

# RUBY NEWS

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Harold Tillison and his family moved here from Fairbanks and are temporarily living in Mrs. Coyle's house until their trailer home arrives on the barge. Harold is working here for Dept. of Public Works with Don Honea Sr. who is now forman since Albert Yrjana's retirement last winter.

The ice moved on the Yukon May 12. There was the usual excitement with everyone lining the riverbank to watch the ice pile up along the beach.

Shortly after the ice moved and began to thin out, the drift wood came.

Local boys were busy pulling out logs and cutting them into wood for sale. Harold Tillison helped some of the boys pull the big logs out of the river with a small John Deere cat which was a big help.

On May 16 parents and friends gathered at the school house where school board President Don Honea Sr. gave out diplomas to 8 students who completed the 8th grade.

Annual school picnic was held at Community Center at 6 p.m. with the ladies bringing delicious food as usual. Everyone went up to the airstrip to play baseball after the picnic.

Bill and Poldine Carlo and daughter Kathleen came down the river by boat from Fairbanks. They stopped here overnight and continued on to Nulato to attend a wedding.

Everybody's busy this week hauling trash, raking up yards, painting or putting boats in the river. Some people went to Big Creek to set fish nets and have a picnic. Boys going up river to cut wood or look for logs for fishwheels.

Emmitt Peters moved his parents and dogs to fish camp below Ruby.

Frank Titus and Josephine returned from Fairbanks where they spent the winter. They are now waiting for someone to take them by boat to Kokrines where they have a cabin.

It was cold all spring, now we are having good weather, beautiful sunshine and the birds singing early in the morning.

Several new log homes are under construction up the hill past the school building. On the road south of town at 7½ mile we find Mike Sweetsir and his family busy as beavers clearing land and starting the foundation for a log home.

This is all for now. Have a happy spring everyone!