

Dr. Henry S. Forbes Dies . . .

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fact finding trip. Miss Madigan was then the executive director of the AAIA.

One of the communities they visited was Point Hope where they met the future editor of Tundra Times.

The village council of Point Hope called a meeting with Miss Madigan who, as well, represented Dr. Forbes while Forbes was running down information on polar bear. The council meeting discussed the impending experimental atomic device blast at Cape Thompson, 30 miles southeast of Point Hope.

The meeting resulted in a subsequent letter of protest against the nuclear blast at the cape by the people of Point Hope to the Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall.

With a footing established by the letter to Udall, the AAIA, along with the villagers, took up the fight against the blast fearing the detonation would contaminate the animals of the sea and land that abound the area with radioactivity.

The plan was finally suspended by the Atomic Energy Commission after sustained opposition, one of which was a heated meeting between Point Hope people and officials of the AEC.

The meeting also discussed the duck situation that had erupted at Barrow prior to that meeting. The twin native problems resulted in the first northern Alaska native conference at Barrow on November 14-15-16, 1961.

That conference, known as the Inupiat Paitot (People's Heritage), proved to be the primemover of some 23 native organizations that exist today. The conference was sponsored by the AAIA and coordinated by LaVerne Madigan.

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and with officials of the Corps of Engineers of the U.S. Army.

Led by Senator Gruening we all went to inspect the river bank damage and Senator Gruening, as is typical of him whenever a problem affecting his fellow Alaskans is involved, showed interest and concern.

While the official party had gone to Ft. Yukon to conduct a previously announced hearing on the Rampart Dam Proposal, Senator Gruening and the Corps of Engineers followed up their visit to Ft. Yukon by moving promptly to obtain emergency repairs—which have been followed by a more formidable permanent project to protect Ft. Yukon from river erosion.

Mr. Perdue, who I'm sure is a very fine public spirited man, shows his unfamiliarity with the Federal Rivers and Harbor Program when he says that a dike at Ft. Yukon quote, "has since been built without Senator Gruening's help—unquote."

Senator Gruening, as a member of the Public Works Committee of the Senate, is the man who got this project for Ft. Yukon.

The whole Perdue statement is nothing but one of an obvious series of last minute frantic efforts on behalf of Senator Gruening's opponent to try to mislead voters before next Tuesday's election. They will not succeed.

Sincerely yours,
George Sundborg

NEWS MEDIA

At the Point Hope meeting, the possibility of starting a newsletter was also mentioned. This was again mentioned at the Barrow conference. The nucleus of a native news media had been formed.

During the conference, Miss Madigan told the conference that she would attempt to find means of starting a newspaper. After exhausting every possible source of funding, including foundations, Miss Madigan conferred with Dr. Henry S. Forbes.

Late in August of 1962, Dr. Forbes called Howard Rock in Fairbanks from his home at Milton, Mass.

"I have decided to back the paper," Dr. Forbes stated, "but I'll back it under one condition—that you be the editor of it."

Rock was stunned because he had had no previous newspaper experience, and said so to Dr. Forbes. The doctor persisted and Rock reluctantly agreed.

Thomas A. Snapp, who had covered the Barrow conference for Fairbanks Daily News-Miner, had developed an interest in the discussion of the possibility of starting a native newspaper. He was at that time, however, planning to go on vacation and visit his family in Virginia.

Seeing no alternative but to get the services of an experienced newsman, Rock pursued Snapp, but Snapp persisted in packing for the vacation. Two days before he was to leave, he finally relented.

Rock promptly named him assistant editor and the first edition of the Tundra Times rolled off the press on October 1, 1962.

WORK BEGINS

From the initial edition of the Tundra Times, the work on publicizing the Alaska native problems began. Many of the assignments the staff took on were highly controversial.

Now, less than six years later, the newspaper has been credited with playing the important part in the efforts to solve native problems.

TRIBUTE

Roger C. Ernst, president of the Association on American Indian Affairs and former assistant secretary of the Department of the Interior under President Dwight Eisenhower, sent the following to the AAIA's Board

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dike that was finally built in Fort Yukon was through the efforts of Republican Rep. Donald E. Young with the state appropriation of \$250,000.00. The Corp of Engineers came in last spring to fortify the dike for extra security.

If anyone wants any more truths go and visit the people of Fort Yukon.

Sincerely,
Ralph Perdue

of Directors:

"We are profoundly sorry to inform you that Dr. Henry S. Forbes died on August 15th.

"For many years a member of the Executive Committee and the Health Committee, Dr. Forbes was Chairman of the Alaska Policy Committee since its inception in 1961. His devotion to the cause of the American Indian and Alaska Natives will enrich their lives for generations to come.

"Dr. Forbes' strong but gentle spirit will long be remembered by the Association and the many of its members who personally knew this most humane man."

Dr. Henry Stone Forbes was born on May 27, 1882. He had been a lifelong resident of Milton, Mass. He was a graduate of the Milton Academy, Harvard College, and he was a graduate of the Harvard Medical School where, for great many years, he served as a research doctor until he retired.

After his retirement he joined the AAIA and subsequently made trips to Alaska seeking ways to aid the native people of the state.

He was also a member of the Alaska Conservation Society, the American Physiological Society, the Harvard Club of Boston, and the Federation of Atomic Scientists. He was a veteran of World War I.

Dr. Forbes is survived by his wife, Mrs. Hildegard B. (Cobb) Forbes; four daughters, Mrs. Lester E. Gordon of Lexington, Mass., Mrs. Peter Elias of Cambridge, Mass., Mrs. Edward Greene, Providence, R.I., and Mrs. Geoffrey Hendricks of New York City; two sisters, Mrs. Weston Howland, Milton, Mass., and Mrs. Raymond Emerson, Concord, Mass., and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at First Parish Church (Unitarian) on Canton Avenue at Milton at 2:00 p.m. on August 20.

CINA Buys . . .

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of directors failed to get a quorum several times but finally got formal action on it recently.

Prior to CINA's purchase of stock, Fairbanks Native Association's Board of Directors had voted to buy \$100 worth of stock. FNA board also decided that the organization will also buy additional stock the following year.

Local attorney, Barry Jackson, and an attorney for Tundra Times, also bought \$100 worth of stocks recently.



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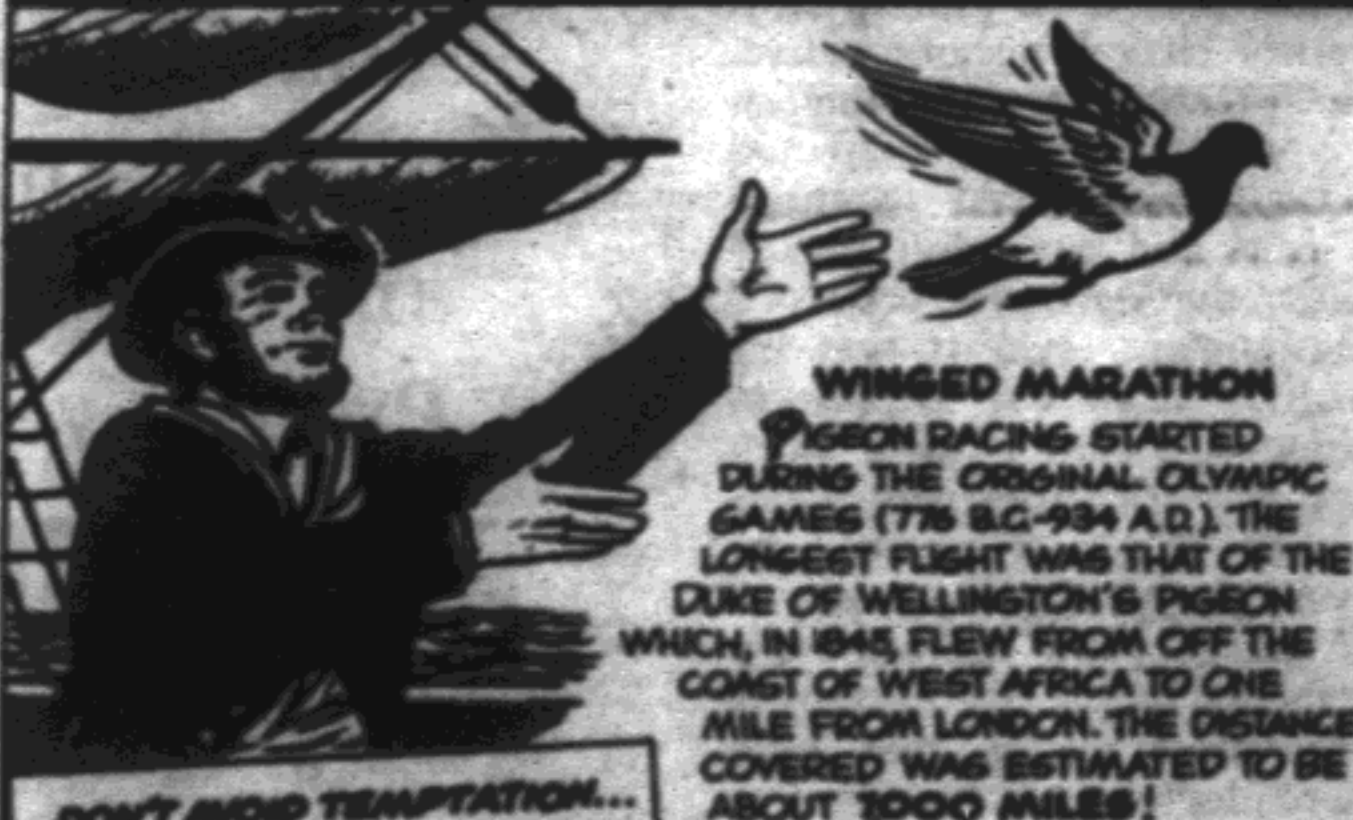
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