

***Also Storage Fees—***

# **Villages Impose Landing Fees**

Venetie and Arctic Village have hung out a "No Trespassing" sign to all non-members of the Venetie-Chandalar Indian Reservation. Visitors will be required to obtain permission from the village councils, to pay landing and storage fees, abide by anti-litter laws and pay for campsites.

"Especially at Arctic Village, large companies and government agencies have increased use of the airport," Abraham Christianson, acting president of the Council of Venetie, explained.

"Heavily loaded large aircrafts do damage to the airports and this requires on the part of the village increased maintenance expense. Large caches of fuel drums and other supplies are placed in various locations, causing unsightly conditions and the possibilities of contamination and large-scale littering.

"Campsites are located at the convenience of the user, without regard to wishes of the Councils

and with possibilities of littering which must be policed by someone."

According to the new ordinance, passed jointly by the

councils, July 1, the monthly storage rate for materials will be \$100 plus \$.02 per square foot in excess of 5,000 square feet. Campsite charge per person is \$2 plus \$2 per tent. Minimum rental per campsite will be \$100 per month.

Landing charge will be \$15 for single engine aircraft and helicopter and \$50 per multi-engine aircraft. The ruling is not intended to affect scheduled and chartered aircraft serving the reservation.

"Any person violating this ordinance shall be treated as a trespasser, his permit shall be revoked and he shall be subject to prosecution," according to the ruling.

Authorization for the action comes from village by-laws which allow villagers "to control the use by members or non-members of any reserve set aside by the Federal Government for the village and to keep order in the reserve."