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Thousands like these little American Indians need our Protection and the Help of all fairminded citizens of the United States.

OUR AIMS:

To promote the general welfare of the American Indians, By protecting and safeguarding their Constitutional and Legal Rights.

By advocating an emancipated citizenship at the earliest possible time.

By promoting their health and educational opportunities, and to create an enlightened public opinion.

In all sincerity, might we here urge all of our true paleface American friends to join us Indians in demanding the Congress of the United States to give us American Indian people our complete freedom so that we can enjoy the same rights and privileges which are accorded other citizens?

No race can progress in slavery.

February 2, 1946.

Honorable William Langer. Senate Office Building. Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of January 30, 1946. I was more than glad to hear from you again.

I expect to leave Hartford for my Southwestern rest up trip either on the 20th or 22nd day of this month, and you may rest assured, that I will come and see you before departing .

Bill, Martin said in one of his letters to me, that he has always been a big booster for you, and I know that he will be able to swing enough votes among his people together with what you will receive from the paleface people to send you back as United States Senator from North Dakota.

I believe that I have Mr. Martin Cross pretty well on our side, judging from the letters he writes to me. I told him in one of my letters that we should all get together and send you back to Washington. In other words, I told him that you needed their votes in the next elections in that State, and that was when he replied and said that he would boost for you, so, I do not think you will have to worry very much about the Indian vote-they are for you.

Write again Bill, when you can spare the time, and I will stop in to see you on my way out West.

With very best regards.