

## \$10 Disaster Head Tax Due By April 30

JUNEAU—Acting Commissioner George A. Morrison of the Department of Revenue announced last Friday that employers' payments for the state's new disaster relief tax will be due on April 30, 1968, the same deadline for filing state net income tax withholding statements.

Morrison issued the notice in response to inquiries from a number of employers around the state.

The Commissioner said this means of payment of the

disaster tax, which was part of the package approved by the Alaska Legislature in special session in October following the disastrous Tanana Valley flood, "offers the employer the opportunity to deduct the \$10 disaster relief tax from any pay check issued during the first quarter."

Morrison noted, however, that employers are liable for payment of the tax for any persons employed during the quarter.

## All Hunting and Sports Fishing Licenses Invalid New Years Day

As of New Years Day, all 1967 hunting and sports fishing licenses become invalid. Before hunting or fishing in '68, a new license must be purchased.

The Alaska Department of Fish and Game reminds trappers, however, that their licenses are valid until September 30, 1968.

A few game animals can still be taken legally after January 1, reports Frank Jones, southeastern Regional Game Supervisor.

These animals are wolves, wolverine, black bear, brown

bear, hair seal, blue grouse, ptarmigan, and until January 31 on the Panhandle mainland, mountain goat.

Early purchase of your licenses insures that you are ready if and when an opportunity presents itself and, of course, the licenses cost no extra if purchased early.

## Hiwy. Hearings In Fairbanks, Nome, Cordova

The meeting places for the 5-year highway program public hearings to be held in Cordova, Nome, and Fairbanks were announced this week by Commissioner of Highways Warren C. Gonnason. They are as follows:

Cordova—Cordova City Hall, January 10, 1968, 10 A. M.  
Nome—Federal Building, Second Floor Court Room, January 9, 1968, at 1:00 P. M.  
Fairbanks—Lathrop High School, Herring Auditorium, January 8, 1968, at 8:00 P. M.

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## Changes By ABFG to Affect Bristol Bay

Significant changes adopted by the Alaska Board of Fish and Game which affect the Bristol Bay commercial fishery for 1968 include a regulation limiting the total permissible amount of gear licenses through the establishment of a point credit rating system and a regulation establishing a sliding gear scale which provides for shorter net lengths as the number of registered units of gear increases.

Other regulation changes include a closure of the Kvichak section of the Naknek-Kvichak district to afford maximum protection for the low run expected to the Kvichak River in 1968.

The Igushik section of the Nushagak district, closed by regulation 1967, has been re-opened for 1968 with a run expected to exceed escapement requirements.

Two small sections of the Togiak district—Ungalikthuk and Nunavarchak—have been eliminated as fishing areas.

The outer boundary of another Togiak district section—the Kulukak—was moved in about seven miles at its western terminus to prevent catching salmon bound for the Togiak River system.

The emergency order period in 1968 will commence on June 17 and end on July 13.

A minimum mesh size of seven inches prior to June 21 was adopted for the Nushagak district.

Another change allows the actual position of buoys marking the outer Egegik district to be the legal boundary, rather than having specific points defining their location.

Some minor wording changes to clarify intent were also adopted.



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