"I may not agree with a word you say but I will defend unto death your right to say it." - Voltaire

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Guest Editorial— Killer Loose in **Panhandle**

By DAVE VUGRENES

As Game Biologist for the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, I deal with certain duties that are distasteful in the extreme. Gathering up the remains of dog-killed deer is one of them.

The other day (Monday, April 24, 1967), I was forced to kill a dear. Not a free running, healthy animal but a pathetic creature slowly dying from shock and exhaustion. Chased and worried by dogs (household pets), the deer ran until it could run no more. It was not chewed to death on the spot because some good Samaritan stopped, on the highway, and scattered the dogs. The deer, having extended itself too far, was doomed. It couldn't even rise to its feet it could only pitifully lift its head-with those hugh liquid eyes and look at me-and my gun.

I resent being forced to execute one of God's creatures simply because some people refuse to believe that good old Fido would ever chase a deer.

In the last three days, I received calls of three "good old Fido" -killed deer.

These pet dogs don't kill cleanly as does a wolf. -Oh, no-they run the thing until its lungs burst or it is exhausted. When this happens, death isn't very pretty. Death usually comes very painfully and slowly. All the while, the yapping little "pets" are chewing and biting away.

Dogs will continue to run deer to death until people begin to realize the problem and start taking measures to correct it.

I like dogs, probably better than most people -Chaining an animal constantly is, to me, no good. But I would rather see a dog leashed than see it cutting down defenseless deer for the fun of it. DEER KILLED BY DOGS ARE RARELY EATEN.

If you care at all, why not look into the problem. Make some suggestions, I, for one, will appreciate it.

Times' Newsboy Makes 10 Totems

P.O. Box 603 Wrangell, Alaska 99929 April 26, 1967

Dear Editor:

I have carved ten totems. Mr. Ukas and I are going to sell together. He will sell

We will start selling when the tourist ships come. The first tourist boat is coming on May 1st.

> Sincerely, Harold Riach

Bill: Allow BIA Grantees Attend Private Colleges

Representative Pollock has introduced a bill to allow recipients of Bureau of Indian Affairs educational grants to attend private colleges or universities sponsored by churches by churches.

sponsored by churches. The bill, H.R. 9397, is similar to S. 876, introduced earlier this year by Senators Gruening and Bartlett. It will repeal the present law, which was passed in 1917.

Lower Phone Rates Between Alaska, Canada

telephone between Alaska and Canada, featuring lower rates for station-to-station have been announced by the Alaska Communications System. They will start Nay

The new rate structure, negotiated between Canadian creates separate classes for station-to-station or personto-person calls.

Station—to—station rates will be 20 to 30 percent less than at present, while person-to-person calls will cost more. After the first three minutes, both classes will be charged at the lower station_to_station

As an example for a station-to-station call from Anchorage or Fairbanks will be \$6.50 for three minutes, compared to the previous charge of \$8.25. Person—to—person will be raised from \$8.25 to \$9.50 for the three minutes, but additional minutes will cost \$2.15 instead of the previous \$2.75.

The change does not apply to calls to the closer Canadian Border and Alcan points, where such reduced rates had been previously established.

Tanana Poised For June 9-11 Nuchalawoyya

Tanana's annual Nu-Cha-La-Woy-Ya (Meeting of the Great Rivers) Indian Celebration will be held on June 9-11 this year.

Scheduled events include Indian dancing, canoe and speed boat races, a muskrat skinning contest, archery, marathon races, a greasypole walk and, for the first time, Nu-Cha-La-Woy-Ya princess.

Each village will send a young girl to represent them in the princess contest; the girls will be judged on beauty, personality and costume. Contestants must be between the ages of 16 and 21, and unmarried.

Also new will be a Native Arts and Crafts sale, along with a Native Museum with some pieces for sale. Last but not least will be potlatches and dancing every night.

Nu-Cha-La-Woy-Ya actually originated many years ago, according to Mrs. Maggie Elia of Tanana. The first gathering place was a spot behind Tozi Island where people met from Fort Yukon, Tanacross, St. Michael and points in between.

Great potlatches of up to a week's duration were held and shotguns, new birchbark canoes, blankets and clothes were given away as the dancing continued night after

Potlatches included such foods as geese, duck, beaver, muskrat, moose, caribou, wild potatoes packed in oil, and Indian ice cream.

Great Old Chiefs present at those times included: Old Evan of Crossjacket, Old Steven of Stevens Village, and Old Sport of the Old Station area. The Chiefs made long speeches and it is said that Old Sport talked

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SERGEANT MAJOR--Master Sergeant Harold D. Bell, Nome. Sergeant Major of the 1st Scout Battalion, Nome headquarters. -NATIONAL GUARD Photo

Sgt. Bell Promotes Athletics

Master Sergeant E-8 Harold D. Bell, Sergeant Major of the 1st Scout Battalion, headquarters, Nome, was appointed by Governor Walter J. Hickel to the State Athletic Commission.

Sgt. Bell was also recently appointed to the Nome School Board. He has been active in promoting athletics, only in Nome, but throughout the 1st Battalion area.

Sgt. Bell's civilian position with the Battalion is as an A and E mechanic. He took his training at Fort Rucker. Alabama as head of his class with a grade point average of

Bell resides at Nome with his wife Helen and three children, Lisa, Christine, and Simon.

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