

Midnight Sun Council Open House Tomorrow

The public is invited to the Open House of the new Service Center for the Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America on Saturday, December 7, 1968.

Council President Edgar S. Philleo extended the invitation to the public to visit their new facilities at 1400 Gillam Way between 3:00 and 6:00 p.m., Saturday. The Council Officers and Staff will be on hand to provide tours and refreshments.

Members of the National Staff attending the Open House will be Mr. Judson Jusell, Regional Scout Executive, and Mr. Clarke Lethin, Deputy Regional

Scout Executive.

Mr. Jusell is Regional Executive of Region Eleven that includes all of the states of Alaska, Washington, Oregon, Idaho and parts of Montana, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada and California. Lethin serves as a Deputy for Alaska and Oregon.

President Philleo said, "We are all justly proud of the fine community support that has made this new Service Center available to all boys north of the Alaska Range and hope that the public will come to our Open House Saturday to share our pride of Alaskan generosity."

Eli Reyes, Don Billings Coming To Barrow to Interview for Jobs

Don Billings and Eli Reyes of the Alaska State Employment Service will be in Barrow Tuesday and Wednesday, December 10-11 to discuss employment

opportunities and interview applicants for job training.

Interested residents should contact these representatives through the City Clerk's Office.

Crash . . .

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The preliminary investigation showed that there was scattered debris in the crash area and two bodies were lying outside of the plane's cabin. Other dead passengers were in the plane.

The F-27 airliner was enroute to Dillingham and way points when it crashed Monday morning.

Yesterday, recovery teams reached the crash site to remove the bodies and to identify them, gather their luggage and to arrange for transportation to Anchorage.

The recovery team that reached the site composed of five State Troopers headed by Lt. William Nix.

Commissioner Mel J. Personett of the Department of Public Safety said the recovery job should be completed today.

College P.O.

Postmaster General W. Marvin Watson last week advised Postmaster Jack W. Tripp of the Fairbanks, Alaska Post Office, that during the period November 25 to December 24, 1968, bids will be solicited for construction of a new postal facility for the College branch of the Fairbanks Post Office, on a site owned by Charles R. Huber, Fairbanks.

The property, which will be sold to the successful bidder, is located on the south side of College Road, approximately 180 feet east of Hayes Avenue, and comprises approximately 20,000 square feet.

The facility desired will contain 4,619 square feet of interior floor space, with a 234 square foot platform, and 12,807 square feet of parking and maneuvering area. The basic lease term will be for ten years with four 5-year renewal options.

Housing Rift . . .

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be on a one-month basis and visitors or boarders would not be allowed.

Another ASHA plan Bethel citizens objected to was that the houses would be built 15 to 20 feet apart in clusters. The local people contended that they would be too close together.

One person reportedly said that the houses were so close together that if a fire occurred in one, all in the cluster would burn down. Another person contended the house would be hard to service because of high drifts of snow.

"During the winter, servicing those clusters would mean plowing out a lot of snow," he said.

Another person said that the tenants would not have room to tie up dogs or to build smokehouses if they wished.

Bethel people also complained that although the housing development was planned in Anchorage some two years ago, they were not notified of those plans until last September.

It was about a month ago that Bethel residents learned about the conditions ASHA would impose on the tenants of the housing project. That was the time when the present furor began.

As a result, complaints and criticisms flew thick and fast between Bethel and Anchorage offices of ASHA. Weekly meetings between Bethel people and the agency officials became commonplace. Still ASHA was reluctant to make changes.

Then at a meeting last month, a threat to boycott the housing development by Bethel residents resulted.

"If nobody stays in those houses out there, they're stuck," said Eddie Hoffman of Bethel regarding ASHA.

This threat of public rejection of the housing program brought quick response from Anchorage and two days of heated negotiations took place.

The following changes resulted from the negotiations:

-If a tenant earns in the excess of \$7,000 in one year between several poor years, it will not be a basis for eviction. His rent will be computed on the average earnings during several years.

-House payments will rise only if ASHA's operating costs rise.

-In case of damage to a house of more than \$25, and if ASHA corrects the damage, payment will be made in monthly installments.

-Homeowners Association of Bethel will decide if the tenants can have visitors or boarders, approve changes in the house, oversee maintenance of the house and grounds, approve fish caches and placement of dogs.

Negotiations are still reported to be going on over the one-month lease basis. Bethel residents would like to have that condition changed to a one-year lease so a tenant can have a leeway of a month's notice of eviction.



WELLWISHERS—At a reception in his honor last Monday, Senator-elect Mike Gravel, second from right, is carrying on an animated conversation with friends and helpers in his recent campaign for United States Senate. Sam Kito, left, a Tlingit Indian, campaigned hard for

Gravel in Fairbanks, and second from left is Ralph Perdue, an Athabascan Fairbanks jeweler and a Republican who crossed party lines to campaign for the senator-elect, a Democrat. Far right is Mrs. Colleen Redman, a pleased constituent. —Photo by TIMES EDITOR

Gravel Trying for Committee . . .

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California.

Asked about his convincing win in the general election, Gravel said the following:

"It is a real honor to be able to serve. At this point in history, there is so much that needs to be done—and to be part of this, is going to be a great adventure."

Ralph Perdue, local Indian jeweler and a staunch Republican, and who crossed party lines

Gruening Papers In UA Archives

COLLEGE — Sen. Ernest Gruening's collection of personal papers, photographs, documents, and other memorabilia, accumulated during his 23 years in Alaska public service as territorial governor from 1939 to 1953 and as U.S. Senator since statehood, represent a wealth of Alaskans measuring more than 400 cubic feet.

The Senator recently donated his papers to the University of Alaska archives and manuscript collections, and UA Archivist Paul H. McCarthy spent a week in Washington, D.C. working on transfer arrangements and preliminary sorting with members of the senator's staff.

The first cases of the Gruening papers arrived at the university this week.

As the largest document collection thus far donated to the archives, the Gruening papers are expected to fill more than 800 standard archival filing boxes, according to McCarthy.

Even with the advent of computer indexing, he anticipates it will take at least two years to accurately catalog and file Sen. Gruening's collection.

The papers, McCarthy said, will be an outstanding resource for the study of Alaska's history, economic development, and political growth, as well as its social and cultural change.

Acquisition of the Gruening papers brings to four the number of Alaskan delegates to the U.S. Congress whose papers are filed in the UA archives.

The others are Ralph Rivers, U.S. Representative to Congress from 1959 to 1966; Anthony J. Diamond, Delegate to Congress from 1933 to 1945; and Daniel Sutherland, Delegate to Congress from 1921 to 1931.

to campaign for Mike Gravel said:

"I don't know how to express it but I think the native people have now a voice in Congress. Mike will be effective. He will take suggestions and by doing so, he will work on education, labor, in a manner that will be understood by the people."

"I stuck my neck out. Being a Republican, I had to bump a lot of heads but I survived. I feel, as one of the native leaders, we have to make decisions contrary to political beliefs to serve and be dedicated to the native people whom we think will benefit the most. I did it for their cause."

"A congressional member can only be effective when he listens to the native people's problems and acting on them in a manner that will be most beneficial to Alaska."

"The point of the whole thing is that the native people can select a person who will do the most for them in the problems they're faced with in our society."

Mike Rowan who campaigned

hard from the beginning for Gravel, said of the victory:

"I thought it was really a tremendous thing. Sen. Gruening pulled 14,000 votes and we still had 6,000 plurality—which turned out to be six or seven per cent—I thought it was very comfortable."

"Mike had things to say that Alaskans cared about. He talked about issues and people responded to them. They were good issues. They were about jobs, transportation, cost of living. They were acceptable to the large majority of Alaskans."

"He campaigned hard, too. He was continually on the go—and go. That counted a lot." Mike Gravel said he already has a house lined up in Washington with an option to buy. He said his wife, Rita, was very happy about the outcome of the election.

"The kids are happy also although they are a little regretful of leaving their friends in Anchorage. I don't think they fully understand the thing but they're very anticipatory," Gravel said.

Hydaburg's History of Problems

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acquired prior to the date hereof and shall become effective only upon its approval by a majority vote of the natives residing in the above described area, voting in the manner prescribed in the said section 2 of the Act of May 1, 1936, and upon the following conditions:

That a stipulation be filed by the plaintiffs in the pending suit of the Tlingit and Haida Tribes against the United States, withdrawing all claims of the said tribes or either of them or any town, village, community, land, clan, family, or other subdivision of either of the plaintiff tribes, to a present possessory interest outside of the area herein reserved and within an area of approximately 905,000 acres hitherto claimed by the natives of the village of Hydaburg, which area is more specifically described in the petition of the said natives filed with the Secretary of the Interior on June 28, 1944, and amended on September 18, 1944.

I hope that our native brothers throughout Alaska can profit by our mistakes and some very glaring ones by the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

This reservation was invalidated by a judgement and decree of the District Court of the Territory of Alaska in the case entitled United States of America vs. Libby, McNeill and Libby.

Why was it not carried to the Supreme Court? Could be that the Department of the Interior was caught with their hands in the cookie jar. . .

I thank you Mr. Rock and as you probably know, our little town of Hydaburg introduced the resolution in the A.N.B. convention to affiliate with the A.F.N. and as exhibit 25-page 47 will affirm, Hydaburg is the only Haida community left and may come into the A.F.N. as a complete ethnic group.

Yours very truly,
VICTOR HALDANE
President, A.N.B. Camp No. 6