

"I may not agree with a word you say but I will defend unto death your right to say it." — Voltaire



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Editorial Comment— Trophy Hunters Continue to Waste Big Game Animals

There is something bitterly unsavory about big game trophy hunters who prey upon Alaska's prime game. Their main purpose, of course, is to get the biggest set of horns of ruminants, such as sheep, moose and caribou, and to hell with the fine meat of those animals which they often leave to rot in the wilderness. Much the same thing happens when the two-legged predators go after carnivores such as polar bears, Kodiak brown bears, grizzlies and so forth. On top of this despicable trait, these hunters are completely lacking in consideration of Alaska's great animal kingdom that they might seriously deplete certain species down to a dangerous level.

Up in the same level of the above type of hunters are some unscrupulous big game guides who also have no consideration of the animals they stalk for their fare except a handsome wad of money they will receive. Also included are some of the common hunters who eagerly await the opening date of a hunting season and start shooting with despicable abandon just for the thrill of killing the animal. These are unforgivable sins the serious minded hunters and the serious minded public despise.

There are indeed serious minded people who care a great deal about the continued existence of Alaska's unequalled animal resources. There are, also, those people who are charged with overseeing the favorable or unfavorable conditions of important herds of game who seem to be unaware of some situations where and when they are needed. They are public servants paid with public funds. They need to improve their surveillance in guarding our priceless animal system in Alaska. If they don't, our fabulous animal resources may begin to make downward trend toward extinction. And if this happens, it could be the beginning of one of the world's greatest disasters — the loss of a splendid animal resource and heritage.

We are fortunate indeed to have people like State Senator John Sackett who courageously alert us to the unsavory incidents regarding trophy hunters and others who seem bent on destroying our precious animal heritage.

A Pleasant Surprise— Barrow Donates \$500

Walk for Hope and Hope Cottage received a very pleasant surprise recently. The Barrow Lions Club sent a \$500.00 check to the Walk for Hope. This money was raised from personal donations and a Walk held there with the Club matching funds raised.

The Walk people here were not even aware Barrow was participating this year. In the letter that came with the check, the Barrow Lions stated they thought the Walk for Hope was one of the finest projects in the

State and want to run the '75 Walk for the Barrow area.

The addition of this money pushes the total amount collected to \$55,000.

The Walk for Hope Committee reminds the pledgers that the goal of \$150,000 is far from met. Walkers, if you have not yet contacted those who pledged money on the number of miles you walked, the time is not too late and your assistance is badly needed.

Letters from Here and There

Archie's Family, Friends Extend Special Thanks

Tanana, Alaska 99777
Aug. 19, 1974

Dear Mr. Rock:

The family and friends of Archie Moses would like to use this medium to extend a special thank you to Sen. Mike Gravel for his help in making it possible to hold Archie's funeral on time, as scheduled in Stevens Village.

When Archie's remains were held in Anchorage because of a slip-up in paperwork, Sen. Gravel broke the bureaucratic road-block and expedited arrangements.

Other people who helped meet the very tight timetable were Fred Brown, and the several pilots and agents of North Air, particularly Mrs. Olson.

Sincerely yours,
Mary Wallace Moses

Stickman Waits And Waits for Airplane)

Fairbanks, Alaska
Aug. 24, 1974

Dear Friend Howard Rock the Editor:

The gnats were so bad at Nulato I wanted to leave — get away from them.

On the mail day schedule, we waited three hours up at the airfield but no plane. So we went down to call Fairbanks and Galena but the radio was bum. That's when I thought about buying a radio telephone.

Finally after waiting eight hours I caught a plane to Galena to catch the big plane but the mail plane for Nulato was still in Fairbanks. All the time we were waiting for it with the mail carrier fighting them damn gnats.

Now in Fairbanks, the same thing happened to me, only worse. First time in my life that two planes were full and no room for me. Also the third plane, Tanana Air Taxi to Galena, also had no room for me. I don't know what the hell is happening around here for me. I think my luck is running out. Suppose if I had no place to stay it would have been worse.

Fred Stickman, Sr.
P.S. I hope someone reads this letter and put a radio telephone at Nulato. That's RCA.

Exceptions For Natives

U. S. Department of Commerce
National Oceanic and
Atmospheric Administration
National Marine Fisheries
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August 15, 1974

Mr. Howard Rock, Editor
Tundra Times
Box 1287
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

Dear Mr. Rock:

An article regarding taking of marine mammals which appeared in the June 5 issue of the TUNDRA TIMES may be misleading to your readers since it did not mention the exceptions

granted "Alaskan Natives."

The article was based on a news release prepared by our parent organization the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Washington, D.C. Because the release was for national distribution, it made no mention of the specific exceptions provided solely for "Alaskan Natives."

Briefly stated, "Alaskan Natives" are excepted from the permit and registration requirements of the regulations if the taking of the animals or the salvaging for their skins or other parts is:

(1) By Alaskan Natives who reside in Alaska for subsistence, or

(2) For purposes of creating and selling authentic native articles of handicraft and clothing, and

(3) In each case, not accomplished in a wasteful manner.

Under the regulations, "Alaskan Native" means a person defined in the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and anyone enrolled pursuant to section 5 of the Act is considered an "Alaskan Native."

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the Department of Commerce marine mammal regulations. If you or any of your readers desire further information, please contact this office.

Sincerely,
Harry L. Rietze
Director, Alaska Region

House Divided Cannot Stand

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August 6, 1974

Howard Rock, Editor
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Dear Howard,

In the July 17th issue of the voice of our people; the Tundra Times, you printed a letter entitled "HOUSE DIVIDED CAN NOT STAND" by Lonnie Thomas. I agree with Lonnie that we Natives had better stick together and settle our differences. Indians, Eskimos and Aleuts can work toward the same goals as already proven by the Corporation Leaders we have elected. We must remember also that we belong; and are part of a Great Nation called the United States of America.

With the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act many of us found a identity new to our way of life. That new identity has also made us aware of our political responsibility to each other. We are, our brothers keeper. That responsibility goes further and extends to our Nation as a whole. As recent events have shown; our Senators and Congressmen do represent our STATE in Washington D. C. We are more than Eskimos, Indians and Aleuts; and remember we are CITIZENS of the UNITED STATES first. To protect the rights of every citizen, is in itself protecting native rights. It makes no difference if you are Aleut and Republican, Indian and Democrat, or Eskimo and Independent; VOTE!

Being in prison and losing the right to vote has made me realize the importance of that sacred right. In the last National Election 1, along with many others

seen people elected we didn't like or trust. The difference was, we couldn't vote . . . You can. Thank you, Howard, for the awareness you've given our people. Best wishes to you and your staff. Before I close let me add that the Tundra Times is going as far south as South Pasadena, Fla. I needed a gift for a friend and couldn't think of anything better to send than the Tundra Times. A person who has done much for our people, Mrs. Ruth Vaughn is the recipient.

Sincerely,
John L. Lombard

Writer Poses Health Matters

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August 6, 1974

Commissioner Frederick McGinnis
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Dear Commissioner McGinnis:

It seems that every time I write to you concerning health matters within the TCC region I'm either complaining about specific circumstances or sending you copies of resolutions requiring that the State of Alaska alleviate serious health shortcomings experienced by the Native population. The reason I am writing to you now poses one of the most serious mental problems presented experienced by this state. I urge the State of Alaska to seriously consider their actions when making drastic cuts on budgets for alcoholism programs.

It has come to my attention that the Galena Alcoholism Project has been reduced in budget by \$21,750 from last year's funding level. This gives the Galena Alcoholism Program a total amount of \$4,250 which virtually eliminates the successful program that Galena has had in the past. Repeatedly, Native leaders on a statewide basis have expressed the necessity of the state and federal government to address alcoholism programs throughout all rural areas of Alaska.

During the First Annual Conference on Rural Health you stated that you chaired a conference of similar nature in 1951 at which there were 100 participants. You also stated that the subject areas expressed during the conference were the same health problems being brought to the attention of the state and federal governments. If the State of Alaska continues to drastically reduce alcoholism budgets, the same priorities will be expressed over and over again in 1981. Alcoholism is the No. 1 health hazard presently experienced in the State of Alaska. However, the state has not placed alcoholism No. 1 on priority in meeting this serious health need. If the state priorities do not mesh with the priorities expressed by the Alaskan Natives, all conferences on rural health will end up with the same results.

The Tanana Chiefs Health Authority (TCHA) must now supplement the State of Alaska's

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