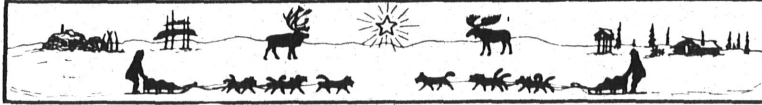


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Cook Inlet Check Delay is Explained

It was announced by President Ralph "Andy" Johnson of Cook Inlet Region, Inc. that a distribution of funds would not be made to the stockholders for an interim period of time.

"Problems common to those of Doyon Limited are affecting this region as well," Johnson said, referring to a recent news article.

At the present time there are over 6,000 stockholders registered to Cook Inlet Region, Inc. However the corporation is experiencing difficulties in identifying and locating existing stockholders. Incorrect mailing addresses, identifying custodians of minors and legal heirs of the deceased stockholders are common areas of concern.

To compound matters a recent temporary restraining order from the court prohibits a corporation from distributing funds to minors in the custody of the state. Corporations are awaiting a confidential list of enrollees affected by this action.

"For the protection of the Cook Inlet Region, Inc. stockholders, the decision has been made not to disburse any monies until the existing problems have been solved," Johnson concluded.

Anticipating the court action and enrollment difficulties, Cook Inlet Region's management recommended and the interim board concurred to invest the distribution monies in mid-December for the benefit of all stockholders. The stockholder's funds have been gaining interest on the average of 9% and are not scheduled for disbursement until mid-March. In the judgment of the board, the existing problems should be resolved by that time.

March 28th is the tentative date for the first annual stockholders meeting of the Cook Inlet Region, Inc. At that time the

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BARROW'S NASUK BROWER "WINTERS" WITH THE NAVY — with temperatures taking a steep dive throughout Interior and Northern Alaska earlier this week, the Tundra Times could not resist informing our readers that an Eskimo sailor in Hawaii is enjoying balmy weather. Charles "Nasuk" Brower, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Brower of Barrow, unlike his famous Grandfather who spent "Fifty Years Below Zero," is spending "four years above seventy degrees." Nasuk, stationed aboard the fleet oiler USS Hassayampa, is seen here at one of Oahu's famous beaches with the Diamond Head crater in the background. (U. S. Navy Photo, Additional photos on page 9)

Brower is Stationed at Pearl Harbor Port

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii — "When I was born, I was named Nasuk or 'respected one' after the great Eskimo hunter," said Navyman Charles Brower, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry K. Brower Sr. of Box 123 in Barrow.

A member of the North Alaskan Eskimo tribe, Charles explained that in Barrow he became a respected hunter in his own right at age 10 when he caught his first bearded seal on an ice floe. He was also a whaler like his grandfather Brower.

Today, Charles is a seaman in the Navy and no longer hunts for a living. Unlike his grandfather, who once wrote about his "50 Years Below Zero" in the great North Woods, Charles is spending his "four years above 70" in tropical Hawaii while serving aboard the Pearl Harbor-based fleet oiler USS Hassayampa.

The former whaler, hunter and fisherman is a crewman aboard a ship that provides fuel and supplies for Pacific Fleet ships at sea.

A member of the 'deck force,' he helps deliver fuel, equipment, provisions and mail on special cables suspended between the Hassayampa and its customer ships, normally while steaming at sea. During these refueling operations, he operates one of the cable winches.

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An analysis of adoption and foster care statistics, according to "Indian Family Defense," indicates "at current adoptive rates, within 10 years one in every four Indian children under age 18 in Minnesota will be in an adoptive home, usually non-Indian."

"Indian Family Defense" states: "The child-welfare crisis reaches from the root of Indian life in the family to the bureaucracies of federal and state governments." It is, the bulletin continues, "perhaps the most tragic aspect of American Indian life today."

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Indian Families Said to Face Removal Crisis

The removal of Indian children from their families is the subject of a new quarterly bulletin just published by the Association on American Indian Affairs. The eight-page bulletin, "Indian Family Defense," is devoted to what the AAIA calls "the child-welfare crisis" facing American Indian families.

According to a survey of states with large Indian populations by the AAIA, "25-35 per cent of all Indian children are removed from their families and placed in foster homes, adoptive homes, or institutions — and over recent years the problem has been getting worse."

Senate Floor Action is Expected Soon

JUNEAU — Legislation to restrict hunting guides to one guiding district per calendar year, is expected to come to the floor of the Senate this week, after passage with reservations by the Senate Resources Committee.

The measure introduced last year by State Senator

Willie Hensley, D-Kotzebue and co-sponsored by Senators George Hohman, D-Bethel and John Sackett, R-Galena is aimed mainly at concern for the game itself, said Hensley Tuesday. Under the present situation, depending on the game and season, guides from throughout the state may converge in large numbers on a single area, making it difficult on the available game, Hensley said.

The Kotzebue Democrat said at some point the state may have to consider limiting guides in certain areas to certain numbers so that the guides themselves would have a stake in the continuation of the species.

The measure, Senate Bill 129, would appear to also benefit guides who now work in limited areas, because it would limit competition from other guides who now take client hunters throughout the state.

As observed by Commissioner James W. Brooks, of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, the bill would, in effect, "restrict guides to operating in but one guiding district each calendar

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Food Stamp Regulations Proposed

JUNEAU — A number of new proposed food stamp regulations expanding the coverage of the program and providing greater and improved benefits to more needy people are currently being considered by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Director Stan Harris of the Division of Family and Children Services said that, "All interested persons, citizen groups and public agencies may submit written comments, suggestions or objections regarding the proposed amendments to James H. Kocher, Director, Food Stamp Division, Food and Nutrition Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C., 20205, no later than March 4,

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Alilikatuktuk Writes in 'MS'

By MARGIE BAUMAN
Juneau Correspondent

"Although I am young and a woman, I feel that I cannot remain silent and see my people manipulated and put down," writes Jeela Alilikatuktuk in the current issue of "MS" Magazine.

Indeed, the shortwave broadcaster for the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation at Broughton Island, Northwest Territories, Canada, is anything but silent as she speaks out on the conditions of the Inuit people of her area.

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CNER Report Asks Education Change

FAIRBANKS — Sweeping changes in elementary and secondary education in the unorganized borough of Alaska are called for in a report released by the University of Alaska's Center for Northern Educational Research (CNER).

The recommended changes came from various concerned groups, throughout the state during the past 11 months. Culminating activity of this effort to obtain "grassroots" input was a three-day forum on education in the unorganized borough held in Anchorage in early December.

Highlights of the recommendations:

— Proposed state legislation concerning education in the unorganized borough must be de-

ferred, in favor of legislation to implement recommendations of the report.

— The Alaska State-Operated School System (ASOSS) must be limited in its responsibility and must be phased out on a specific, legislatively-set timetable.

— ASOSS and Bureau of Indian Affairs' schools should be phased out no later than 1980.

— New school districts should be formed to supervise and operate the educational program in the presently unorganized borough.

— The transition from unorganized borough to organized school districts should be supervised by the State Department

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