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## Editorial Comment-

## Emil Notti,

## The Un-Native

In recent years, Alaska Native people have come to the foreground of political action in this growing and progressive state. They have much cause to be proud of their heritage, their accomplishments, and their contributions. It has been said that Emil Notti, candidate in the special election for the seat left vacant by the tragic disappearance of Congressman Nick Begich, was to be lauded for being the first Alaska Native to run for national office.

The measure of Emil Notti goes beyond that definition. Much of what Emil is and what Emil stands for is closely associated with the Native movement in Alaska. But Emil has transcended the lable of "The Native Candid-

Emil stood his ground on issues that went beyond the borders of Alaska. He spoke with conviction on matters of national interest and international interest. Notti supporters came in all shapes and sizes. There were Alaskan Natives among them but there were many UnNatives also.

The single most important result of yesterday's election is that a candidate in Alaska can no longer be identified by a tag or a lable. There have been and there will be more and more Alaskan Natives participating in government. They will participate as equal citizens of the state, they will speak for and listen to all the segments of the electorate . . . White, Black, and Native.

Alaska is a state of much cultural diversity, as is the whole of America. One could as easily have called Notti "The Italian Candidate" from his immigrant pioneer father, Joseph Notti, who came to the Alaskan gold field from his "native" Italy. But Emil Notti is no longer half-Italian or half-Athabascan. He is total American, and as such speaks for a wide range of of people, among them the Alaska Native people, no longer a splintered and separated group but part and parcel of the mainstream of American life.
For that accomplishment, we take this opportunity to congratulate Emil Notti, the UN-NATIVE.

## Sackett Bill Revised

On Tuesday, March 6, the a certain amount of protection Alaska State Senate passed a revised version of Senator John Sáckett's Subsistence Hunting Bill by a vote of 11 to 8 . The original bill which caused a furor of controversy and met with strong opposition from sports hunters served to dramatize the legitimate concerns underlying the issues.
"So often,"
said Senator Sackett, "we introduce legis lation and it's just by-passed as being unimportant until you take some drastic action to
direct attention to the concept direct attention to the concept or legislation.'
Sackett said the purpose of fold "First, to the legislature and also to the Department Fish and to the Department of Fish to Game ad to hei (o people who subsist off the land."
The new bill does not require that the state set aside 25 mile radius zones for protection of subsistence around each rural village as originally proposed, but instead, gives authority to the State Fish and Game Com missioner to establish zones
based on need and at the request based on need and at the request
of a specific area. of a specific area.
It also allows other hunters and fishermen access to the area if it is determined that subsistence needs are being adequately met and there is no conflict. Overall, the new version of the bill has more built in flexibility based on actual in fexibility based on actual need, game population, and Board to recognize the ason.

## Tom Richards, Jr.'s Column--

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from my wishes sheep my by line alive in the Fundar fimes The deste ter expien misell be lore our readers in ath (kcupat willing victim. I also enjoy the latitude in joumalostc license afforded by this sype of watting As a reporter, I have to couple of hastily muttered thoughts from people whe per ter that I wouldna bother ber and then gutale stome cotio and devour cigares whe cotte ing the chece lorettes while rac line. cloch to meet the deadmy As a columnist. I have and a leisirely my commentary to develop them.
When I return to Alaska, I will have to make a living and probably even have to do some reporting. At this time, I ask to be allowed to exercise the prerogatives of a columnist station in life. Columnists are
widely regarded as political widely regarded as political
operatives, and many are called operatives, and many are catled
liberal or conservative writers In this particular piece, I will assume the role of a liberal columnist.

Liberal columnists like to build solid bases from which we can rase our voices and issue eloquent appeals for the more disadvantaged members of our society. We attempt to lend a bit of humanism to our by-lines


SAILFISH FOR TOM - Tom Richards, Jr., contribution fournalist for the Tundra Times, caught this eight-foot salfish while deep-sea fishing on February 27 in the South China Sea. Richards, at left. shows the sail fin of the fish, which was the fust of the prozed game fish to be caught this year near Subic Bay in the Philipomes The sailfish fought for forty minutes before it was gaffed. Pictured with Richards are crew members of the Cubi Chief fishing boat,
(Photograph by BUD HENSLEY)
by issuing appeals for aid for inspire Alaska villages to under worthy causes. I have found a take an act of charity worthy cause and, accordingly, will issue an appeal. I want to

Many of us are aware of
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## Letters from Here and There

## Galena Defends School; Tells Off Stickman

Box 112 Galena, Alaska

February 26, 1973

## Tundra Times

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Dear Editor
Once in a great while, usually every summer, we see Fred Stickman here at Galena. I hope I don't happen to run into him because I would want to start up big argument with him about his last letter on Galena and the high-school that the people of Galena need so badly. In fact, we need a high-school just as much as Nulato needs a highschool. Galena do need a highschool and it's our problem, not Nulato's.
Galena has a lot of criticism from the public. I think it's time that a lot of the people who takes a different view of Galena should realize that there side too if good on the other or needs help in some way, the people of Galena would get to-

## gether, maybe have affle,

 bakesale, or dance to raise money to help that person. I see a lot of good, nice people here.A lot of people talk about the newsite that is located $11 / 2$ miles up the road. It's called Alexander's Lake and some people are already living there. It's a beautiful place to live and that's another good side of Galena. It seems like the more Galena is growing and improving its community, the more criticism it receives. Alcoholism is a problem but not only Galena's. Basketball games, snow-machine races, raffles, bakesales, dances, and other bakesales, dances. and other ctivites substrute alcohol. It's not because "Galena gets everything" as the old saying goes, but it's because something is
done for it. We have very little of the drinking problem now. At least it gives something for the children and high-school students to go home satisfied before their curfew hour. The older people very seldom com. plain about having nothing to do
Yours truly,

Box 27.
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February 26, 1973
Mr. Howard Rock, Editor Tundra Times
Box 1287
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Dear MI. Rock
I have been reading fred stickman's letters for ages now. and this time he really licked me off. It's sad that he's fighting Galena's chance to get a new school and down-grading Galena's reputation when he use to live and work here himself People are always talking about the terrible drinking problem and the girls running aound with G.I.'s here. If everyone would just stop to think about it, there's only a mere handful (if that much) that have this G.I. and drinking problem. It's the people who come from out of town that gave us our bad reputation. If you would notice, they're the ones who drink and wise hell.
He asks, "Why Galena?" for new school. We need a school just as bad and even worst than

