

# Absentees Give Anderson Victory

(Editor's Note: The Tundra Times recently announced with a number of publications the defeat of Democratic State Representative Nels Anderson, Jr. of Dillingham. The report was erroneous and we apologize for the error. During tabulation of absentee ballots, Anderson was victorious over challenger Joe McGill.)

DILLINGHAM—Rep. Nels Anderson, Jr. (D-Dillingham) has emerged victorious from his write-in campaign to retain his seat in the Alaska Legislature over challenger Joe McGill. Anderson, defeated in the primary election by the challenger, mounted an intensive and energetic write-in campaign

following the primary loss. Final, through unofficial results, place Anderson the winner by 32 votes.

Although the respected Native legislator appeared to have lost his seat to McGill during the general election, tabulation of absentee ballots made him the winner by a small margin.

"I am really happy with the final outcome," Anderson told the Tundra Times in a telephone interview. "It feels good to be in the lead in the final count," he added.

The aggressive, highly-regarded chairman of the House Resources Committee would not directly comment on reports that he is a top contender for

the position of Speaker. He noted, "It looks positive that the bush will have something to say about who may be in leadership positions in the new legislature."

Anderson, his wife Dorothy who is editor of the Bristol Bay By-Lines, and their three children will return to Juneau in mid December.

Anderson, considered by manner to be the leader of rural Alaska membership in Juneau, met recently in Anchorage with other legislatures from the "bush caucus" (as the rural Alaska membership is often referenced) chose not to run for re-election. Native candidates William Akers (R-Emmonak) and Leo Shaeffer,



Jr. (D-Kotzebue) won seats to keep the Native membership in the legislature intact. "We are

pleased with the way the membership from the rural areas has developed," Anderson said.

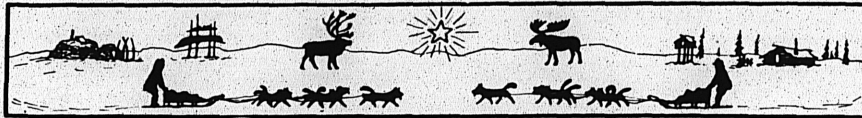
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## Self-determination has its problems

### Jackson resigns AFN VP post

Gordon Jackson announced his resignation as Executive Vice President of Human Resources Committee of the Alaska Federation of Natives.

In a Tundra Times interview, Jackson said if he lost his campaign for the State House, he promised his wife and family he would enter law school and begin a new career. Jackson was defeated.

"Basically, what I'm doing is seeking a higher paying position," Jackson said, "Dedication will do great things in AFN but at this point it won't get you through law school anymore."

Jackson said he had no quarrel with AFN over his position, but that if he had a

message to leave with the federation, it would be that the human resources programs be continued. He acknowledged there has been a need to give land problems priority and that there has been progress in human resources. "I think we've just scratched the surface," he added.

Citing continuing problems in health, education and social services, Jackson said the greatest resources are human resources. These resources must be developed, or he cautioned, "we're going to be the losers in the end."

Jackson, originally from Kake in southeastern Alaska, is a 1970 graduate of the University of Alaska. He joined AFN in

1973 as Johnson-O'Malley Program Director. In March, 1974, he was appointed to the post of Executive Vice President for Human Resources.

"I'll certainly miss the position," Jackson said, "and the people I work for and with are really wonderful and beautiful people."

Jackson is also President of the Board of Directors of the Rural Alaska Community Action Program, a position Jackson said he would continue to hold. Other responsibilities, which Jackson said he would be phased out, include posts with the Anchorage Economic Development Commission and the State Post-Secondary Education Commission.

### Contracting, Meaning of tribe, BIA undermining Native governments

By Jeffrey R. Richardson  
Staff Writer

Anchorage—It's a good idea that needs work.

That seems to be the feelings of many about Public Law 93 - 638, the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act, signed by President Ford in January 1975.

In the words of Mac Davis, technical services director for the Alaska Federation of Natives, "There's a lot of bad things in it as far as Alaska is concerned, mainly definitions. But overall, it's a good idea."

The good idea behind the Self-Determination Act is that Native Organizations should be allowed to manage federal programs for Native people. The act permits Native groups to contract with the Federal Agencies to deliver most Native ser-

vices.

Although it was possible for Native organizations to manage federal Native programs before

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### First Eskimo grad dies

A well known Native educator and former tribal operations officer for the Bureau of Indian Affairs died recently.

Arthur Nagozruk, Jr., 56, died Nov. 6 in Anchorage.

The popular Nome resident had long been a teacher in Nome, Wainwright and other villages around the state. He was the first Eskimo to graduate from the University of Alaska at Fairbanks. He had been with the B.I.A. the last 13 years. He was also a member of the Bering Straits Native Corp.

Survivors include his widow Florence; a son Arthur Nagozruk III; daughters Sharon, Barbara and Karen; his parents Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nagozruk; all of Nome. He also leaves four sisters Grace Lucier and Evelyn Hendrickson of Anchorage, Laura Baker and Margaret Trigg of Nome; and four brothers Elmer of Nome; Gordon of Clear; Howard of Chicago, Ill. and Floyd of Oakland, Ca.

## A Message from the Publisher:

From the time that the artist from Point Hope and a handfull of followers who shared his dream began publishing this newspaper fourteen years ago, this publication's character has been shaped and focused by one man. The scope of its news coverage, the tone of its editorials, the manner in which it responded to the issues of the day, and the periodic poems and other subtle contributions of the artist clearly established the proprietorship of that gentleman. For nearly fourteen years, Howard Rock was the Tundra Times. Since his passing, we have been asked many times what direction this publication will now take.

The answer is a simple one. The direction of the Tundra Times will be the same as it has always been. This newspaper will speak to the interests of fifty-thousand Alaskan citizens living in two-hundred and twenty-five widely scattered communities on a continuing basis in the most responsive manner with which we are capable. We have been fortunate to receive guidance from our creator Rock during our formative years. Our teacher has given us a proud and proper beginning. We have mourned our loss,

and now it is time to turn our attention to our responsibilities.

In order to accomplish any job, a professional staff is needed. The Tundra Times is moving once again to strengthen its editorial staff. We are proud to announce the appointment of Jeffrey R. Richardson as staff writer. Jeff has been a frequent contributor to this newspaper and has extensive experience covering Alaska Native affairs as a free lance writer. He is to be based permanently in Anchorage. We are also grateful for the return of Virginia Sweetser to the Tundra Times. Virginia has served in the past as secretary and composer operator and has now been placed in the position of office manager.

We are especially pleased to announce the association of our friend Fred Stickman with the Tundra Times. Fred, whose famous letters to the editor would fill many volumes, has agreed to write a column for the Tundra Times on a regular basis. Terms of our agreement with Stickman for the column are scheduled to be negotiated soon at the Elbow Room. We are further privileged to

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