# Surface, Subsurface- 'Singpiration' at Barrow Village-As They Pertain to Land Claims

The question of what constitutes surface and subsurface estate as they pertain to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act is still open, according to Paul Kirassistant solicitor, Department of the Interior.

The question is of more than

passing interest to the regional and village corporations.

Section 7 (i) of the act states that 70 per cent of the revenues from the timber resources and subsurface patented to a regional corporation must be distributed to all 12 regional corporations

Of vital importance to the implementation of this provision is the definition of subsurface

Do revenues generated from deposits of sand, gravel, stone, clay or surface exposure of oil and other minerals fall within the definition of subsurface reven-ues, or are they revenues derived from the surface estate and therefore not subject to inter-regional distribution?

The Act also specifies that the subsurface estate of all lands patented to village corporations shall be the property of the re-gional corporations. Several regions are already faced with the problem as it relates to gravel on village-selected lands.

part of the surface estate, the corporations ownership.

Kirton says the main problem revolves around the usage in the settlement act of the words "surface" and "subsur-

Worths aurillation and the two estates are referred to as 'surface' and 'mineral,' '' Kirton says. 'Only ''mineral cases has the in very limited cases has the word 'subsurface' been used. Right now there is no body of law that would cover the prob-iem that are going to arise with the patenting of the two estates to two different corporate enti-

## At Akolmiut

JUNEAU - The state has awarded a \$623,046 contract for construction of an airport at Akolmiut near Bethel, Governor William A. Egan said to-

day.

The project, let by the Department of Public Works to Studnek Construction Co., Anchorage, includes construction of a 2,500-foot gravel airstrip; taxiway, parking and apron areas, an access road and related im-

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## People from Kotzebue, Point Hope to Share Program

By GUY OKAKOK

FAIRBANKS - Heard vester day that people from Kotzeb e and Point Hope, Alaska are com-ing in to Barrow village to share

ing in to Barrow village to snare out their singpiration.
Thomas said he doesn't know what day they will arrive.
FIRST WHALE
Billy P. Solomon, an Eskimo residence of Barrow village, caught a whale. This was Billy's

first whale.

Now once again population of Barrow can have real juicy muktuk and heart

WILL GO HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Wyman Panigeo, who came to Fairbanks, said that he will return to his hometown,

Why he came down was that he needs new teeth, having prob-lems with them when he eat frozen meat. Wyman is fairly young person who operates on the Road Commission in Barrow.

Mr. Thomas Simmonds, Eskimo, also came after Wyman left. Thomas, an operator Uke, also working with Wyman. Thomas will go back home as he is still working.

KAKTUKVIK CELEBRATION

Invitation for celebration in Kaktukvik was abroad in some villages, even here in Fairbanks.

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#### HERD OF CARIBOU

According to Harding Katia ruak, who recently retired from railroad company after he served several years as an operator, said that a big caribou in herd cross ing toward Ahnaktukvuk Pass.

A charter plane from Barrow landed while Harding was in this village and people who came by this chartered plane tolded the people there that the herd is coming in close to the village.

And very next morning the hunters there killed lots of caribou. Harding also was with them and even got his share when they divided the fresh catch.

#### NO PLACE

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