

## Work Experience Trains Librarians

A new pilot program at the Fairbanks North Star Borough Library will train eight Natives for jobs as library aides and technicians in school, university, public and industrial libraries.

The pilot project, which was developed in cooperation with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Fairbanks Native Community Center, will train unemployed natives eligible for BIA assistance. Persons interested in applying for the program should do so through the Community Center.

Under a training proposal submitted by library director Patsy Willey, the eight people will undergo a 38-week training program which will familiarize them with all areas of the library's work and enable them to specialize in one of its four main divisions.

After an initial two week orientation, trainees will spend one week each in the Circulation and Public Services Division, Pro

cessing and Technical Services Division, Acquisitions and Receiving Division and the Community Relations and Outreach Program Division.

They will later spend at least one month in each of these divisions and choose one in which to train for the last fifteen weeks of the program.

During the entire training program, trainees will work at the circulation desk and be in frequent contact with the public.

Trainees wages will be paid from the BIA's general assistance Financial Aid Fund and administered, under contract, by the Fairbanks Native Association.

The program is one of the several Work Experience Programs being coordinated by the BIA.

## Oyster Research In Prince Wm. Sound by UA

COLLEGE—Anchored in a channel of Prince William Sound a log float with a long string of shells attached is scheduled to ride out the winter. This paraphernalia is part of a project of the University of Alaska with a goal of seeing a commercial oyster industry developed in that region.

Each of the shells wired together in Prince William Sound experiment has a sprinkling of tiny oysters in it. Hopefully, the oysters will survive and, as they grow, will eventually cover the whole shell.

Dr. Jack Van Hying, a fishery biologist with the College of Biological Sciences on the main campus, said that oyster culture with the use of a raft was new to Alaska.

"Most commercial oysters," Dr. Van Hying related, "are cultured on tide flats. But attaching them to rafts keeps water flowing by and protects them from predators—starfish and certain snails. The oysters attached to the raft float about five feet below the surface in water 30 feet deep, so that they are far out of reach of the starfish."

Oyster culture is one of a series of projects in which staff members of the College of Biological Sciences have been engaged since early last summer.

## Barrow Sun Sinks Beneath Horizon, Lemmings Bring Premium Prices

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Barrow Correspondent

BARROW, (Special)—The sun up here in Barrow seems to get lazy as sun goes down lower each day now. It won't be long now, sun will disappear once again till next year January 21 or 22. Which is usually.

Now our temperature drops way down to 19 below, probably our mild days are over again. Yet hunters don't seem bothered by this because they are pretty well dressed for this kind of climate.

Even kids, children does not mind it at all, they'd go out and fish yet right after school hours. Men and women are still fishing some would filled three sacks full of these tom cods.

PRICE COMING HIGH

Boys, girls, even older people here in Barrow village tries their best, after a notice was hung in Mr. Thomas Brower's store. Stated that ARL wants lemmings or wants to buy some for a good price for each lemming, \$5.00 per one.

Lemmings here in village are scarce no way to find them.

Where did they all go we do not know. But they will come in again sometime though.

Right now when lemming want for \$5.00, they are hard to find. Even some been hunting, there's none there even.

POLAR BEARS

Polar bears been caught by native hunters here and still the hunters are still hunt them. Right now a good average bear comes to around \$250.00 or more.

We people here are proud to hear on this price. Because lots of men here are not working and only income they could find, that is when they got them.

WANTS LAND

Mr. Levi Greist, a native said yesterday that he wish to have time so that he could go up east and claim some land that he has been too before in his father's time. He said there's lot of good hunting ground there

lots of fish and caribous even foxes.

But can't go nowheres as he is working for BUI also. Some day he said, he may try.

UP, AND UP

The hunters said that lots of caribou in herds are climbing toward Brooks Range. It's like those days our forefathers would follow the herds even to Brooks Range, and when they couldn't travel anymore, they'd camp in one of the bigger lakes and fished.

And in summer, they'd go back down the river and meet several friends there.

This is not a joke, but it's true story.

STILL GROWING

Barrow is growing rapidly as new born babies been arrives mostly every month.

Inhabitants this winter is over 2,000 and still coming in more young ones.

## Free Ski Bus Available to Cleary Summit

Attention skiers and parents of skiers. A free ski bus will be leaving Fairbanks every Saturday for Cleary Summit Ski area, 21 miles on the Steese Highway.

Anyone needing a ride can catch the bus at Foodland at 8:45 a.m. or at Market Basket at 9:00 a.m. Skiers will return to Fairbanks between 4:00 to 4:30 p.m.

The Cleary Ski School announces that its Junior Racing Training Program will begin this Saturday, November 21st at 10 o'clock in the morning.

Boys and girls 9 to 15 interested in slalom and Giant Slalom Racing may sign up at Cleary Summit or at Alpine Haus.

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