

Couple Wants Readers Write Congress on Lands

Tundra Times had a timely suggestion recently from the subscribers in Rockford, Illinois, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Pedrick. The Pedricks also sent a \$15.00 check toward the \$72,000 travel fund that is being raised to finance travel expenses of the native leaders and their attorneys to Washington, D. C. and Juneau, Alaska, the State Capitol, so they can work on behalf of the native land claims.

Anyone of our subscribers in the Lower 48 states who may wish to contribute to the fund may send their contributions to Tundra Times, Box 1287, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701, specifying that it is for the Native Land Claims Travel Fund. The staff will make sure that it will be forwarded to the proper channels.

"As a suggestion," wrote Dick and Marian Pedrick, "perhaps an article or notation in your newspaper to subscribers in the smaller states, urging them to write their Senators and Congressmen giving recommendations on the passage of S.2906."

The Pedricks, of course, are talking about the land claims bill of that number now pending in Congress.

We heartily agree that our subscribers in the Lower 48 urge their Congressional delegations recommending passage of the S.2906. The native people believe that the passage of this bill will assure a good future for them and the children that will come after them.

The Pedricks said they have written several times to their Congressmen on Alaskan affairs and the Congressmen have been grateful.

There is power in numbers, they said, and that a few people like themselves in the Lower 48 can help spread the word to more legislators other than Alaska's legislators.

Letters to the Editor

March 26, 1968
Bethel, Alaska

Dear Sir:

The idea that the native people have no control over liquor seems like another myth.

A short dark man and a tall blond man are walking down the street. When they come near a bar, is there a reason why the short man goes in and the tall man stays out? While they were walking they both walked around a mud hole.

I just can't believe they can both walk around a mud hole, but only one walk past

a bar. I can't believe the native people were born with an unusual weakness for liquor. That's just an attitude that has grown and grown. How??

Blaming the non-natives for the liquor problems is admitting weakness. Surely if the native people can cope with the big responsibility of raising a family in the cold country, they can beat the liquor problems.

Let's change our attitudes! After all it's only sour grapes, rotten grain, spoiled sugar cane, etc. that you're passing up.

-Name withheld



NEED A NEW HEART?—The tall, handsome man is the South African surgeon, Dr. Christian Bernard, first to transplant a human heart. Standing alongside him with what some have described as a longing look is Senator Bob Bartlett of Alaska,

twice the victim of heart difficulties in the last two years. The two met at a luncheon given in Washington by Senator Lister Hill of Alabama. Note: Dr. Bernard made no transplant offer.

\$3 Million in Oil Bids Sold

JUNEAU—Gov. Walter J. Hickel's office announced this week that 147 bids totaling \$3,009,224 have been accepted by the Department of Natural Resources on 164,961 acres of state land offered in the 21st competitive

oil and gas lease sale held on Tuesday.

The lands are in the Port Moller-Port Heiden areas of Bristol Bay.

The governor's office said 33 bids, totaling \$92,433.72 were rejected in the best

interests of the state. The rejected bids comprised approximately 37,629 acres of offshore lands in the Port Moller and Sandy River areas.

Apparent high bidders have been notified of acceptance or rejection of their bids.

Oklahoma University Studies Caribou in N. Slope

The University of Okla. in cooperation with the United States Army and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, is again working with caribou on the north slope of the Alaska Range between Delta Junction and Healy.

"This is part of a disease incidence and transmittal study," said Mel Buchholtz, leader of the group.

"Caribou are pursued with a helicopter, and darts containing a drug are fired from a CO₂ powered gun at close range. The caribou is immobilized shortly after the drug enters the bloodstream and the crew quickly extracts a blood sample, places a numbered metal tag in each ear and an orange plastic ear streamer in one ear.

"The drug soon wears off and the animal is on its way," said Buchholtz.

"A total of 160 caribou have been tagged in the last two years. We hope to be able to immobilize about 80 this spring," said Buchholtz.

The University of Okla. team is new this spring so Oliver (Bud) Burris, game biologist for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, is accompanying the crew until they become familiar with the immobilization techniques.

"The Department of Fish

and Game will analyze one half of all the blood samples, observe movements of ear-marked caribou from the air and obtain material to help our caribou age determination techniques," said Burris.

Sportsmen are asked to

bring the entire head or the ears and jaw of ear-tagged caribou they shoot and to report sightings of ear-marked caribou to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. The caribou season ends March 31.

Law School Offers Scholarships

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objective.

Students selected for participation will receive substantial scholarship grants. Each student selected will be awarded a tuition scholarship, travel and book allowances and a grant for living expenses.

The amount of the grants will depend upon the student's need, but it is anticipated they will range from \$1,000 to \$1,500 for the eight-week summer session, and from \$2,500 to \$6,000 for the academic year.

The great need for Indian lawyers is evidenced by the fact that there are no Indians practicing law in either Arizona or New Mexico even though the Indian population of the two states is probably close to 200,000.

It is hoped that the New Mexico program will attract Indians who are presently

in their third or fourth year of college, those who will graduate this June, and individuals who have graduated during the past five years.

Since the program has no prescribed college pre-law program, students majoring in any subject are eligible.

Last year, in the first year of the program, 18 applicants representing 13 tribes were accepted for the summer portion. Seven of these were undergraduate students who had not completed undergraduate work.

Of the 18, nine were eligible for law school last September, and seven were accepted and are now regular law students.

Those interested in making application should contact Professor F. M. Hart, University of New Mexico Law School, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 87106.

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