

Stickman Waits And Waits for Airplane)

Fairbanks, Alaska
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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 happen-
ing 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.