

Flood Projection This Week from Fairbanks Weather Service

The following is the flood projection for this week from the Fairbanks Weather Service for the lower Chena River and Fairbanks vicinity. It was provided by Ted Fathaver, meteorologist for the Fairbanks office of the National Weather Service.

During the past week, surface temperatures at Fairbanks averaged from two to five degrees above normal with a high of 47 degrees on Saturday.

As a result of this warming trend, which predominates in most of Interior Alaska, snow depths in Fairbanks this morning showed a water equivalent of 5.3 inches, with a reduction of 14" in snow depth and 2.3" in

water equivalence since last Mon.

The reduction in water equivalence in the Chena basin was not as great as was observed in Fairbanks due to lower temperatures at the higher elevations in the valley and because of the localized heating from pavement and buildings in Fairbanks.

Some ice cracking was observed in the Chatanika River on Friday.

The outlook is still for some minor flooding on the Chena River and smaller streams with Chena River stages between 14 and 15 feet expected to occur around mid May.

The flood stage is 12 feet. The projected outlook of 14 to 15 feet represents stages 4 to 5 feet under the 1967 flood crest. The Chena River should start rising slowly within the coming week.

Smaller Communities Program Team to Make Manpower Studies

During the next several weeks a manpower study will be made with the help of a professional manpower study team from the Smaller Communities Program of the Alaska State Employment Service.

The area to be covered in this study ranges from Kaltag northeast to Bettles Field and south down the railbelt to Cant well.

All persons over 16 years of age and out of school will be asked to fill out a Jobs and Job Training Questionnaire.

Homemakers, businessmen, tradesmen, workers, managers, farmers, professional men and women, employed, unemployed, or retirees, everyone must fill out a questionnaire if we are to get an accurate and complete picture of the communities.

The information provided on this form is confidential and will be used only to help find jobs or training that will lead to a job.

To help people get jobs or

training, this information may be used by other agencies or groups after approval by the Alaska Department of Labor. No information will be released publicly.

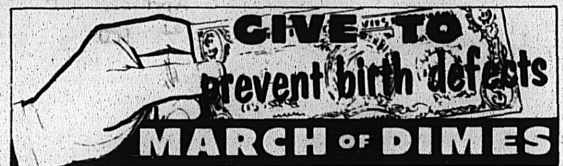
Promotions At Fire Dept.

Acting fire chief Richard T. Becker announced the following fire department promotions:

Lieutenant Arlo Brees was promoted to captain. Captain Brees has been with the Fairbanks Fire Department for twelve years.

Kenneth Weaver was promoted from driver to lieutenant. The following men were promoted to driver: James Orand, Basil "Bud" Sands, David Nester and William Ower.

The promotions were made on the basis of competitive examinations.



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