

Barrow News

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Met a Real Person

I was walking on the sidewalk, and happen to meet a person who really could talk, Kak-ma-lea-luk language. People who lives in Canada near Cambridge Bay.

He ask me if I am an Eskimo.

"Why yes," I answered him. We sat down and began to speak Kak-ma-lea-luk language.

"Say," he said to me, "where have you been and where are you from?"

I answered him, "I am an Eskimo, born and raised in Barrow."

"But, how in the world, you could speak like those people in Canada."

I said to him, "I was an interpreter for Hudson Bay Company for two years and that's why I learn their language."

We talk and talk there and the Eskimos and Indians who were listening came even closer to us. They were astonished at our language.

This man is a white man too, didn't get to know his name.

First One

Nalukatak meaning blanket tossing is one of the most important to Eskimos all along through seasons.

First one is on, on in Browerville, Tuesday, and the snow was falling and cold too, during celebration. But the captain of whaler never get disappointed when he had it on, bad or good weather. Captain always willingly wanted to share some of his catch, when people could use it.

They said the weather was cold and part snowing but everybody there was happy.

Delbert Rexford said today that the last one will be on tomorrow Friday. And this one will be in village area.

There is still snow on ground but it is still thawing steady.

Atkana is a resident of Barrow and said he doesn't know when he will return to Barrow.

Senior Citizens

Invitation is still on for older

people to come to the hot meal house. They serve good, hot meal, 12 noon every day daily, even Sundays. There's meat and fish, sometime meat loaf, what we really loved most. Dessert there, soups and vegetables! What a hot meal! Come over and find it yourself.

Not Many As Use To

Old fishermen here in Fairbanks said that the fishes here in Fairbanks are scarce, not like they used to.

Back Out

Wainwright hunters after they heard that walrus in group are out there. They went back out pulling their canoes with Ski-Dos on the ice and shot few walrus.

They took all their fresh catch and store them in their cellars for winter use. Fat is what Eskimos do like most, not too juicy like oogrook blubber. It's between. I like it, too. We called it i-garak. Wainwright is only 98 miles off Barrow.

Had to Drop It

Three captains who have caught whale each this last spring, April, had their Nalukatak, blanket tossing in Barrow village.

Captain's names are Robert Aiken, Roxy Oyagak and Simeon Patkotak, all Eskimos, residents of Barrow.

After the feast, they had it on going, but they had to drop it, to the ground, on account of disturbing the game.

Came In to Check Up

Mr. Pete Sovalik, Eskimo, also an Eskimo drummer came in today to check up. Pete is also employee of A.R.L. for several years. Pete was told to come back once more to check up. He said he'll probably will go back this week to Barrow. Pete is now 68 years of age, still working.

Have Patience

There's a story that I have been working on, will be in next issue. I hope. Keep on watching. Thank you.

Handbook Aims To Help Villages

A village land use planning handbook produced by the Federal-State Land Use Planning Commission is undergoing improvements following a field test of the manual in the village of Nikolai in June.

The handbook aims to help villages redistribute village corporation lands under provisions of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, sometimes called 14(c) reconveyances.

In two days of intensive work villagers, including village corporation officers and city council members, identified lands they wanted for public use — streets, boat ramps, etc., designated lots for residents, businesses and non-profit groups.

Commission planner Janet McCabe and Larry Kimball, a planner with the Alaska Department of Community and Regional affairs, coordinated the handbook project and served as advisers in the Nikolai sessions.

Representatives of the Federal Bureau of Land Management, the Alaska Division of Aviation, Doyon, Ltd., and the Alaska Native Foundation also participated in the field test.

Tony Alexie, president of the village's Native corporation, served as the planning officer for the village.

Nikolai is a second class city under Alaska law with a population of 112. It is located on the south fork of the Upper Kuskokwim River.

Provisions of the Claims Settlement Act require village corporations to redistribute villages lands to residents, businesses and non-profit groups, such as churches.

Titled "Reconveying Land — A Handbook for Village Corporations," the handbook provides a step-by-step planning guide for villages which have yet to be surveyed by the BLM.

About 100 villages must be surveyed in preparation to land redistribution and could make use of the handbook.

Sen. Stevens Sponsors Bill to Authorize Satellite Project

Sen. Ted Stevens has co-sponsored a bill to authorize funding for a satellite to continue the communications program under way through the newly-launched Applied Technology Satellite.

ATS-6, launched May 30, will begin bringing educational and medical television communications to 17 interior Alaskan villages this fall.

The project, sponsored jointly by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration and the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, will also serve several Appalachian and Rocky Mountain states.

However, Stevens said, the experimental program is scheduled to end next year, when the satellite will be shifted into an orbit to permit the government of India to beam similar educational programming to its remote villages.

"The ATS-6 satellite project will bring a new era of communications to much of rural Alaska," Stevens said. "Especially in the area of medical communications between villages and

and central medical facilities, this is a tremendously important project. It would be a terrible shame to lose this new communications ability so soon.

He said the program could be continued through ATS-F prime, a satellite prepared as a backup for the May launching.

Since the original satellite was launched and orbited successfully, Stevens said, the space agency has no present plans for launched and orbited successfully. Stevens said, the space agency has no present plans for the backup satellite.

The bill Stevens co-sponsored would authorize expenditure of \$41.7 million for the follow-up satellite, the amount estimated to complete preparation and launch ATS-F prime.

The senator said hopefully the bill will pass in time for funds to be included in a supplemental appropriations package later this year.

This, he said, could get the satellite in orbit in time to continue the various communications programs without lengthy interruption.

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MIDNIGHT TO 6 A.M. — STEVE THOMPSON

6 A.M.-10:30 A.M. — LARRY STEPHENS

10:30 A.M.-3 P.M. — DON BYRON

3 P.M.-6:30 P.M. — DICK LOBDELL

6:30 P.M.-MIDNIGHT — LAN CARSON

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