

## Multi-Talented John Angaiak of UA Paints Colorful Wall Mural

COLLEGE—The colorful mural taking shape on an office wall in the University of Alaska's Bunnell Building is only another example of the many talents of John Angaiak of Tununak.

A Yupik Eskimo, the 28-year-old John is a junior majoring in sociology and art at the university.

His other talents include singing, playing the guitar and writing music.

The mural which depicts mountains, sky and water is going on a wall in the office of Special Orientation Services and, according to John, "It's just a representation of Alaskan scenery."

John has had an interest in art since he started tracing pictures at the age of 11. Now he works mostly in oils, selling a few paintings but giving most of them away. The painting, John says, "...is something I can't seem to stop. I MUST continue it."

Although he admits that he'd like to make some phase of sociology his profession, he'd also like to become a serious painter.

As if John's interests were already not divergent enough, there is his music. He has already composed the words and music for two songs which are written in Yupik Eskimo dialect. John wants to eventually translate them into English, but first he'd like to record them in Eskimo.

The first song he wrote is called Akkatammani (Once Upon a Time). It's a folksong with a rock beat," he explains, "and is all about the old days in the village."

John's second song is called Nazaurluma (My Girl), and is a love song. Friends tell him his singing-guitar playing style is as refreshingly unique as are his songs.

John's immediate ambition is to get both songs recorded. Actor and art-collector Vincent Price expressed an interest in John's songs when he appeared on the university campus in 1969, so



JOHN ANGAIK, University of Alaska junior, points out the colors used in the mural of Alaska's mountains he is completing on an office wall at the university. The versatile John is also a musician and composer.

John will attempt to pursue that interest.

An Army veteran, John has ten brothers and one sister. Seven of them are still at home in Tununak with his parents. John admits that he first came to college "because everyone was doing it." But he's changed his tune now. "I got interested in everything once I got here—sociology, art, music."

John doesn't see any reason why he can't combine his interests into a profession. "I'd like to be good enough in all of them

to make a living from them," he says.

He hopes to work in some field of sociology in a village some day just as he'd like to continue with his music and art professionally. He thinks people need music for the soul as much as they need social workers.

"I want to help other people no matter who they are or where they live," he says. "I'd like some day to make enough money, perhaps with my music or art, to start a scholarship program that would help others."

### Pre-med from Galena—

## Native to Harvard

A pre-med student from Galena has been admitted to a summer Health Careers Program sponsored by the Harvard Medical School and the Harvard School of Dental Medicine.

Claude Demientieff, a native, and freshman at the University of Alaska, will attend an eight-week session from June 24 to Aug. 21 designed to strengthen a student's academic preparation in science

and mathematics for a career in medicine or dentistry.

Harvard will cover the expenses of room and board, tuition, books and lab fees.

At Harvard, Demientieff, along with the other students in the program, will take introductory or intermediate level courses in biology, chemistry and mathematics and will be exposed to hospitals and laboratories.

### Kuskokwim Native Association

## Don't Want Blasts on River

At the request of representatives of the Kuskokwim Native Association and the Bethel City Council, a series of blasts planned to open flow channels in the Kuskokwim River ice has been cancelled, according to the Major General C.F. Necrason, adjutant general of Alaska.

The series was a part of the Corps of Engineers "Operation Foresight," designed to reduce flooding along Alaskan rivers during ice breakup. The blasting was intended to open paths in the ice at critical points along the Kuskokwim, allowing a smooth flow of ice and preventing a backup of river waters.

Corps of Engineers flood control specialists have indicated that in order for the blasting to be effective, it must be performed before the end of April.

Explosion of the charges in

three areas of the Kuskokwim was to have been done by Alaska National Guardsmen under supervision of the Corps of Engineers.

Gen. Necrason indicated that the State's Department of Military Affairs, and its Alaska Disaster Office would provide all possible assistance, in conjunction with the Corps of Engineers, should flooding occur in the area.

## Wien Consolidated Plans Increase Of Flights to Juneau on May 26

Beginning May 26 Wien Consolidated Airlines will increase the number of flights between Fairbanks, Whitehorse and Juneau from three to five flights weekly, daily Monday through Friday, according to A.E. (Bud) Hagberg, vice-president-marketing.

At the same time an additional

## Boucher Going for Secretary of State

Fairbanks Mayor H.A. "Red" Boucher feels that the Secretary of the State should act as the governor's "listening ear" for those who cannot afford a plane ticket to Juneau.

And, he said Monday, in announcing his candidacy in Fairbanks, he plans to do just that if he is elected as Alaska's next Secretary of State.

A Democrat, Boucher stressed that the second highest office in the state government should be used to establish communications between the governor and the people of Alaska.

The secretary of state, the 49-year old candidate continued, should know the problems of every community of the state and be on a first-name basis with the community leaders.

His chair should be covered with dust because he should spend most of his time in the villages and cities and should seldom sit in his office in Juneau.

Gesturing with his hands, the founder and manager of the Alaska Goldpanners baseball team stressed that, as mayor, he had established similar communications links between Fairbanks and other cities in the state and that he could do the same for the State of Alaska.

Boucher, who retired from the Navy and moved to Fairbanks in 1958, said that he plans to campaign constantly until Aug. 24, and then, if elected in the primary on Aug. 25, will be ready to go with whomever is chosen as the Democratic candidate for governor.

In the primary he will face Democrat Charles J. (Chuck) Sassara, Jr., from Anchorage, who is currently the House Majority Leader.

Discussing his candidacy in January, Sassara said that he felt the Secretary of State should be used as a liaison between the



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government and the people—an idea somewhat similar to Boucher's.

Boucher admitted that he is not too well known in northern and interior Alaska outside Fairbanks and added that he will be doing a lot of traveling to these areas.

In Fairbanks he has worked as a representative for sporting goods manufacturers, manager for Alaska Airlines and systems sales manager for Interior Airways. Until Jan. 1 he served as executive director of Fairbanks Industrial Development Corporation. Since then he has been self-employed as head of H.A. Boucher and Associates, a business consulting firm. Until about 2 years ago, he and his wife Heida owned and operated a sporting goods store, Pan Alaska, which they sold out to Frontier Sporting Goods. Having served as mayor for four years, he lives here with his wife and five children ages 11, 9, 8, 5 and 4.

## Village Folks Tell Fred Stickman To Not Back Out of Political Race

Fred Stickman, Sr. is warming up to run for State House of Representatives from District 15 on the Democratic ticket.

"Those people down there were mad at me when they read the Tundra Times that I might

back out of it," said Stickman this week. "They even swear at me."

Last January, the famous Letter to the Editor writer of interior Alaska wrote to the editor of Tundra Times: "I want to let you know that I am forced to throw my hat and my gray hair into the Democratic Bucket in the primary in August."

And Stickman, along with bush pilot Fred Notti, has a novel plan of campaigning—flying along with Notti during which both men will be contesting for the same seat. Both men are Democrats.

"Fred said I can go with him and he will campaign and I will campaign," Stickman said. "The one who wins will run against John Sackett. I will also campaign in the newspapers. Fred said if I win, he will back me."

Rep. John Sackett, a Republican, is the incumbent in the State House of Representatives. Formerly from Huslia, Sackett now resides in Galena.

Friends of Fred Stickman are saying that if he wins the election, he would be the man who speaks his mind judging from his open-minded and frank letters.

After reneguing somewhat about running recently, Stickman seems more confident after being encouraged by his people.

"Some people even want me to run for governor," he said smiling. "You got to be a smart man to be governor. I'm not smart. I only went to fifth grade in school."

## Winners of UA Poetry Contest Are Announced

COLLEGE—Winners of the University of Alaska's annual poetry contest held in conjunction with the 12th Festival of Arts, April 17—May 3, were announced Sunday by Oliver Everette, contest chairman.

The winning poems and those receiving honorable mention were read at the poetry program held Sunday, April 19, at the university. Excerpts from non-winning poems were also read.

According to Everett, UA assistant professor of English and former Poet Laureate of Alaska, 942 poems were entered in the contest.

Taking honors in the grade school category were: First, Wendy Richards, Salcha School in Salcha, "There were Yellow Things;" second, Lori Ross, Ketchikan, "My Room;" third, Carolyn Dull, Bethel School, Bethel, "At Church."

First place in the junior high school category was Beth Prasil of Anchorage for her "The Collector." No second or third was awarded.

In the college category Dennis J. Collins of Anchorage took first place with "Witness to the Artist-Man." In non-student category, first place went to Raymond L. Hudson of Unalaska for "Epithalamium."

There were no seconds or thirds awarded in either the college or non-student categories.

## UA Gets Grant For Microbial Growth Kinetics

COLLEGE—The University of Alaska has been awarded an \$88,200 grant by the National Science Foundation for support of research entitled "Microbial Growth Kinetics in Natural Waters."

The research is under the direction of Dr. D.K. Button of the Institute of Marine Science. Dr. Donald Hood is director of the Institute.

Button, an associate professor of marine science, is presently on a sabbatical leave doing bacteriological research at the University of Colorado.

B-737 jet flight to Barrow will be added making a total of eight flights weekly. Service to Nome and Kotzebue will be daily with the addition of a Sunday flight.

On the same date B-737 jet service will be inaugurated to St. Mary's on the Lower Yukon, Hagberg said.