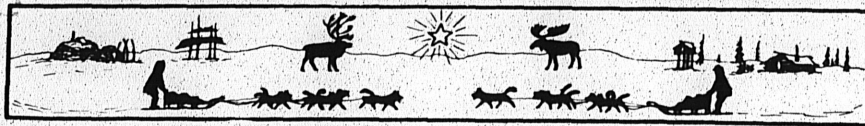




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PRES. FORD VISITS ALASKA

Determination Act to Be Implemented

Commissioner of Indian Affairs Morris Thompson said recently that key staff people from Bureau of Indian Affairs Area Offices have participated in intensive training this month in preparation for the implementation of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act.

Final regulations for the Act, published in the Federal Register Nov. 4, will become effective Dec. 4.

A training seminar, Nov. 17-21, focused on options and opportunities which the act offers to Indian tribes and the use of the program tools provided by the act. Participants in the seminar will be responsible for conducting local orientation and training sessions in their areas.

Commissioner Thompson said the act "marked the beginning of a new era in Federal-Indian relations." It is designed to strengthen the role of tribal governments and to facilitate Indian control of reservation programs.

The act gives tribes the right to contract with the bureau for the administration of programs serving them. It also provides for grants to increase tribal capabilities for such contracting and makes special provisions concerning tribal employment of federal personnel.

Regulations for the act were developed through an extensive process of consultation with Indian leaders.

Renovate Jail In Barrow: Gov. Hammond

Gov. Jay Hammond announced that the Governor's Commission on the Administration of Justice has obtained over \$15,000 in federal funds for the renovation of the Barrow jail. Renovation on the jail facility should begin on or before Dec. 1, 1975.

The existing jail facility had been closed because it did not comply with minimum codes established by the Department of Health and Social Services. As a result, there were no facilities available to retain prisoners in Barrow.

Charles Adams of the Division of Corrections met with city officials, and in cooperation with Keith Stubblefield, acting director of the Criminal Justice Planning Agency, put together a matching grant whereby the federal funds will be matched by approximately \$1,000 in state funds and \$730 in local funds.

Under the terms of the grant, the Division of Corrections will provide consultation and on-site technical assistance as requested by Barrow.



FORD IN ALASKA—Governor Jay Hammond, left, President Ford and Senator Ted Stevens stand before some five or six thousand Alaskans that greeted the President at the Eielson AFB, Alaska.
—Photo by DAVID STEVENS

Excitement Generated By Presidential Visit

By CHARLES MALLEY

Eielson AFB, Alaska — President Ford's arrival did not lack for drama Saturday morning at Eielson Air Force Base.

The excitement generated by a presidential visit began to mount with this announcement: "Ladies and gentlemen, Air Force One is in contact with the Eielson Tower."

One hour later, huge sliding doors of the main hangar swung open to reveal the sleek presidential aircraft, familiar to millions of Americans as "Air Force One," its jet engines still roaring.

The silver-winged plane was immediately towed into the hangar, and despite its size, seemed swallowed up by the building's vastness.

Six-thousand Fairbanks area residents were on hand to give the President a rousing welcome when he emerged from the plane within minutes with his wife, Betty.

One of the President's first remarks, made from a prepared speech, was, "Frankly, we're all just a little in awe of the sheer size of this building."

"I always knew Alaska was big, but up till now I never realized how much of it was indoors."

It was the first time a U.S.

President had visited Interior Alaska since 1923 when President Harding came to the Territory to drive a golden spike upon completion of the Alaska Railroad.

Ford wore a light tan raincoat-style overcoat, obviously prepared for an indoor arrival. He and his wife were followed down the ramp by their daughter, Susan, Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, Senator Mike Gravel and Mrs. Gravel.

Greeting the party were Sen. Ted Stevens and Alaska Gov. Jay Hammond.

Ford stopped in Fairbanks enroute to the People's Republic of China, Indonesia and the Philippines, using the occasion to view the Alaska pipeline project at nearby Pump Station 8.

A little politicking here was only a natural thing to do with an election year around the corner: "Your state... is in the forefront of our national (eco-

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And Shrimp Trawlers— Especially the Fisheries

By EDWARD F. NAUGHTON
State Representative

In the second half of the 1950's the people of Alaska did all things necessary to accomplish statehood. The salient motive behind this act was the desire to control our own destiny.

Especially the fisheries resources, as evidenced by the fact that at the same time we voted in statehood, we voted to abolish federal controlled fish traps. With adoption of statehood, we threw off the yoke of federal distant management and accepted the responsibility for our own choices.

There is the old admonishment about liberty's price and eternal vigilance. . . BUT ALASKA IS ASLEEP WHILE ONE OF THE VERY REASONS FOR STATEHOOD IS BEING

TAKEN FROM US!

Under the ruse of doing away with foreign fleets, as the fishermen of Alaska have asked over the past decade, the federal government is wresting management control of fisheries from Alaska.

A 200-mile law to throw out the foreigners is what is needed, but, the only thing that will change from the present status under the proposed 200-mile law is that the feds will take over management of fish!

The law as presently contemplated will provide for federal control—in and out of the three to 200-mile lines. Control outside of the 200-mile line isn't so bad, but federal control inside of the three mile line, which is inside state waters, is an extremely different matter.

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OLD HARBOR SEEKING BOOKS

Old Harbor, a Kodiak Island village destroyed by the 1964 earthquake and rebuilt, is seeking books for a library. The town, reconstructed on its old site, is expanding despite the recent loss of its cannery to fire.

Additional building lots have been set aside in a scenic stand of cottonwoods and, for the first year, the Old Harbor school

offers a ninth grade high school program.

The village library is housed in a new city office-clinic complex.

"We've got a good start on a book collection but we want a really good library now that we have high school youngsters at home," notes long-time Mayor Sven Haakanson. "All donations will be welcome."

New Vice President For Bush Educ. Affairs



ELAINE RAMOS

FAIRBANKS — The appointment of Elaine Ramos to the new position of vice president for rural educational affairs was announced today by Dr. Robert W. Hiatt, president of the University of Alaska.

Mrs. Ramos, currently vice president for institutional development at Sheldon Jackson College in Sitka, will join the

state university Jan. 1. She is the first woman and first Native appointed to a vice presidential position in the university.

The rural affairs post was created this year to provide direction for the university's effort to expand educational opportunities in rural Alaska.

The Alaska Federation of Natives endorsed Mrs. Ramos for the new university vice presidency. She was one of 17 candidates for the position. One other Native was also among those finally considered, Hiatt said. The majority of a six-member selection advisory committee recommended the appointment of Mrs. Ramos.

"Because there is no precedent for providing postsecondary education and training in rural areas populated mostly by Native people," said Hiatt, "the university is embarking on an experimental program in which Natives themselves must exert a high degree of determination as to what is taught, how the subject matter should be delivered and mastered, and who might be best qualified to teach under these unusual conditions."

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