

Letters to The Editor

August 4, 1971

Dear Editor:

I have spent considerable thought and time to write this letter.

The subject is the Tlingit and Haida Indians in Oregon.

We have written letters to Mr. J. Borbridge and Mr. D. Wright concerning obtaining information to join the Alaska Native Federation. We have received no reply. Whether it is discrimination or what, it has been about a year since the first letter to Mr. Borbridge requesting information about our own chapter.

If it is a matter of where we will get our funds, there is no problem. We are entirely on our own and have no obligation with anyone.

We are the same people as those in Alaska why we are being ignored we do not understand.

Maybe if Mr. Borbridge or Mr. Wright reads this letter in the Times they will understand our biggest complaint, no communication. How can we help ourselves if we can not get the information? We are waiting patiently for word from back home.

Yours sincerely,
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