

AFN Solves Unique City Transportation Problem of Natives

How do you get around in a big city without public transportation and without a car? What if it's a strange city to you? Or if you're from a small village and the whole way of life is strange?

Anchorage, with its spread out locations and nonexistent public transportation is a major problem for the villager who is new to the urban way of living. Transportation may not be the first priority, but it is certainly third or fourth.

Thus, one job of the Alaska Federation of Natives, under the department of Special Services, is drivers training and transportation for rural natives coming to Anchorage.

Supplemental Services provides transportation and drivers training to BIA Field Employment Assistance office clientele in the Anchorage area. This includes Alaska Business College, Beauty College, Anchorage Community students, Adult Vocational Training students, Direct Hires and Project Hires.

The original AFN Supplemental Services contract was for \$198,250 for the year beginning June 22, 1970. When the contract ran out last June it was extended three times. Last extension is till December 31, 1971.

Recreation was another service to be provided, but was deleted due to insufficient funds.

Providing transportation for hundreds of people is a big job. Our Supplemental Services fleet comprises 2-fifteen passenger buses, 1-eleven passenger bus and 2 driver's training vehicles (one with dual controls). Bus routes cover a 10 mile radius from the center of town. A bus drivers day begins at 6:00 a.m. and ends at 6:00 p.m.

Staffing this fleet (we bussed 402 individuals last year on 23,057 passenger trips) and providing drivers training is a staff of nine at our offices in the Kaloa Building.

Our director, Ilidor Philemonof is an Aleut born at St. George Island, Alaska. Coordinator Robert W. Rude is an Athabaskan from Flat, Alaska.

Drivers include Murphy Nuglene (Eskimo) of White Mountain, Arthur Outwater (Eskimo) of Deering, David Herrmann (Aleut) of Levelock Christopher Steik (Kenaitze) of Ninilchik, and temporary driver Anatoly Lekanof Jr. (Aleut) of St. George.

Donald W. McFarlin of St. Paul, Minnesota is a driver's trainer.

Delicate Calcutte, our secre-

tary, is an Aleut who was born at Mare Island, California. Elmer Adams, a Tlingit from Juneau, resigned November 22 af-

ter having been with the program about a year as a bus driver.

Last year 125 people took

drivers training classes and 46 received their drivers licenses.

At least one day, we carried 102 people on our daily buses.

ANCHORAGE PET PALACE

Furnishings For Fur, Fin & Feathered Friends

PET SUPPLY SHIPPING
THROUGHOUT ALASKA
Livestock & Supplies



* PET SUPPLIES
Complete Line of
Dog & Cat Supplies

* EXOTIC BIRDS
Cages — Accessories —
Supplies — Seed

* TROPICAL FISH
& Aquariums

ALASKA'S OLDEST & LARGEST
Complete Department Store For Pets

272-4233

305 E. 5th Ave. Corner of East 5th & Cordova

LARRY'S SKI-DOO SALES

Box 188, Unalakleet, Alaska 99684
Phone 624-3856 Larry Kayoukluk—Owner
Ski-doo dealer for Unalakleet and area

CRANKSHAFT SERVICE INC.

When you want the finest in oils for your snowmachine, specify PENNZOIL Snowmobile Oil.

Pennzoil Snowmobile Oil is compounded for top performance under the toughest conditions. It's made from pure Pennsylvania crudeoil and fortified with EXCLUSIVE internal protection additives to protect engines that operate at punishingly high temperatures, in freezing weather conditions.

Pennzoil Snowmobile Oil will eliminate the smoke and plug fouling—make your engine last longer. You should try it! If you do, be sure to look for the difference.

Distributed by CRANKSHAFT SERVICE, INC.

500 East 5th Avenue
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99501

Mail orders promptly filled.

Telephone: 272-4414

ALASKA TREASURE SHOP

NATIVE ARTS & CRAFTS—ALASKAN JEWELRY
GIFTS—SOUVENIRS

★ Bill and Muriel Sam

Headquarters of...

422 Fourth Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501

ROBERT MAYOKOK

Eskimo Artist and Writer

How to get yesterday back.

5th Ave Gallery

water bed
Library

ORIGINAL
FURNITURE & ART
WORK

CRUSHED VELVET
BEANBAG CHAIRS

CUSTOM
FRAMES
from \$30

223 E. 5th Avenue
274-1126

Some of the finest examples of early Indian carving were taken out of Southeastern Alaska by traders many years ago. A large collection of such art is now housed in two Russian museums.

Many local citizens—Humble, for one—would like to see this art form continued. So a project is currently underway to duplicate twelve of these pieces and return them to Alaska.

The collection consists mainly of ancient Tlingit ceremonial masks. Native artists from Port Chilkoot-Haines are working to

reproduce the items. The carvers will follow pictures and detailed measurements provided by the Russian museums.

When the authentic copies are finished, plans are to place them in a traveling display and show them at selected museums in the Lower 48 and Alaska.

Bringing part of Alaska's past back home will, hopefully, encourage younger Indians to appreciate the values of their artistic heritage. And it will make all of us more aware of our state's rich and diverse past.

Humble is glad to provide support for this project. Because we've learned, as we go about our business of making good products and a fair profit, that there's added satisfaction in doing something more for people. Humble is doing more.



Humble Oil & Refining Company