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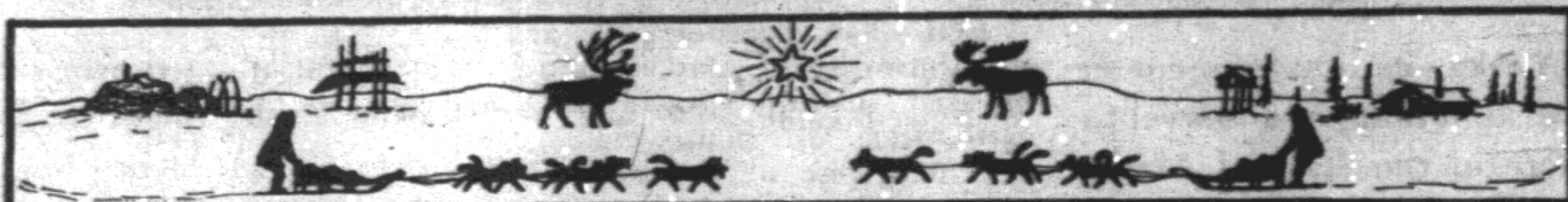
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ANICA MGR. IRVIN REMOVED

Don Dorsey Replaces Winfield Irvin as ANICA Gen. Manager

Winfield Irvin's contract as general manager of the Alaska Native Industries Cooperative Association was not renewed last week at the ANICA's executive directors meeting at Nome.

Don Dorsey, a non-native and store advisor for the association, was named successor to Irvin. This move was seen as a good step and things appear favorable for a more progressive management of the controversial ANICA.

ANICA has been under fire for the past year. The controversy erupted when Leonard Monaghan, an Athabascan Indian from Fairbanks and who was store advisor for the association, leveled charges last July that Winfield Irvin was violating the minimum wage law as applied in Alaska.

Monaghan charged that Irvin

was paying the native store managers in Alaska \$1.25 per hour when the minimum wage was \$2.10 per hour. When Leonard Monaghan attempted to raise the wages of the store managers, he was fired by Winfield Irvin.

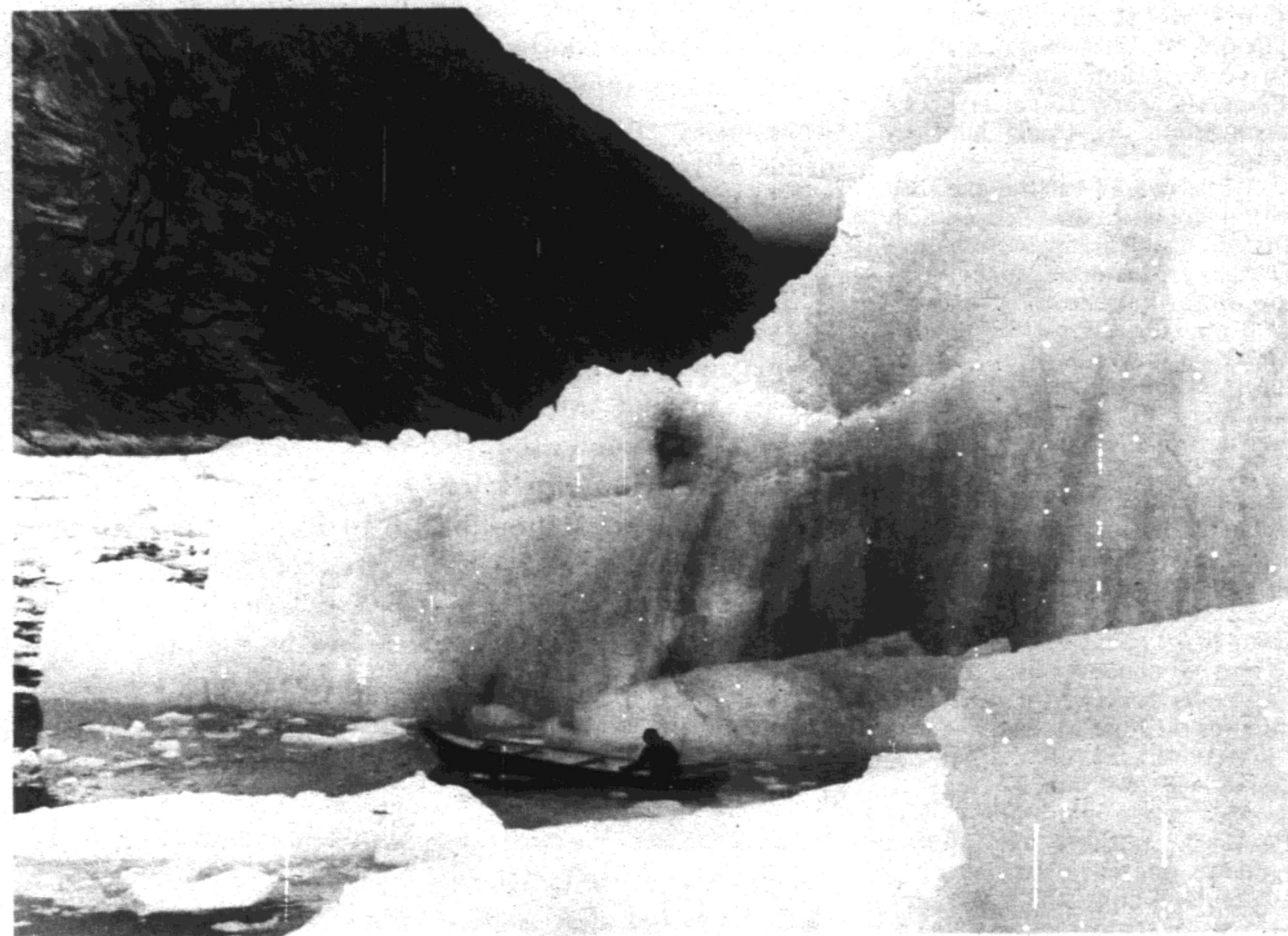
There has also been a movement to move the general offices of ANICA from Seattle to Alaska because, it was thought, the headquarters of the association was too remote from the native stores it manages.

Such a move has also been recommended by the Wage and Hours division of the State Department of Labor after John Stringer looked into the works of the ANICA.

ANICA is under the wing of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Under some raised eyebrows, ANICA executive directors met

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JONICO—Tony Williams, a 12 year old Tlingit Indian boy, is playing the role of "Jonico" in the soon to be seen, "Jonico and the Koosh-Da-Ka." Jonico is seen scanning the LeConte Glacier through which the film required him to travel as he seeks for help for an injured geologist. The full length movie has a cast of southeastern Indians except for the geologist, a White man,

Richard Stitt and his wife Teresa, both Tlingits, play prominent roles in the epic. Filmed and produced by Chuck Keen of the Alaska Pictures Corporation, the picture has ample spectacular scenes. It has rave notices including the bible of the show business, Variety. The film will be shown in Alaska soon.

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Willie Almost Becomes House Majority Leader

Eskimo state legislator Rep. William (Willie) Hensley D-Kotzebue, got named to be the majority leader of the House of Representatives on the Rep. Chuck Sassara's bandwagon for Speaker of the House but a hitch developed.

Rep. Jalmur M. Kerttula, D-Palmer, and Sassara, D-Anchorage, had been having a running battle for some time before the state legislature convened last Monday.

The vote finally came in a Democratic caucus and Sassara seemed to have been elected to be the Speaker of the House. The vote was 15 to 7 at last Sunday's caucus.

A dissident bloc of Democrats promptly developed and Kerttula and his forces refused to go along with Sassara's election when it came to the House floor.

Then last Tuesday seven dissident Democrats and 18-man Republican minority joined forces to organize the House when a stalemate threatened.

With coalition established, the vote was taken and Kerttula coasted in as a Speaker of the House by the vote of 25-14.

The two-day hassle drew fiery remarks from the Sassara forces and "deals" were mentioned and the newly sworn-in Gov. Keith

Miller was also thought to be involved.

The Democratic upheaval brought a new set of chairmen. Mike Bradner, D-Fairbanks, became chairman of the Rules Committee. Bradner supported Kerttula. Barry Jackson, Judi-

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Justice Dept. Grants \$118,000

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The State of Alaska will receive a grant of \$118,000 from the United States Department of Justice, the office of Representative Howard W. Pollock (R-Alaska) has been informed.

Funds will be used by the state to prepare a comprehensive plan for the improvement of law enforcement and criminal justice, a department spokesman said.

Minto Votes Out the Proposed New Village Name Chichalyu

The name, "Chichalyu" for the new village of Minto has been voted out by the general meeting of the Minto people. Minto people decided to retain the old name of the village, "Minto."

"The reason they wanted to keep the old name was because the old people way, way back named the village," said Neil Charlie of Minto. "That's the only thing we have to remember the old folks back there."

In Minto language, "Bhenti" means a large group of lakes. The present name, "Minto," Niel Charlie believes might have been a stray pronunciation from "Bhenti," perhaps by some white man many years ago.

Charlie said the old people, the ancestors of the present residents, had a long discussion about naming the village a great

long time ago. "We're all happy that the village was named Minto," said

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Bethel Holds Annual Carnival

Starting today, Bethel is holding its 7th Winter Carnival and it will go on until Sunday Feb. 2.

During this carnival, Bethel probably has the greatest assembly of dogteams that converge on the city over 100 strong, some of the teams coming from a distance of 150 miles.

The start of the sled dog races will begin tomorrow and finish on Sunday. Besides collecting a cash prize, the winner of the race earns the chance to go to

Anchorage to race in the Fur Rendezvous sled dog marathon.

The Bethel races are unique in that the contestants are almost entirely Eskimo mushers who drive their team to Bethel to compete from as far away as 150 miles.

Other events during the carnival weekend will be snow machine races, children and women's sled dog races and Eskimo dancing.

BIA Control of ANICA Not Meant to Continue Grip Says Wm. Paul

By WILLIAM L. PAUL, SR.

One of the most helpful organizations designed to organize natives communities into co-operatives for their mutual benefit is the movement called ANICA for short (Alaska Native Industries Co-operative Association.) In furtherance, the Bureau of Indian Affairs organized village

corporations organized by the people of each village. These village units then met and formed a sort of co-operative management.

It was provided that the administration offices should be in Juneau Alaska and in Seattle. However, virtually all administration is centered in Seattle at a cost of about \$150,000 a year.

At this time the entire membership is seriously considering moving the administrative offices where all the employees are non-natives to some place in Alaska possibly Fairbanks and Anchorage depending on where the best services can be best made.

There seems to be an opinion among the directors that the general offices should be easily accessible to the native owners.

There is also some discouragement among the natives because the control of the BIA is as complete as ever although 20 years ago it was held out that the BIA control would be phased out speedily.

The trouble is that the BIA has failed to provide on-the-job training comparable with the Canadians who maintain schools for the Eskimo people.

Even so these Alaska village units are doing over \$1 million gross business annually in what could be called a "captive" field. Also, in spite of preferential

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