## Barrow News

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## Barrow Corresponden

Woman Died Mrs. Ida Koolaluk died while she is in bed. She never wake up, died in bed. Koolaluk w
Between 40's and 50's I went with Dick and when we reached the lead, there was no water nearby.
Only water we saw was about 200 yards off heavy ice: There was very thin young ice between.
When I tested the young ice with my spear, my tester spear goes through. I couldn't walk on it.

When Dick came to me, he told me, this one is strong nough to walk on
He had a spear with him. He tested it first and start walking. He never stop till he reached the I.

I tried and tried, never able to walk on because 1 know if $I$ did, I'd break through.

I gave up. I never even did looked back.
Dick really could walk on
very thin, young ice.
I never did forget it.
Heavy Ice In
Mr. Daniel Kenton, resident of Barrow, said today that the heavy ice came in shore and it's till there now.
Hunters do go up inland for caribouing and fishing.
Each time according to Mr. Kenton, whenever they bring some meat, village of Barrow do get meat, dried fish or fresh fish, what have they.

Caribous are in good shape yet, fat, too.

Daniel brought in a dried caribou meat and we all have a nice supper.
Daniel Kenton was an Alaska Native Hospital employee for several years. Now he quit work ing and he is in Fairbanks.

He said his wife who is now president of drummers in Barrow will come in also. He doesn't know though when she will come.

Still At It
New hotel is about half done in Barrow as the visitors need room badly in village.

This new hotel belongs to Arctic Slope Regional Corporation. Heard that restaurant and lounge will be included.

Another month from today, everything will be completed.

Planning
called to come to Inuvik and down to Tuturaktuk, N.W.T. his month.
Mr. Pete Sovalik, Eskimo drummer, said that they could go way east to Cambridge Bay to place an Eskimo dancing program but the fare is too heavy but Pete said they will go to Tuturaktuk instead.
Round trip per person is $\$ 75$, which is reasonable. Sometime this month.

## Nuiksat

Nuiksat, new village between Barrow and Kaktukvik, caught several fishes, what we call white fish.
People there dries them too,
even caribou's meat.
Some have already moved in
their new lodges, new houses.
o their new lodges, new houses.
First Time
Eskimos here in Fairbanks said that, this game they are having on Fourth of July wa he first one they do ever had.
The Eskimos had a wonder ful time, wonderful meal, such as muktuk, kuak, fresh fishes, all kinds what have you.

Games were played there, ven foot races. Our minister Gene, won the race, first prize

Then Eskimo dance comes next. Everyone dance, those who never did dance before dance even. What a wonderful evening we do have!

## Spa Pools Considered

## Hazardous

The State Division of Public Health warned owners of hydrotherapy "spa pools". of a potential hazard recently. It was re ported that an eight-year-old gir drowned when suction from the drain in her parents' spa pool held her to the bottom.
To protect against such occurences, it is necessary to have a grate installed covering the drain in such a manner as to break up the direction suction against a flat surface.

The National Swimming Pool Institute is working with the U.S. Product Safety Commission in alerting swimming pool contractors of the hazard and encouraging them to take steps to insure

## People Even Friendlier-

## Revisits Coppermine Village

By LOIS KEATING
July 9,1974 -Since I last wrote, I had a chance to go to Coppermine, on Coronation Gulf n Cent n May. After my very pleasant visit to Coppermine last summer, I really wanted to be back, and especially to see it when the snow was on the ground

And when we got there, there was lots of it, but by the 14 th, when we left, it was starting to melt, and there were puddles everywhere.
This time it seemed as though the Coppermine people were even friendlier that before, and I had a very enjoyable visit and I also managed to get a few tapes for the Eskimo language program in Inuvik
Most of the people had just started to go out to their seal camps on the ice - some would remain there until break-up. Peo ple were coming and going all the time - on Ski-doos and sleds.

On the last Sunday in May, from early morning on, the news began to circulate around Inuvik of the tragic shootings in Akla-

Fr. Franche, the Catholic priest, had been killed - and priest, had been killed - and 17 rear boys rence Thrasher and Charles Bell Konce Thrasher and

After Thrasher had shot the priest, he himself was shot and then when the medical and police group arrived from Inuvik by plane, Koe came out of a house and started shooting in all directions, and was sûbsequently shot by an RCMP of ficer.

Alcohol was involved in the ragedies, and the Aklavik Hamlet Council and members of the community immediately started taking action to crack down on liquor regulations in the community.
The atmosphere in Aklavik has been understandably tense since then . . . one hopes that somehow some good will eventually come out of such dreadful circumstances.

One hopeful start was the opening, on July 1, of the new community hall - which has been named the Fr. Franche Community Center, in memory of the man who worked with such dedication for so many years to help the people of the Delta area.

In June, Sam Raddi, presi-

[^0]dent of COPE (Committee for Original People's Entitlement), and representatives from COPE and from the Inuit Tapirisat of Canada (1TC), traveled to Alaska to meet with Native leaders to discuss land claims issues. Some of the group also visited the North Slope and Point Barrow. During the last week in June, the Indian. Brotherhood of the N,W.T. and the Metis and NonStatus Native Association held a joint assembly at Fort Good Hope. They reaffirmed a former greement to write in their efforts to get the land claims setforts
tled.

This year Northern Games will be held at Tuktoyaktuk uly 19-22nd. It looks like there will be between 200 and 300 participants, and they will be coming from as far as Pelly Bay, Spence Bay, Gjoa Haven, Cambridge Bay and Coppermine in the east - from the Yukon and hopefully, a group from Alaska, although at this writing, those plans are still up in the air.
I'm in charge of transportaion again this year, and it's a cal hassle to get everything moving with reasonable facility and then at the last minute and sure, here's that old buga-boo, the weather - perhaps we can get someone to do a sun dance for us!

The Games Committee at Tuk is hard at work preparing for the big event. Charles Komeak of Tuk is chairman there. Participants will again be staying in tents, and people in Tuk are perhaps viewing the influx with mixed emotions. But for many of them, it will be a chance for cunions with family members and old friends.

It also seems quite likely that a group from this area will be coming over to Fairbanks the ollowing week to take part in the Eskimo-Indian Olympics.

Tragedy struck again this past week in Inuvik when Glen Ting. miak, 22-year-old son of Rufus and Sarah Tingmiak, drowned in a boating accident on July 5 , during a drinking party.
Glen was well-known throughout the N.W.T. and Alaska - he was one of the original Northern Games team organized by Edward Lennie in 1970, and with his brother, Pat, was a champion high kicker. He won
few years back, and was known o many Alaskans.

Glen was also with the N,W.T. Arctic Sports groups who went to Anchorage in March for Arcic Winter Games.

The beluga whale season is just starting, and many people have already left for Whitefish Station at Kitt igazuit Bay, which is the main whaling camp for the area.

The federal election was held yesterday. Pierré Elliot Trudeau was re-elected as prime minister and Wally Firth was returned as the member of parliament for N.W.T.

I had a chance to talk to Wally briefly when he was in Inuvik last week. I was happy to discover that he's still the same unpretentious down-toearth fellow he was before his name was known throughout Canada. He combines a love for the north with the ability to listen to all sides of a situation, the courage to say what he feels and to fight for what he thinks is right, and a refreshing lack of egotism. He did most of his campaigning by flying a two-seater plane from settlement to settlement and meeting with people she found them, rather than apecting them to come to spe expecting the come to spe ial meetings to hear him.
I couldn't help comparing Canadian campaigns with those of Americans who start campaigning months, if not years, ahead of the actual election. The exact date of Canadian elections are not known very many weeks ahead of time and therefore the bombardment of political statements at meetings, on TV, on radio or in the press, are limited to a relatively short space of time, which can sometimes be a blessing.


The average thundercloud holds about 100,000 tons of water according to World Book Encyclopedia. This is almost six trillion raindrops

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PIPELINE OF THE NORTH
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The KIAK Top 20 is proviowed every SUNDAY from 6-9 P.M. on COUNTRY COUNTDOWN

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HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL
WITH DICK LOBDELL AND RICK O'BRIEN
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