

# Eskimo Olympics . . .

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One exciting surprise of this year's competition was the announcement by Sam Kito, President of the Alaska Federation of Natives, that 12 to 14 of the competitors will be sent to Washington, D.C. in early September to participate in the American Folklore Festival.

The festival is sponsored by the Smithsonian Institution which awarded a grant to AFN to pay transportation, room and board for the representative athletes who will be chosen by the judges in the next few weeks.

Finals of the Two Foot High Kick began with ever-present referees Gordon Killbear and Joseph Tegoseak keeping a watchful eye on each jump, adjusting the fur ball higher and higher until only Reggie Joule and Joshua Okpick Jr. remained fighting for first place.

Finally the ball reached 7'1/2" and Reggie's three tries failed. In a spectacular, tension-filled jump, Joshua sent the ball flying and won the event. He decided to try for 7'3", the next mark the referees could hit with their improvised, pencil-balanced suspension system, but it was just too far.

Judges for the Queen Contest, Robert Havinghurst, Elaine Ramos, Daphne Gustafson, Ron Senungetuk, and David Atlee were introduced. The queen candidates paraded again and answered a second round of questions. Flash bulbs popped, smiles flashed and eight ner-

vous young women left the gym while the judges deliberated.

Meanwhile, Ear Pulling began, each contestant having to win the tug on each ear. With groans from the crowd and several cut ears at the first aid table, finalists put on a show of endurance that left the crowd cheering for winner Louis Paukan (St. Mary's) and his closest competitor, James Itta (Barrow).

The Indian Stick Pull followed with Robert Aiken (Barrow) pulling hard in a close contest with second place winner Billy Nashalook Sr. (Wainwright) and even harder against a determined Danjuuroo Kikawa of Japan amidst more cheers and uproarious laughter from the audience.

The evening's climax came with the emotion-filled crowning of the 1976 Queen of the Eskimo-Indian Olympics, Miss Arctic Circle, Bea Ballot of Kotzebue.

In her court were 1st Runner Up, Shurina Jager of Anchorage, 2nd Runner Up, Salina Gooden of Kiana, and Miss Congeniality, Faith Peters of Tanana. Shurina had also garnered the title of Miss Photogenic.

Perhaps one climax was too many. The Men's Blanket Toss began with cheers and gasps of fear as the contestants somersaulted, reached for the ceiling and bounced off the blanket at wild angles. Midway through the

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event; contestant Reggie Joule came down hard, slipped at the blanket's edge and was caught by referee Killbear.

Leaving the floor grimacing in pain, Reggie's right leg ended up compressed in ice and splinted for an ambulance trip to the hospital. A broken bone above the ankle meant the end of competition for the talented athlete who nonetheless ended up with first place in the event at the end of judging.

Polly Tegoseak left her sewing to demonstrate how to skin a seal and eight women took

their places over eight seals laid out on a visqueened covered floor. Record-holder Rhoda Nageak (Barrow) took first again with a time of 1 minute 18 seconds. Helen Pectook (Wainwright) and Mary Ann Warden (Barter Island) were not far behind.

Well known and loved Alaska writer, Emily Ivanoff Brown, opened the last night of the games by singing the "Kobuk Love Song" and dedicating it to all the elderly seniors of Alaska.

From the seniors, attention shifted to the juniors and the

Native Baby Contest, judged by Ida Davidson (Nome), Judy Ramos (Yakutat), and Roseanne Gross (Huslia).

Rules of the contest were that the baby had to be from six to eighteen months old, at least 1/4 native, and dressed in native costume. Taking first was Dawndee Marie Ipalook (Fairbanks), her face framed in a rabbit ruff, who won a trophy and a \$20 gift certificate. Second went to Sammie K. Kenton Jr. (Barrow) and third to Donna Andon (Fairbanks).

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This project will consist of grading, drainage, and asphalt surface treatment along 1.3 miles of the Glenn Highway.

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Certification form (14-60) and a Directory of Minority Business Enterprises will be included with the bidding documents.

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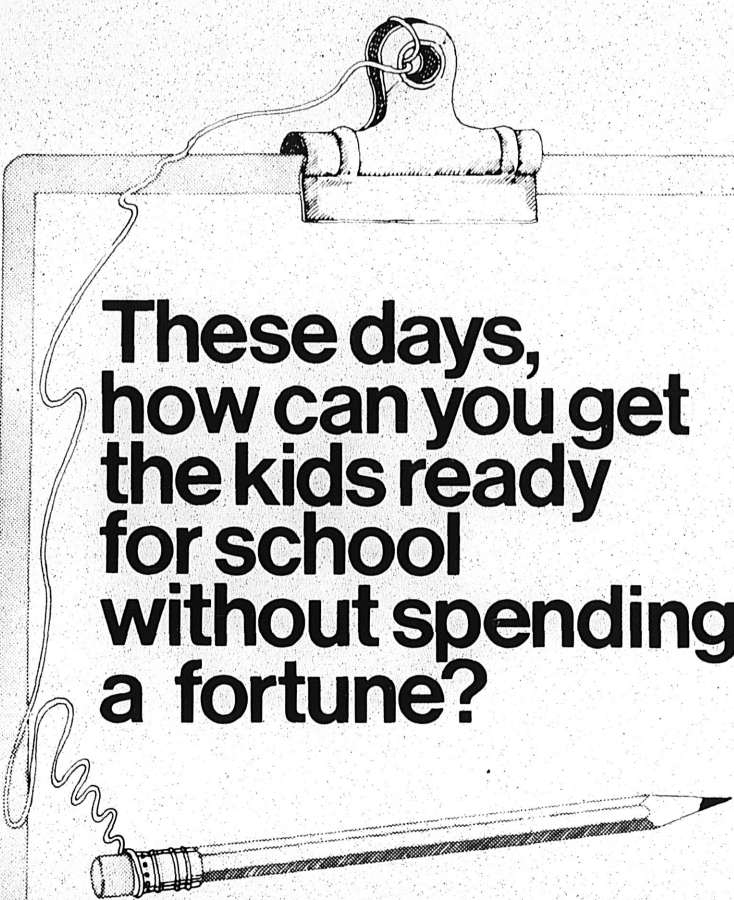
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