

Mobile Gallery . . . Nutshell Description of Recent Federation Meeting in Fairbanks

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play photographs, prints, both abstract and traditional oil paintings, and some sculptures in a colorful array.

Small ceramic pieces, jewelry, and delicate sculptures are placed behind plexiglass in an exhibition case. Others are placed on small pedestals

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presidency, and of the 58 votes casted two tied for majority vote.

Chairman Joseph David broke the tie when he cast his vote for Larson King over Edward J. Shavings.

Shavings, however, easily took the Vice President position. Samson Weston was chosen for Secretary and Jerry David for Treasurer.

I feel the trip I chose to make was not fruitless. I hope many villages will follow the foot steps of Mekoryuk. If your village is interested or want to know more about Native Associations, please write Box 192, Bethel, Alaska.

I will be frank with you, there is only sad story of having Native Associations. Many villages, perhaps like yours, do not know they too could have an organized voice. On behalf of Kuskokwim Valley Native Association, I wish to extend my sincere gratitude to the fine village of Mekoryuk for making the choice they made.

I also want to extend my appreciation to Pastor Dana Kapanak who further extended my gratitude by saying a grace for us at the conclusion of our meetings.

throughout the gallery. Carvings in soapstone of a whale and a bear are near modern woodblock prints.

Ceramic bottles made from Cook Inlet clay are arranged only a few steps from a large, abstract oil painting. All represents the art being done by Alaska's artists today.

The large, red cedar carving decorating the outside of the trailer was designed by the Chilkat Indians of Indian Arts and Crafts in Port Chilkoot, under the direction of Carl Heinmiller.

The trailer itself was built especially for the art exhibit by the penny Trailer Sales of Anchorage. "This represents a \$16,000 investment in our show," says Sharron Lobaugh, chairman of the Centennial Art Exhibit.

The Company is lending the trailer to Alaskan Arts and Crafts, Inc. for one year.

Other valuable contributions in service were from Morgan Driveaway, Seattle, who transported the trailer free of charge from the factory in Boise, Idaho to Seattle before it arrived in Alaska; Alaska Steamship Company and the Alaska Marine Highway System, who are transporting the exhibit free of charge; Aurora Trucking Company and Alaska Coastal Airlines who are moving the exhibit in the Southeastern cities in connection with the Steamship Company and ferry system; Felton and Tenney and Hoover's Movers who will furnish vans to pull the trailer in the Kenai area, and the Alaska Railroad.

Leaders of 22 associations met for the second time in four months during the conference of the Alaska Federation of Native Associations in Fairbanks Jan. 19-20.

The aboriginal claims issue predominated the meeting. Other Alaskan interests extensively discussed included: health, education, housing, employment, and Hickel's proposed Department of Native Affairs.

The first day of the meeting was closed to the press. The delegates spent the time "educating each other as to what has been happening." They said that not all of them had any way of knowing of current events around the state except "the version they got from the newspapers." And, according to George Olson of Cordova, "the press has misrepresented our meanings."

A recommendation of the federation was a division of the state's Bureau of Indian

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Affairs office, now managed in Juneau. The division would establish two central offices—one in the Southeast and one for the Southcentral, Western, Arctic, and Interior areas. Supporters of the division said it would result in "better communication and service."

The Federation endorsed the Congressional bill that would put the land protested under jurisdiction of the Court of Claims. Flore Lekanof, now statewide director of ASCAP, Inc., and chairman of the Federation, said he had shown the bill to candidate Hickel during the election and that Hickel said he would support it. Early the next week the Governor released a statement denying that he had read the bill. Indicating the bill was not for the good of the state, he refused to endorse it in any part.

Highlighting the second day of the conference was the attendance of state Attorney General Donald Burr. Gov.

Hickel had tentatively committed his presence, but Friday morning found business of the state "too pressing."

"Do you contend the Native claims are invalid?" asked Tyonek attorney Stan McCutcheon.

"In my opinion they are," answered the Attorney General.

This attitude prevailed in the remarks of Burr throughout the discussion and he was literally raked over the coals. The Anchorage News compared Burr with Daniel entering the lion's den. Burr said one harassed moment that he would compare the meeting to a "Democratic Caucus."

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