

Magazine to Be Printed In August

O. Thomas Beirne, an Alaskan educator and free lance writer, announced the August publication of the Alaska Northern Lights magazine. The new publication will be published every other month according to Beirne, and will have as its theme "The pulse of the present. . . and a pause in the past." All of the articles will be about Alaska, written by Alaskan writers and printed in this state, he said.

"The magazine is aimed at the educated, historically-minded Alaskans and outsiders who have a genuine interest in the varied activities, past and present, of our state of Alaska, Beirne said. "I have long believed," he continued, "that Alaskans need a general interest magazine which is concerned with the people and places of Alaska and the humanities—(poetry, art, music, literature, philosophy, etc.).

The bi-monthly will be published by Alaska Northern Lights, Inc. Beirne, who is listed as president of that corporation, says that he will be the editor and publisher.

He said that the first issue of Alaska Northern Lights

would appear on August 20—the 225th anniversary of the discovery of Alaska by Vitus Bering.

Tom Beirne, a candidate for a seat in the Alaska State Senate, said that in no way would the magazine be political. "It will be an honest attempt to expand upon the true history and activities of our state."

Beirne said that he would continue to operate Tom Beirne Enterprises, a public relations and free lance writing firm in Anchorage.