

The Political Limited Entry

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You have heard of the fishermen of Alaska,
From the ones that have traveled to see,
Now, there are a few things I'd like to ask you,
One is, Why do we need LIMITED ENTRY?

The fishermen of Alaska have fished all their life,
And that is the way it should always be;
Working to make a decent living for their wife,
Knowing that there is no need for an unwanted Limited Entry?

Some have been hand-trolling most every day,
In a small skiff, on the rough waters of the sea,
Because they make a living that way;
And now they are wondering, why do we need a Limited Entry?

All hand-trollers have one thought as their goal,

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That he can save a percentage of the pay, and soon be,
The owner of a larger boat, and can power troll;
This would be true, except for the unnecessary Limited Entry.

What "Bill" Egan planned wasn't continued that way.
It was recognized by ignorant Politicians to be,
A means and opportunity is the only way we can say;
To railroad through the legislature the Limited Entry.

What "Bill" Egan planned was for fishermen of our state,
But, the ignorant Politicians have changed it to be;
For doctors, teachers, lawyers, and others of the Lower 48,
And eliminating the most deserving fishermen, with the Limited Entry.

The Hippies, Bums, and Long-haired Girl-Boys,
Are treated much different than some will be;
Just like Santa Claus handing out toys,
They only have to pay a \$5.00 fee for Limited Entry.

I would like for every one to know and understand,
Had Alaska continued as it was, A TERRITORY,
When I first came North to this wonderful land;
We would not have ignorant Politicians and Limited Entry.

I talked to a committee member, now I know he lied,
This was at a meeting held in Wrangell in 1973;
Some day maybe I shall retaliate, and take some hide,
Of the one that said, "For power trollers will be no Limited Entry."

And again at a similar meeting in 1974,
There sat this same man on the committee;
And still he lied to me some more,
Because, now power trollers shall have a permit for Limited Entry.

I fished last year and several years before,
On my trolling boat is my wife, my dog, and me;
This year I shall have to go fishing some,
Fishing is, my only way of making a living, heedless of Limited Entry.

About 17 years ago, my best friend and I did agree,
That ALASKA, where we lived, was a wonderful place to be.
At that time we didn't think we would ever see,
The day of ignorant Politicians and their LIMITED ENTRY.

The ignorant POLITICIANS can't avoid being that way,
They do not have the intelligence that it takes to see;
That the fishermen are the determining factor of their pay,
Other industries are also harmed with the ILLEGAL LIMITED ENTRY.

The ignorant POLITICIANS think it is the right thing to do,
But, there is no way to make it understood by people like me;
That our way of living should be taken from me and you,
By forcing upon us the ILLEGAL LIMITED ENTRY.

There are fishermen who live in Ketchikan, Sitka, Kake, Juneau,
Wrangell, Petersburg, Craig, Klawock, Myers Chuck, Tenakee,
Haines, Skagway, Pelican, Hydaburg, Elfin Cove, Douglas &
HOONAH,
ALL can do without ignorant POLITICIANS & LIMITED ENTRY.

THERE possibly are some who believe Russia and Japan,
Will have their fishermen in ships waiting offshore to see;
The unlearned POLITICIANS ruin the fishermen of our land,
By forcing upon us the ILLEGAL LIMITED ENTRY.

The devious POLITICIANS have no regard for investments made,
By some fishermen, that they may make a living from the sea;
However, should justice be done, and CONSTITUTION obeyed,
There will be no hardships because there will be no LIMITED ENTRY.

When, to our country, ABRAHAM LINCOLN was President,
Slavery, ABOLITION came to be;
If Lincoln was here today, I'm sure he would present,
A solution to eliminate the ILLEGAL LIMITED ENTRY.

Some of the unlearned employees of our good state,
Prefer moving our capitol, possibly the same seems to be;
The devious ones should acquire ample wisdom ere it's too late,
And eliminate the unjust moronic ILLEGAL LIMITED ENTRY.

Money wasted on ILLEGAL LIMITED ENTRY COMMISSIONER'S
salaries,
Could be put to a more useful purpose of building hatcheries;
Then the Limited Entry Commission won't be guilty of depravity,
After eliminating the entire doctrine of LIMITED ENTRY.

Think a bit, and remember the history of 1775,
Lanterns in a church, one if by land, two if by sea;
Now if the ones concerned should retaliate similar in 1975,
We will not have spurious officials nor ILLEGAL LIMITED ENTRY.