

ATA Votes to Expand Part in State Health Dept. Programs

Expanded participation in proposed State health department programs dealing with diseases related to tuberculosis was voted by members of the Alaska Tuberculosis Association board of directors during their meeting at Travelers Inn Friday and Saturday.

The action came in the form of a board directive to ATA executive director Lawrence J. Sullivan, Anchorage, to continue participation with state health officials in planning the proposed R.D. program for Alaska.

Other board action during the semi-annual meeting included

election of John M. Stern, Anchorage board member, to succeed Mrs. Earle L. Hunter, Juneau, as ATA representative on the board of directors of the National Tuberculosis Association, and the election to ATA board membership of Dr. George Sueffert, Anchorage anesthesiologist, to succeed the late Dr. Levi Brownign of Palmer.

Forty two interested persons, including the seventeen board members attended the ATA dinner Friday evening in the Gold Room to hear Mike Gravel, Anchorage candidate for United

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States Senator, speak on "Alaska's Native Poor" and commend ATA for its long-time, direct participation in health programs designed to aid Alaska natives.

Gravel was introduced by Sullivan. James S. Couch, Fairbanks member of the ATA board, was master of ceremonies. Rev. Carl L. Nelson, pastor of University Community Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation.

Other Fairbanks board members participating in the sessions were Dr. Gary L. Walkup, Mrs. J. Harold Perry and Mrs. Lecil Schlichtig.