



NEW REPORTERS—Tundra Times welcomes two new correspondents from the village of Selawik. Their names are: Eleanor Loon, left, and Diane Ramoth, right. Selawik has been a good contributor to this newspaper and by doing this, the people there have been getting good benefits for their village. (See story on Page 11)

BSNC Buys Airline

(Courtesy of The NOME NUGGET)

Bering Straits Native Corp. has made another move to implement its program for moving on a broad base with Native Land Claims Funds.

Jerome Trigg, board chairman and full-time president of BSNC announced the purchase of the non-scheduled Alaska air carrier, Pacific Alaska Airlines.

The purchase was made from Don Gilbertson, who, Trigg said was a pioneer Alaska

pilot and who will remain under the new ownership as president and chief executive officer. Gilbertson is well-known in Nome and other Alaska flying circles.

Trigg declined to reveal the purchase price.

At the outset the firm will be based in Fairbanks and will have six DC-6 planes and three DC-3s. They are licensed to operate any place in Alaska.

Trigg said that the new company is looking into the possibility of establishing loading facilities here.

Trigg said there are plans to get into the passenger business and in that event the firm will purchase a 727 jet.

The actual purchase was made by the Bering Straits Investment Co., with Tom Drake as president of the BSNC subsidiary. Pacific Alaska also is known as PAK.

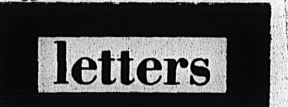
PAK at present operates in regular non-scheduled freight and passenger service within Alaska under a certificate from the Alaska Transportation Commission and carries freight interstate under a commercial operator's certificate issued by the Federal Aviation Administration.

The company has other aircraft used principally for fire fighting operations.

Trigg announced that the interest of Pacific Alaska Airlines was acquired because of the desire to invest in basic Alaska industries and particularly a business which serves the people in Western Alaska.

PAK has applied for authority to provide scheduled freight and passenger service between Anchorage, Unalakleet, Nome, Kotzebue and Fairbanks and is evaluating initiation of direct freight service between Seattle and Western Alaska.

New and additional types of equipment, including jet-powered aircraft, will be added to the PAK fleet as required, Trigg said.



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Our supporters can be compared to the pilgrims that hold up our homes; hacking away at the support will cause our homes to fall.

We appreciate the helping hand the state has extended to us to protect our historical, food gathering and traditional lands and we would like to thank those of you who voted against this resolution.

Sincerely,
Daniel G. Johnson, Sr.
President/Chairman of the Board
Kootznoowoo, Inc.

RCA May Ask Globcom Grantsmanship

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from ownership or funding of the satellites, and just lease time on them as do other customers. Both Robert Walp, of the Governor's Office of Telecommunications, and Rep. Fred Brosn (D-Fairbanks) had explained to TT in previous interviews that the RCA plan might have caused Alaskan telephone users to subsidize RCA operations that are completely unrelated to Alaska.

The FCC apparently went even further than the state had asked.

If the RCA companies do ask for reconsideration, they must do so within a week. Otherwise they may be in violation of a part of the FCC order that tells them to file certain documents and contracts within 15 days of the order, officially issued on Nov. 6.

The FCC left some issues undecided, but made it clear that the requirements of the new RCA company were part of a final order.

Ownership of the small earth stations (disputed between RCA and the state) is one such issue.

Also undecided are points raised in a competing application by American Telephone & Telegraph. ATT&T says it should serve Alaska with communications satellites, not RCA.

The FCC said that these questions would be set for hearing within 90 days if the parties did not negotiate a settlement of their differences. The order is read by some sources as a "kick in the pants" to the RCA companies, the State of Alaska and AT&T to settle their differences, using as mediator Walter Hinchman, who heads the FCC's common carrier bureau.

The FCC decision left open the possibility that RCA Alascom might be ordered to lease space on the new RCA satellites, on an AT&T satellite, or both, or even to purchase an interest in either or both. The state is expected to oppose any such ownership, still fearing that Alaskan dollars would still support other far-flung RCA companies, even after the setup of the new corporation.

A five day "Grantsmanship Writing Workshop" sponsored by the University of Alaska, Juneau, (UAAJ) will be held at the Auke Bay Administration Building Nov. 17-21.

According to Sally Wellman, director of Special Educational Services at UAAJ, participants in the workshop "will be given instruction and experience in developing and critiquing grant proposals, including the format, purpose, objectives of delivery, evaluation and budget."

She said the workshop would provide valuable training for persons developing grant proposals and for individuals who critique and evaluate funding requests or are involved in awarding grant monies.

Ms. Wellman said that only 22 persons will be allowed to enroll in the workshop. The fee for the workshop is \$275 per participant.

Persons wishing to register for the workshop may register Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Office of Student Services on the Auke Lake Campus.

People Living As Always At Gambell

By GRACE SLWOCKO
Gambell Correspondent

GAMBELL—It has been a few weeks since I send news from here to the newspapers, Tundra Times in Fairbanks and Nome Nugget in Nome. But we out on the island have been living as always, our men going out hunting for seals and other sea animals.

What they use for traveling now is snow machines and other very nice three-big-wheeled machine called Honda. There also is one, Chapperal, it is six-wheeled. Boy, we like that. It travels so nice.

Almost every family has either of those. And the women still sew sealskins, home-tanned and prepared for here, seal-skins are good for here, where it is cold. The temperature now is 22 above. The lake is all ice but thin yet.

And the school is going on. There are more schoolteachers, teaching in school.

Some men are still working at the housing. Thirty homes are shaping up for some people here. They are not done yet. We are getting excited about moving into them though.

Everyday when the weather is good the Munz planes come. Once in a week a big plane comes, Wien. In this large plane things like snow machines come.

The Eskimo man from here is getting the church going on in Presbyterian Church. A nice family that used to live and work there have gone back to the Lower 48. We miss them. Their little girls were talking like here. It is very interesting about different languages.

Bernie Willis also is a nice minister of the Seventh Day. He has a plane and also have large dog team. We like him and his wife. They are young and has been here for a few years.

With the storms here, there have been sea foods washed ashore in abundance. Many seals are being brought home every day, by hunting men. It is our living.

Impact Program . . .

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North Star Borough Impact Information Center.

The summaries cover the following information: name of the community, its location with respect to Fairbanks, incorporation classification, mayor or city manager, village chief, Rural CAP Head Start Program 75-76, educational facilities, housing, Alaska Native Land Claims Settlement Act—name of village corporation, president of the Board of Directors, average land total selected, total enrollment; community facilities, health care, electric power, communications, transportation, military installations, state/federal facilities such as post offices, banks, etc.; grocery stores, churches and other local organizations

Those communities surveyed were Allakaket, Anderson, Anvik, Arctic Village, Beaver, Birch Creek, Canyon Village, Central, Chalkyitsik, Circle City, Delta Junction, Dot Lake, Eagle, Evansville (Bettles Field), Fort

Yukon, Galena, Grayling, Healy, Healy Lake, Holy Cross, Hughes, Huslia, Kaltag, Koyukuk, Lake Minchumina, Livengood, McGrath, Manley Hot Springs, Medfra, Minto, Nenana, Nikolai, Northway, Nulato, Rampart, Ruby and Shageluk.

Also Stevens Village, Takotna, Tanana, Tanacross, Telida, Tetlin, Tok, Venetie and Wiseman.

TVA is in the process of duplicating copies of the summary to send to each village surveyed.

Next month, Judy Vick, from the Rural Impact Program, will be doing an update report on those communities mentioned in order to keep the document as current as possible.

Corrections, recommendations, and criticism are welcome.

For more information write: Fairbanks Town and Village Association for Development, Inc., 510 Second Ave., P.O. Box 1267, Fairbanks, Alaska 99707 or phone 452-4761 ext. 37 or 456-4285.

TCC Bicentennial . . .

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This exhibit will be shown at museums in major Alaska cities and at major Native events in 1976, including the Tanana Chiefs Conference Convention, the Alaska Federation of Natives Convention, and the Eskimo-Indian Olympics.

Many people from the 43 towns and villages in the Tanana Chiefs region will be involved in the project. A poster telling about the exhibit is being prepared for distribution to village councils.

Persons having photographs or information that would be

useful to the project can write: Melvin Charlie, President, Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc., Doyon Building, First & Hall Streets, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701.

The Tanana Chiefs plan to use the photographs as part of a 30-minute documentary film commemorating the 1915 meeting.

The soundtrack for the film would rely heavily on the statements made by the Chiefs, spoken by their living descendants.

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