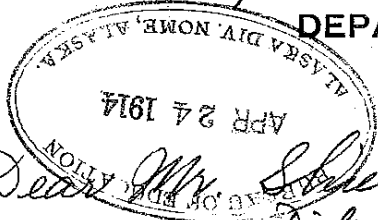




Deering

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
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April 16, 1914

Dear Mr. Shields
District Supt.

SUBJECT, _____

In a modified compliance with your request, I am sending you enclosed a full account of conditions regarding the removal to the ^{lower} Kobuck country.

The phone message would necessarily be so short that it would convey little information.

We have had several meetings of the village and I have taken no part, not even present, and the following is the ultimate decision.

Those who will move		Those who will remain
17	Families	7
36	adults	11
25	children	14
61	total	25
19	children of schoolage	8

These do not include all the people of the village but there are others who will go and some who will not in about the same proportion which will increase each total some

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2/ Mr. Shields.

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SUBJECT:

They have not yet chosen the location but have decided to let you say the final word, on condition that they will have a school and would like to have a saw mill, and if you say go they will do their best to locate where they will have sufficient wood, water, fish, game, and shelter, all of which are not encouraging in Deering.

We do hope the mill will be sent in this coming July. Should we move, will there be a school at Deering next year?

The Store has refused to purchase reindeer meat for any one any more, and we seem to be pushed into the business with a vengeance. However, a good feeling prevails.

John J. Douglas will be on hand for the mail trip and would like you to get him a chance to secure this end of the route for next year if you can do anything. John was married last night.

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3. Mr. Shields.

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SUBJECT, _____

to Tok kokuk's daughter. (Edwa outwater)

We have secured the coal and will forward the vouchers accordingly.

The coal is but a few grades better than the local coal; much to our disappointment. Will we go to Kotzebue this summer, or must we remain at our post in Deering?

We often think of your short stay with us and have talked with Okope about your fearful trip after leaving here. It is hazardous and there must ^{be} devotion added to hardiness or a man would not brave such fierce conditions.

With the hope of having a frank open decision on the moving question and the full encouragement of your office we beg to assure you we will carry out your instructions fully.

Sincerely Chas Replogle.

Teacher.

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