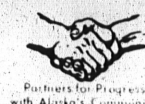




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OVER-INCOME FAMILIES TO PAY HEAD START

Newly Appointed—

Regional OEO Director

Newly appointed regional director for the Office of Economic Opportunity, James L. Young visited Anchorage on his first official day in office. Formerly regional deputy director,

he succeeds Thomas H. Mercer in heading up the Region X office which includes Alaska, Washington, Oregon and Idaho.

While here, Young conferred with the Congressional Delegation and John Shively, executive director of Rural Alaska Community Action Program, and L. W. Macatee, of the Greater Anchorage Area Community Action Agency.

The new regional director stated that the community action programs here were in better shape than they have ever been, with the major problem still being not enough money for the social type programs the people desire.

He said that no changes were contemplated in the programs at the present time and that he would emphasize the necessity for continuing community involvement and commitment by local government agencies.

Young was accompanied to Alaska by Don D. Wright, chief of Congressional relations and public affairs for OEO in Seattle.

Type of Payment to Be on Sliding Scale

The executive committee of the RurAL CAP Board of Directors met on August 27 in Anchorage. Director John Shively reported that Alaska's new field representative for the Office of Child Development is Mr. Willie Allen.

The national Office of Health Education and Welfare has proposed that over-income families of Head Start students pay for their children to attend Head Start classes on a sliding scale type basis, to be effective September 1, 1971. However, due to the recent wage-price freeze, it has been postponed.

Mr. Shively also announced that there have been major personnel changes within the Office of Economic Opportunity.

The new director is Mr. Philip Sanchez, replacing Mr. Frank

Carlucci; Mr. James Young was made acting director for the Alaska and Pacific Northwest region and has since been appointed as regional director as of September 1; Mr. Tom Mercer resigned his position as director of Region X to become director of OEO's Region IX; Mr. Steve Hiltbrant has replaced Charles Sauvage as Alaska's field representative.

Mr. Sauvage resigned to assume the position of Acting Director of Region X's ACTION program.

The committee voted to adopt a resolution on the use of local labor, business and resources which requests that the Alaska Federation of Natives and Alaska State Housing Authority take action to ensure that local timber resources be used wherever possible with particular interest being given to the development of the Middle Yukon and Upper Kuskokwim regions, in order to provide substantial employment for the people of that area.

Also the development of contracting firms which would be owned and operated by rural people and which would be given preference in the awarding of all contracts awarded in the Model Village Program.

And further, that village people be involved in the planning and implementation of the Model Village proposal in order to ensure proper site selection and preparation, house design and utility system design.

The Parent-Child Program application was approved by the committee and it was approved by the committee and it was approved that Mr. Peter Seganna of Nome be selected as the representative from that region for the Alaska Legal Services Board of Directors.

In other action, the committee voted to hold the annual meeting of the Board of Directors in Kake on October 1, 2 and 3, 1971 and that training for the new board members would be held on September 30.

Bristol Bay Corp. Hires Ted Angasan

At an executive committee meeting of the Bristol Bay Development Corporation held in Dillingham on August 18, 1971, Theodore Angasan was hired as regional director for the organization.

John J. Knutsen of Dillingham was hired in Angasan's former position as program development specialist.

Also hired was Mrs. Lena Andree, also of Dillingham, as an alcoholism counselor, to begin working on September 1.

It has been announced that the Board of Directors for the Bristol Bay Development Corporation will hold their third annual meeting in Dillingham on September 10, 11 and 12 in the Youth Center.

Kake Potlatch To Be Historic Totem Event

The community of Kake in southeastern Alaska is sponsoring a potlatch to celebrate the raising of a 136-foot tall totem pole, claimed to be the world's largest.

The pole was first displayed in Osaka, Japan during the World's Fair as representative of Alaskan art work.

The potlatch, which is a gift-giving and feasting occasion, will be sponsored by the Kake Community Action Council.

Gordon Jackson, director of the Southeastern Alaska Community Action Program, stated that a 20-acre park in Kake has been established for the totem as a result of six years of planning and fund raising.

He also commented that the last authentic Alaskan potlatch was held in 1904 at Sitka before the practice was discouraged by missionaries and territorial officials. Kake is a Tlingit village located on the northwest coast of Kupreanof Island.

Kikiktugruk Dev. Corp. Has Important Kotzebue Meeting

The Kikiktugruk Area Community Dev. Corp. held their third Board of Directors meeting in Kotzebue on August 23 and 24, 1971.

Guests attending the meeting were: Senator Willie Hensley; Representative Frank Ferguson; John Shively, Executive Director for RurAL CAP; Ernie Brannon and Keith Mortensen from the State Economic Opportunity Office in Anchorage; Jerry Gray with the Local Affairs Agency; Kevin Waring and Walter Dotomain, Alaska Federation of Native Housing Representatives; and Mike Harper, Planning Developer with RurAL CAP.

Senator Hensley reported on legislation on which he has been working. He stated that there is now available for the Northwest Region planning monies for regional high schools and \$500,000 for roads.

He also commented that there is \$700,000 available for

Native Scholarships in undergraduate and graduate programs.

Mr. Brannon and Mr. Mortensen explained briefly the functions of their office and duties of the personnel, emphasizing that their main purpose is to be of assistance to the rural areas of Alaska and they can be called on at any time.

Mr. John Shively gave a report on the Citizen's Participation Committee and its impact to state legislation concerning rural activities.

The Kikiktugruk Area Community Dev. Corp. Board of Directors went on record to actively support or endorse the following proposals: the Alaska Plan; bringing a District Judge to Kotzebue; establishing an old-age facility in the present hospital; hiring of native help to work in the hospital; to take corrective action at the Ambler airport where landing and take-off are virtually impossible whenever excessive winds prevail.

The Board also went on record to officially endorse the AFN Healthrite program.

Mr. Jerry Gray stated that the Local Affairs Agency will be conducting a city clerk training session in Anchorage sometime in October. Representatives from villages all over the State of Alaska will take part.

CAP Annual Meet at Kake

The annual meeting of the RurAL CAP Board of Directors will be held on October 1 and 2 in Kake, Alaska. Election of officers will take place at the conclusion of the meeting.

Board members have been invited to attend the potlatch and ceremonies which are being held during that time to celebrate the raising of a 136-foot tall totem pole, claimed to be the world's tallest.

Barrow Votes Overwhelmingly to Incorporate Slope Villages

By GUY OKAKOK
Barrow Correspondent

BARROW—Men from Barrow who visiting four villages, names as follows were: President Joe Upicksoun, Vice President Edward Hopson, lawyer Mr. Frederick Paul, men who tries hard to establish what villages should have as a I.R.A. member as community shall the Inupiat Community of the North Slope accept this new I.R.A. constitution and bylaws, thereby becoming a federally approved form of self government which will automatically be legally recognized in the court of law.

Members of the Inupiat Community of the North Slope whose name appears on the voting list prepared by each member village are to vote on the

following questions shown on above.

It looks favorable to us members after we had seen the villages voting list.

Now here's Arctic Slope region final results:

Yes means you are in favor and wants it. No means not want it.

Barrow village, 282—yes. 7—no.

Browersville, 56—yes. 2—no. Wainwright, 87—yes. 2—no. Point Hope, 50—yes. 1—no. Anaktuvuk Pass, 34—yes. 4—no.

Barter Island, 32—yes. 2—no.

There's 541—yes, who are in favor and wants it. 18—no's who are not in favor and don't want it. This means that our village can do more progress. What a wonderful news.

ICE BACK AGAIN

Report from the pilot yesterday was heavy ice were 20 miles out from shore. And today we find it that Arctic ice is not too far, about 3 miles out. Came right back again as usual.

We hoping to see Arctic ice leaves soon as possible but instead, she comes in right along.

JET FUEL PUMPED

Tug and barge came in from Kotzebue with a full load of jet fuel oil for Consolidated Wien Airlines, pump this fuel oil from shore to airport almost 1/2 mile stretch.

It took the barge pumping 1 day and half. Tug left next morning.

GOOD SUMMER

Wonderful summer we do have here in Barrow, hunters been bringing in oogrucks, seals,

walrus and fishes. Some said that the catch they caught will last them all winter long.

Some hunters are still up inland.

FISHING SPOILED

These old vehicles and all kinds of irons that's been washed out to our hunting grounds, fishing grounds from this dreadful wave, 1963 in Sept. 3rd. They are still there, always in the way.

Only harbor boats could beach when the ocean gets rough. Not only that, can't fish there anymore, no way to set their gill nets.

Several years now since Eskimos do fishing in this bay, when bay water along shore water was pure and clean, now they can't any more. Why? Because the junks of Navy's

was still there.

If only they could fish them out from this bay, that would help lot of our hunters and fishermen. Hope this be done.

WHO WAS IT?

There's a person from Fairbanks who wanted Mishi-gak a week ago. I wish this person writes to me. Address is Guy A. Okakok, Box 393, Barrow, Alaska 99723.



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