

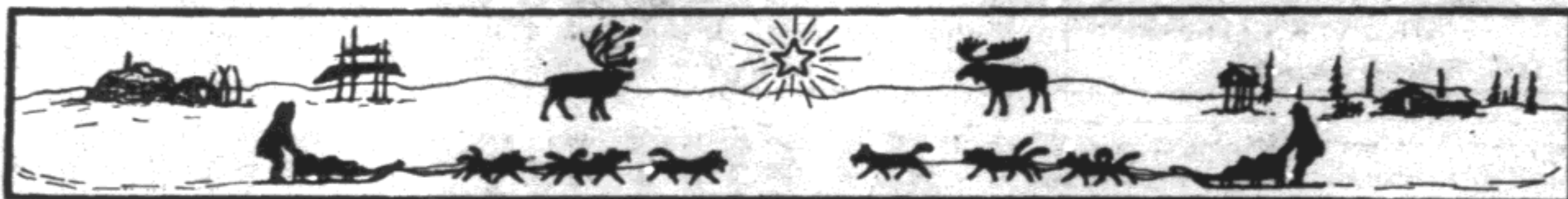
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Reindeer Tidbits, Salmon Fillet, Etc. Set for Feast

Nearly 750 pounds of fresh meat and fish will be air-freighted to Anchorage next week for the Tundra Times Banquet, October 4, in the Anchorage-Westward Ballroom.

250 pounds of freshly butchered and boned reindeer meat, provided by the Northwest Reindeer Processing Company, will arrive in Anchorage-Westward kitchens Thursday morning where it will be marinated and cubed into reindeer brochettes.

Still steaming, 175 pounds of Kodiak King Crab will be flown in on Friday morning. The tender, shelled crab meat will be skillfully blended into a crisp, green salad.

Contacted Wednesday, Harry Carter of the Kodiak Native Association assured the Tundra Times that Kodiak Natives would be happy to make certain the crab arrives on time.

Jim Austin, president of the

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Berkeley Attys. May Sue AEC In World Court

Mrs. Frances Herring, Berkeley, Calif., contacted Tundra Times this week and said that a group of attorneys there were making plans on the possibility of suing the Atomic Energy Commission should that agency detonate the atomic device on Amchitka Island next Thursday at 1:00 p.m.

Mrs. Herring said that the suit, if it takes place, would be brought before the World Court.

She said that she was worried, along with the attorneys, about the blast. She had always been interested in ecology such as that on Amchitka Island. She has a doctor of philosophy degree.

She said the group of lawyers were headed by Attorney Francis Heisler of Carmel, California. He can be reached at 261 Purdue Avenue, Berkeley, Calif. 94708. His phone is: Area Code 408, 624-7757.



HEAP BIG . . . ?— It is not known at the moment whether Peter P Three Stars is a chief or not but he looks something like one in the picture. Pete is a member of the board of directors of the Tundra Times.

—THOMAS RICHARDS, JR. Photograph

Pete Regains Two Stars Divested as Penalties

By HOWARD ROCK
Times Editor

Since becoming the member of the Board of Directors of the Tundra Times some three years ago, Peter Three Stars has had some unusual experiences during board deliberations, all of them rather comical.

The rotund, jovial Three Stars has taken them with a shrug of his half-ton wide shoulders and a snicker with a sarcastic touch.

The latest encounter Pete had with the board involved his name, "Three Stars."

Three Stars is a busy man as Tribal Operations Officer with the Bureau of Indian Affairs Fairbanks District. His assignments

take him far and wide into cities and deep into the bush.

Recognized by his peers as an astute and excellent board member, his trips many times cause him to be absent at the Tundra Times board meetings.

"Pete hasn't been to these meetings for some time. I think we should penalize him and take away one of his stars," remarked a board member about three months ago.

The board concurred and Pete became "Peter Two Stars." He subsequently lost another.

"Mr. Chairman, I move that the board unanimously by voice vote reinstate 'Peter One Star's'"

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Sen. Gravel Hits Wash. Paper for Downgrading Natives of the State

"I cannot help but be outraged at your suggestion that the native has neither the right to claim nor the wit to use the wealth of the land that he and only he has used and occupied from time immemorial."

Such was the way Sen. Mike Gravel of Alaska chastised the editor of The Washington Post concerning the editorial that appeared in that publication early this month.

In the opening lines of his letter to the editor, Sen. Gravel said that no economic dream is more embedded in American lore than that of the farmer or rancher or homeowner awakening some morning to find oil on his land.

"But your editorial of September 9 made no provision in that dream for the Alaska native," Gravel wrote. "You said that the award of mineral rights to the Alaska native was a 'dubious concept,' that the oil reservoirs now being developed 'have never been of value to the natives who have lacked the means both of discovering and of exploiting them.'"

Gravel said the lucky farmer or rancher in Oklahoma or California has had no particular expertise in oil development,

either.

"But he had something that made such expertise unnecessary—he had title to his land," Gravel declared.

He said that Congress said in 1884 that the Alaska native had rights to land he used and occupied. But Congress had never defined the right, made provision for title or compensated the native for land taken.

"Hopefully, these questions will be resolved in the present Congress," he said.

He said that Alaska natives, by almost any accepted standard, have established rights to the land that is now being developed by the oil companies; that the natives have lived on that land, hunted there, fished there, used and protected the resources.

"But the federal government

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Vincent Price to Be In Fairbanks 2 Days

Vincent Price will be in Fairbanks on October 1 at 2:45 in the afternoon for his first visit in the city.

The famous actor has decided to tour parts of Alaska before he attends the Tundra Times 7th anniversary banquet to be held in the ballroom of the Anchorage-Westward Hotel in Anchorage on the evening of October 4.

Price is to be met by Dr. William R. Wood, president of the University of Alaska, along with Prof. Ron Senungetuk. The actor, accompanied by Robert Hart, general manager of the Interior Department's Indian Arts and Crafts Board, will be taken to the university where Price is

scheduled to visit and talk with the students.

Vincent Price is the chairman of the Indian Arts and Crafts Board.

The Price party will be staying at the Travelers Inn on the evenings of October 1 and 2.

The actor will be arriving in Anchorage at 1:45 p.m. on the Wien Consolidated Airlines jet on October 3. He is scheduled to have dinner with the editor of the Tundra Times Howard Rock, Mary Hale, chairman of the Alaska State Council on the Arts, Chuck and Francine Lastufka, Mike Kennedy of the Anchorage Art Museum and others including

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Thomas Kelly Contributing to Divisions by Speeches

Thomas E. Kelly, Commissioner of Natural Resources for the state, is acting as the personification of the faction of this northern country that seemed not to want any kind of settlement in the native land claims. He is personifying the seeming greed for vast wealth of this faction and to heck with the native land needs for equitable resolution.

Kelly, being very new from Texas, can not have too much knowledge of the land situation. He is going along with other newly arrived people in high places, who always seemed to land in highly influential positions, that native claims started when the vast amounts of oil were discovered. No. It is known that claims by natives were made as far back as 1917. Chief Attungowruk of Point Hope, as early as 1875, imposed a demarkation line to keep the white whalers out of his people's accustomed whaling areas. The present land claims situation accelerated when the state, under permission from the statehood act, began to select lands with no apparent thought that some selections it

made would encroach on the ages old hunting areas of the native people. This, perhaps more than anything else, has been the prime mover for the claims.

Kelly is talking that divisiveness among the people of Alaska were being caused by the land claims. He is certainly contributing to this with his speeches he is making in the state to this effect.

It seems that Tom Kelly, and the people who agree with him, are dead set against the land freeze which, in fact, is serving to expedite the solution to claims. Kelly can't wait for another year or so when the land solution might be reached in Congress. Perhaps he might be fanning thoughts among the native leadership on the possibility of litigation to solve the land problem in which case it would add more years of solving the question. John Borbridge, vice president of the Alaska Federation of Natives, said last week:

"These people forget that we are perfectly willing to tie this thing up in court. This is something from which we are not going to retreat. . ."