

14 Native Villages to Have Telephone Service First Time

JUNEAU—Governor Keith H. Miller's Office announced this week that plans are underway to provide 14 native villages with modern telephone service for the first time.

According to Governor Miller's Office, the service would be established on a pilot basis under the provisions of a proposal made jointly by the Alaska Communication System and RCA Global Communication, the firm that has purchased ACS from the Federal Government, effective next year.

Colonel Jack D. O'Dell, Commander of the 1929 Communica-

tions Group in Seattle, told the Governor that representatives of both ACS and RCA recently visited 13 villages to make arrangements for setting up the pilot program. They were unable to visit Little Diomed.

Other villages included in the proposal are Buckland, Deering, Elim, Golovin, Kaltag, Koyuk, Selawik, Shaktoolik, Shismaref, Stebbins, St. Michael, Wales and White Mountain, according to the Governor's Office. Facilities at Nome would serve as the central exchange for the villages located on the Bering Sea.

Base station equipment will be installed this winter. The village telephones and antennas should be delivered and installed by early spring. The pilot program should be in full operation by 1970, according to Governor Miller's Office.

The proposal calls for the village council in each village to be the basic subscriber for the plan before preparations can begin.

In keeping with an earlier.

RCA proposal to serve 141 additional small communities in Alaska and the rates proposed by RCA for the service, the ACS rate will be \$35 per month per telephone for dial service to and from Nome and villages on the same system.

"We believe that the villages will collect enough from individual users of the service to pay the \$35 monthly charge and, perhaps, have something left over to pay their attendants," Colonel O'Dell said in a letter to Governor Miller.

The village councils will be in charge of attendants to watch over the system and make the necessary collections. The villages also will furnish the small amount of electricity that will be required to operate the system.

Poetry Society Offers Prize for Best Poem

A fifty-dollar first prize is offered by the Poetry Society of Alaska, Inc., for the best poem, not exceeding fifty lines, submitted in the 1969 contest.

Anyone of any age may compete if he is now a resident of Alaska or is a member of the Poetry Society of Alaska, Inc. Any form and any content is acceptable, within the fifty-line limit.

Each contestant is limited to three poems, and each entrant must enclose a one-dollar fee. Each poem is to be typed, double-spaced, one side only, and with two carbon copies attached.

No identification except the title is to appear on the poem; enclose name and address and title of poem in a sealed envelope, identified on the outside only with the title. Keep a

copy; no entries will be returned. Submit entry and fee to Contest Chairman David Dillman, Box 433, Juneau 99801 before September 1, 1969. Announcement of winners will be made at the annual observance in Juneau of World Poetry Day, October 15.

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All work shall be completed by September 15, 1970.

Plans and specifications may be obtained by all who have a bona fide need for them for bidding purposes from the Commissioner of Highways. Plans may be examined at Department of Highways District Offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau and Valdez.

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