Barrow News

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Woman Died

Mrs. Ida Koolaluk died while she is in bed. She never wake up, died in bed. Koolaluk wife of Mr.

Dick Bolt Ahgeosinya. 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 enough to walk on.

He had a spear with him. He tested it first and start walking. He never stop till he reached the water

I tried and tried, never able to walk on because I 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 still 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 working 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 Corpora-

tion. Heard that restaurant and lounge will be included.

Another month from today, everything will be completed.

Planning The Eskimo dancers were

called to come to Inuvik and down to Tuturaktuk, N.W.T. this 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. Some-time 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

to their new lodges, new houses. First Time

Eskimos here in Fairbanks said that, this game they are having on Fourth of July was the 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, even 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 hydro-therapy "spa pools" of a po-tential hazard recently. It was reported that an eight-year-old girl drowned when suction from the drain in her parents' spa pool held her to the bottom.

To protect against such occurrences, 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 contract-ors of the hazard and encouraging them to take steps to insure installation of safe drain covers.

Revisits Coppermine Village dent of COPE (Committee for Original People's Entitlement), representatives from COPE and from the Inuit Tapirisat of

> N.W.T. and the Metis and Non-Status Native Association held a joint assembly at Fort Good Hope. They reaffirmed a former agreement to write in their ef-forts to get the land claims set-

> This year Northern Games will be held at Tuktoyaktuk July 19-22nd. It looks like there

those plans are still up in the air. I'm in charge of transportaweather – 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 Ko-meak 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 reunions with family members

Tragedy struck again this past week in Inuvik when Glen Tingmiak, 22-year-old son of Rufus and Sarah Tingmiak, drowned in a boating accident on July 5, during a drinking party.

ka - 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 an award at Eskimo Olympics a few years back, and was known to many Alaskans.

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

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

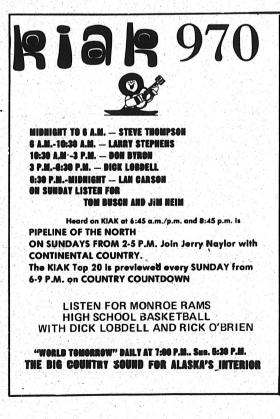
area. The federal election was held yesterday. Pierre Elliot Trudeau was re-elected as prime minister and Wally Firth was returned as member of parliament for NWT

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-to-earth fellow he was before his name was known throughout Canada. He combines a love for the north with the ability to lis-ten 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 as he found them, rather than expecting them to come to spe-cial 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 meet-ings, on TV, on radio or in the ess, are limited to a relatively short space of time, which can sometimes be a blessing.



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She loved people.

---Vaughn Baker JULY 4, 1974

By LOIS KEATING July 9, 1974–Since I last wrote, I had a chance to go to Coppermine, on Coronation Gulf in the Central Arctic, for a week

in the Central Arctic, for a week in 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 14th, when we left, it was starting to melt, and there were puddles everywhere. his time it seemed as though

People Even Friendlier—

the Coppermine people were even friendlier than before, and I had a very enjoyable visit – and I also managed to get a few tapes for the Eskimo lan-

guage 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 Aklavik

vik. Fr. Franche, the Catholic priest, had been killed – and before the night was over, two 17-year-old boys, Eugene Law-rence Thrasher and Charles Bell Koe, were also dead.

Koe, were also dead. 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 subsequently shot by an RCMP officer.

Alcohol was involved in the tragedies, and the Aklavik Hamlet Council and members of the community immediately started taking action to crack down on liquor regulations in the com-

munity. The atmosphere in Aklavik has been understandably tense since then . . . one hopes that somehow some good will even-tually 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-

for the good of all.

Canada (ITC), 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

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July 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, Cam-bridge Bay and Coppermine in the east – from the Yukon – and hopefully, a group from Alaska, although at this writing, those plane are still up in the air.

tion again this year, and it's a real hassle to get everything moving with reasonable facility – and then at the last minute, there's that old bug-a-boo, the

and old friends.

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

Glen was well-known throughout the N.W.T. and Alas-