

Anchorage, Alaska January 9, 1952

Mr.

Mr. Click Relander Route 3, Box 149 Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Lelander:

Thank you for your interesting letter of January 5th. We are sorry to report that we are unable to help you in your search for eagle feathers. It is against the law (Federal) to export eagles from Alaska even though they are offering bounties for them here in Alaska at the present time.

Yours very truly,

Harry Pinkham, Enforcement Agent



Fairbanks, Alaska

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Mr. Click Relander Route 3, Box 149 Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

With reference to your letter of 5th January requesting eagle feathers please be advised I am forwarding it to our agent in Petersburg, Alaska. Eagles are more common along the coast of Southeastern Alaska than in the Interior.

I trust you will hear from Mr. Sarber in the near future.

Yours very truly,

RAY WOOLFORD

Enforcement Agent

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Petersburg, Alaska January 18, 1952

Mr. Click Relander Route 3, Box 149 Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

Your letter to Agent Woolford of Faribanks relative to obtaining eagle feathers has been forwarded to me.

It is necessary to first obtain a permit from the Fish and Wildlife Service in Washington, D. C. before eagle feathers or any part of an eagle can be shipped from this Territory or into any of the States. They can be had only for educational purposes.

I suggest that you take up your interests with this Service in Washington, D. C. and apply for the necessary permit, after which I can then arrange to have the feathers collected for you here and ship them to you. There are plenty of eagles in this section and there would be no difficulty in collecting the feathers you wish if and when the permit is arranged for.

Very truly yours,

Hosea Sarber

Enforcement Agent



WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

February 11, 1952

Mr. Click Relander Route 3, Box 149 Yakima, Washington

My dear Mr. Relander:

Acknowledgment is made of your request of January 24 for permission to obtain eagle feathers from Alaska.

The Bald Eagle Act of June 8, 1940 provides that, except as authorized in Section 2 thereof, the exportation or importation of those birds or parts thereof is prohibited. Under the said section the Secretary of the Interior may, pursuant to regulations, permit the taking and transportation of specimens for scientific or exhibition purposes of public museums, scientific societies or zoological parks. The Act makes no provision for the issuance of permits to transport these birds or parts thereof for any other purpose. Therefore we are precluded from giving favorable consideration to your request.

I wish also to state that Section 46.67 of the regulations under the Alaska game law, copy enclosed, provides that no bald eagle, part, nest, or egg thereof may be exported to the United States or any of its territories except under permit authorized by the Act of June 8, 1940. A copy of the current regulations under the Bald Eagle Act also is enclosed.

Sincerely yours,

Chief

Branch of Game Management

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PORTLAND, OREGON (18)

February 18, 1952

Mr. Click Relander Route 3, Box 149 Yakima, Washington

Dear Mr. Relander:

Your letter of January 5, which was addressed to this Service in Anchorage, Alaska, has been sent to us for further consideration.

It is noted that you desire to obtain feathers of eagles to be used by Indians. You suggest that some place in Portland may be a possible source of supply. We have quietly checked all the feather merchants in Portland and can find no eagle feathers offered for sale.

You probably are aware of the Act of June 8, 1940, which prohibits the killing, sale, or possession of any bald eagle or part thereof, including feathers, which eagle was taken prior to the passage of the Act. Consequently, we are unable to offer you any encouragement of obtaining the feathers of bald eagles.

There is no Federal law protecting golden eagles, and we can offer no objection to the acquisition or use of feathers of golden eagles. However, we do not know where they may be purchased.

Very truly yours,

Chester A. Leichhardt

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Regional Supervisor of Law Enforcement

