

# Echoes of 1971 Eskimo Olympics

## Fade So We Thank All Who Helped

Now that the last of the visitors have been seen off at Fairbanks International Airport and the walrus skin has been stored until next year's blanket toss, we have time to collect our notes and say "Thank you" to all those who made the 11th Eskimo Olympics a great event.

First, of course, are the over 200 competitors and dance teams which were the best we've ever had. They came from as far North as Barrow and as far west as the Bering Sea.

Helping to fly them in was British Petroleum Company and

the Arctic Research Lab along with Don Gilbert who volunteered air fare for two queen contestants.

Wien Consolidated Airlines gave a round trip to Juneau so the queen could meet Gov. and Mrs. Egan. The Bureau of Indian Affairs funded the appearance of the Kotzebue Day School Dance Team.

Gifts came from Alaska Airline, Ernie Carter, Johnny's Express, Arctic Travelers Gift Shop, Pan American, Northward Drug, Interior Airways, Nerlands, the

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Outboard Assn. Dick's Chevron, the Musk Ox Project and the Fairbanks Daily News Miner.

Traveler's Inn made a generous contribution to the Queen Contest, Mt. McKinley Bank and Frontier Sporting donated handsomely. Thanks also go to Bazaar, Gladys Morris, Jean's Fabric Shop, Fuller Brush, Owl Tree, Pay'N Save, Alaskaland, Wyler Watch, Mike Brooks Sign Shop, the Alaska State Troopers and the Lettershop.

Hard workers included Capt. Billy English, our long standing M.C.; Edith Tegoseak, Paldine

Carlo and Mrs. Walter Soboleff, lamp tenders; Marshals Edward Lennce and Wally Olson; the brave souls who manned the ticket booths and the enterprizing program sellers like Debbie Bergt.

We could fill at least three more paragraphs with names but we hope those not listed here will understand that a small paper sometimes runs out of space.

We haven't run out of thanks, though. Named or unnamed, we're grateful for the help.