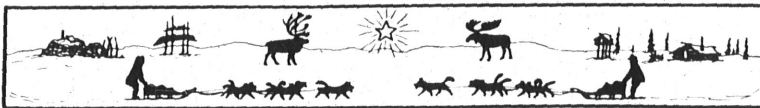


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# MONEY BEGINS TO FLOW

## Corporations Win Security Exemption

It was two days late and cost Native corporations a loss of forty-thousand dollars, but the first installment of payments from the Native fund under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act was deposited in banks by regional Native corporations on Wednesday of last week.

Additionally, Roger Lang, president of the Alaska Federation of Natives announced that the Security Exchange Commission has given Native corporations a "letter of no action" which means that corporations may now begin to issue stock to Native members.

The letter of no action ne-

gates a requirement from the 1933 SEC Act which would compel the regional corporations to divulge to its stockholders a list of their assets prior to issuance of stock. This would have been impossible to produce immediately because there has been no value assessed to the lands selected for ownership by the corporations.

"The corporations," said Lang, "can now begin to issue stock without violating SEC regulations."

Lang, during a Christmas Eve interview with the Tundra Times, also announced that the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee has refused to consider legislation proposed by Senator Henry Jackson which would create a thirteenth regional corporation for Alaska Natives residing outside of the state.

The decision of the committee not to take action, means that the future of the thirteenth is now up to court action. There are three alternatives for the court to consider, said Lang.

"First, the judge may decide in favor of the plaintiffs (Alaska Federation of Natives International) and create the thirteenth corporation. Secondly, he may find irregularities in the election which defeated the thirteenth proposal and declare another election. Or, he may decide that the requirements of the Settlement Act were fulfilled by the Interior Secretary and dismiss the AFNI suit."

Lang said that the question of the thirteenth corporation,

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## AVEC Drafts Position Paper

The following position paper by Loyd Hodson, manager of the Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, was presented to the Rural CAP Board of Directors, and also to the Alaska Federation of Natives, who were in accord with the AVEC position.

The availability of adequate energy is essential for development in the village rural area of Alaska.

The great majority of energy used in these areas at the current time is provided by:

1. Heating Oil
2. Electricity generated by Diesel Power

Smaller quantities of energy are provided by propane, kerosene, gasoline, and some local materials where available.

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## Selawik News

— by Darlene Skin

The biggest news in Selawik this week is that Selawik High School Junior, Ben Foxglove Jr., has received one of Alaska's William Randolph Hearst Student Leadership awards. Ben will travel to Washington, D.C. the first week in February to attend this nationwide leadership conference for high school students. He will visit Congress, the White House and meet famous people and see national monuments. Alaska's other participant is a senior from Anchorage. The scholarship leadership award includes \$1,000 scholarship to be used for college.

Ben Foxglove Jr. is probably the first Alaska Native to receive this award, but we in Selawik know it is well deserved on the basis of his leadership in our high school. Last year Ben was



BEN FOXGLOVE, JR.

LOOKING LIKE A CANDIDATE—All of Alaska seems to be expecting State Senator Willie Hensley, Democrat of Kotzebue, to declare shortly for the Alaska congressional seat now held by Donald Young of Fort Yukon. Willie, however, is mum on the subject. During a dinner recently hosted for NANA (Northwest Alaska Native As-

sociation) stockholders in Anchorage by Robert O'Neill and other representatives of the Wells Fargo Bank, Willie drew a round of applause in stating, "I would like to announce that I will not become a statewide candidate... for at least another two weeks."

— Marge Bauman Photograph

## Subsistence Vs. Development

(Editor's Note: This story is another article in a continuing dialogue on the subsistence issue. Comments are invited from our readers on the matter of developing Native owned lands and ensuring a subsistence economy — T.R.)

By MARGE BAUMAN

ANCHORAGE—"I'm qualified to know what subsistence is," said the panel discussion member from Galena.

"I've lived it for 57 years and that's all of my life."

James Huntington paused briefly, as if waiting for the full attention of the convention of the Alaska Federation of Natives Inc. He had it and he went on.

"A subsistence life is an Indian way of life," he said. "It is a person who uses the land... the trees for his house and his snowshoes... and the land for berries... to hunt... to trap and to fish."

"The Indian way of life is a contented way of life. Although it was hard, it was a good life," said the Athabaskan leader, an outspoken supporter of the subsistence lifestyle.

As Huntington spoke, several hundred delegates to the convention looked up and listened intently. In the midst of speeches on pipeline impact and the details of the land claims settlement, here was a subject to which nobody needed an introduction.

"The Indian knows if he kills

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## Pat Mayo Appointed

Interior Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton recently announced the promotion of Patricia T. Mayo, of Anchorage, as Alaska Regional Manager of the Office for Equal Opportunity, Department of the Interior effective immediately. She has been in the position on an acting basis.

A federal government employee for 22 years and since 1969 the Contract Compliance Officer with responsibility for enforcement of equal employment opportunity on federal and federally-assisted contracts in Alaska, Ms. Mayo will implement day-to-day policies and

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## FRANK PRICE RESIGNS AFN INTERNATIONAL

Frank Price, president of the Alaska Federation of Natives International, the group whose suit briefly blocked distribution of Native money, resigned Saturday with a blast at other members of the AFN-I board.

"Some members of the AFN-I board and members of other outside Native groups are thinking of their own financial future rather than the future of Alaska

Natives wanting to make a 13th corporation," Price said Saturday from Seattle.

"Time will expose these opportunists, many of whom are white people masquerading as Alaska Natives," he said.

Price said he was against holding up the money with a lawsuit and also opposed attempts by AFN-I to hold up Morris Thompson's appointment as

commissioner of Indian Affairs.

"Some AFN-I members were selfish and grossly unfair in regard to Morris Thompson and Alaska Natives in regard to the money," Price said.

Price has been president of AFN-I since its creation in April 1972 and is former president of the Alaska Federation of Natives, Washington state chapter.