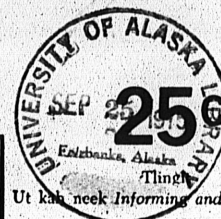


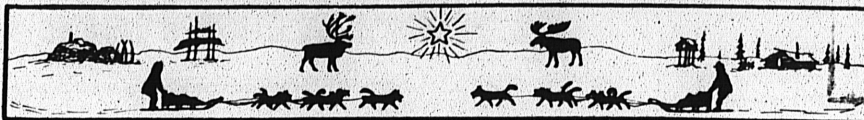
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CAP ASKS SPECIAL SESSION

Depressed Fishing Areas, Rural Energy Crises Fans Request

KOTZEBUE—After intensive three-day meetings here, the Rural CAP board has called upon Gov. Jay Hammond to call a special session of the legislature to deal with the depressed coastal fishery economy and the rural energy situation.

Rural CAP is asking for immediate passage of SB 391, a measure that would provide \$12 million in emergency loans to meet energy-related needs in small communities. (The bill died in the Senate Finance Committee during the regular session.) If now passed, villages could petition the Alaska Energy Office, which would approve a loan. Checks and repayment would be handled by the Department of Commerce and Economic Development.

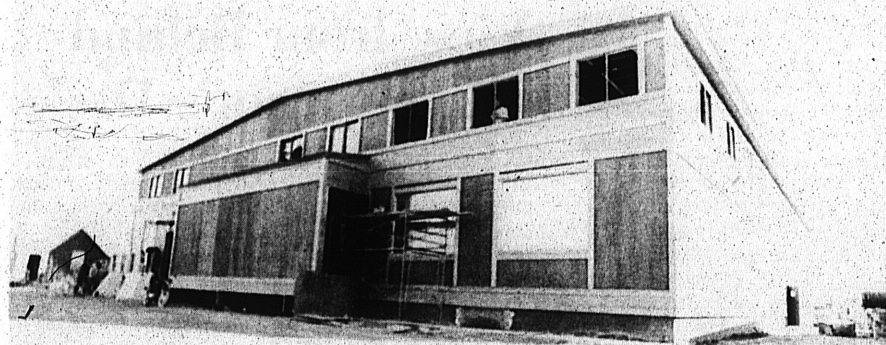
For fisheries relief, Rural CAP endorses an appropriation through RDA, similar to last year's special appropriation for the Bristol Bay area. Rural CAP also endorses the appointment of an interim committee to devise a long-term response capability.

Shortly after the meeting, newly re-elected Rural CAP President Gordon Jackson said, "We have already asked that the Governor include fisheries relief and energy on the agenda of a

special session if one was called to deal with the malpractice question. We now believe the situation is so serious that a session must be called to deal with these issues."

"We knew the situation was bad," said CAP Director Phil Smith, "But information we got from board members at our annual meeting really drove the point home. This is the worst season in the Chignik since 1890. Most southeastern villages have asked that a disaster be declared. The salmon season on Kodiak was terrible."

"We're serious about this," Smith said, "The situation is critical and people are suffering. We know that the state is tightening its belt, and realize the difficulty in coming up with these needed programs at this time. But the state's obligation is to meet the needs of its citizens, and the most critical needs are in the rural areas."



KOTZEBUE—The Eskimo Building, constructed 15 years ago for the late Archie Ferguson, is now owned by the Kikiktagruk Inupiat Corp. and is now being renovated into an office building. Space is now being leased and the modern, renovated structure should be ready for occupancy in December. A feature of the interior will be movable wall panels, to adjust office space to needs of individual occupants. (Photo by MARGIE BAUMAN)

2,500 of Them—

USDJ Investigating Trespasses

By SUE GAMACHE
The U.S. Department of Justice is now investigating some 2,500

alleged trespasses on the North Slope against private persons and firms using Alaskan lands prior to the passage of the Native Land Claims Settlement Act.

The investigations stem from a 1971 suit against former Secretary of the Interior, Rogers Morton filed by Charles Edwardsen Jr. and several other North Slope Eskimo people stating that all land dispositions on the North Slope prior to the Acts passage were invalid.

The case further asserted that Morton had been neglectful in his responsibility as trustee for the Native people before the passage of the claims act, in permitting third parties (the State of Alaska, construction companies, seismic

parties, oil and gas firms) access to Native-claimed lands, and that the government now had the responsibility to sue those third parties for trespass.

The government responded by asking for summary judgment on the grounds that the Native Claims Settlement Act was intended to settle Native claims on Alaskan lands. The \$962 million in cash and 40 million acres in land was a settlement agreement between the government and the Alaska Native people for the loss of Native used lands. The settlement was also to clear title on Alaska lands, and remove the chance of trespass actions based on

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Mauneluk Awarded Grant

(Special to the Tundra Times)

WASHINGTON—The Mauneluk Association has been awarded a \$41,670 grant by the Economic Development Administration to continue a program of planning for economic growth in 10 Northwestern Alaska villages.

The Association, based at Kotzebue, conducts a planning program for the villages of Ambler, Buckland, Deering, Kiana, Kivalina, Kotzebue, Noatak, Noorvik, Selawik and Shungnak.

The Association has sponsored housing construction, medical clinics and community facilities in some villages and is planning for industrial development associated with reindeer herding and salmon fishing. The association staff is exploring the potential of processing native jade for jewelry.

The EDA grant will pay the total cost of the program through next June 30. Sen. Mike Gravel, D-Alaska, was informed of the grant by Wilmer D. Mizell, Assistant Secretary for Economic Development.

Surveying, Engineering, Etc.—

CH2M HILL & BSNC Joint Venture

ANCHORAGE, Alaska, September 5—CH2M HILL, international consulting firm of engineers, planners, economists and scientists, and Bering Straits Native Corporation, an Alaskan native corporation formed under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971, have announced the formation of a joint venture company to obtain and accomplish surveying, engineering and related work in Alaska.

To be known as CH2M HILL Alaska, the new company also will have as a major objective the training of native Alaskans in surveying, engineering and related activities. Headquarters will be in Anchorage.

Announcement of the joint venture was made here by James Poirot, CH2M HILL vice president and northwest district manager, and Tom Drake of Nome, executive vice president of the Bering Straits Native

Corporation.

The new company will be directed by an administrative committee headed by Poirot as managing director, Drake, and Alan Hill, Redding, Calif., director of surveying and mapping for CH2M HILL.

The Bering Straits Native Corporation is one of the largest of 12 native corporations in Alaska. It has extensive interests in mining, transportation, construction and other related

fields.

CH2M HILL is a multidiscipline consulting firm formed from the 1971 merger of Cornell, Howland, Hayes & Merryfield and Clair A. Hill & Associates, both of which were organized independently in 1946. The company has 12 regional offices and a staff of over 1100.

Poirot and Drake said the joint venture company would offer a complete range of surveying,

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Re Admission Tickets—

Banquet Info

Tickets for the 1975 Tundra Times banquet to be held Oct. 23, 1975 at the Captain Cook Hotel in Anchorage are now on sale through the Tundra Times office in books of ten.

Since the Tundra Times expects approximately 900 guests, individual reservations would be impossible to guarantee. Therefore, we are first offering

ticket sales in books of ten for \$250 per book. Each table having only ten seats, an individual would thus be reserving the entire table. This enables a ticket buyer to determine the occupants of his table by selling the tickets to his own friends. Individual tickets will be available at the door only.

Prior to the banquet, a cocktail

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