

Southeast has busy month of March



In the 32nd Annual Gold Medal Tournament, March 6-11, the Angoon, A.N.B. won first place in the B league. The players were: Al Kookesh, Ivan Gamble, Mac Demmert, Mark Jack, Jeff George, Matsu Sumato, Herman James, Frank Jack and Mat Kookesh. The Yakutat Athletic Club received second place. The team was made up of Jim Bremner, Bill Milton, Myron Johnson, George Heninger, Sheldon James, Jim Hanks, Les Jensen, Mike Jesen, Larry Bemis and Don Bremmer.



Joe Willaims, supervisor at Anchorage International Airport for Alaska Airlines, dances during a festival in Juneau.

Sealaska predicts 20 million board feet by 1980

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JUNEAU-Sealaska Corp., under a tentative timetable, hopes to produce 15 million to 20 million board feet of sawlogs by 1980, says Peter Huberth, Sealaska's timber manager.

The figures come from a "type of timetable we think is feasible," said Huberth, representing a regional Native cor-

poration destined to get large tracts of timber from Tongass National Forest through the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act.

Sealaska hopes to get out in the field this spring and summer and select areas for the first harvesting operation, Huberth told the weekend convention. During that time, the company also hopes to begin road planning, he said.

In 1979, Sealaska hopes to begin road construction and look for other harvest areas, Huberth said.

By 1982, the tentative timetable calls for 50-60 million board feet of sawlogs, plus pulp logs, to be harvested, Huberth said.

Sealaska alone, not counting village selections, should have a potential resource of 4.6 billion board feet, the Sealaska officer said.

The villages and Sealaska together should have an inventory of about 9.5 billion board feet of timber, he said. By contrast, Ketchikan Pulp Company's 50 year timber sale was for about eight million board feet.

Under the current situation, one of Sealaska's options would be round log export, Huberth said.

What the company does with its logs will be a "case of looking

at the best mix" and the market situation, Huberth said.

By 1979 or 1980, Sealaska hopes to do a timber inventory, he told the convention delegates. Huberth said the company has worked hard to see that the allowable cut out of Tongass National Forest remains at a high level.

He said he understood that it takes a certain level of cut for the Southeast industry to be healthy.