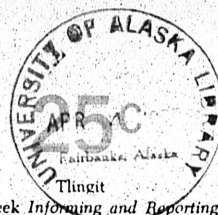


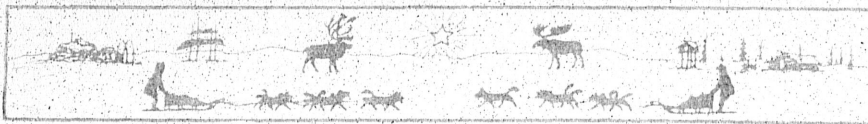
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## LANG LEAVING AFN PERSISTS

### President of AFN, Inc. Resignation Rumor Have People Guessing

By DONN LISTON  
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ANCHORAGE — While Alaska Federation of Natives President, Roger Lang, refuses to discuss the possibility of his rumored resignation, Bureau of Indian Affairs Commissioner Morris Thompson has informed the Tundra Times indirectly that Lang has submitted his "tentative resignation."

The rumor that Lang would resign soon surfaced in the Anchorage press last week while Lang was attending a conference in Amsterdam. Lang told the Tundra Times he thought the stories resulted from the fact that he and his wife have purchased a restaurant and soda fountain business in Sitka.

He indicated that plans were being made for the business, including a change of name, but he would not confirm whether he would resign soon to run it.

"If and when I resign, my board will know about it first," Lang said. "That's just good simple business procedure and good politics."

However, Thompson, when asked about the coincidence of his visit to Alaska at a time when this rumor was at large, said he knew nothing of it until he got to town.

"When I heard about it I called Roger up and asked him about it," Thompson said, "and he told me he has notified his board of his tentative resignation."

When asked if he would consider a position as AFN president, Thompson said he would not.

Born in the southeast village of Metlakatla, Lang took over as president of AFN in December of 1973 following Willie L. Hensley who resigned to run for the U.S. House of Representatives.

Previous to that, Lang worked

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FNA POTLATCH CROWD — Fairbanks Native Association's annual potlatch as usual drew a huge audience this year. The popular event was held at the Fairbanks Lathrop High School complex.

— Photo by MARCOLSON

### Varied Foods, Lively Entertainment at FNA Potlatch

It was fun, food and lively entertainment for the 1,500 people who attended the 12th annual Fairbanks Native Association Potlatch at Lathrop High School recently.

Lucy Carlo, executive director of the FNA was pleased with the turnout at the event that is annually held when rural people gather in town for the Tanana Chiefs Convention and the North American Sled Dog

Championships.

Carlo estimated that the Potlatch brought in approximately \$6,000 for the non-profit organization. The money will be used throughout the year for scholarships to young Natives and as an emergency fund for needy Native people.

Effie Kokrine, Poldine Carlo and other Native women cooked for three days to serve the long lines with such Native delicacies as moose head soup, caribou, Indian ice cream, homemade bread and juicy salmon.

Other treats donated were muktuk, seal oil and blubber, fish ice cream, dried fish strips and

assorted salads and desserts. Clientale and staff at the State Jail donated many hours to cook chicken and ham.

Students in Project Now at the Native Center and members of the FNCC staff donated 5 caribou that they shot on a hunting trip to Arctic Village, and the hunters of Arctic Village donated 4 more caribou.

Dancing competition was a major part of the evening. Groups

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### Local Contractors Miffed at BIA

By JEFF RICHARDSON

Local contractors are on the warpath, alleging that the Bureau of Indian Affairs has ignored them in awarding contracts for housing construction.

According to Tom Ridenhour, of Independent Lumber, Inc. of Fairbanks, the charges stem from two separate situations. The first was the disastrous storm that hit the Seward Peninsula last fall. The other is contracts for the 1975-76 construction seasons.

John Heffle, president of the Association of Interior Eskimos, has formally requested Sen. Mike Gravel to investigate the situation.

Clarence Antioquia, area director of BIA in Juneau, said he felt the awarding of contracts was handled as "fairly and openly" as possible. He acknowledged that both Sen. Ted Stevens and Rep. Don Young had questioned him about the housing problem, but

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### Barrow's Fel-Air A New Airline For Arctic Slope

The Arctic Slope area can now boast a new airline that has just been incorporated and it is known as Fel-Air. The incorporators are Joe Felder, a long time Arctic Slope pilot; Dean Hickok, Presbyterian minister; and Bob File.

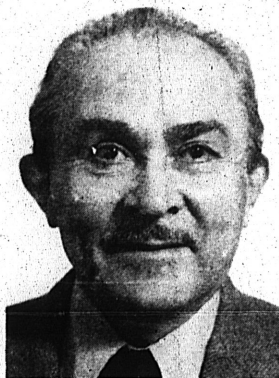
"We will be flying to all the slope villages, Nuiqsut, Pt. Lay, Pt. Hope, Wainwright, Kaktovik," explained Dean Hickok. "We will be working extensively to service and supply the new village of Nuiqsut."

Hickok, continued: "We are hauling lots of freight to Nuiqsut and we work extensively to

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MRS. KAHKLEN



JOSEPH M. KAHKLEN

### S.E. Couple on Educ. Study Mission

KAKE, ALASKA — Mr. Joseph M. Kahklen, Superintendent of Kake City Schools, Kake, Alaska, has been selected to participate on one of American Association of School Administrators International Study Mission to Russia and Switzerland.

The purpose of this program is to give a selected group of American School Administrators an opportunity to study in depth the educational, social and

cultural progress and problems in other countries.

The administrators will function as a seminar team. After a briefing, prior to departure, they will visit ministries of education, meet with professional groups and visit schools, colleges and universities.

Mrs. Kahklen, who has worked many years in Bureau of Indian Affairs schools in Alaska and

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### 'We are Not Here To Praise Pipeline But to Bury It'

By JENNIFER ORTIZ

"We are not here to praise the pipeline, but to bury it", were the opening remarks of Alyeska president E.L. Patton, last Thursday. And minutes later, the first section of the trans-Alaska pipeline was laid beneath the Tonsina River, 75 miles north of Valdez.

It was the perfect day; sunshine and pleasant 20 degrees weather. The workmen did not wait for the ceremonial red flag to begin their task, and before the expectant eyes of officials, press, visitors and fellow workers, side boom tractors let down into the icy 15 foot waters, the colossal 48 inch-diameter pipe; 1,900 feet of it.

Slowly, several feet of pipe disappeared into the ditch, and

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### As Audit Goes On AFN-JOM Gears for '76

By DONN LISTON

Alaska Native Foundation  
ANCHORAGE — While Interior Department auditors continue what Alaska Federation of Natives-Johnson-O'Malley program workers say is a routine survey of that federal contract, the office staff is gearing up for fiscal year 1976 programs and summer programs to be held with money left over from fiscal year 1975.

The Interior surveyors expect to be finished checking out the program late this week or next. They would not comment on the nature of their findings so far when contacted by the Tundra Times but JOM Director, Frank Berry, indicated that he expected the supplemental education program to come away without any major problems.

"This team will probably point out some of our early mistakes," Berry said. "But I think we're

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