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## Fisheries conference to be Nov. 26-28 Anchorage meeting focuses on industry in Alaska

Alaska's commercial fishermen will have the opportunity to discuss and learn more about issues of critical importance to the future of fishing in Alaska at a conference to be held in Anchorage at the Egan Convention Center Nov. 26-28.

An exposition/trade show will be held in conjunction with the conference. "Fishing in Alaska... Is the Future Ours?" will explore issues such as:

- How can the Alaska fishing industry respond to the increased market share that is going to pen-reared salmon?

- What strategies should the Alaska industry use to better market its fish?

- What does the future hold in pricing?

A number of speakers from around the world will give Alaska fishermen and industry participants a better understanding of current market con-

ditions, the potential for greater and faster change in those conditions and the link between market developments and fishermen's pocketbooks.

Speakers include:

- Caroline Perkins, a Boston marketing consultant, Northeastern University instructor and contributing editor for *Seafood Business* magazine. She will explain differences between selling and marketing and discuss the challenges of increasing seafood con-

sumption in a market that is more accustomed to poultry and red meat.

- Steve Kazilionis, an executive with a grocery chain based in Scarborough, Maine, that made a commitment a few years ago to build seafood into a major department. He will discuss the strategies required to make seafood a regular and significant part of the American family's diet.

- E. Crawford Jones, a long-time

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### Anchorage, Fairbanks

## Cowper restores portions of block grants he vetoed

by Geoff Kennedy  
for the Tundra Times

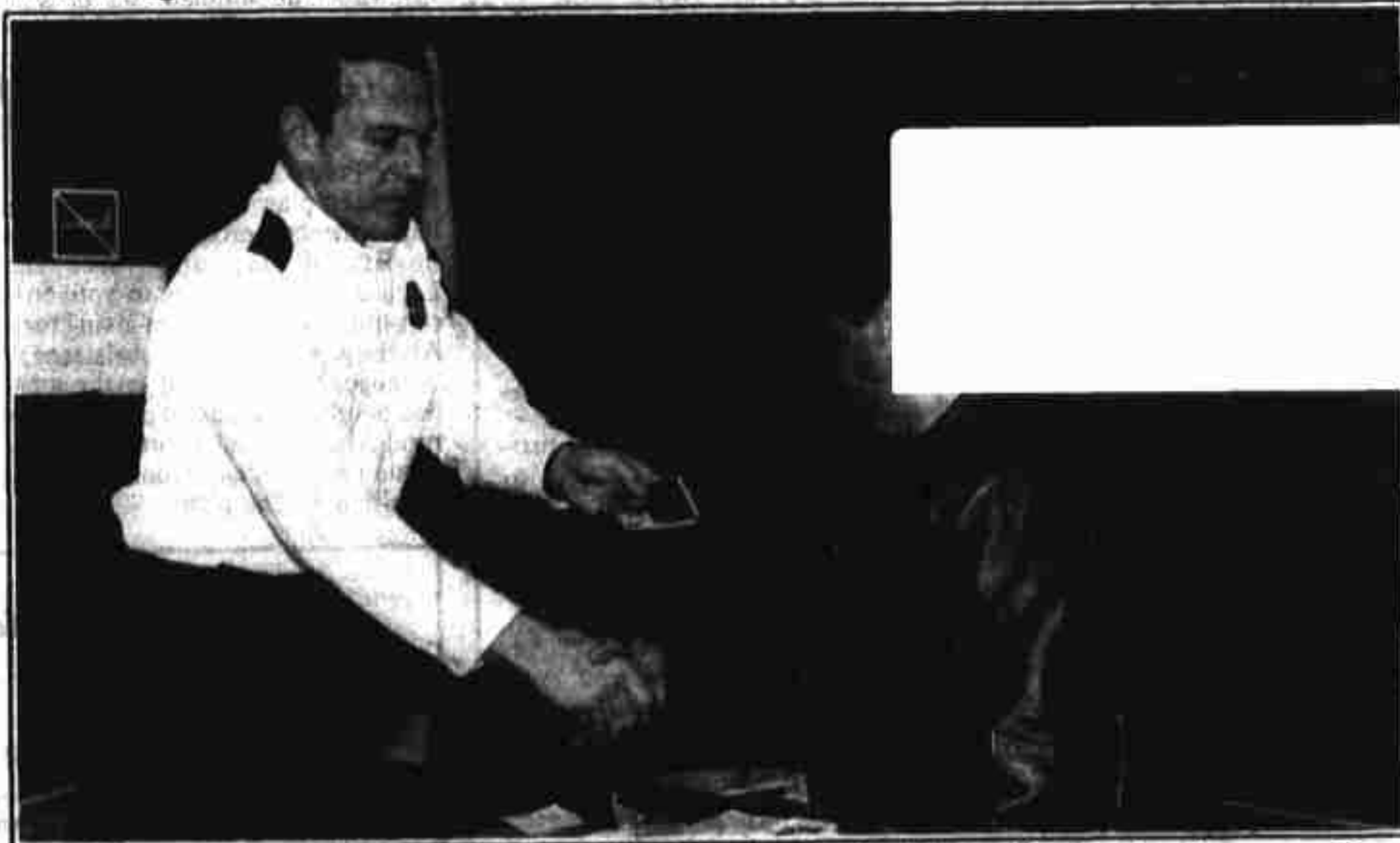
Gov. Steve Cowper has restored half the cuts he had made to the state block grants for Fairbanks and Anchorage.

The grants of \$2.5 million for Anchorage and \$537,500 for Fairbanks were included in the \$325 million Cowper vetoed from the state operating and capital budgets.

Cowper had said declining oil revenues forced him to make those cuts.

But people convinced him the block grant vetoes were too sudden, and the state ought to provide money for the transition, Cowper said.

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Misha Ankaun, right, gets a handshake from Chick Trainor as he enters Nome without a visa. Story, page 18.

photo by Natalie Novik

### St. Paul celebrates new port facility

**ST. PAUL, PRIBILOF ISLANDS**  
—Dedication ceremonies for the newest, major port facility in the Bering Sea are planned for Saturday, according to TDX Corp. of St. Paul.

The festivities mark the completion of a major marine construction project on the island which was authorized by the U.S. Corps of Engineers in 1982. Since that time, \$60 million dollars has been invested in all phases of construction.

Engineers indicate that the new port was designed primarily for the

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## Candidates differ on subsistence

by Geoff Kennedy  
for the Tundra Times

The two Democrats and one Alaskan Independence Party candidates for lieutenant governor propose three very different positions on subsistence.

Democrat John Williams opposes changing the Alaska Constitution. Instead, he prefers the "use it where you kill it" approach: hunters and fishermen would be required to keep their catch in the same subsistence zones where they got it.

Democrat Willie Hensley supports another special session, perhaps next month, to enact a constitutional

amendment to put before the state's voters in November. Most people he's talked to around the state would vote for a rural preference if given the chance, Hensley said.

He favors a constitutional amendment as the best way to return management of all fish and game in Alaska to the state government.

Alaskan Independence Party can-

didate Jerry Ward wants local governments and traditional councils to manage subsistence. He would achieve that goal by coordinating the efforts of the state government, the federal government and the court system. All agencies need to work together, Ward said.

"We have to get the congressional

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