

Noel Wien Gets Alaskan of Year

The Alaska Press Club announces that Noel Wien, the famous pioneer bush pilot in Alaska, has been elected the Alaskan of the Year for 1975. Wien will be honored at the annual banquet of the press club in Anchorage on the evening of March 28, this weekend.

The guest speaker will be Lowell Thomas, Sr., the famous world traveler, explorer and newscaster. His public appearance will be his first in the last two years. He is the father of the Lieutenant Governor Lowell Thomas, Jr. under the administration of Alaska's Governor Jay Hammond.

Noel Wien has done many a "first" during the early years of pioneer flying like flying the United States mail to Anchorage and Nome. Great many of his aviation exploits paved the way to flying in Alaska.

According to word received by the Tundra Times, reservations for the banquet are filling up rapidly and Fairbanks people are urged to make reservations by calling 279-3752 in Anchorage.