

Indians Seek To Regain Their Rightful Status

Most readers know about Indians, but a very small percentage really know any of us personally. We were here for thousands of years before the white men came. We number about the same as some other minorities. Despite this, we are regarded as second-class citizens by many, and we are blocked socially, economically and educationally!

How many white people know the true history of this land? The Indians were democratic, law-abiding religious people before the pillaging, plunder and forked tongues of the exploiting white man came. Then, in the white man's propaganda, the Indians became killers, vicious and evil! How false and how tragic. But now these things are long past and we are suffering each day the agonies of a trapped people. This

Reveal Oswald Hired Harlem Lawyer

NEW YORK — A Harlem attorney who had agreed to defend Lee H. Oswald was preparing Sunday morning to fly to Texas at the moment millions of television viewers saw the accused assassin of President Kennedy murdered in the Dallas Police Station garage.

Conrad J. Lynn, of 401 Broadway, received a long-distance call at his home on Saturday night from Mr. and Mrs. Michael Marcus of Cambridge, Mass.

As avowed civil libertarians, they, together with Charles Huebener-Wellman of Stoughton, Mass., expressed to Mr. Lynn their concern that Oswald had already been held and questioned by police for over 24 hours without benefit of counsel.

The "prime suspect" in the slaying originally asked a Quaker friend, Mrs. Michael R. Paine, to obtain the legal services of John A. Abt of New York. The Manhattan attorney declined, on grounds of prior commitments.

Oswald then identified himself as a member of the American Civil Liberties Union and asked that an attorney be provided him. Officials of that organization later confirmed that last spring the alleged sniper had sent two dollars by mail for a membership.

Oswald was dead before the ACLU's board of directors could reach a policy decision on his request.

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DETROIT (ANP) — Edward N. Hodges III has resigned as executive director of the Michigan Fair Employment Practices Commission (FEPC) to take a newly created position as personnel employment manager of Michigan Bell Telephone Company, effective last Sept. 23.

must change.

There are perhaps 250,000 of us on reserves, and maybe 200,000 of us not on reserves. Our "population explosion" is so great that we will number well over 1,000,000 before 25 years are past. To save ourselves from being confined to shrinking reserves, to save ourselves from being second-class citizens, we must overcome the obstacles placed in our path without loss of our identity as Indians.

Our first and most important necessity is in education. I have been seeking from the great schools of learning in Canada at least two scholarships in each school for tuition at least. It is my confident hope that with such scholarships we can find the way to provide support for these worthy students. I am seeking some of the great foundations and fealthy trusts to take an interest in the education of young Indians to high posts and professional standing in their nation.

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Indians have long been masters of great handicrafts — from totem poles, war canoes, snowshoes, to the finest leather and bead work. I am working to see if we cannot develop a truly authentic and permanent market for the traditional handicrafts.

My objective is to make sure that the Indians have pride, achievement, goals, education, and are socially accepted, and moving ahead economically. We are brave, talented, good, gifted people who deserve our place in the sun in a land that was long ours before it was yours.

To regain that lost place we must aid ourselves, but it helps if you know what we are trying to do. We do not intend to lose our culture. We do not intend to integrate with the white people.

But we do intend to rise to our proper level in the scheme of life, socially, educationally, economically.

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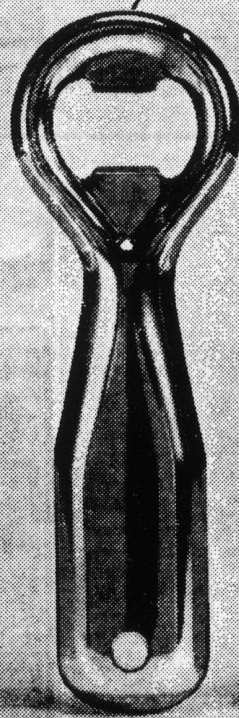
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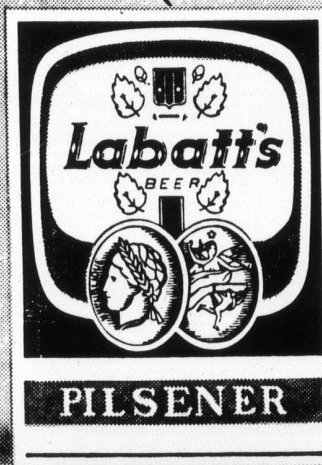
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