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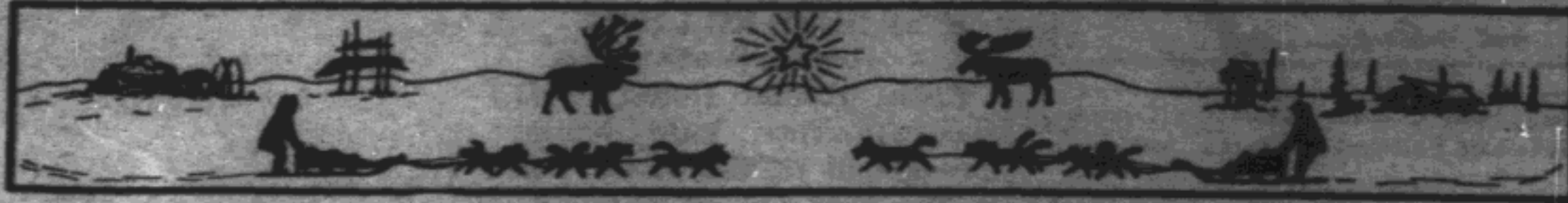
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MUSK OX PROJECT EXPANDING INTO INTERNATIONAL PROGRAM



SHUCKS! IT'S NOT THAT BAD—The symbol of the Eskimo Olympics, the polar bear, seems to be encouraging Chairman Laura Bergt that things weren't going to be that bad—and they weren't. Seemingly worried officials are from left to right: Capt. Bill English, Wien Air, emcee; Amos

Wallace, famous totem carver, judge; Howard Rock, Tundra Times editor, judge; and Laura Bergt. Steve Gordon's camera went on the blink early and the "worrier's" picture came out the best.

—Photo By STEVE GORDON

1967 Eskimo Olympics in Booming Start

The 1967 World Eskimo Olympics literally boomed its way into Fairbanks' Lathrop High School gymnasium Wednesday as the native Alaskan performers marched around in front of the spectators to the chanting and beating of drums of their dance teams.

Athabascans, Tlingits, Aleuts and Eskimos paraded in their colorful costumes

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Teal to Establish Breeding Station In Canadian Arctic

By HOWARD ROCK
Times Editor

Musk Ox Project of the Institute of Northern Agricultural Research is about to become international in scope.

A breeding station just like the one at the University of Alaska musk ox farm will be established this summer at Old Fort Chimo on Ungava Bay in Canada.

"This is in response to a number of petitions from Eskimo village councils in northern Quebec," said John J. Teal, Jr. who directs the project.

The establishment of musk ox breeding stations will not stop at Fort Chimo. When that is completed, John Teal plans to set one up at Tromsø, Norway in 1968 at the request of the Norwegian government. Another will be established at western Greenland in 1969.

The project at Fort Chimo will be in collaboration with the Province of Quebec in the same manner as the one at College, Alaska is operated in collaboration with the University of Alaska that furnished land on which the breeding station is located.

John Teal is set to lead an expedition of "experienced musk ox catchers" to the

northernmost Canadian Arctic island, the Ellesmere, this summer to capture calves that will make up the nucleus of the station at Fort Chimo.

The greatest concentration of musk oxen thrive on

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Musk Oxen Find Friend in Sen. Ernest Gruening

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The musk ox, a woolly Arctic animal now being domesticated at the University of Alaska, has found a friend in Senator Ernest Gruening of Alaska.

When Gruening learned that the Government Council of Canada's Northwest Territories was considering offering hunters the opportunity to kill the musk ox, he told his Senate colleagues:

"Let us hope that sportsmen will unite in protesting against this proposal."

Senator Gruening also called attention to "an excellent article" appearing in the July issue of Sports Illustrated on the musk ox and the university's program under the direction of John Teal.

Ahmaogak Now Heads ASNA; Hopson Takes Exec. Directorship

In a surprising development last Friday, Sam Taalak, president of the Arctic Slope Native Association, resigned as head of that organization.

"It is with sincere regret that the board of executives composed of the officers of the Arctic Slope Native Association announce the resignation of President Sam Taalak from the principal office of our tribal association," declared the officers

of ASNA.

Taalak's resignation necessitated changes in the lineup of the officers. First Vice President Walton Ahmaogak became the association's president while Hugh Nicholls was advanced from second vice presidency to first vice president.

Daniel Lisbourne of Point Hope stepped up to the post of second vice president,

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'LAND USES SHALL NOT BE DISTURBED'

"You indicate a belief that this Department should proceed with the disposition of public lands, notwithstanding native claims and protests, without waiting for Congress to consider the pending legislation."

Reliable sources in Washington, D. C. said that the foregoing quote came from Secretary of the Interior

Stewart L. Udall's letter to Governor Walter J. Hickel of Alaska in answer to the Governor's letter (to Udall) on June 22.

"In the face of the federal guarantee that the Alaska natives shall not be disturbed in their use and occupation of lands, I could not, in good conscience, allow title to pass into other's

hands except in clearly meritorious cases as explained below," Udall reportedly said further.

The Secretary mentioned land bills now pending in Congress and hopes that their enactment will immediately provide the Interior Department with authorizations and directions.

"During the interim period,

however, there will be some situations in which it will be possible to proceed, and we will do so wherever we can," Udall continued.

He said that when there is specific showing that construction of a road, school, airport, or other public facilities being held up, "we will make every effort

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Hickel Calls for Point To Point Fishing Zones

JUNEAU—Gov. Walter J. Hickel said this week he has ordered a major acceleration of state efforts in

Washington to secure congressional passage of legislation establishing a baseline concept—point-to-point international fishing boundary off the coast of Alaska.

The governor's directive came as a Russian fishing boat skipper waited in Anchorage to face a preliminary hearing in U.S. District Court on a charge that his vessel violated the United States' 12-mile offshore fishing limit last Thursday near Akutan Island on the Aleutian Chain.

The skipper, Captain (Continued on page 2)