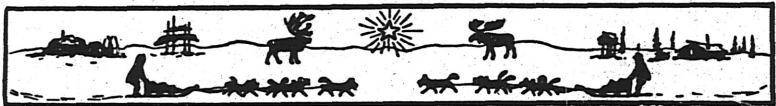


"I may not agree with a word you say but I will defend unto death your right to say it." - Voltaire

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THE NAKED TITLE . . .

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You have failed to develop the history of native ownership and this has led you into the same serious errors of the Bureau of Land Management that you call a flaw in the title granted by the government to miners, homesteaders and bedevils the State in its land selections.

The first fact to be noted is this, to wit, that in 1867 all of Alaska except a very small area was owned by the native tribes from time immemorial.

When the United States bought Alaska it obtained only the naked title because the natives were in actual occupation as that word is understood in international law so well described by our supreme court in several cases (Johnson vs. Higgins, Mitchell vs. USA, Worcester vs. Georgia, Chateau vs. Molong, Buttz vs. No. Pac. R.R., Holden vs. Joy, Beecher vs. Wisconsin, Cramer vs. USA, Walapai Indians vs. Santa Fe R.R. in 1941 and Tlingit & Haida Indians vs. USA in 1959).

So you and others should treat the claims of the natives as a fact which were in existence on May 17, 1884 when Congress enacted this law. This is the law that has prevented the Secretary of the Interior from confirming the state's selection.

When Congress gave the 103,000,000 acres to Alaska it gave only what it had, to wit, the naked title. If your attorney general would read the above cases without bias, he would advise you that you got nothing but the naked title. The natives are owners of the equitable title. We know that your attorney has encouraged you to persist in your error.

The consequences of this bad advice to you and your predecessor are so serious that you have shut your eyes to the Indian ownership.

These consequences will continue until the Indian title is extinguished by an act of Congress or a quit claim by the native owners. This would solve your problem after the date of the quit claim but what of the money the State has collected wrongfully?

The solution offered by the natives is in the bill which you condemned for mistaken reasons.

You cannot resolve it by creating a white backlash. That only makes it worse. You will not accept the natives claim as valid because you want what is theirs. The only recourse left is for the natives to sue in ejectment with consequences abhorrent to the natives. So they propose a bill to define the rights of the parties. This you oppose.

Undoubtedly vast areas along the Arctic are still occupied only by aboriginal Eskimos, land that nobody cared for until exploiters desired the oil thereon. Even today none of these are residents and yet you wish to take land which has supported them from time immemorial while the State would take what is theirs by the terms of an international law which the white race seized on their own terms. To illustrate what could have been the Alaska situation:

The United States bought Louisiana from France for 15 million dollars and then paid the Indians in occupation over 800 million dollars for their equitable title. This is the pattern of international law. Can anybody explain why the Alaska case is different?

You can appeal to Congress and Congress could heed your appeal but Congress cannot enact an ex post facto law to secure the millions of dollars Alaska has taken from the natives.

The Natives have no need to appeal to Congress. There is ample law for their needs.

The Executive Committee of the Alaska Native Brotherhood however is conscious of the factual situation and would recommend confirmation of all title now in esse including that of the University of Alaska and some adjustment of the claims of the State.

Sincerely,
Special Committee to draw and present this resolution.

Frank G. Johnson

William L. Paul, Sr.

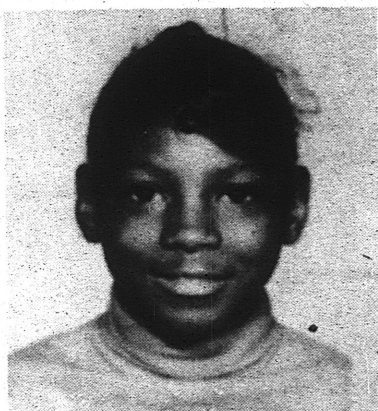
Lower 48 Pupils Write More Letters

147 Grace Avenue
Akron 20, Ohio 44320
February 3, 1967

Dear Mr. Rock,
How are you fine I hope! My teacher Mrs. Morris give our class Explorer and she gets them to and she told our class that you were a blood Eskimo! And then if we sent in 20¢ and sent this money to you to send me some material on Alaska for school. Everybody in room 206 Rakin School have to make a note book on Alaska 50 pages. And I would appreciate it very much if you can send some materials.
HAVE FUN PLEASE! HAVE FUN

Sincerely yours,
Olympia Shingles
For Grade Four

This is my picture →



* * *
Charles Dohogne
OS 481 Prince Crossing
W. Chicago 60185

Dear Alaska

Will you send me a Tundra Times and how can you stand that wail meet and blubber..

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25 Riveredge Dr.
Fairfield, N.J. 07006

Gentlemen:

We are studying Alaska in school and we would like to know what you put in your paper.

So I would like to order a copy of your newspaper. I am sending 30¢ to cover the cost. Please send it as soon as possible.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,
Brian Beckwith

P.S. Please send me the paper air mail. I will send 10¢ extra. Altogether I will send 40¢. Do not send any money back. Thank you.

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27 Woodbrier Dr.
Chillicothe, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Would you please send me a Tundra Times newspaper. I have enclosed \$.20. My name is James York from Chillicothe, Ohio.

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604 Glendora
Akron, Ohio 44320
February 3, 1967

Dear Mr. Rock:

Are class is studying on Alaska. Everyone has to make a fifty page report, they are due March 10th. I know you want to help me get an A on my report card. So I would really appreciate it if you would send me some Tundra Times material.

Yours truly,

Karen Flemm

704 Orlando Ave.
Akron, Ohio 44320
February 3, 1967

Dear Mr. Rock,

Please send me as much information on anything of the cold regions and Alaska as possible. Enclosed is 20¢ for Tundra Times. Send me as many old or new Tundra Times as possible. If I get an A on Social Studies I'll return a letter to you. I hear you are an Eskimo yourself. We are studying Alaska and the cold regions and have to make a 50-page notebook on it. Please send me as much material as possible. Thank you very much.

Sincerely yours,
Sherri Cline

P.S. Please send to me as soon as possible.

"The young man who thinks the world owes him a living will be the old man who blames the world for his failure."

UNKNOWN

It Pays to Visit Doctor

"Tell you the truth, Doc," said Felix, "I feel just fine. Don't know why I'm here, except the wife nagged me into coming around for a checkup."

"Mmm," said the doctor, peering at Felix's record. Two years since his last visit. "Well, let's have a look."

Blood pressure? Fine. Heart? Not a bit bad. Weight? Hadn't put on an ounce. The doctor nodded, then listened thoughtfully to his chest.

"You say you've felt well? No minor complaints? Cough or anything?"

"Come to think of it, I have been coughing a little since last summer. But just in the morning. Didn't even think of mentioning it."

"Plenty of pep lately?"

"Well, now you mention it," said Felix, "guess I've lost a little of the old get-up-and-go. But none of us are getting any younger, are we, heh, heh."

He started to put on his shirt, but the doctor shook his head. "Step over here, please." Felix moved to the X-ray machine and dutifully posed.

The chest X-ray looked suspicious. And when the results from a couple of other tests were in there was no longer any doubt. Felix had tuberculosis—not terribly advanced but not in the beginning stage either.

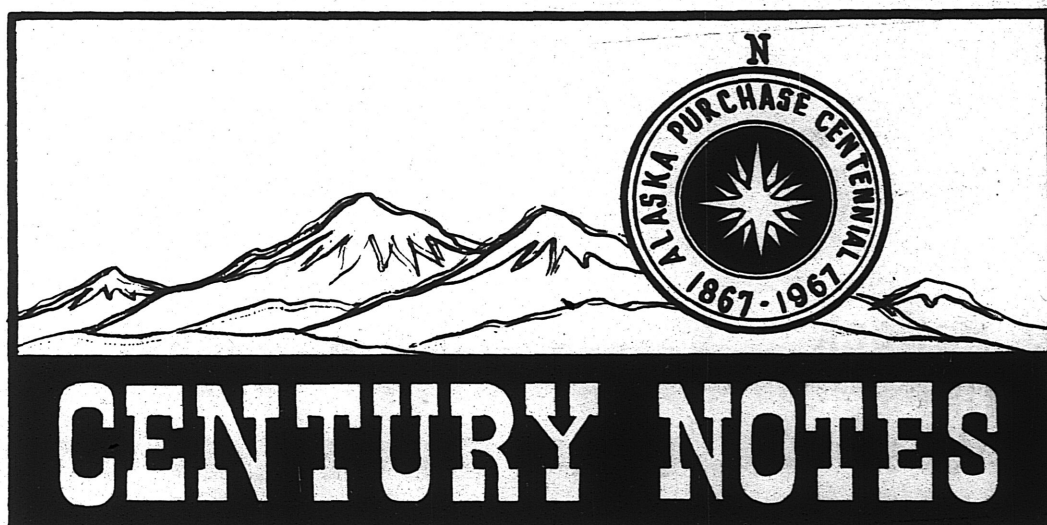
"You'll get well," the doctor assured him. "Too bad you didn't come in earlier. But you're lucky. We've got medicines that will stop TB. You'll need to take them every day for a year or longer."

That's how it is with TB. You can have the active disease without knowing you're sick. Which is why it's important to have that annual medical checkup, with a tuberculin skin test to tell whether any TB germs have lodged in your body, or a chest X-ray to show whether disease is affecting your lungs.

For more information on TB, ask your Alaska Tuberculosis Association for free literature.

"It is the sound education of the people on which the foundation, destiny and security of every nation chiefly rest."

KOSSUTH



BY BETZI WOODMAN • BOX 3-1967, ANCHORAGE 99501

Residents of Klukwan, oldest remaining Chilkat Indian Village, have a long history in trading, and their scenic location between mile-high mountains at Milepost 22 on the Haines cutoff gave them powerful control in earlier days over trade routes to the interior.

The old days, except for

animosity toward persons wishing to pass through, are still adhered to in many ways by these people. Visitors will see culture and history of these people as they perform the old ceremonial dances. Dancers will wear the actual garments used in the past, articles now priceless in their historical value.

Indian casts will also entertain their visitors with slapstick comedies and refreshments will be available, too.

Among articles for sale will be handcrafted moccasins, skin boots, and other garments as well as silver bracelets, earrings and pins worked with intricate Chilkat designs.