

Schoolhouses

Flown in to Bush

ANCHORAGE, AK. — Alaska International Air flew 18 trailer-like school buildings to the Alaskan bush in time for school to open this fall.

AIA president Neil Bergt announced the transport was made by Hercules turboprop airplane, as the buildings are too large to be shipped in any other manner.

The buildings, built by ATCO Structures, Inc. of Anchorage, were destined for Cape Romanzof, Bethel and St. Marys which cannot be speedily reached except by air. A U.S. Army Skycrane then transported the structures to the outlying villages of Chevak, Napakiak and Alakanuk.

Recently, AIA transported post office buildings to Kak-tovik, located on the northeast coastline of Alaska, in a similar manner. Bergt said the availability of the Hercules aircraft in the state has expedited the development of rural Alaska.