

Congratulations to DOYON

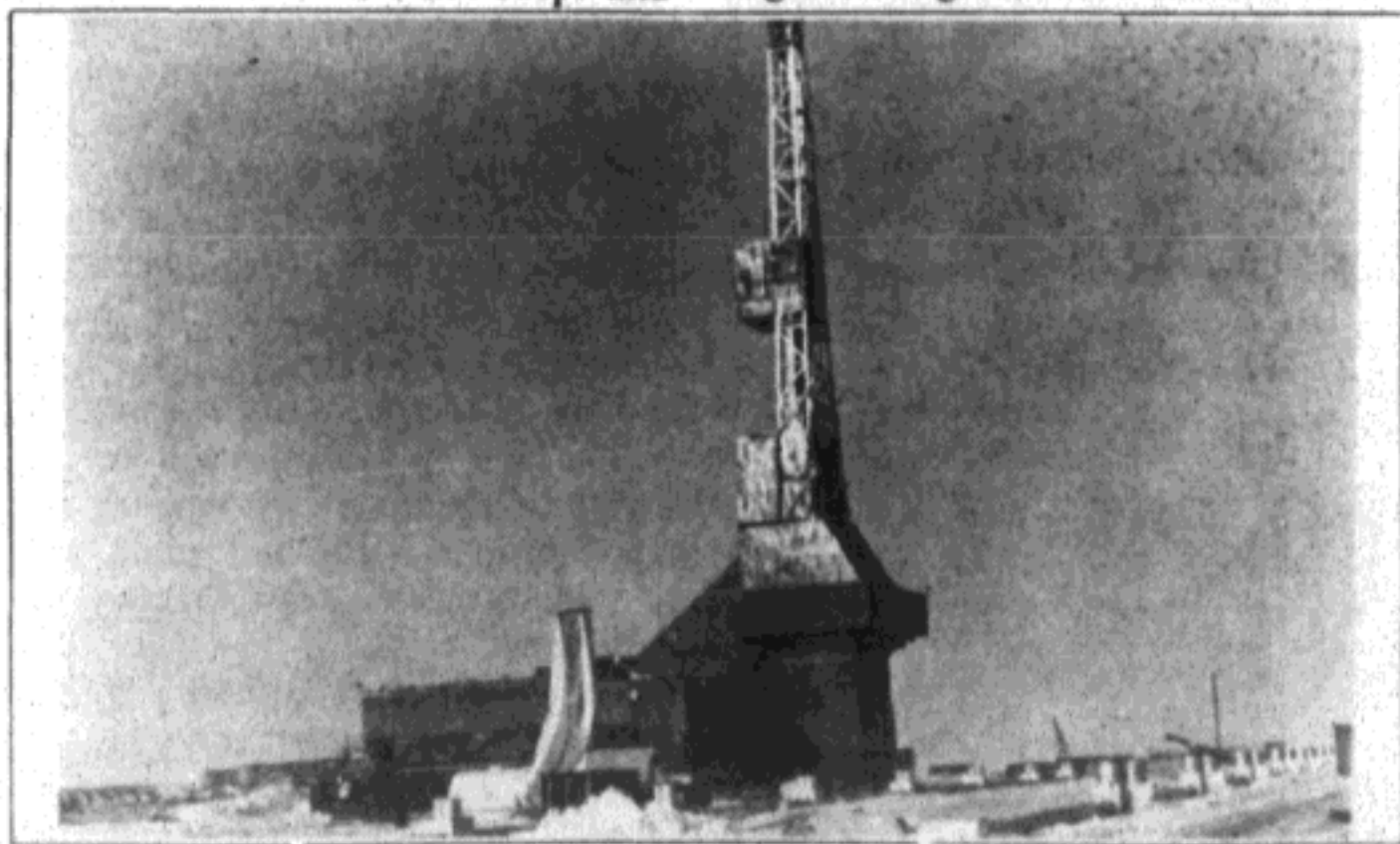
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When so many of the accomplishments of the Native Corporations have been clouded by negative results, it is refreshing to see something positive occur.

Through the combined efforts of SOHIO and the DOYON Corp. and Nugget Alaska Drilling, well rig 15, on the North Slope, went into operation on April 1st of this year. A culmination of an intensive three week construction effort, the project was completed ahead of schedule and under budget. George Nelson, president of SOHIO praised the efforts of everyone who worked on the drill rig from design to completion. Nelson added that SOHIO was proud to be affiliated with the DOYON corp. and

was looking forward to a lasting partnership.

The workforce for this project consisted of 97% Alaskan hire with 51% of those being shareholders in the DOYON Corp. George Brinkerhoff was commended for his efforts in selecting and training personnel. Bill Harmon, who supervised the design and construction of the rig was present to receive well deserved appreciation from both companies. After Rosemarie Maher cut the ceremonial ribbon, representatives from both companies and the media were guided on a tour of the rig and various facilities at Prudhoe Bay which ended in a reception hosted by SOHIO. Again, congratulations DOYON!



The ribbon is cut! DOYON Rig #15 in operation.

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