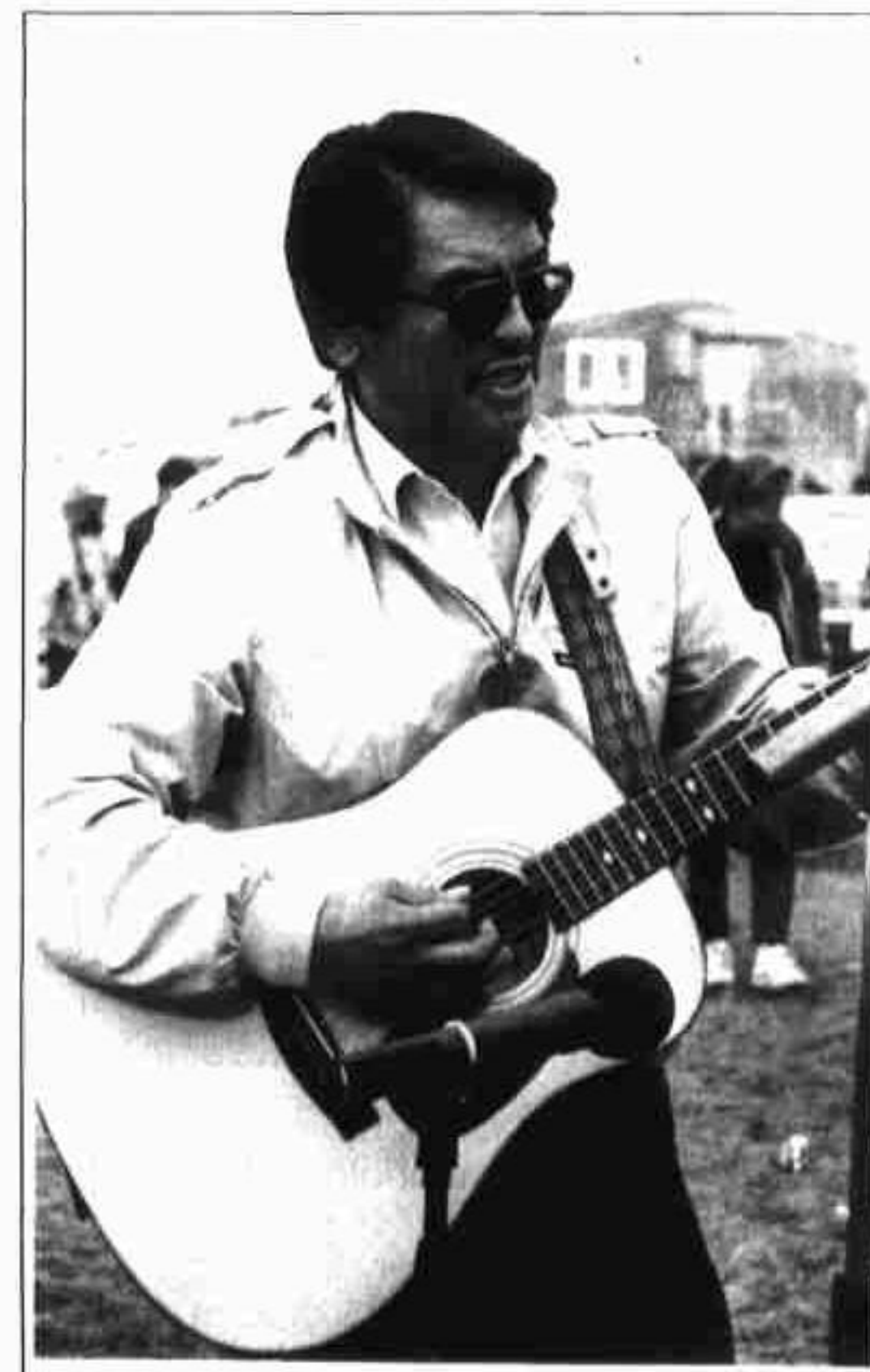




Nalukataq: A celebration of the whale hunt



It was a time of celebration, fun and sharing in Barrow recently during Nalukataq, the whaling festival. Photo top left, Myra Savik hands out apples and oranges to the children. Other photos, moving clockwise, include Tina Rexford, eating an orange; five-month-old Sadie Rexford with Mike and Margaret Rexford; Ken Toovak, enjoying his whale meat; Johnny Adams, playing guitar and singing gospel songs; whaling captain and North Slope Borough Mayor George Ahmaogak's crew preparing dinner; and Ahmaogak dancing to celebrate his crew's success in the spring whale hunt.

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