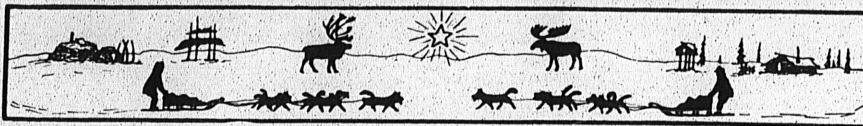


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TT ANNUAL BANQUET SET IN ANCHORAGE

The big annual affair, the Tundra Times banquet, is pretty much all set to go this Thursday evening at the Discovery Ballroom at the Captain Cook Hotel in the City of Anchorage.

The festivities will begin with a special cocktail party at the Captain Cook's Endeavor Room. The entrance fee is \$25 per person aside from the admission fee to the banquet scheduled for

8:00 p.m. at the ballroom.

Besides the complimentary champagne fountain at the party, there will be all sorts of tidbits of Native delicacies including muktuk, dried fish,

dried seal meat, herring eggs on seaweed and many other tasty morsels. Besides champagne, other liquid refreshments will be available for purchase.

There will be a door prize, a

beautiful parka sewn by Mrs. Olive Anderson, whose picture is being featured in ads throughout the state at the present time.

Judy Pelowook of St. Lawrence

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PIPELINE AFFECTS LIFESTYLE

Alaskan Native—

Made Name for Himself

By SUSAN WOODS
Staff Writer

FAIRBANKS — Morris Thompson, a Native Alaskan, has made a name for himself and his state in national politics.

Thompson has served as commissioner of the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) since December, 1973, when he was appointed to the post by then President Richard Nixon.

Since then he has helped to bring Alaska's needs to the attention of the nation. One of the on-going efforts of the BIA has been in implementing the Native Claims Settlement Act.

"I think the bureau has played an active role in helping to implement the settlement act," Thompson said.

Commissioner Thompson was in Alaska this week to attend a special convention of the Tanana Chiefs Conference (TCC) and to sign a BIA-TCC contract in which TCC will take over the BIA services to its people.

The BIA-TCC contract is another step in the continuing policy of self-determination, Thompson said. It is "a step in the right direction" by having Indian communities provide services.

"We support the concept," Thompson said. There are three local agencies in Alaska providing BIA services—Cook Inlet, the Tlingit & Haida of Juneau and the TCC in Fairbanks.

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RON BROWER with pipe he is making to be auctioned off at Tundra Times banquet. The pipe is made of ivory and ebony with a silver mouthpiece. There are two ebony bowls for the pipe which will be trimmed in lead, silver and ivory. Brower, of Point Barrow, is studying native arts and crafts under Prof. Ronald Senungetuk at the University of Alaska in Fairbanks.

(Photo by JIMMY BEDFORD)

FTVA Investigations Reveal Line Has Big Impact in Bush Areas

By SUE GAMACHE

Investigations made by the Fairbanks Town and Village Association under a grant from the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, revealed that the trans-Alaska pipeline has had a big effect on the lifestyles of rural Interior communities in Alaska.

A series of investigations were made from March 1975 to June 1975, with the initial approach focused on those areas of concern being dealt with by the Borough Impact Center which are also

applicable to rural Interior communities.

The program involved gathering, analyzing and distributing the information.

The first report concerned employment of residents and minority Alaskans because in spite of a proliferation of state and federal laws designed especially to insure resident and minority Alaskans are given top priority for employment on the pipeline project, investigations showed that they were not.

One approach to equal opportunity in the construction industry is the Alaskan Plan, which is a voluntary agreement among the contractors, building and trade unions, and a minority coalition that aims not only at equal opportunity for minority persons where qualified and available but also at recruiting, classifying, and training and placing them in the construction industry.

"One of the problems with this system," according to Richard Evans, field coordinator for the Alaskan Plan, "is that many minority people can't afford to spend several months in training while they have a family to support."

The Laborers International Union of North America, Fairbanks Local No. 942, seems to be one of the unions most affected by the pipeline construction. Dispatching is done daily in the union hall. A person must be physically present at the hall to bid for a job.

This means that housing costs

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Slope Borough: Withdraw from Teachers' Unit

Certified administrators of the North Slope Borough School District have petitioned the North Slope Borough School Board to hold a secret ballot of certificated administrators to determine whether they may separate from the teachers' bargaining unit and form their own.

During the board's regular meeting of Oct. 6, 1975, the school board accepted the administrators' petition and instructed Dr. John Anttonen, Superintendent of Schools, to conduct the secret ballot.

Should the administrators form their own bargaining unit, they will bargain independently from the district's teachers for the 1976-77 school year.



LELA LATCH LLOYD, teacher with 37 years of experience, discusses the organization of her book with Prof. Charles J. Keim.

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UA Journalism Department Aids Native Writers

Twenty years ago Ticasuk or Emily Ivanoff Brown, school teacher from Unalakleet, Alaska, walked into the office of Charles J. Keim, then assistant professor of English and journalism at the University of Alaska at Fairbanks.

"Professor Keim," the gentle yet determined Alaskan of

Eskimo-Russian parentage began, "the people here tell me you know how to write and you teach others how to write. I want to write a book about Eskimo homes so the Eskimo Mothers' Clubs can sell it and buy books for a library they are establishing there. Will you help me?"

The following spring Mrs.

Brown's first book, "Inupiat (Eskimo) Homes," came off the press, dedicated to the mothers and with sketches by Alfred Milligrock.

Others of Mrs. Brown's books have been published since that time, and three more are ready for the publisher. In the interim she earned a Master of Arts in

Communication Arts at the university and last year received the national award from the National Federation of Press Women. Keim was chairman of her graduate committee.

This fall Mrs. Lela Latch Lloyd of Talkeetna, Alaska, a school teacher with 37 years experience, signed up as one of the 20 persons

in now full professor of English and journalism Keim's book writing class. Mrs. Lloyd, too, has a broad experience in writing and publishing and wants to get a book out of her system. She drives here for her conferences.

"Professor Keim has gradually built up the book writing class

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