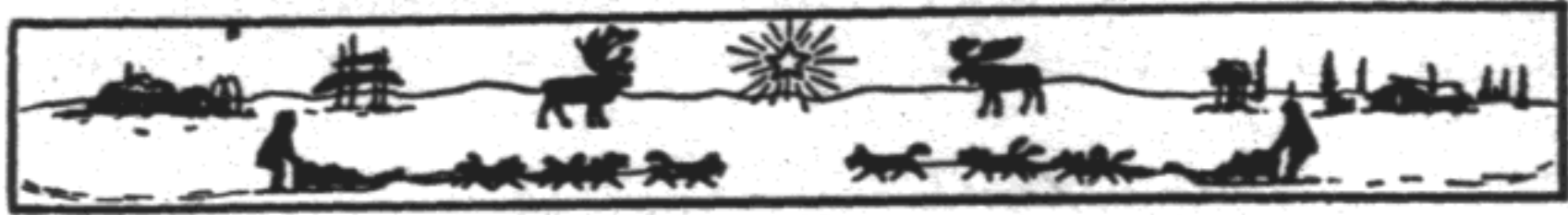


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Editorial—

Sen. Mike Gravel's Special Assistant

Sen. Mike Gravel's choice in hiring his special assistant in the person of Byron Mallott, a Tlingit Indian young man from Yakutat, has set a precedent in the history of the Alaska congressional delegation in Washington. Although the congressional members in the past have hired native Alaskans to be members of their staffs, such as secretaries and clerks, Gravel's hiring of Mallott is distinctive because Byron is acting in full capacity of a special assistant to the senator, therefore helping to form policies. Byron Mallott's special duties are, and will be, on the complex land claims matters of which he has creditable knowledge.

Byron, in his own right, is a well known native leader. His qualifications as one of Gravel's assistants are well founded. He has taken extensive part on matters of land problem. He also knows the thinking patterns of the native people on those problems.

When Sen. Gravel hired the Yakutat young man, it was an opportune time because Congress is preparing to tackle the land claims problem. The senator is already keeping Mallott busy attending meetings of the native leaders and meeting with individuals. This is being done to keep on top of discussions and ideas relevant to lands and ideas on solutions. This is a wise approach on the part of Sen. Gravel and which could be of important assistance to him as he takes part in the deliberations during the land claims legislation.

We are of an unqualified opinion that Gravel's hiring of a native Alaskan as his special assistant is highly commendable—a precedent that could prove of important value to him. He has set an example that could be followed to good advantage in the future.

GRAVEL EULOGIZES BARTLETT

By SEN. MIKE GRAVEL

Bob Bartlett was buried on a slate gray day in Fairbanks. The temperature was 20 degrees below zero. But his friends were there.

Few men have passed through time with as many friends. They called him Bob. And in that familiarity there was respect.

Respect for a man with a quick mind, a persuasive manner, a keen sense of compassion. A gentle man.

Most of his adult life was spent right here in Washington, superbly representing the people of Alaska. Yet, he managed to remain close to his land and to his people. They knew him and they trusted him. And on that gray day last December they grieved him as they had grieved no Alaskan before him.

He was tempered in an Alaska where life was hard—a raw frontier of hope and independence. He helped it grow. He helped smooth off those rough pioneer edges. He helped reduce the economic hardship and uncertainty.

Above all else, Bob Bartlett was the architect of Alaska Statehood. Many participated in that effort. But the quiet, driving leadership was his. I am certain that many of my colleagues can bear witness to that fact. And from statehood has emerged a new Alaska—rich in the benefits that self-government makes possible.

Bob Bartlett understood the new Alaska as well as the old. He never seemed dated, or tired, or out of touch with the moment.

He has left his imprint in countless areas. He has influenced us all in many direct and subtle ways. Most important, is the influence of his example.

Bob Bartlett was a good man. He served the people of Alaska and of our nation, with all his heart, and with all his energy. And he grew with his success. He was a living legend in Alaska. Most of us find it difficult to believe he is gone.

A poet once plead in verse for men who were worthy of the frontier. Send us men to match our mountains, he asked.

Bob Bartlett was a man who matched our mountains. And such men remain, if not in life, then in our souls.

Pt. Hope Sno-go Club Sets Up Rules

Point Hope, Alaska
Snow Machine Club
February 18, 1969

Dear Editor:

We have formed a Snow Machine Club recently, and I am asking you if you could have the membership cards made up for us. I wanted about 300 cards and that should last us about six years. I am sending the samples how I want them.

The following rules are listed below:

1. Membership fee, yearly—\$5.00
2. Snow Machine owner should carry flashlight or any signal device.
3. Should carry first-aid kit.
4. Should carry tools and extra skis if available.
5. Should tell his wife or relatives what direction he's taking when leaving.
6. No speeding within city limits.
7. Wife or relatives should notify officers of the village when hunters are overdue.
8. Snow machine should have adequate tow bar (not a rope.)
9. Children under 12 years will not drive within city limits.
10. Teenage, age 12 to 16 years, will drive on permits issued by city council.

Everybody is okay at Point Hope, hoping the same with you and your staff.

Send the bill to me and will take care of it as soon as I hear from you.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Amos Lane
Secretary-treasurer
Snow Machine Club
Point Hope, Alaska

COMMITTEE SEEKS OPINION TO PRECLUDE DAYLIGHT SAVING

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE
HOUSE

February 22, 1969

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Editor
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Dear Mr. Editor:

This committee has before it for consideration House Bill No. 164, copy of which is enclosed. It precludes our State from the automatic imposition of "daylight saving" time. You will note that Southeast Alaska is excepted from the provisions of the measure.

The purpose of this letter is to request your cooperation to secure the public's attitude on the bill. In short, it is thought that your response to this request after having solicited the reaction of your readers would be rewarding simply because your response would most closely approximate a true reflection of public opinion. Too, this approach could serve as a much better approach than the usual "hearing" which, in this case lacking personal material aspects, would probably fail to generate sufficient interest to overcome obstacles to witnessing such as time, distance and costs.

It is hoped that you consider this not as a relinquishment of legislative duty but simply as an effort to secure public reaction in a manner that could prove less costly and time-consuming than any other that occurs to the writer.

Very truly yours,
Earl D. Hillstrand, Chairman
STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

A BILL

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A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act abolishing daylight saving time in Alaska, under Sec. 3(a) of the Federal Uniform Time Act of 1966."

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