

## What others say...

### *Time draws near for 'Big Council' — 1991*

To the editor:

SHALAK NAIT "MY PEOPLE" IN GWICHIN DIALECT. The time is getting closer and closer for the Big decision in 1991. This is what I call "The Big Council" for us original people of this great land, what the White people call the Last Frontier.

Most of our people still don't understand the meaning of 1991 because they never give much thought about it or they are too busy doing their own things like fishing, trapping, hunting, berrypicking, driving boat, amking snowshoe, getting and cutting woods, setting rabbit snare, sewing and doing beadwork. The people are so busy doing their own thing they are not aware of the time is ticking away.

But for those who are aware of it or maybe not too sure it will pass or not, they are probably uncomfortable, and sweating all over the chair and desk. For me I don't know what will happen concerning the 1991 issue because from what I hear it doesn't sound too positive or O.K.

If the 1991 issue is on the positive side it means we will have a greater control of our land and life as it had been before the coming of the White man unto the land. It means we can do more thing than what the White man expect us to do.

I remember years back when I was a boy we used to go to fish camp every summer because that was where our food stamp and energy assistance

come from, right off the land and river. We used to be more independent in those days than today. For thousands of years the animals and fish were at our fingertips, but never destroyed, because we know deep within our hearts it wrong to be wasteful.. But the White man come and call us wasteful, when he almost destroy the 60 million buffalo in 100 years. Forgive me for being so critical, White man, but I sure hope this will make you understand or give you wisdom in dealing with the 1991 issue.

I sure hope the congressmen will put away their differences and sit down together and say to each other, "Let's give them (original people) the desire of their hearts..."

I still pray to God so that he will give the congressmen wisdom to run the office wisely. God bless this great nation of ours; protect us from all enemies, from all evil, from all danger, and may He give the president the wisdom to be leader of this great and wonderful nation.

President Reagan once quoted this from the Bible: II Chronicle 7:14, "*and my people who are called by my name humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive them their sin, and will heal their land...*"

*May the Good Lord bless us all.*

Ron Frank  
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### *Alaska needs leadership, says reader*

To the editor:

Alaska desperately needs a governor with leadership abilities and Dick Randolph is one.

Dick was elected to the Alaska House of Representatives in 1970 and again in 1972. In 1980, Dick returned to the legislature with the highest vote total of any candidate in the state. His legislative record shows that he stands for what he says and he does not compromise principle for political conveniences. He has already proven his leadership abilities; the two in-

cidents that stand out in my mind are the Permanent Fund Dividend Program and the Legislative Pay Raise Repeal.

Alaska has been Dick's home for 26 years, he knows our needs. He has been very successful at whatever he does.

Our next four years are very important to Alaska's future. Please make the right vote and help restore your Alaskan Dream with Dick Randolph.

Kelly J. Miller  
Fairbanks

### *America on the brink?*

To the editor:

Some legislators in the Congress were reluctant to call Tip O'Neill and his cronies in the Congress disloyal. Disloyalty is not the word, it should be traitorous. They along with their entrenched Alger Hisses in the State Department have been the pawns of

the communists for years in their support of Soviet adventurism around the world while denying the needed support to our allies to survive. As the Soviet sphere of influence has continued to engulf us, they have brought our beloved country to the brink of destruction and if the American people don't vote kthem out in the fall, this country is going right down the drain. Lord, preserve us from the actions of these evil people.

Freedom for the people,  
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