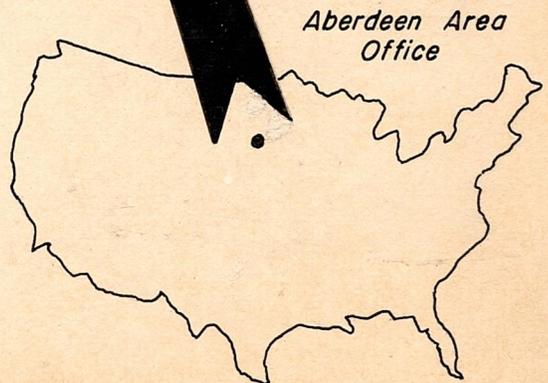
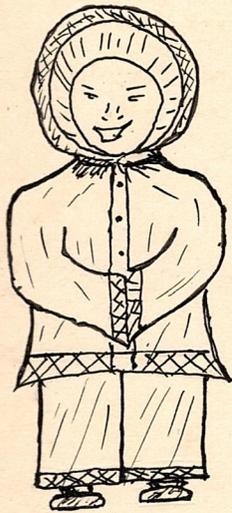
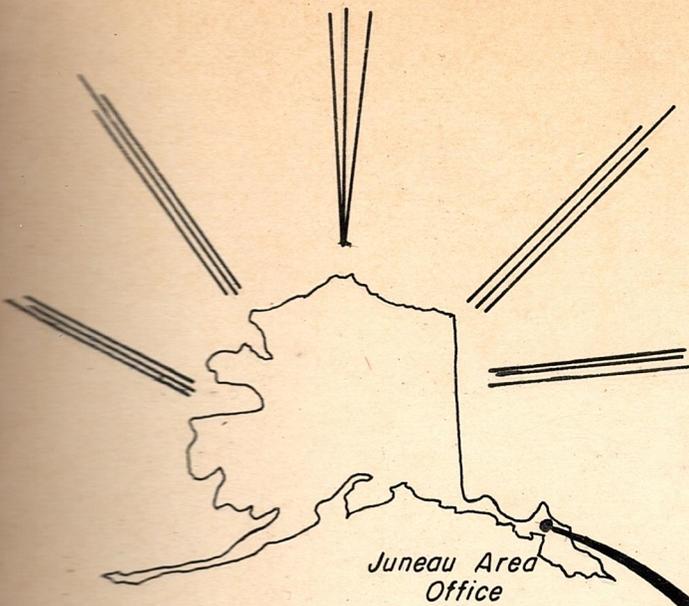


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Robert L. Bennett  
Aberdeen Area Office  
Bureau of Indian Affairs





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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
ABERDEEN AREA OFFICE  
820 SOUTH MAIN  
ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

DEC 29 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
Aberdeen Area Office  
820 South Main  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

It is a privilege for me to take this opportunity to congratulate you upon your recent promotion to the position of Area Director for the Alaska Area and to express our appreciation and commendation for the tremendous job that you have done in the Aberdeen Area.

Alaska is indeed fortunate to obtain the services of a man of your stature, dedication and ability. Your many years of experience in the Bureau of Indian Affairs have given you a broad basic foundation and background that will be most helpful in your new assignment. You are a career civil servant. You know about the people who make up the Bureau and you are one of them. You are familiar with the problems, the needs, the aspirations and goals of the native people. You are also an Indian in your own right, a product of Haskell Institute and the Indian Service, and they are proud that one of their graduates is being given this post of high responsibility.

The Aberdeen Area will miss you. You have gotten to know many of our tribal leaders and tribal people very well. They have depended on your guidance and counsel. You have in effect become one of them. Your co-workers and colleagues have also depended on you. You will leave many memories here, and a record of accomplishments which will not soon be forgotten. It has been said that no man is indispensable, but some men are not replaceable. You fall in the non-replaceable category.

As you take up your new assignment, we wish you the very best. May you find deep satisfaction in your work with the native people of Alaska. I know them, and they deserve the best.

Sincerely yours,

*Martin M. B. Johnson*

Area Director

No. 1,000,001

## U. S. INDIAN SERVICE,

Aberdeen Area Reservations { School  
or  
Agency } Dec. 29, 1961

Permission is given Robert L. Bennett  
and family

to be absent from the Aberdeen Area Reservations  
for a period of indefinite days for the purpose of  
visiting Alaskan out posts

Object of visit "Administratively Restricted"

On arrival will report to Native people  
of Alaska

Reported Dec 29, 1961

Martin M. B. Holm  
(Superintendent)  
Area Director



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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Fort Berthold Agency  
New Town, North Dakota

December 21, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
Aberdeen Area Office  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

We of the Fort Berthold Agency wish to extend to you our congratulations on the occasion of your well-deserved promotion to the position of Area Director of the Alaska Area. We are confident that you will be an asset to the Bureau of Indian Affairs in your new position.

Acknowledgement and appreciation is made at this time for the counsel and guidance you have rendered during the past years to the Fort Berthold Agency and the Three Affiliated Tribes which has guided us in the solving of our problems.

Our emotions regarding your leaving the Aberdeen Area are mixed. We are glad that you are being rewarded with a promotion for the excellent services you have rendered and we are sorry to lose the benefit of your guidance and counsel.

Best wishes to you and your family in your new location.

Sincerely yours,

*Wendell A. Weston for*  
Homer M. Gilliland  
Superintendent

P.S. Bob, I personally want to thank you for the help you have given me since I came to Fort Berthold. I want you to know I feel honored to have had the opportunity to work with you.

Homer



IN REPLY REFER TO:

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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Flandreau Indian School  
Flandreau, South Dakota

December 20, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director (Resources)  
Aberdeen Area Office  
820 South Main  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

The students and employees of the Flandreau Indian School want to congratulate you on your appointment as Area Director for Alaska and wish you continued success and happiness.

We all here at Flandreau especially remember the wonderful address you gave to the graduating class last year, and the sound advice given to our students. We will miss your visits both to the school and tribal groups. We know, however, that the Alaskan people will benefit by your ability, understanding and sincerity.

You have our prayers and best wishes for the very best for yourself, your family and your administration in the new assignment.

Sincerely yours,

*Roy Small*  
Roy Small, Student Body President

*Robert J. Murray*  
Robert J. Murray  
School Superintendent

Pierre Agency  
Pierre, South Dakota

December 19, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett

Assistant Area Director (Resources) and  
Area Director, Alaska (to be)

Through: Mr. Martin N. B. Holm, Area Director

Dear Mr. Bennett:

It is with a great deal of thought that I write this letter to express my feelings in regard to your leaving the Aberdeen Area.

It has been my pleasure, and I mean pleasure, to work with you as Tribal Programs Officer, Assistant Area Director, and Acting Area Director during the past five years in the Aberdeen Area. Your many suggestions and thoughtful analyses of the varied problems facing an Agency has been most helpful. Your ability to understand field problems with the tribal governing bodies and the Superintendent has been outstanding. Please accept my sincere thanks for a job well done.

Mona and I extend to you our best wishes for a successful stay in Alaska for you and your family and look forward to being able to work with you again someday.

Sincerely yours,



Owen D. Morken  
Superintendent

Sisseton, South Dakota  
December 21, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

We of the Sisseton Agency staff wish to add our congratulations to the many which you are receiving on your promotion to the Directorship of the Juneau Area, and to wish you continued success in your new assignment.

We particularly want to express our thanks for the help you have given us in dealing with the difficult problems at Sisseton.

Sincerely yours,

Wray Hughes  
Superintendent

G. N. Maggark  
Walter J. Aloniz  
Eugene D. Frank  
Marjette Arneson  
Joan Black Cloud  
Clayton Adams  
Margie C. Spurr  
Dorothy A. Wood  
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MR. MARTIN N. B. HOLM

AREA DIRECTOR, ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA

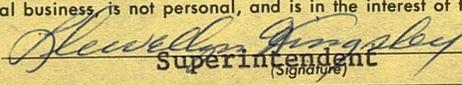
WE PROTEST THE TRANSFER AND PROMOTION OF MR. ROBERT BENNETT TO THE POSITION OF AREA DIRECTOR FOR ALASKA AS UNWISE AND A NEEDLESS IMPOSITION ON THE ALASKA NATIVES. MR. BENNETT HAS DEMONSTRATED THE FOLLOWING NEGATIVE QUALITIES:

1. HE LIKES INDIANS.
2. HE LIKES TO WORK COOPERATIVELY WITH INDIANS
3. HE LIKES TO WORK CONSTRUCTIVELY WITH INDIANS
4. HE LIKES TO IMPROVE THE RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN THE INDIANS AND THE BIA
5. HE LIKES TO LOOK BEYOND TODAY IN PLANNING EFFECTIVE BUREAU AND TRIBAL PROGRAMS.
6. HE LIKES TO INSPIRE CONFIDENCE AND RESPECT AMONG HIS ASSOCIATES.
7. HE IS DEPENDABLE.
8. HE IS QUALIFIED.
9. HE KEEPS HIS WORD.
10. HIS DOG CHASES RABBITS.

FOR THE ABOVE REASONS WE BELIEVE THIS AREA SHOULD REMAIN "STUCK" WITH MR. BENNETT.

WINNEBAGO AGENCY STAFF

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PINE RIDGE INDIAN AGENCY

PINE RIDGE, SOUTH DAKOTA

December 22, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Aberdeen Area Office

Dear Bob:

I want to take this occasion to offer my personal congratulations and those of Superintendent Towle and the staff of this Agency, on your selection as Area Director, Juneau.

Our best wishes for your continued success and personal satisfaction in your new assignment go with you.

Sincerely,

Acting Superintendent



UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
Rosebud Indian Agency  
Rosebud, South Dakota

ADDRESS REPLY TO:  
Superintendent  
Rosebud Indian Agency  
Rosebud, South Dakota

DEC 22 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett

Assistant Area Director, Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

This is to extend hearty congratulations on your appointment as Area Director in Alaska and for the fine job you did as Assistant Area Director of this area. This is also to express deep appreciation for the privilege of having worked with and for you in behalf of the entire agency and staff.

We congratulate you on attaining the position of high responsibility and for the fine job you did for the area and this agency as Assistant Area Director. The people of Alaska are fortunate to get an Area Director who has demonstrated an ability to establish high standards in Bureau programs and executing such programs for the good of all people.

We deeply appreciated your objective and lively leadership and guidance in the performance of our duties and obligations.

Such leadership has been an inspiration to employees throughout the agency and the execution of duties under your direction and guidance has given rise to a feeling of pride.

We are happy for you and your family and wish you every success in you new assignment. May your tenure as Area Director be a happy and effective assignment.

Sincerely yours,

*W. M. Mehojok*  
Acting Superintendent

Sisseton, South Dakota  
December 22, 1961

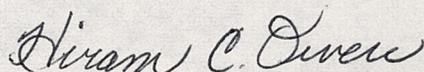
Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Bob:

We, the people, of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Reservation wish to extend our sincere congratulations for your promotion to the Directorship of the Juneau Area and to wish you all the success in your new venture.

We also would like to express our deepest "thank you" for all the help you have given to us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Hiram C. Owen".

Hiram C. Owen  
Chairman, Tribal Council  
Sisseton-Wahpeton Sioux Tribe  
Sisseton, South Dakota

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MARTIN B HOLM, AREA DIR BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
FOR ROBT L BENNETT ASST AREA DIR BIA 820 SOUTH MAIN  
ABERDEEN SDAK

DEAR BOB, ON BEHALF OF THE OMAHA TRIBAL COUNCIL I EXTEND  
OUR SINCERE APPRECIATION FOR THE HELP AND COOPERATION YOU  
HAVE GIVEN US THESE PAST YEARS WHILE STATIONED IN OUR AREA.  
WHILE OUR THOUGHTS ARE SAD FROM OUR LOSS NEVERTHELESS WE  
CANNOT HELP BUT FEEL PROUD THAT YOU HAVE BEEN SELECTED FOR  
SUCH AN IMPORTANT POST. THERE IS A GREAT CHALLENGE IN THIS  
FIELD NOW OPEN TO YOU. OUR LOSS IS GAIN FOR THOSE WHO WILL  
BE WORKING WITH YOU SINCERELY

ALFRED W GILPIN CHAIRMAN OMAHA TRIBE OF NEBRASKA.

ROBERT FOX, Chairman  
DAVID LITTLE SWALLOW, SR., V. Chm.  
JOHN STONE, SR., Secretary  
JOHN WILKINSON, SR., Treasurer  
JOHN STARR, Councilman

# Tribal Business Council

THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES  
NEW TOWN, NORTH DAKOTA

LELAND HALL, Councilman  
JAMES HALL, SR., Councilman  
THOMAS BLUESTONE, Councilman  
RALPH WELLS, JR., Councilman  
CHARLES FOX, Councilman

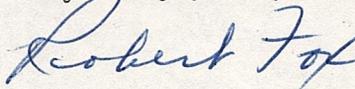
22 December 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
Aberdeen Area Office  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

The Tribal Business Council of the Three Affiliated Tribes in appreciation and merited gratitude benefited from your faithful service and guidance wish to extend our hearty felicitations and best wishes for a happy period in your new position as Area Director in Alaska.

Very truly yours,



ROBERT FOX, Chairman  
Tribal Business Council  
Three Affiliated Tribes

EDWARD LOON  
VICE CHAIRMAN

A. J. AGARD  
CHAIRMAN

SOPHIE MANY DEEDS  
SECRETARY

JUNIOR COUNCILMEN

LILLIAN MARTINEZ  
MARGUERITE FIDDLER  
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ROBERT McLAUGHLIN  
THOMAS IRON CLOUD  
LOUIS CROW SKIN



"Watching the Tribe's Welfare"

SENIOR COUNCILMEN

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GEORGE DUNN, SR.  
CHARLES GABE  
SOPHIA MANYDEEDS  
CHARLES SHELLTRACK  
FLORENCE VETTER  
GUY SHOOTING BEAR

*Standing Rock Sioux Tribe*

TELEPHONE NO. 2512  
FORT YATES, NORTH DAKOTA  
December 20, 1961

Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director, Resources  
Aberdeen Area Office  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

It is with mixed emotions that the Standing Rock Sioux Tribal Council, your many friends on the Standing Rock Reservation and myself learned of your promotion to Area Director for the Alaska area.

The many times that you have assisted us individually, during group meetings on the reservation, through telephone conversations and in the Aberdeen Area Office are deeply and sincerely appreciated by all of us. Your enthusiasm, concern and assistance in the development of our various reservation programs will be, we know, of lasting benefit to all the people of Standing Rock both on and off the reservation.

While it is with regret in our knowledge of your leaving, we wish you every success in your new assignment and know that the people of Alaska will benefit greatly by having you as their Area Director.

Sincerely yours,

A. J. Agard  
Tribal Chairman

WINNEBAGO TRIBAL COUNCIL

WINNEBAGO, NEBRASKA

December 22, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
820 South Main  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

We, the members of the Winnebago Tribal Council, extend to you our most sincere congratulations.

Our council has indeed been fortunate having had you to work with and your co-operation has been appreciated.

We regard you as a man great in stature with the wisdom of our ancestors. Keep before you always the vision of a bright future for the Indian Nation, for where there is no vision the people perish.

It is said, "He that walketh with the Wise shall be wise." (You may consider yourself wise, for you walked with the Winnebago.)

Again, congratulations, and God speed!

Most Sincerely,

The Winnebago Tribal Council

*Frank Beaver*  
Frank Beaver, Chairman

*Neola E. Walker*  
Neola E. Walker, Secretary

*Lower Brule Sioux Tribe*

*Lower Brule, South Dakota*

December 20, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett, Assistant  
Area Director, Resources  
Aberdeen Area Office  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

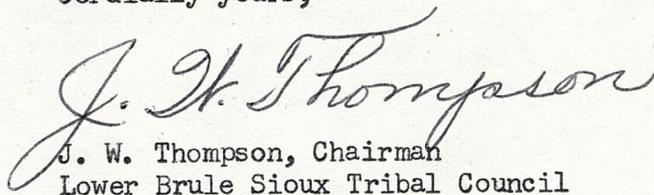
Congratulations to you from the Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council on your new position as Area Director at Juneau, Alaska. We want to extend to you our sincere best wishes for success in this appointment.

The council has enjoyed very much their association with you during the time you have been in the Aberdeen area and we have appreciated all of the assistance you have given us in helping to develop our tribal programs.

Although we are happy for your promotion we are also saddened at your leaving the Aberdeen area and we want you to know that you will be sincerely missed by all of us.

Again we want to extend to you and your family our sincere best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy and Successful New Year in your new Alaskan home.

Cordially yours,

  
J. W. Thompson, Chairman  
Lower Brule Sioux Tribal Council

Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Council  
PIERRE AGENCY  
Pierre, South Dakota

December 20, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Aberdeen Area Office  
820 South Main  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Mr. Bennett:

Congratulations to you for being appointed as Area Director for the Indian Affairs at Juneau, Alaska.

We regret your leaving us yet we are glad it is a gain for the people whom you will serve. We want you to know we deeply appreciate your assistance and advice you have given us.

The Council and the members of the tribe join me in bidding you farewell.

Sincerely yours,

*Robert Philbrick*  
Robert Philbrick, Chairman  
Crow Creek Sioux Tribal Council

Allen So. Dak,  
12-12-61

My Friend,  
I want to take this opportunity to express my thanks for the privilege of working with you last Fall.

I want to congratulate you on your recent appointment as Area Director, (Blacka Area) and wish you a happy and successful future, in the friendship we have made. There fore in stead of saying Good Bye, let me just say best wishes tell me must  
I am Very out  
Thomson Beer  
over

P/S I'm still waiting for that letter from the Commission that you mention. Thanks for every thing

1. Mr. Adams  
2. Mr. Bennett

SHELDON JACKSON JUNIOR COLLEGE  
SITKA, ALASKA

A PROJECT OF THE BOARD OF NATIONAL MISSIONS OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U.S.A.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

December 13, 1961

Mr. Robert Bennett  
Aberdeen Area Office  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
820 S. Main Street  
Aberdeen, South

Dear Mr. Bennett:

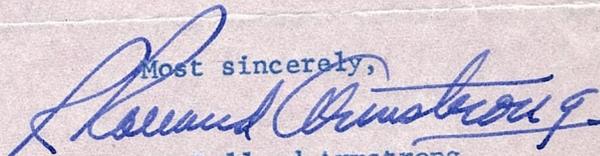
I received copy of a letter from Russell Carter congratulating you on your appointment as the Area Director for Alaska. Let me join him in this word of congratulations.

You already realize some of the political pressures that are being exerted on this office. I wish to assure you that if at any time there is anything that I can do personally, or through the Alaska Council of Churches, we will be ready to help.

There are many basic needs for Alaska. Alaskans are apparently afraid of the word "determination" as defined in the Task Force report. We hope that we might bring our people to a point of more self determination and standing on their own feet economically, sociologically and in relationship to their own church leadership. This is an ideal that must be given a great deal of thought, study and courageous leadership.

Again, we say, welcome to Alaska!

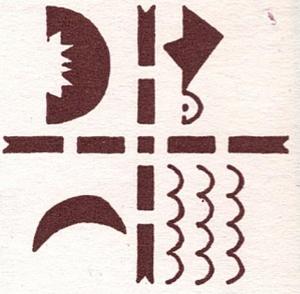
Most sincerely,



R. Rolland Armstrong  
President

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Please Reply by Air Mail



SAINT JOHN'S MISSION  
BOX 511 - PIERRE, SOUTH DAKOTA

December 4, 1961

Dear Bob,

This is just a note this morning.

Saturday, while driving to Pierre, I heard of your appointment on my car radio. I didn't know much about Secretary Udall, but since he is picking such good men - I said to myself - he must be all right.

Best wishes! We'll miss you, but I know you will charm the people of Alaska; and their Senator or Representative or whatever he is, will be talking from the other side of his mouth.

Very sincerely,

*F. Stanislaus, O.S.B.*  
Father Stanislaus, O.S.B.



# The Ute Indian Tribe

Federal Chartered Corp.  
Uintah and Ouray Agency

FORT DUCHESNE, UTAH  
December 5, 1961

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DIRECTOR OF RESOURCES

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Aberdeen Area Office  
820 South Main  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Bob:

Congratulations on your appointment as area director for Alaska! I just learned the news today and I am certainly glad and happy that you have been so honored. You certainly have earned this recognition after your many years of devoted service and your sincere interest in the affairs of your fellow Indians. I think that you will make a wonderful area Tapogut.

If you have a glossy cut (Photo) of yourself we would be very proud to use it in our next issue of the Ute Bulletin. I have sent out the announcement to our local and state papers, and if you would like, I will get you the clippings so that you can paste them in your scrapbook, or file them in No. 13, if you are not in habit of keeping such stuff.

Everything is rather quiet around here, but I don't imagine it will be for long. We have a general council set for December 20th. Some of our councilmen in the northern area have not been on the job in respect to reporting to the people on the affairs of the tribe. I think that this is the chief reason why there has been a demand for the general meeting.

After the first of the year I am returning for a bit of schooling at the University of Utah. I have quite a bit of annual leave accumulated and this seems to be the best way to use the time up. The tribal council has graciously allowed me to work part time so that I will be able to complete two quarters at the University. With my part time work and annual leave time, I will be able to earn full salary so that there will be no hardship on the family. They will remain at home during this time.



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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS  
Flathead Indian Agency  
Dixon, Montana

December 5, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
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Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Aberdeen, S. Dakota

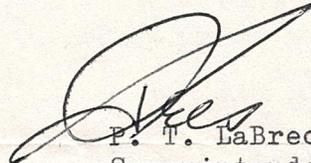
Dear Bob;

I just saw in the news release from the Washington Office your appointment as Area Director in Juneau.

I should like to offer my sincere congratulations on your promotion, and to wish you every success in your new job.

Our best wishes for the Holiday Season and the Coming Year.

Sincerely yours,



P. T. LaBreche  
Superintendent

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR  
VETERANS' EMPLOYMENT SERVICE  
OF THE  
UNITED STATES EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

Mr. Bob Bennett  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
820 S. Main Street  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

310 S. Lincoln Street  
Aberdeen, South Dakota  
December 20, 1961

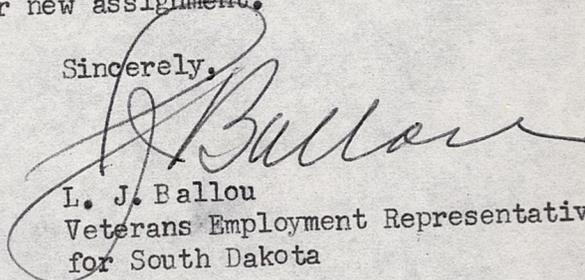
Dear Bob:

Robert M. Potter, State VER for Alaska. His office is in the Employment Security Bldg., located at Fourth and Harrison Street, Juneau. Telephone Number 6-3070.

I have written Potter a note that you were being transferred to Alaska and may need some help in getting acquainted. I am sure that Potter will be more than pleased to make you acquainted with some of the government officials in that area.

Certainly want to congratulate you on your promotion and best wishes on your new assignment.

Sincerely,

  
L. J. Ballou  
Veterans Employment Representative  
for South Dakota

*Henry James*



P. O. Box 911

JUNEAU, ALASKA

December 22, 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
Bureau of Indian Affairs  
820 South Main Street  
Abderdeen, S. Dakota

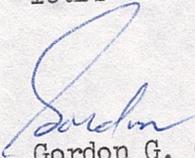
Dear Lion Bob:

The Lions Club of Juneau writes you to transfer your membership from the Abderdeen Lions Club. If you plan on doing this, may I suggest that you bring your record with you as we have experienced some difficulties in securing records.

If the Juneau Club can be of any help to you in your move to Juneau, please let us know. We look forward to continued growth in Lion activities in Juneau.

Our best wishes for the New Year.

Yours in Lionism,

  
Gordon G. Cavnar  
President



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Superintendent

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Navajo Agency  
Crownpoint Subagency  
Crownpoint, New Mexico

DEC 19 1961

Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
Aberdeen Area Office  
820 South Main Street  
Aberdeen, South Dakota

Dear Bob:

Although I am not the first to congratulate you on your promotion to the Area Directorship for Alaska, I want to be among the first at any rate.

Just be careful that you control your enthusiasm so that you will not be relocating so many of the Alaska natives that you do not have enough left to man the industrial development plants which you will also be trying to get into your area. With that little word of caution, you should know that you have my blessing in your new assignment.

Sincerely yours,

Subagency Superintendent

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Dear Mr Bennett,

I want to congratulate you on your appointment as Area Director of the Juneau Area.

Miss Madigan has told me of your good work in the Aberdeen Area, and she says that you are in sympathy with a constructive policy towards Indians & Eskimos. The latter are upstanding citizens and I'm sure you will like them. I wish you success.

Sincerely yours  
Henry S. Forbes.

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Dear Bob:

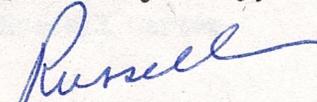
Hearty congratulations from the Division of Home Missions, the National Fellowship of Indian Workers and from me personally upon your appointment to the Alaska Native Service. While Aberdeen Area will be the serious loser, we all are positive Alaska is in for good years.

The Alaska Council of Churches will doubtless be most interested in this development as the Alaskan religious leaders have demonstrated a real desire and earnestness in complete cooperation with government in all phases of Alaska work.

You will, no doubt, come to know Dr. R. Rolland Armstrong, President of the Sheldon Jackson Junior College in Sitka, who serves as President of the Alaska Council of Churches. He is a mighty fine person and an outstanding leader. Perhaps you recall him at Estes Park.

We wish you well, Bob, and I shall look forward to seeing you as I get to Alaska now and then.

Yours very truly,

  
E. Russell Carter

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cc: Dr. H. Conrad Hoyer  
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Mr. Robert L. Bennett  
Assistant Area Director  
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Dear Bob:

Congratulations upon the recent announcement of your appointment as the new Area Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Alaska! Along with your many friends and associates, I am happy to see this deserved recognition come to you.

It is, of course, going to be quite a blow to our Scouting operations around the Aberdeen Area to lose you there, but I know that you will continue your wonderful interest, personal participation and enthusiastic support for the program as you undertake your new assignment at Juneau.

After you get settled, let's correspond about ways in which we might work together to extend our outreach to more boys in the Alaskan Native villages. As you know, I spent some time there in 1958 and we did have opportunity to get some productive work accomplished that I feel sure was worthwhile. We have three local councils in Alaska. Juneau, Anchorage and Fairbanks are the headquarter cities. Mr. Eric Naethe is Scout Executive at Juneau and I know he will be anxious to meet you when you get up there.

We're going ahead with Philmont plans for 1962 - the dates set are September 12-13-14, and we're going to be looking forward to having some Alaska delegates this year for the first time!

Good wishes, Bob. Hope you and your family have a very Happy Holiday season.

Cordially yours,  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA  
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