

'Ma' Nature Finds Fall Confusing

Many areas of Alaska, including Fairbanks area, experienced balmy fall weather much to the delight of good-weather-loving humans who marvelled at the pleasant phenomenon.

The delayed winter, however, might have been a bit puzzling to some animals and birds. The first snow of the year was late in coming confusing even that venerable Old Lady, Mother Nature.

Snowshoe rabbits took on their white winter coats and hopped and romped among autumn strewn leaves with not a snowflake on the ground starkly contrasted against the dark background.

Frisky weasels also skittered in splendid snowwhite fur. Although ptarmigans were not seen hereabouts, they must have stood out in glorious white against the snowless ground.

Something strange also came

to pass near the wealthy Tyonek village on Cook Inlet recently.

"The bears got fooled this year. On November 4th, four bears were seen on the fishing sites. They were so mad at the weatherman they tore up all the fishing camps."