

Much Through Interpreters—

Aklavik Hearings on Mackenzie Pipeline

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June 5, 1975 — Whenever I finally get around to taking the time to write this column, and I start making notes about all the things I want to say, I always wish I had written sooner, so there wouldn't be so much news all at once. However, that seems to be the way it happens every time, no matter how determined I am to write more often.

The Aklavik hearings for the Mackenzie Valley Pipeline Inquiry turned out to be very enlightening, and many people spoke, a number of them through interpreters.

In May the government drastically cut the budgets of the Native and environmental groups for the funds needed for their participation in the pipeline hearings. And then, shortly after the cut, a large part of the budgets were restored.

The hearings have been continuing — some of them in Yellowknife and then in Hay River — and soon they will go into the settlements again — to Old Crow, Yukon — Fort Good Hope — Fort McPherson — and others which have not been scheduled yet. But it does not appear that the people are being given a chance to have their say. And at the formal hearings, the questions are pertinent and probing and much important information is coming to the surface.

Judge Berger's job is indeed not an easy one — and he seems to be making every effort to allow all interested parties to present their cases in as much detail as possible.

The Inquiry will take a two-week break starting June 6th — but Judge Berger won't be having a holiday. He will be visiting Alaska to study the impact of the pipeline there.

In early April, some visitors

from Kaktovik came over on skidoos to the Delta — and when they went back, Hope and Alex Gordon and Silas Kangegana went with them. They returned shortly thereafter, having had a wonderful visit with relatives and friends at Barter Island.

The first session of the new fully-elected Territorial Council was held at the beginning of May. David Searles of Yellowknife is the Speaker of the House, and Peter Erneark of Baker Lake is the Minister of Social Development, and Arnold McCallum of Fort Smith is Minister of Education.

For the first time at Territorial Council sessions, there were simultaneous translations, in the eastern Eskimo dialect, as several of the Council members speak very little English.

It is hoped that at future sessions there will also be translations in western Eskimo and several Indian dialects. The first working session of Council begins in Yellowknife next week.

Wally Firth, the Member of Parliament for the Northwest Territories, has opened part-time constituency offices in Inuvik, Frobisher Bay and Yellowknife, in an effort to become more accessible to the people. But still he has a tremendous area to represent.

Fortunately, at last Parliament has voted to divide the N.W.T. into two constituencies, and at the next election, we will be able to have two M.P.'s. A committee has been set up to study the best way to divide the territories.

Most people seem to feel that the division will be between the east and west, but that remains to be seen.

In May a group of Northern Games boys went to Frobisher Bay to take part in the annual Toonik Tyme festival there, and to make a special appearance for

Prince Charles during his Arctic tour.

COPE, with help from the Inuit Tapirisat, has installed two-way radios between Inuvik, Tuktoyaktuk, Paulatuk and Sachs Harbour, and they have two scheds daily, during which local people can send messages back and forth.

More communities in the Territories are becoming increasingly concerned with the alcohol problems in their areas. A number of them are beginning to take positive steps to try to find solutions to the problem.

People in this area are also very disturbed about what is happening in Alaska as a result of the pipeline.

The Indian Land Caveat hearings have started again in Yellowknife. The federal government will continue its case against Judge Morrow's decision of October, 1973, that the Indian people have ownership rights to about four hundred thousand acres of land in the Mackenzie Valley.

In a move which came as a

surprise to most people, at the end of May Tagak Curley handed his resignation to the Inuit Tapirisat as Director for the Inuit Land Claims. The resignation takes effect July 1.

Northern Games will be held this year in Fort McPherson, probably sometime in August, but at this time the date is still up in the air. Hopefully, participants from Alaska will again be able to take part.

Break-up was late this year all along the Mackenzie. The East Branch, in front of Inuvik, finally started running with heavy ice on June 1st, and now it is free, but there are still ice jams at a few places along the River. So far there has been no serious flooding.

Ratting is now in full swing, as earlier there was too much high water. But the season ends June 15th, so many people will have little time left to go hunting.

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Use wild plants when they are available. Get to know some common varieties that are easy to find and good to eat. Almost all of the edible wild plants in Alaska are good sources of Vitamins A and C.

Scientific studies have shown that it is a good idea to keep about even amounts of sodium and potassium in our diet in order to maintain or lower our blood pressure. We get lots of sodium in our diet by adding salt to our foods. Outstanding sources of potassium are bananas, cantaloupe, apricots, citrus fruits and dark green leafy vegetables — which include our wild edible greens.

LAMBSQUARTERS, WILD SPINACH or PIGWEED. It's all the same plant — you'll find it continually coming up in your newly planted garden. Don't just pull it up and throw it away. Collect it and cook it! It's better than spinach and you cook it the same way.

Just wash the leaves and small branches carefully. Then pack the greens in a small saucpan. If you leave a little water clinging to the leaves, you will not need to add any more water. Bring the greens quickly to a boil, watch it carefully so that it doesn't burn. As soon as it is tender — not mushy — add butter and a little salt and serve.

FIREWEED, or Great willow-herb, is another edible green that is found all over Alaska. The young shoots are collected in the spring and mixed with other greens. They are best when young and tender. The stems can be peeled and eaten raw in the young stage.

Don't forget the lowly DANDELION. These too can be cooked and eaten raw. The tender young leaves are available in early spring. Collect the leaves before it flowers. The older leaves are bitter.

Why spend money on chemicals to kill this plant, when with a little effort, you can dig them up and eat the leaves. Dandelion leaves are an outstanding source of Vitamin A.

Actually, the dark green and yellow plants, such as these wild greens have provitamin A carotenoids. These carotenoids are made into Vitamin A in our body.

When we don't get enough Vitamin A there can be damages to the lining of our mouth, throat, nose and respiratory passages. As a result we become susceptible to infections such as sinus trouble, sore throats, and abscesses in the ears, mouth and salivary glands.

Spreading Wood Fern provides another source of wild edible greens. When they fern frond or blade first appears they are curled and chaffy. These fronds are called fiddleheads or fiddleheads. When they are about five to six inches high people living in Southeast Alaska or around the Cook Inlet or Bristol Bay areas go out and gather these delightful greens. Boiled or steamed they are served like asparagus — with a flavor somewhere between green beans and asparagus.

Many people who have access to quantities of fiddleheads, freeze them for winter use.

Get your Vitamin A the inexpensive way — eat wild greens.

For more information about Wild, Edible and Poisonous Plants of Alaska, a booklet by this name is available from the Cooperative Extension Service for \$1.00.

LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION FOR BIDS
STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

Sealed bids in single copy for Project X-20064, Dennis Road — Cushman Extension, Grading, Base Course and Subbase Stabilization, will be received until 2:00 p.m. prevailing time, June 26, 1975, at the Department of Highways District Office, 2301 Peger Road, Fairbanks, Alaska.

This project will require the placement of approximate quantities of material and performance of work as follows:

Borrow: 1,400 Cu. Yds. on Cushman Extension; 2,700 Cu. Yds. on Dennis Road.

Crushed Aggregate Base, Course, Grading D-1: 725 Tons on Cushman Extension; 900 Tons on Dennis Road. Lignin Sulfonate: 4,050 Gals. on Cushman Extension; 4,050 Gals. on Dennis Road.

The depths of borrow will be 6 inches on Cushman Extension and will vary from 6 to 18 inches on Dennis Road. The depth of the crushed aggregate base course will be 3 inches. Application of the lignin sulfonate will consist of treating the top 6 inches of the roadway surface with a mixture of lignin and water; road mixing mixing by grader and recompact. The lignin sulfonate will be furnished by the State.

All work must be completed by July 31, 1975.

Plans and specifications may be obtained by all who have a bona fide need for them for bidding purposes from the Fairbanks District Highway Engineer, 2301 Peger Road, Fairbanks, Alaska. Pub.: June 18, 1975.

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DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

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This project will consist of grading, drainage, hot asphalt surface treatment along 15.7 miles of highway and construction of a prestressed concrete bridge, 85 feet in length.

Principal items of work consist of the following: 135 acres of clearing and grubbing, 21 acres of hand clearing; 411,500 cubic yards of unclassified excavation; 2,445,000 tons of borrow; 4,714,000 tons/miles of borrow haul; 30,000 tons of crushed aggregate base, grading "C"; 1,256 tons of cationic emulsified asphalt; 9,900 tons of cover coat material; 7,000 linear feet of pipe conduit, ranging in size from 18 inch to 60 inch; 8,700 linear feet of beam type guardrail. Lump sum items of work include Construction Engineering by the Contractor and telephone line adjustment. Miscellaneous items of work include standard signs and painted traffic markings.

All work shall be completed in 430 calendar days.

Plans and specifications may be obtained by all who have a bona fide need for them for bidding purposes from the Chief Road Design Engineer, P.O. Box 1467, Juneau, Alaska 99802 at a charge of \$10.00 (non-refundable) for each assembly. Checks or money orders should be made payable to: State of Alaska, Department of Highways. Plans may be examined at Department of Highway Offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Valdez.

Walter B. Parker
Commissioner of Highways
Pub.: June 18, 25, & July 2, 1975.