Editorial-Potential Woman Power

An unusually large number of women were delegates to the Tanana Chiefs Conference here last weekend and AI Ketzler, president of the area association said he was glad to see them.

"They make good, steady members. You can count on their attendance," he maintained.

At the same time, by coincidence, more political woman power was being mustered at University of Alaska, where Girls State was in session. Native representatives reported the conference gave them a new and useful working knowledge of government and they came away with the refreshing conviction they might someday help make this a better state.

There were just three Native delegates out of 56 however, and we wish there could have been more. We realize the American Legion Auxiliary, which sponsors Girls State, has few bush outposts, but perhaps they could devise some method by which more young Native women could participate.

Native interest in statewide politics is growing and if the Tanana Chiefs is any indication—Native women will be taking a more active part. Girls State appears to be good training ground and we hope it will become more representative in the future.