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THIRTEEN TWENTY-EIGHT SOUTH KINGSHIGHWAY

ST. LOUIS August 7, 1942

Mr. Edward C. Johnston,
Superintendent,
Fish and Wildlife Service,
706 Federal Office Building,
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Mr. Johnston:

I have just returned from a vacation to find your two letters of July 21st and 22nd.

I wired you today suggesting that some oranges be sent along to the natives, from Fouke Fur Company. One or two letters that have come through make us feel that in spite of everything that is being done for the natives their plight is rather pathetic. Of course one can understand this as very few of them have ever been off the Pribilof Islands. I am glad to know from you that the locations are not bad and that with some lumber and other material they may yet have some degree of comfort before the bad weather sets in. It is fine that you had such full cooperation from the Forestry Service and Bureau of Indian Affairs.

If there is anything more that we can do I know you will so advise us. We have a number of victrola records that were supposed to be sent up during the summer. If these will be of any value to either the natives or the whites we will be glad to send them on. Glad you are forwarding the boxes of toys - more than ever these will help to bring some pleasure to the youngsters.

I have written Mac suggesting that he find some way of transferring the cost of the Candy from the Canteen. It was certainly meant to be Fouke Fur Co.'s expense.

Invoice attached to your letter of July 22nd from the City Transfer & Storage Co. has been O.K.'d for payment.

Thanks for your willingness to store the island equipment in the Dock warehouse. We are all hoping that the situation will improve to where normal operations can be resumed. It's nice to hear from you and to learn about the condition in which the islands were left. Let us know if we can be of any further service, and call

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on us any time if you feel we can be of some help.

With kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Edward C. Johnston", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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