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Ref: "Erosion of the old culture"

I must take exception to Mart Allen's remarks regarding the "erosion of the old culture" being "supplanted by fast buck artists and those who disdain hunting, fishing, trapping and logging, the traditional means of making a living that no longer conform to their elitist outlook."

The economy has changed, and he must realize that hunting, trapping and fishing in this locale no longer contribute anything of value to the economy. Therefore, just because more and more people no longer feel the need to follow these pursuits and are hopefully more sensitive to the idea that all life should be respected if possible, do not disparage them.

Times change, and no one could make a living hunting and trapping today. It does not necessarily follow that they are "fast buck artists" or "elitists."

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