



Alaska Representatives to the Conference on Indian Health held in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 7, 1974, are: left to right: Lillie McGarvey, Chairwoman, Alaska Native Health Board; Georgianna Lincoln, Fairbanks Native Community Center; Chris Anderson with Doyon, Ltd.; Joe Lomack, Chairman of Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation; and Carl Jack, Director of AFN, Inc., Health Affairs. Senator Mike Gravel coordinated efforts for Alaska's input during the Conference, which included the future of Indian Health Service.

Cost of Living...

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the bush, but the Anchorage area legislators should support the measure because it would provide leverage to get similar legislation in Congress and benefit the whole state in federal revenue sharing.

"The concept itself is not new," he said. "It has been used by the state in determining salaries and the federal government gives a 25 per cent cost of living allowance.

"Theoretically the cost differences are incorporated into planning for special projects, but it is not yet incorporated into the budget for revenue sharing," he said.

"Since local governments depend on the state for some direct assistance in revenue sharing, it is only fair that we try to equalize buying power of the dollar," he said.

Communities without the relatively higher cost of living are afraid that the budget will not be fully funded and therefore they will get proportionately less, yet this is not the case, Degnan argues.

"The budget can only provide for expected costs and supplemental appropriations are possible. If the urban communities are not in favor of supplementals, they aren't going to pass because urban communities have the majority vote," he said.

Letters

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And while they rested, they didn't want me to rest, because they said I would get stiff and could not walk very far, and they would have to wait for me.

Now I have been drinking that glacier water for two years here at Nulato. It's easier than making a water hole at 50 below. The thermometer is between 50 and 60 below since after them guys came back from the moon. That's December weather in February.

It's getting pretty bad here for gasoline. I have no dogs. If my sno-go quits, I'm stuck for wood. I might have enough gas until the break-up. I only have 25 gallons left. I have to make it last.

I also have 100 gallons of fuel, two drums. So don't worry about me, buddy. I'll visit you again if I run short of fuel.

By that time, I'll be needing another good bath. Take a bath every three months, then you can stand a lot more cold.

There will be a lot of activity here in March when the Iditarod Race teams go by. Also, potlatch and dog races or carnival, I heard.

Fred Stickman, Sr.

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