

# Englishman Interests Trust For Legal Fees

A British anthropologist has interested a London trust in financing legal fees to represent Eskimo and Indian interests in the development of the North Slope oilfields.

J. A. Ballard of London spent several months in the summer of 1967 at Anaktuvuk Pass, working under the auspices of Cambridge University and a number of institutes.

Ballard's interest in what's happening in Alaska continued when he returned to England, in particular with reference to the North Slope development.

"This business is a shameful example of rampart free enterprise and commercial colonialism at the expense of the rightful owners of the land," Ballard wrote Howard Rock, Tundra Times editor.

"I have taken every opportunity in this country," he said to represent this view to the public. As you know, this is not without point as British commercial interests are heavily involved in the Alaskan oil schemes."

Ballard is seeking current and relevant information on the Alaskan situation from local sources here in Alaska in order to put together a convincing platform to be used to gain support in his country.

He may be contacted at 4 Karen Court, Grove Lane, London SE5 8DA, United Kingdom.

"Any information at all," said Ballard, "relating either to the drilling or the pipeline or both would be most useful to get local interests represented here and to thereby challenge the principal company on its own home ground."