. It was one of a series of events that gave rise to an era of activism for Native rights, and inspired the founding of *Tundra Times* to give voice to that activism.

As the years go by and new issues crowd our collective consciousness, people are inclined to forget the role played by *Tundra Times* in bringing Project Chariot to a halt, and helping focus nationwide attention on other serious injustices.

Those who have given so much through the years to keep this newspaper alive – as board members, writers, editors, technicians and labelers – can take enormous pride in their involvement with one of Alaska's history-making institutions.