

TRAPPERS ORGANIZATION

A new organization for trappers met last week to adopt an official name, elect officers and develop a program for the coming months and years.

The name is the Interior Alaska Trappers Association and the temporary president is Fabian Carey, a well-known area trapper. The vice-president is Ken Fanning, Norm Phillips is secretary and Terry Johnson is treasurer.

Several committees were formed - legislative, membership, correspondence and public relations.

The local group will be affiliated with the Fur Takers of America, a nationwide trapper organization which, among its other functions, does a good deal of lobbying in the trapper's interest.

Yearly membership in the local group is \$10 and includes benefits from the national organization. Individuals will receive monthly newsletters from

the Fur Takers to keep them up to date on pending legislation and other matters. Membership also includes a subscription to the quarterly Fur Taker Magazine.

The Interior Alaska Trappers Association will generally include the area north of the Alaska Range and south of the Brooks Range - Game Management Units 24, 25, 21, 20 and 19.

Prospective members may contact Phillips at 408 Haines, or by calling 456-7201.

The date of the next meeting will be December 18 at 7:30 p. m. at the Switzerland.