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"Most Important of My Career"—

Dr. Evans Director of Land Claims College

Melvin Charlie, president of the Tanana Chiefs Conference, announced recently that a director had been selected for the Land Claims College recently established for the peoples in the Alaskan Interior.

The director is Dr. Eugene Evans, who has been with the University of Alaska since coming to Alaska from California in January of 1973.

In a prepared statement, Dr. Evans had this to say concerning his appointment to head of the new college.

"This assignment is undoubtedly the most important one of my career. It is important in that the Land Claims College will provide educational opportunity to so many people that have not been afforded such opportunity previously."

"The objective of the college is to teach the people the skills necessary to continue life in rural Alaska. To some it will mean increasing their skill as hunters, fishermen, trappers, carpenter, and other tradesmen."

"The college will acquaint them with the latest innovations in performing their tasks and in preserving and perpetuating the natural resources which they draw upon in their trade."

They will also be assisted in enhancing their skills in the market place through the establishment of cooperative and other business enterprises."

"Others in rural Alaska will be given educational opportunities to enhance their skills so they can perform more effectively in administering community affairs, in providing their own medical care, in operating their own stores and in building their own homes."

"One of the initial programs of the college is aimed at the adults living in the villages who wish to increase their communication, mathematical and other skills to exercise their new responsibilities as stockholders, officers and directors of the regional and village corporations established by the Land Claims Settlement Act."

"These people will be administering and managing corporate tasks for the first time. Their ability to manage and invest the resources of the corporation and the land will determine the status of living for rural Alaska forever. If the income is invested wisely and managed effectively, the people of rural Alaska will be among the most wealthy in the world."

"Other programs already identified will teach para-legal and para-medical skills to those persons who have the necessary inclination and ability to participate effectively. These para-professionals will work on a daily basis with the people in the villages as liaison with the attorneys and physicians who reside in the urban localities."

"We are fortunate to have several federal grants to initiate the Land Claims College. We are also pleased to find that the business community and the leaders in the area are prepared to assist our efforts. Four established schools of higher learning have offered their assistance and cooperation. We will certainly avail ourselves of the talent and experience already existing within the state."

"The four schools which have offered cooperation are: Sheldon Jackson College, Alaska Methodist University, the University of Alaska and Antioch College of Yellow Springs, Ohio. Antioch College can be useful in our endeavor because they have already developed procedures and educational methods applicable in rural areas."

"Dr. Hiatt of the University of Alaska has pledged support

and cooperation in a variety of efforts. The university has many programs already in existence that support the objectives of the Land Claims College. We will not wish to duplicate any of these efforts, but to work with the project leaders and extend the programs into areas which they have not been able to reach previously."

The timetable of events for the college calls for many of the programs to begin as early as this September. The program for Health Aides in the villages has already started.

A person by person educational needs assessment has begun and will be completed by the end of July. Counselors and advisors for the villages of Galena, McGrath, Tok and Ft. Yukon are being hired at this moment. They will be in the villages starting in July.

"This entire Land Claims College concept will be challenging to all who participate, but the potential benefits are unlimited. I'm pleased and privileged to be a part of this effort. I'm sure that all of the leaders of Alaska will join me in this educational endeavor so worthwhile to the future of Alaska and its residents."

Soviets Construct 1,320-mile Gasline

The Soviet Union has announced that a new 1,320-mile gas trunk line from the Tyumen Region in Western Siberia to

the Urals and the Central areas of the country will be completed this year.

The line will start from the Medvezhie fields, pass through Nadym, Punga, Nizhnyaya Tura, the Ural Range, Perm, Izhevsk, Kazan and Gorky and hook up to the Moscow gas ring.

The Medvezhie field, by the way, and two others, the Uren-goi and the Polyarny, were discovered only recently in the northern part of the Tyumen Region. These fields are larger than any other reserves previously uncovered in the Soviet Union.

Construction of 18 compressor stations will soon begin on the line. They will be operating by 1975.

Increased production of natural gas is one of the provisions of the current five-year plan. The 1971-1975 plan calls for extracting 320 billion cubic millimeters of gas in 1975, which is 62 per cent more than the 1970 figure.



SOVIET GAS LINE — A 1,320-mile gas trunk line is being laid from the Tyumen Region in Western Siberia to the Central area of the country. — NOVOSTI PRESS AGENCY Photo

Canning Fish

By Mrs. Ellen Ayotte
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A number of women from various villages have told me that one of the ways they like to preserve fish is by canning.

Fish can be canned either in pint jars or in tin cans. It is necessary to use a pressure canner and you will also need a can sealer if you use tin cans.

All types of fish can be canned. The one which a lot of people can is salmon. Some of the smaller fish which are extremely bony are good canned because the pressure processing makes the bones soft and edible.

Fish can be canned with or without bones and with or without the skin. The addition of salt is only for flavoring, it is not necessary to prevent the fish from spoiling.

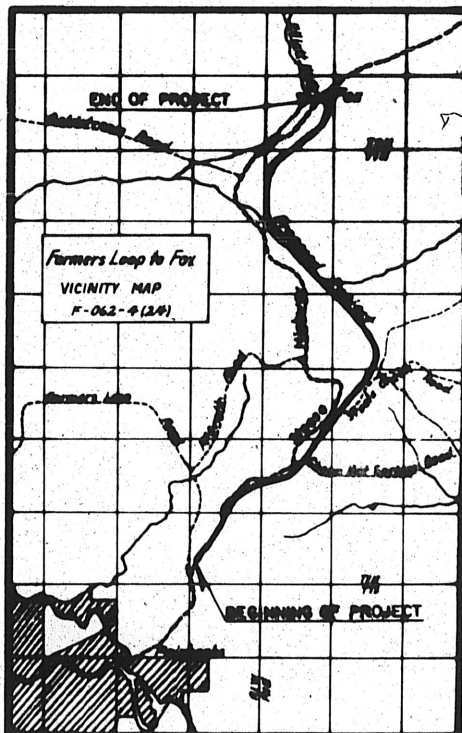
About 25 pounds of fish as caught will fill about 12 pint jars or 12 number 2 cans.

A number of women have told me that they have had trouble with the fish and meat they can in glass jars spoiling. Anytime a jar is not completely sealed the food in it will spoil. There are a number of things that can prevent a jar from completely sealing:

1. Metal lids which have been used before; the metal bands, however, can be reused.
2. Any piece of fish, salt or liquid left on the top of the jar.
3. Any nick or crack on the top of the jar.
4. Using jars which lids don't fit on well.

So when you use jars make sure there are no nicks or cracks on the top, the metal lids are new and you follow the directions on how to use them, wipe top edge of jar carefully so all liquid and food is removed. When storing empty jars for next year put on the metal band so the top of the jar will not get nicked.

For information on canning fish in tin cans or glass jars write to the Cooperative Extension Service, Room 303, 1514 Cushman, Fairbanks and ask for fish canning bulletins.



THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS

will conduct a
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PUBLIC HEARING

for the purpose of obtaining testimony and to inform interested citizens about the proposed reconstruction of the STEESE HIGHWAY from the intersection of Farmers Loop Road to Fox.

The hearing will be held on Thursday, July 11, 1974 at 7:00 p.m. at Joy School. An Environmental Impact Statement has been prepared and will be available for inspection at the hearing. Maps, plans and other project development information are available for inspection and copying at the Highway Department Complex at 2301-Peger Road. All verbal testimony presented at the Public Hearing and all written comments presented either at or within ten (10) days following the hearing will become a part of project records. This project is tentatively scheduled for construction in 1976. Relocation assistance programs that will be available for affected persons and businesses within the projects right-of-way limits will be discussed.