

TANANA FUEL CRISIS

Tanana, a major Yukon River settlement of over 400 people, will face a fuel oil crisis by January, according to a telegram sent last week to the state's Department of Regional and Community Affairs, by Tanana Mayor Arlee D. Charley.

Apparently fuel oil was to be delivered to Tanana by Yutana Barge Lines in Nenana, but that company failed to ship it on their last barge of the season servicing the area. At present, there is no agency in Tanana with reserves enough to sustain the fuel needs of the town.

According to Mayor Charley, "The city of Tanana will run out of oil in January and requests assistance from the state to obtain enough oil to last through the winter." Some 25,000 gallons of oil are needed to see the community through until barge service resumes in spring.