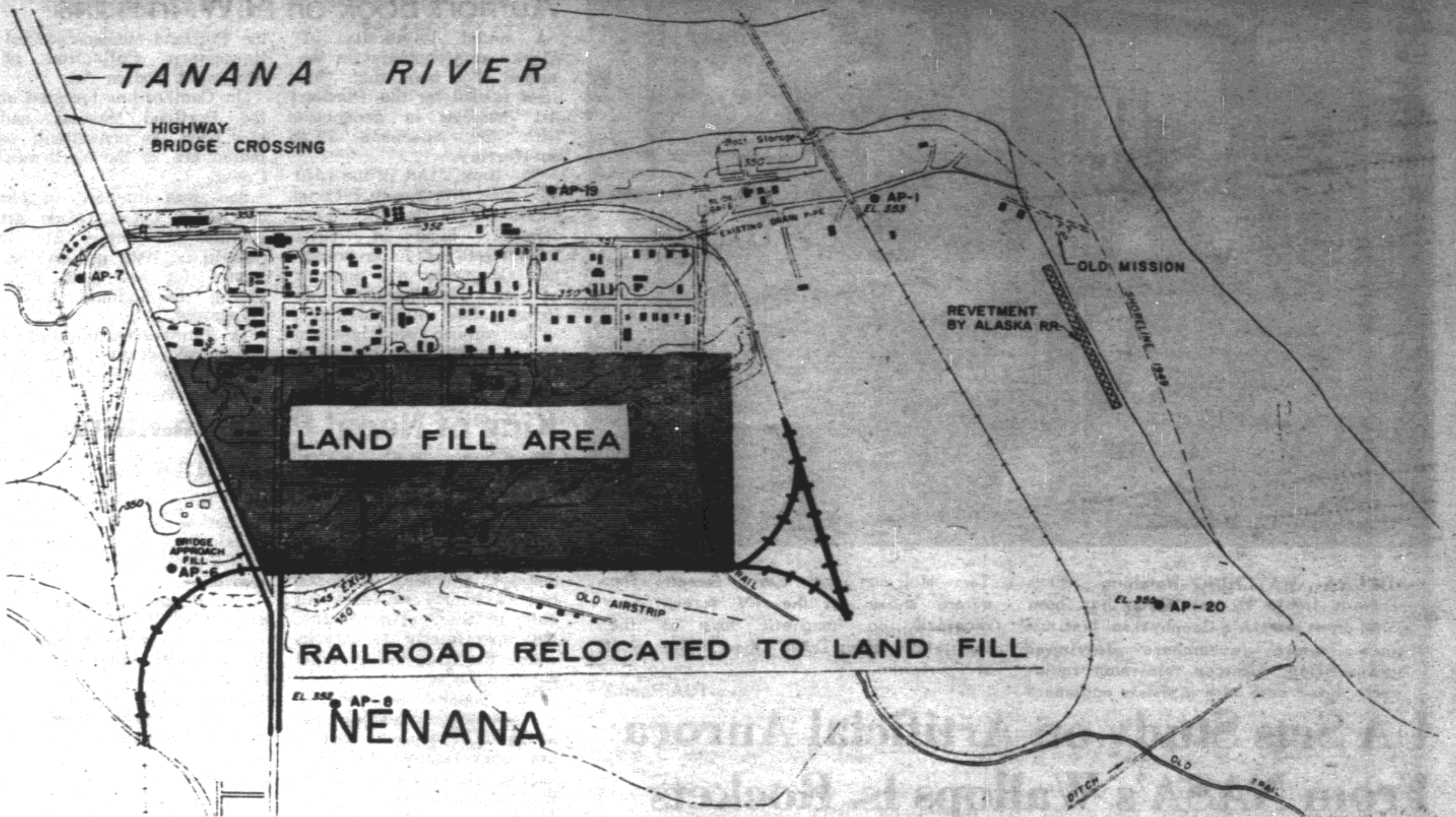


# Nenana Retains Location on the Tanana River



## Pt. Hope Holds Traditional Feast

According to Pt. Hope News, a traditional feast of whale muktuk was put on by whaling captain Amos Lane, who with his crew was the only man who caught a whale on the coast last spring.

The fluke section of a whale catch is stored in the underground meat cache through the summer and fall.

## Native Housing

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gress. "We are ready to go before the Legislature and ask that the state's share of this program be more than doubled—up to \$1 million—if the Congressional delegation is successful in securing funding of the Bartlett native housing program," the Governor said.

"Responsibility for approval of the balance of this program rests with Congress and the federal government.

"We feel that by doubling the state's share of the funding, we will provide our Congressional delegation additional tools to get the job done."

The Governor also said the State was willing to send members of the State Native Housing Task Force, or any other State official to Washington to offer evidence of the program's importance to Alaska.

"In addition," he said, we will welcome any Congressional representatives who would like to come to Alaska for further on-the-scene inspections of our problem area and needs.

"We cannot say strongly enough how disappointed we are that Congress killed this important program.

"But we cannot believe that either Congress or the federal government would continue to stop this program if we can show them the deplorable housing conditions faced by so many of our rural citizens."

The section is taken out of the cache by the whaling captain and his crew at the first sign of ice forming on the ocean.

The celebration is called Ah-no. Pt. Hope News reported the occasion:

"Ah-no is an old custom passed on from our ancestors. This celebration takes place at the first sight of the ice forming on the ocean.

"The whale crew—captains have to be on the whaling toss for four seasons, and on the fifth season, he can give it out just before whaling season begins."

The feast was put on October 16.

"The people were given whale muktuk," Pt. Hope News added. "The delicacy of village people was enjoyed by all, even the VISTA Volunteers."

## Anaktuvuk Fuel

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The Alaska Airlines is hauling the oil under contract.

In addition, the BIA was supplemented \$20 thousand allocation to supply oil stoves, chimneys, asbestos sheeting and copper tubing for the stoves for Anaktuvuk village.

Some of the money was used to buy plywood, insulations and roofing materials and the balance was used for transportation costs.

Wallace Craig, superintendent of the BIA's Fairbanks District, said that 17 oil stoves for 17 Anaktuvuk Pass families had been flown up.

A BIA maintenance man is now at the village to help install the heating units.

Craig said that the 50,000 gallons of fuel should last Anaktuvuk village for three years or at about 17,500 gallons per year.

Anaktuvuk has a population of about 120 people.

## Language

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that the areas where the Eskimo resides is as fully as economically and culturally deprived as the areas of the Spanish speaking people of California and the Southwestern United States.

"That even in the areas of comparative advancement, such as Barrow, the people cling tenaciously to the customs and language is in itself a criteria of the pride in our culture and heritage that we feel.

"Without this pride of heritage, no group or race of people can endure. Pride in ancestry is the stepping stone to the future," Nicholls stated.

He pointed out that when groups, such as the Eskimos, lose faith in their own culture, they are surely on the road to becoming people without identity.

This pride, he said, in the past has allowed the Eskimo to endure innumerable hardships brought on by contact with the Western civilization without losing courage in his own destiny, and to overcome burdens which have decimated peoples of lesser strength.

"From a prediction of extinction not too many years past, the Eskimo has brought himself to a position of account, especially in Alaska," Nicholls continued, "and far from becoming extinct, he is assuming a position of increasing responsibility in the affairs of the State in which we live.

"The political presence of the Eskimo can no longer be discounted in any political party within the State."

He concluded that therefore the true potential of the Eskimo people may be developed to the fullest extent for general betterment, "we respectfully request that our people be fully included in the proposed bill which Senator Yarborough is drawing up."

## Town Votes for Land Fill on 88-Acre Area

Last Friday, the Nenana city councilmen approved a land fill plan of 88 acres to raise the flood prone area of the town on the average of eight feet above its present level.

Next day, on Saturday, the native village council approved the same plan. The plan

was one of four alternatives. One of them was to build a 16-foot levee around Nenana, another was to move the Tanana River community 2½ miles south and across the river to higher ground.

The cost of the land fill is tentatively estimated at \$5 million.

## Liquor Licenses . . .

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has basis in many statutes under U.S.C. 25."

However, Nicholls said, director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Board, Chet Gordon, who has now resigned that position, seemed inclined to allow the licenses and then fight the case in court.

Nicholls said, however, that such a procedure would have ramifications, if the licenses are issued, that even though the applicant would be prevented from operating, Barrow, if and when it decides to go wet by petition and repeal the dry ordinance, "this man will have established a prior right to an exclusive franchise on the dispensation of liquor in Barrow and possibly Wainwright and Barter Island."

He said that in the event of repeal, the villages, through their councils, should exercise control.

Nicholls then requested the Governor to instruct the director of the Board "to immediately and without further shenanigans, deny this man's applications."

At the outset, Hugh Nicholls said that the community of Barrow was on a "dry" status.

"We feel that even though liquor may be ordered from outside sources, we have a fairly well regulated village insofar as the drinking

problem is concerned, with a minimum of public drunkenness and other attendant problems that accompany the use of alcohol.

"Neither are we plagued with bootleggers as in some other villages," he said.

The following are the pertinent parts of the ASNA ordinance:

"1. All persons are forbidden to conduct, operate, or establish any tavern, bar, or roadhouse serving alcoholic beverages, or package liquor store, within the area of tribal jurisdiction.

"2. Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed as infringing upon the right of incorporated cities, within the tribal jurisdiction, to exercise self-determination in the establishment of such premises within the corporate limits in accordance with, and as prescribed by law.

"3. Any person violating the above tribal ordinance, shall be liable to prosecution under Federal Law and/or State Law..."



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