Barrow Votes Overwhelmingly to Incorporate Slope Villages

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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. 7no.

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

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 oogruks, seals, walruses 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 Eski mos 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 fishermans. 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.