lightening experience for all the participants who posed their par-ticular cultural facets to highly interested audiences.

The participants and the listeners found out about cultural heritages little known up to the point. There was free interchange of information that became pro-foundly informative. Willing ears istened. Interesting questions were asked, all in the atmosphere of goodwill and good fellowship.

Customs and dances prevailed from each of the minority culture participants. Legends and traditions were discussed in depth giving all the seminar members and audiences a new insight into the often beautiful cultural heritages.

People found out that the cultural heritages were intricately woven into the particular environments that have brought out the best possible existence of a people – men, women and children, living spiritually attuned to their surroundings.

An enlightening session in the quiet confines of St. Mary's University of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

#### AND THEN

Then came the time to return to Alaska after much intermingling and animated and friendly discourses. There was so much of this that a few tears were shed at the departing time of the Alaskans. The seminar had been successful making each one of us wish that another, and still another interesting session, or sessions, will be held in the fu-

ture.
We jetted over to Boston once again and stayed overnight. The next morning early we went to

## Letters

Natives, whether by heritage we be Indian, Aleut or Eskimo, to put aside our differences and pull together as one.

We have an opportunity now to enhance the welfare of all Natives by sticking together, by offering encouragement and help

to those in leadership positions.
"A house divided cannot stand." This old saying is just as true today as ever.

The time is now to work together. We can have a great hand in shaping our futures.

It would be great to pick up on the ideals of our late brother Grafton Gabriel, Grafton was one who was unselfishly dedicated to the betterment of all Alaska Natives or anyone who was in need of help.

We have lost a good friend; will all miss him greatly. We would do well to dedicate our own efforts to the goals Grafton dreamed of accomplishing.

We have learned a lot and still have a lot to learn. In our efforts we will make mistakes; we must learn to correct our mistakes.

Let us not let these good times pass us by; it is time now to encourage each other to pur-sue the opportunity to add to a new dimension to our lives.

Alaska Natives must get into union-oriented jobs as subsistance living becomes more difficult.

It will take some sacrifice; it will mean being away from your families for a period of time, but in learning a trade and getting into the unions you will add a valuable tool to your lives, one that you can take with you

wherever you go.

Be proud of your heritage; don't take anything away, but add to it.

Sincerely, Lonnie Thomas

board a plane for New York. While we were comfortably settling ourselves in the big jet, a voice over the public address sys-tem informed "we have found

that there is something wrong with our air pressure system."
This after we taxled out to the runway.

We taxied back to the Roston jet berth and deplaned. About an hour later, they transferred the passengers to another jet and we flew to Newark, New Jersey. Being an hour late, we found that if we took a bus (with two stops and changes of buses along the way) we might miss our flight to Fairbanks from the JFK International Airport. We engaged a private limousine that

gaged a private limousine that took us through in great style.

Our driver, apparently of Italian descent, was very talkative and a friendly fellow.

"I'll take you on a little sight-seeing along the way," he said.

We went through the tunnel

we went through the tunnel under the Hudson River, through Broadway, where our driver broke into a song, "Give My Re-gards to Broadway" and "5th

Avenue" in good baritone voice.

After glancing a bit at the
United Nations Building, we
went through the East River tunnel and on to JFK.

On leaving, we taxied out to-ward the runway and then there ward the runway and then there was a jerk on the jet. Soon after that, the pilot said on the PA system, "We have damaged the brake on one of the landing wheels. The brake is completely disabled."

We limped back to the JFK

vice president; Eddie Bodfish,

#### AIA Engages Lady-

## **Woman Flight Engineer**

FAIRBANKS — The first woman rated as a flight engineer aboard a Hercules aircraft has joined 28 fellow flight engineers flying for Alaska International

Carol Jane Jeffus, of Fair-banks, recently passed her FAA oral and written flight proficiency checks after serving two years with AIA as a licensed dispatchwith AIA as a ligensed dispatch-er and flight follower. When she joined AIA, Mrs, Jeffus held a commercial pilot's license with 1,500 hours of both sea and land time.

Originally a math instructor at the University of Alaska where she was associated for 10 years,

"The repair on the wheel will The repair on the winest win probably take at least two hours," informed the pilot. On the way to the runway, the plane had run into a runway light.

FAIRBANKS AT LAST

We finally got back on the plane where we had a Japanese-style dinner. On landing in Fair-banks, we encountered the hot-test weather all through the near-

back of us were nice things to remember about Halifax, a clean, smallish city of 120,000 people, friendly participants at the seminar and a fabulous gour-met meal of lobster — not one but two famous crustaceans that was given by the summer school personnel of the St. Mary's University.

Village Corporations . .

she became a pilot for a small air-line in Greybull, Wyo. Later, she worked for Viking Airways in Petersburg, Alaska, as both pilot

and dispatcher.

She has also worked for Frontier Flying Service of Fairbanks, as a pilot, which included flying fire patrol for the Bureau of Land Management.

Mrs. Jeffus, holds a B.S. de-

gree in mathematics and physics as well as a M.S. degree in mathe-

She is married and her husband is a pilot and a licensed A&P (airframe and power plant) mechanic.

According to Jerry Church, AIA's director of flight opera-AIA's director of light opera-tions, "AIA is pleased to have the first woman rated Hercules flight engineer. We know she'll exhibit the same competence and ability in her new position that she has consistently demonstrated in her previous responsibilities with Alaska International Air."

### Noel Wien Honored...

from continental United States

by a northern interior route.

His routes were established under the name of Wien Brothers in 1927. Noel was joined by his brothers, Sigurd, Fritz, Har old and Ralph. Sigurd never married and still lives in Fairbanks. Fritz and his wife Ann live in Fairbanks. Fritz is still a member of Wien's Board of Directors, as is Noel. Noel and his wife Ada (Bering Arthurs) live in Seattle but make frequent trips to Alas-ka. Harold and wife Lorraine (Hager), a Nome girl, returned to the Minnesota farm where they still reside.

Ralph came to Alaska as Noel's mechanic in 1925, soloed in '28 but was killed in 1930 in an experimental model diesel-powered Bellanca plane at Kot-zebue. Kotzebue's airport is named after him. His younger named after nim. His younger son, Bo, is now a Wien pilot. Noel's son Merrill is, too and another son Richard is president of Merric, a helicopter flying

Wien and Northern Consolidated merged in 1968. Ray Petersen, of Northern who has 40 years of flying in Alaska, is now

wien Air Alaska, with a fleet of five jets, seven at summer's end, and over 40 Fairchild F27's and FH227 prop jets, Skyvans, jet-powered Twin Otters and Pilatus Porters, serves over 170 communities in Alaska and the

communities in Alaska and the Yukon Territory.

A book about Noel's flying adventures, "Pioneer Bush Pilot: The Story of Noel Wien," will be out this fall. Published by the University of Washington Press and written by Ira Harker, who worked for the Wiens for who worked for the Wiens for who worked for the whens for five years, was a former profes-sor in residence at the Univer-sity of Alaska and a Pulitzer Prize winning journalist.

#### HELP WANTED

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The Tanana Chiefs Conference is now accepting applications for the following positions:

1. Director, for the Tanana Revi-

The Tanana Chiefs Conference is now accepting applications for the following positions:

1. Director, for the Tanana Revival School. Applicants must be familiar with the Tanana Chiefs region, culture, and values. Person will be responsible for the administrative function of the Survival School, and supervise and coordinate the activities of the Survival School staff.

Qualifications Desired: BA degree in Secondary Education or Administration. Past experience in related work will be considered acceptable. Resume required.

Salary: \$1500/mo.

2. Regional Llaison, for the Tanana Survival School. Applicants must be familiar with the Tanana Chiefs region, particularly rural areas, values, and customs. An established working relationship preferred. Job requires extensive travel within the Tanana Chiefs region. Resume required.

Salary: \$1300/mo.

3. Curriculum Developer, for the Tanana Survival School. Applicant must be familiar with the Tanana Chiefs region, past history, culture and values. Person will be responsible for developing curriculum on the various Athabascan cultural courses offered in the Survival School. Must travel to six villages within the Tanana Chiefs region to help on the curriculum being implemented in these schools. Must explore the possibility of writing an Athabascan text on the history of the Tanana Chiefs region. Qualifications Desired: M.E.D. degree in Education. Must be State Certified Teacher. Must have curriculum development experience. Must have taken Anthropology courses directly relating to Alaska Natives. Past teaching experience within the Tanana Chiefs region preferred. Resume required.

Salary: \$1600/mo.

relating to Aisaka in the Tanana Chiefs region preferred. Resume required.

Salary: \$1600/mo.

4. Teacher, for the Tanana Survival School. Applicant must be familiar with the Tanana Chiefs region, culture and values. Person responsible for supervising the teacher aide, coordinating activities of the survival school, tutor students with their homework, and be responsible for student evaluation.

Qualifications Desired: Be degree in elementary or secondary education: Must be State Certified téacher. Must have taught within the Tanana Chiefs region. Must be familiar with the Alaska Native Claims Act. Resume required.

Salary: \$1167/mo.

5. Teacher Aide, for the Tanana Survival School. Applicants must be familiar with the Tanana Chiefs region and have extensive knowledge in traditional Native survival activities. Resume required.

Salary: \$1000/mo.

6. Administrative Secretary, for the Tanana Survival School. Responsible to the Survival school staff.

Qualifications Desired: High School graduate or equivalent. Past georefarial experience preferred with accuracy over speed.

Salary: \$800/mo.

Please send job applications to: President

President
Tanana Chiefs Conference
102 Lacey St.
Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

# rak secretary. Members are Rob-ert Ekak, ASRC President Jo-seph Upicksoun and Amos Ag-

Ahtna Contract... (Continued from Page 1)

said Dean Olson, executive di-

rector of the corporation.

"These goals are to develop the management and craft expertise we need beyond the immediate project, and secondly to come away from the contracts with sufficient funds to acquire the necessary equipment spread and working capital for our subsidiary, Ahtna Construc-tion & Primary Products, Inc."

The Ahtna contractor in joint venture with Rogers & Babler was previously awarded a con-tract to do site preparation work at a construction camp near Glennallen. Work at the camp site is presently under way.

Expected to take part in to-Expected to take part in to-day's contract signing ceremony were the president of Ahtna, Inc., Robert Marshall, who is also president of the Tazlina Village Corporation, and the presidents of three other village corporations within the Ahtna

They include Harold Gene of Gakona Village Corporation, Harding Ewan of the Sta-Keh Gakona Village Corporation, and Ray-mond Craig of the Kluti-Kaah Village Corporation.

Walter Charlie, president of Ahtna Construction & Primary Products, and Robert Goldberg, legal counsel, were also to at-tend, as was John Seawell, pres-ident of Rogers and Babler.

Representing Alyeska were to be Charles Elder, executive vice president; Robert Miller, manager public affairs, Frank Moolin, senior project manager; William Harrison, senior attor-ney; Glenn Lundell, manager manpower resources; and Larry Miller, manager of contracts.

Alyeska is the firm responsible for the design, construction and operation of the Trans Alaska Pipeline.

#### NOTICE

Department of Highways maintenance crews will be resurfacing University Avenue from Airport Way to College Road beginning Tuesday, July 23, 1974. This work is to be completed in two to three days, and will be in progress between the hours of 12:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. only. Motorists utilizing University Avenue during these hours from July 23 through July 25 are requested to use alternate routes if possible. Traffic will be restricted to two lanes while work is in progress, and motorists are advised that short delays may be encountered due to equipment operations in the immediate work area.

> Woodrow Johansen Interior District Engineer

# vice president; Eddie Bodfish, treasurer; Walter Nayakik Sr., secretary; Wyman Segevan, as-sistant secretary and members Billy Nashoalook Sr. and Frederick Ahmaogak.

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Harry Hugo is the president
of Nunamiut Corp. at Anaktuvuk Pass, with Ben Ahgook,
vice president; Mark Morry,
treasurer; Jacob Ahgook, secretary, and Danny Hugo, chairman. Henry Hugo and Riley
Sikvayurak are members.

Pass Gordon is the president

Bass Gordon is the president of Kaktovik Inupiat Corp., with Herman Rexford, vice president; Tommy Akootchook, secretary; Fenton Rexford, treasurer; Herman Aishanna, chairman and members William Akootchook and Adam Linn.

The board of the Kuukpik Corp. at Nuiqsut has elected Corp. at Nuiqut has elected Thomas Napageak, president; Archie Ahkiviana, vice president; David Brower Sr., chairman; Johnny Ahnupkana, secretary; David Kasak, treasurer and members Joseph Nukapigak

and Joseph Kunaknana. and Joseph Kunaknana.

John Oktollik Sr. is the president of the Tigara Corp. at Point Hope, with Leo Kinneeveauk, vice president; Rex Tuzroyluk, secretary; Henry Attungana Sr., treasurer, and members James Omnik Sr., Lennie Lane Jr. and David U. Stone Sr.

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Lay, the new president is Willie
Tukrook, who also serves as
treasurer. Walter Toorak is the
vice president and Virginia Too-



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