



IN HAPPIER DAYS—In a moment of achievement, Ambrose Towarak is smiling when he graduated from the University of Alaska on May 27, 1963 while his proud mother looks on. The Towaraks are a Unalakleet family. Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Towarak and their infant son were found dead in a gravel pond last Sunday near the Fairbanks International

Airport. They had been mysteriously missing for almost a year. Towarak had been a regional director of the Neighborhood Youth Corps with offices in the Chena Building and was in a process of getting a new job in Nome when he and his family disappeared.

Ambrose Towarak Family Found Dead in Gravel Pond

"I just wouldn't buy it. I don't think it was an accident," said Fred Crane, Acting District Attorney for the 4th Judicial District.

Thus Crane said about the strange disappearance of the

Ambrose Towarak family almost a year ago and who were finally found in a small gravel pond near the Fairbanks International Airport on June 16.

Following his conviction that the Towarak family death was not an accident, Fred Crane has set a tentative date for a coroner's inquest on June 28 in Fairbanks.

He is also having a Mr. and Mrs. Ivanoff couple in Unalakleet interviewed by a state trooper before the inquest.

The couple is said to be ones Towaraks saw off as they were returning to Unalakleet and were two of few who saw Towaraks alive.

The couple's red and cream sedan was spotted accident-

ally in 15 feet of water by a flyer in a small aircraft.

When the car with the bodies in it was found, the lights were in an on position. The ignition switch was also on and the transmission was in a drive position.

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The back window had been pushed out as if someone had tried to get out and the other windows were broken. It was thought, however, that ice action might have broken the windows.

The disappearance of the Towarak family had been an object of search for almost a year.

When Mr. and Mrs. Towarak and their young son vanished, they had been in the process of getting ready to go to Anchorage to get briefing on a new job at Nome.

The State Troopers are urging anyone who might have some data surrounding the strange death of the Towarak family to please contact them.