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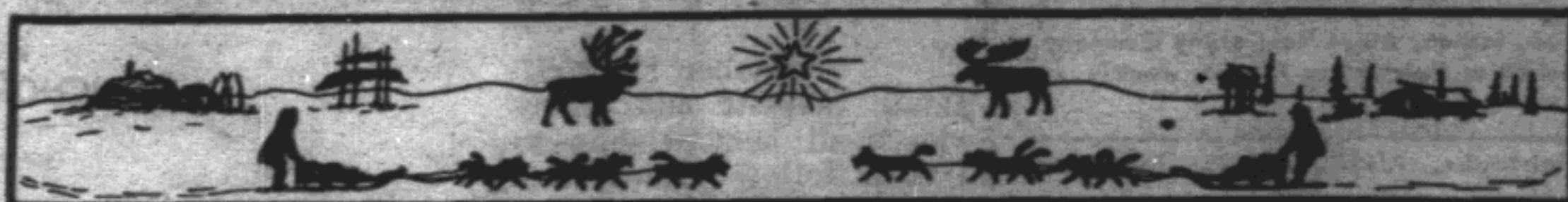
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# AFN PLANS MEET WITH BOYKO

## Document 'We Can Live with'

"This is now a constitution I can take home and really try to sell to my people. I can now live with this one," Senator Ray Christiansen of Bethel elatedly told the Alaska Federation of Natives delegates in Anchorage last Saturday.

John Borbridge, Jr. of Juneau and Anchorage, said that the discussion on the AFN constitution started out with deep emotions "perhaps with just enough emotion to give it a good start. It simmered down from there and started working. I'm very happy with the results—the way it came out. I am certain we are now united."

John Hope, former Grand President of the Alaska Native Brotherhood of the Southeastern, and who was appointed by the AFN President Emil Notti to chair the

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SIGNING CONSTITUTION—Don Wright of Anchorage, first vice president of the Alaska Federation of Natives, is signing the amended federation constitution. Looking on, from left to right, are: AFN President Emil Notti, John Borbridge, Jr., and Sen. Ray Christiansen. Along with many others, these men took vital parts in amending the document which was finally passed unanimously on the conference floor. (Editor's Note: The editor of this newspaper took the photo with a new camera. Read about the fuzziness elsewhere on this page.)

## AFN AMENDED CONSTITUTION

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS  
OF  
ALASKA FEDERATION OF NATIVES  
PREAMBLE

We, the Native People of Alaska, in order to secure to ourselves and our descendants the rights and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws of the United States, and the State of Alaska; to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Native People; to preserve the Native cultural values; to seek an equitable adjustment of Native affairs and Native claims; to seek, to secure, and to preserve our rights under existing laws of the United States; to promote the common welfare of the Natives of Alaska and to foster the continued loyalty and allegiance of the Natives of Alaska to the flag of the United States and the State of Alaska, do establish this organization and adopt the following Constitution and By-Laws.

ARTICLE I  
NAME, OFFICE, AND OBJECTS  
NAME

Section 1. This organization shall be known as Alaska Federation of Natives.

OFFICE

Section 2. The principal and main office of the Federation shall be located at such place as is designated by the Board of Directors.

OBJECTS

Section 3. The objects of this organization are as follows:

- To promote pride on the part of the Natives of Alaska in their heritage and traditions;
- To preserve the customs, folklore and art of the Native races;
- To promote the physical, economic and social well-being of the Natives of Alaska;
- To discourage and overcome racial prejudice and the

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## Conference with Boyko, State May Be Held in Fairbanks After Nov. 10

The officers and the Board of Directors of the Alaska Federation of Natives will meet with State Attorney General Edgar Paul Boyko sometime after November

10, AFN President Emil Notti said today.

The meeting will be to discuss Alaska native land claims bills and the AFN officials will explore the State's stand and attitudes toward the land problems.

"We don't want to hold up progress and we want to be the part of development of Alaska," said President Notti. "We should also keep in mind that these claims by the native people are against the federal government. I feel the State should support the natives on their claims."

Last Sunday, the officers and board members met at the conference room of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in the Kaloa Building in Anchorage and made preparations for the upcoming meeting.

The group composed the following motion and voted to adopt it:

"That the full Board of Directors and officers act as a committee to meet with the state administration for the purpose of determining their position with regard to the

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## Tanana Chiefs Meet This Weekend

Tanana Chiefs conference is convening in the town of Tanana this weekend under the leadership of its chairman, Rep. John Sackett.

No details were available at press time as to what the conference was to take up.

John Borbridge, Jr. will cover the meeting for the Tundra Times and the results will be published a week from today on November 3.

## Housing Fund Drop Stuns Convention

When President Emil Notti of the Federation of Natives read the telegram from Sen. E. L. (Bob) Bartlett that the House members of the Conference Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives failed to win its approval of the \$1 million for Native Housing Program in Alaska, the federation con-

ferencees were stunned into silence.

Considerable preparations for its implementation had been going on in Alaska with optimistic hopes that the \$1 million would be approved.

Although Senator Warren G. Magnuson, chairman of the Independent Offices Approp-

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## Prof. Bedford: 'Fuzzy Pics are From Loose Focussing Mirror'

Tundra Times editor Howard Rock took pictures at the annual conference of the Alaska Federation of Natives in Anchorage last week but the photos came out very fuzzy although the exposure and composition came out fine.

Looking over the negatives, Prof. Jimmy Bedford of the University of Alaska journalism department said he wasn't sure whether it was the photographer or the camera that produced the fuzzy pictures.

"You better make some kind of an excuse if you're going to use them because they are—FUZZY—out of focus," said Bedford over the phone.

Later, he came to the Tundra Times office with some prints and asked to see the new camera.

"Ah—huh—it wasn't you, old boy. It was the camera," he said. "You're relieved. The focussing mirror is loose and that's your trouble."

## Boyko Proposes AFN, State Pool Strength

On the third and final day of the annual conference of the Alaska Federation of Natives last Saturday in Anchorage, State Attorney General Edgar Paul Boyko proposed to the federation that the group and the State pool their strength to work on land problems.

"We should pool the strength of the State and the native organizations," Boyko said.

The Attorney General said that the native bill, S-2020, "contains a great deal we can support." It wasn't true, he said, that the Interior Department bill, S-1964, has the support of the State.

"If the Interior bill passes, you probably would get 1867 dollars or \$7,200,000. That would be an insult to the natives. It should be more on the basis that if land is taken in 1968, it should be paid for in 1968 prices."

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