

KOTZEBUE TEEN CENTER GETS NEW BUILDING

Bank Donates \$200

The Rural Alaska Community Action Program has received \$200 from the Alaska Mutual Savings Bank to assist in the Alaskan Natives' fight to combat the number one health and social problem of the state.

The intent of the program is to educate rural people about what the abusive drinking pattern does to deteriorate the family member and how much more effective people are in conducting business transactions if they do so in a sober state of mind.

Counselors are located throughout the state and work with 107 villages.

With assistance from organizations such as Alaska Mutual and British Petroleum, who also re-



ENJOYING A GAME OF CHECKERS — At the old Kotzebue Teen Center, Vernon Richards, left, and Denny Richards, right, are watched by Kirk Barger in the background.

cently donated to the alcoholism program, the work can be continued and hopefully, expanded in the future.

New Facility Replaces Burned-Down Center

CAP Executive Committee to Meet July 19

The Executive Committee of the RurAl CAP Board of Directors met in Anchorage July 19.

Regular business was conducted and the date for the next full board meeting was set for September 20 at the Wildwood facility in Kenai.

Visitors to the meeting included Charles Chong from the regional Office of Economic Opportunity in Seattle, and Gordon Jackson, Executive Director of the Southeastern Alaska Community Action Program in Juneau.

Mr. Jackson introduced representatives of Chico State College, California, who explained an industrial extension course being offered in Alaska.

The Kotzebue Teen Center is preparing to move into their new building which will be completed this fall. The Center has been open for the past two years and is presently housed in an old building near the Kotzebue Sound.

When a fire completely destroyed the first Teen Center, a community action and interest quickly set up a new one, and equipment was reordered.

The new Project Director is Mrs. Lucy Brock who replaces Mrs. Jodie Gordon. Mrs. Brock has travelled a great deal and is considered to be very well qualified to deal with the teenagers.

Activities at the Center are for young people of 13 and on up. They sponsor dances, cake walks and various other activities.

With growing community support and their new building soon to be ready, the Teen Center expects to be self-supporting in a short time.

YOU MUST BE REGISTERED TO VOTE

WHEN TO VOTE: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Primary Election August 22, 1972 and general Election November 7.

WHERE TO VOTE: In person at the polling place in your precinct, or by absentee ballot in the mail.

REGISTRATION: All citizens at least 18 years of age by election date must be registered to be eligible to vote.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact an election supervisor; district judge or magistrate office; write the Lt. Governor, Pouch AA, Juneau or a RurAl CAP office.

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'half-baked alaska' Lampoons Everything in Alaska

"half-baked alaska" is a light-hearted book that lampoons about everything in Alaska from the politicians in Juneau to the Eskimos in Kotzebue, salmon fishing, the oil industry, dog-sled racing, and of course, the weather.

Written by a young cartoonist, Mark Wheeler of Ketchikan,

this lively book makes no pretense at being an "accurate" picture of Alaska. The author gives his sources as reliable, unreliable, and drunk.

Nevertheless, it's obvious this young man has spent time in Alaska and knows the state well enough to aim his good-natured wit at its weakest spots. The

humor, however, is gentle, and never oversteps the bounds of good taste.

Wheeler is at his best when his humor takes form in the one-line cartoon. The art work is light and casual, but thoroughly professional. Many of the cartoons previously appeared in the newspaper, "The New

Alaskan."

While the book would make an amusing gift for outsiders, newcomers, and lower 48'ers, it will probably be most enjoyed by winter-tested Alaskans who can appreciate the full satire.



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