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Norman Mailer

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Norman Mailer continues to read reviews about his book An American dream. He calls himself a one man minority group because he has to contend with two notions of himself at one time. He talks about membership in minority groups. Minorities go through life with a different psychology. They have a divided psychology. Minority group psychology is built on two rocks. They live an existential life. They redefine the nature of reality constantly. He talked about the sense of state for Alaska. The future of the state is altogether unknown. It could go either way. Minority groups are going to win. That is the nature of the twentieth century. Minority groups exist on the edge of the powerful societies. They recognize the inequities. He talks about the two different kinds of basic societies of the primitive and the barbaric. He thinks America has practiced as a barbaric nation since WWII. They keep their power only by taking a turn toward the barbaric. He talked about the infliction of plague from the top down. Minorities have become the refuse pile of capitalism. Powerful nations like America have become more barbaric. He talked about the beauty of Alaska. He considers it an extraordinary place. It says more about life about the nearness of death. It is also an unbelievably vulgar and tasteless state. This is not in the people. It exists in the buildings. He says the shear insanity of American architecture has already visited Alaska. He compared the Patty Building to op art. He admired the existential quality of life in Alaska.