Some Doings at the Recent World Eskimo Olympics



KNUCKLE HOP CHAMP Morris Wilson of Kotzebue is seen in action as he captured the ancient Eskimo contest game of knuckle hop to become the World Eskimo Olympics champion. Wilson by

going the longest distance of about 60 feet by hopping on his knuckles and toes. The game is painful always resulting in swollen knuckles.

—Photo by DIGNA JOHNSON



INTERESTING FACES—Minto dancers are relaxing after putting on a colorful Athabascan Indian dance at the recent World Eskimo Olympics. The Minto group was the automatic winner in the Indian dance entry as no other Indian group participated. The

people of Minto have in recent years made strong efforts to revive their traditions and they are having an interesting and happy time doing it.

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SITTING ACCOMPANYMENT—Dressed in their beautiful and traditional parkas, Barrow women are accompanying the male dancer in a rythmic and dramatic dance during the World Eskimo

Olympics recently. The Barrow dance group won the title going away. The groups are judged by the authenticity of the dance, grace, and authentic costumes. —Photo by DIGNA JOHNSON



DEBRA CHARLIE— Little Minto girl, Debra Charlie, captured the hearts of the recent World Eskimo Olympics held at Seward Hall in the Alaskaland. Debra danced spiritedly with the elder Mintoites and were afforded loud applause for their performances.

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Sen. Bartlett's Handicapped Bill Praised

Congressional legislation introduced by Alaska Sen. E. L. Bartlett insuring that all Federal buildings constructed in the future will be accessible to handicapped persons was hailed today as "a most heartening and long over-due boost to the morale of hundreds of thousands of America's disabled citizens" by Harold Russell, Chairman of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

Recalling that Alaska was one of the first states to enact legislation to eliminate "architectural barriers" in State-financed buildings, Mr. Russell called upon private business, institutions and all State and local governments to include similar measures in their future building plans.

Mr. Russell said that the Bartlett-Bennett Bill signed recently into law by President Johnson will make "new public buildings accessible to all the public, not just the physically fit."

But he emphasized that "private industry and business, libraries, churches, schools and cultural institutions must follow suit if Americans with significant ambulatory impairments can look forward to leading more normal lives, to regular employment, to supporting their families, to becoming contributing members of their communities, and to maintaining their independence."

Some companies and institutions, Mr. Russell pointed out, have attempted to solve the architectural barrier problem by providing ramps for persons in wheelchairs, by widening doors-

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