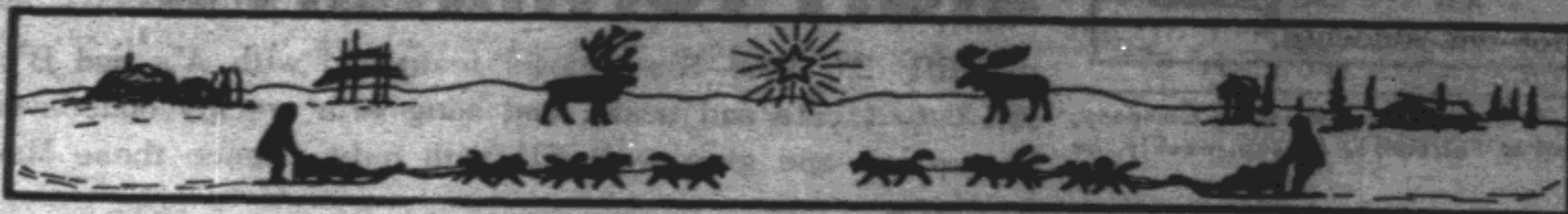


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## KOTZEBUE MAN PLANS BUS LINE



### Merchant Plans Winter Bus Service for Kotzebue Area

The villages of Kotzebue, Noatak, Noorvik, Kiana and Selawik in the Kotzebue Sound area may be serviced by a bus line perhaps starting next December and lasting till May.

The possibility of starting such a bus line and freight service is being seriously considered by Steve Salinas owner of Rotman Stores, Inc. of Kotzebue and Selawik.

"Trips to those villages would be made every two days," said Salinas last week.

He said the weather would not be a factor in the venture.

"The weather would have to be bad-impossible-to stop travel," Salinas said.

Salinas said freight would be competitive with existing airline freight charges and it would be dependable.

"I'm sure the people in those villages would be happy because they would have the service and freight they can depend on," he said. "It would also be something winter tourists could enjoy."

The venture would be known as Rotman's Freight Lines and Bus Service.

Steve Salinas has been consulting with the Canadian firm of Robin-Nodwell Manufacturing, Ltd. of Calgary and Alberta.

"The equipment that I have found that would be suitable for bus service to those villages are Robin-Nodwell buses built in Calgary and Alberta, Canada," said he. Salinas pointed out that the U.S. Navy has been successfully using the Nodwell

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**BUTCHERING BOWHEAD**—Three Point Hope whalers are in the process of cutting up John Oktolik's 30-ton bowhead whale he and his crew caught on April 23. About 50 minutes later, Allen Rock, Tundra Times editor's brother, harpooned another that was about 35 tons. Cutting of the whale is done with precision enabling the men to butcher the animal in a

shortest time possible. As a result, the two whales caught on April 23 with a combined weight of about 65 tons were cut up and put away in underground caches within 12 hours. On April 21, Joe Frankson caught the first whale of the season at the village supplying about 90 tons of meat and muktuk for the villagers in three days.

—Photo by HOWARD ROCK

### \*\*\*\*\* FNA to Discuss Buying TT Stock At Meet May 14

Fairbanks Native Association board of directors has recommended that the organization buy shares of stock from the Eskimo, Indian, Aleut Publishing Co. that publishes the Tundra Times.

The recommendation will be brought up before the general meeting of the organization on Tuesday May 14.

The stock-buying plan was brought before the FNA president Richard Frank when the board met recently. "We are trying to help the Tundra Times because we feel that this is the only paper that reaches the greater part of the native population in the state," stated Mrs. Mary Jane Fate, FNA board member.

"I feel that our people

## 90 TONS OF WHALES IN 3 DAYS

By HOWARD ROCK  
Times Editor

"Your brother has caught a whale!" Frances Rock shouted at me and resumed

More whaling pictures  
on page 4 & 5

### AFN Negotiates \$100,000 Loan From Tyonek

The Alaska Federation of Natives this week negotiated a loan of \$100,000 from the Native Village of Tyonek.

AFN President Emil Notti completed the details of the loan agreement on Wednesday at the Tyonek village.

The purpose of the loan is to pursue the Alaska native land claims issue.

The Tyonek village council

her dancing and jumping around gleefully-happily.

A moment before, I had failed to hear my nephew Elijah Rock's shouting announcement that Allen Rock, my brother, had harpooned a whale. I saw him momentarily through a window shouting something but he was drowned out by my sister-in-law Frances' happy screams.

The Alaska State Community Action Program board members, who had gone to Point Hope to meet and who were guests at Rock's lodge last week, did not know what was going on and they were visibly puzzled at the sudden commotion Frances and couple of other Point Hope women made in the main room of the lodge.

I donned my parka and ran up the snow steps on the drift that had all but covered the one-story lodge. I saw my nephew and then the sled and in it were sectioned flukes of a bowhead whale—

an unmistakable proof that Brother Allen had indeed caught a whale.

I began to reflect that there

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### Rep. John Sackett Announces Plans to Run for Re-election



Rep. John Sackett

Rep. John Sackett declared his candidacy for re-election to the House of Representatives from District 15 today.

Sackett, the youngest member to ever be elected to the Legislature, is also the president of the Tanana Chiefs, an organization representing 23 villages throughout interior Alaska.

He is a member of the governor's Land Claims Task Force, a member of the executive committee of the Remote Housing Task Force, on the Board of Directors of the Alaska Federation of Natives, and a member of the

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