

**Young Covers Bush—****People to People Campaign**

Congressman Don Young campaigns on a people to people basis when he goes into communities like Bethel, Alakanuk, Emmonak, Holy Cross and McGrath.

Last week when he visited those communities he knocked on doors, attended meetings, and talked to people in cafes and on the street about the issues that concern them.

"In Holy Cross they have a problem. I know I can help them solve," Young said. "They need a good road to the river so they can get their supplies. In Emmonak they need help with the financing of their canneries. In Alakanuk they are having trouble getting supplies for their new high school. That's something I can help them with."

Since Congress adjourned Rep. Young has been covering the state in order to meet with as many people as possible before the Nov. 5 election.

"Everywhere I've been people are unhappy with the housing program," Young said. "The houses are poorly designed and poorly constructed. The rural housing program isn't working. My approach is to take the money and put it in the community and let the people build the kind of house they need for that area. If they want a log house, fine, as long as it improves their standard of living."

Congressman Young was recently named to the Congressional Rural Caucus, a bi-partisan group of 50 Democrats and Republicans to deal with the problems confronting small towns and rural communities.

"We are tackling rural housing, community and economic development, and water and waste disposal problems," said Young who was elected to the executive committee of the caucus.

"My approach is let the people decide what they need," Rep. Young said. "My opponent's philosophy is for more big government, federal control and deficit spending. We can't solve the housing problem by making the same mistakes over and over again."

Since Don was elected to the U.S. House in a special election in March, 1973 he has continued to keep in touch with the people back home. He has made 32 trips to Alaska on weekends and handled more than 3,400 individual cases of people requesting help on personal problems.

"We've had a very good success ratio too," Young said. "For example, there was a man with a 50% disability from the military, but when he applied for a job with a federal agency they said he couldn't be hired because he had a 100% disability. I did some work on it and the federal agency agreed he had a 50% disability and the man got the job. Helping individuals means as much to me as getting headlines on the passage of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline Bill."

Rep. Young has also introduced special legislation to help individuals. One case involved a state trooper who was injured when he went down in a military plane in Canada while searching for a civilian.

"The insurance companies refused to cover the trooper," Don said. "My staff and I worked for months on the case to prepare legislation. We finally got a bill passed allotting the trooper money for medical rehabilitation."

During the past eight years since Don has been in public office on the state and national scene, he estimates he has visited



**CAMPAIGNING** — Congressman Don Young talks to Holy Cross councilwoman Betty Johnson about the community's need for a road to the river. Don Young, a resident of Fort Yukon, is campaigning in the state for his re-election to the U.S. House.

(Photo by Wayne Jex)

every community in the state with a population of 500 or more.

Since going to Washington, D.C. Young has been named a member of the influential House Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs and Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

Young said he regards himself as a "work horse, not a glamour stallion. I don't believe in just getting a job; I believe in doing it," he said. He was recognized by his Republican colleagues in the House as the Outstanding Freshman in the 93rd Congress.

**On Alcoholism—****Social Researchers**

A team of social researchers will be visiting a number of small Alaskan communities this month and next to collect data about attitudes toward the use of alcohol and alcoholism.

The study is part of a two-year program of the National Council on Alcoholism, Alaska Regional Office to develop and conduct a major media campaign to change public attitudes toward alcohol and alcoholism.

W. Jack Peterson, associate

Don and his wife, Lou, and their two daughters continue to spend their summers at their home in Fort Yukon. Mrs. Young is the former Lula Fredson.

During the 15 years Don has lived in Fort Yukon he taught school, worked as a riverboat captain and served on the city council and as mayor. In 1966 he was elected to the Alaska State House and went on to be elected to the State Senate for three years.

Congressman and Mrs. Young will be in Fairbanks on Nov. 3 at the Alaskaland Civic Center from 1-5 p.m. to meet the public.

professor of sociology at the University of Alaska, Anchorage Senior College, is project director for the study which is the initial part of the program.

Other members of the team are Dr. Michael Baring-Gould, assistant professor of sociology, at the Senior College, Dr. Judy Hill, a research associate with the university's Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies, Stephanie Hammer, a recent UAA graduate in sociology, and Robert Heasley, a sociology student.

Members of the team will be traveling to Old Harbor, Hydrburg, Angoon and Aniak this month. They completed a sampling in Anchorage and went to Valdez two weeks ago.

Heasley said they will be going to Ft. Yukon, Beaver and Barrow in November. They will make random selections for the interviews to learn what the people know about alcoholism and what they think should be done about it.

During the two-year program, interviewers will return to the field to do a follow-up study to determine if attitudes about alcohol and alcoholism have changed.

## **Your children can't stay home, if they want an Education. You deserve something better. Like High School Education in your own community.**

Jay Hammond and Lowell Thomas know that too many of Alaska's young people must leave their families to receive the education necessary to live in today's world. To be homesick and lonely is a high and unnecessary price to pay for a diploma.

Jay and Lowell know that many elementary schools are substandard and many communities do not have high schools.

Jay and Lowell feel that it is the State's responsibility to provide the highest quality education possible for Alaska's young people from first through twelfth grade in their own community.

They believe that parents should have a voice in how their children are being educated and that local control of schools is a must.

Jay and Lowell insist that teachers who guide and instruct our young people must be assured adequate salaries and enough classroom space and equipment. The teacher has the right to expect reasonable job security.

Jay Hammond and Lowell Thomas pledge that their administration strive for 100% State funding for a good basic educational program for all of Alaska's young people.

Perhaps, then, your children won't have to leave home to get an education...unless they want to.

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## **Fish & Game in rural Alaska. where have they gone?**

Jay and Lowell believe that the fish and game of Alaska must be managed first of all, to provide food for the people who depend on them.

Local people who live among the fish and game of our lands must be listened to before fish and game laws are made. The local advisory committee system must be greatly strengthened and used to better advantage. Fish and game enforcement efforts must be increased.

Jay and Lowell believe that the fish and game resources of Alaska should provide plenty of food and income for the rural peoples of Alaska. They will work with you to make sure that happens.