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Editorial— Lawyer Fee Basis

There has been far too much noise regarding the legal fees to be paid to the lawyers of the native organizations in connection with the native land claims. Some people have perhaps been barking up the wrong tree and implied that the contract reportedly drawn up by the Alaska Federation of Natives and Justice Arthur J. Goldberg was a blank check that would allow the latter to collect \$50 million in fees for his work on the native land claims legislation. At the height of the rumor flareup, the figure was upped to \$100 million.

The AFN and Goldberg have submitted the contract to the Department of the Interior for scrutiny and review. We do not know what the Interior Department's ruling will be on this, but we are of the opinion that the department will not allow inconscionable amounts be paid to the lawyers should there be reason for such an opinion. We also believe that the department's ruling may not have the full bearing on the final outcome of how much the lawyers will be paid.

Early this week, Sen. Henry M. Jackson, chairman of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee that will have a great impact on the land legislation, told the press in Seattle, Wash., that he will recommend that a definite fee schedule be written into the claims legislation that would set the pay basis for the land claims attorneys.

Sen. Jackson added, "There will be no percentage provision. I intend to consult the American Bar Association on this. There will be a definite limit on payment of legal fees."

We are pinning our unqualified opinion on Sen. Jackson's declaration and that it will prevail no matter how much noise is being generated on the contract between AFN and Justice Goldberg.

Editorial—

What Is Going on with Eskimo Olympics?

We are beginning to wonder whether anything is being done toward staging the 1969 World Eskimo Olympics in Fairbanks. Time is rapidly creeping up toward the tentative dates, August 8-9, for the colorful spectacle visitors and tourists grandly enjoy.

Some rumors have it that the Tanana Valley Fair Association might want to take over the popular program of native cultural activities that include fine native dancing, difficult and colorful Eskimo and Indian games, and the ever thrilling nalukatuk or blanket toss. The rumor, if true, would not be a bad idea. It could be mutually beneficial.

The Eskimo Olympics has been built up into one of the finest attractions for Fairbanks and it has already attained worldwide attention. It should not be impaired by too short a time for its preparation. It needs better attention for continued success.

UC Davis Extension Seeks to Teach Indian Legacy in Schools

DAVIS-California Public school children learn a good deal about the Plymouth colony and the Mayflower, but very little about the native Indian pioneers of their state.

This inattention carries through most of their school years, so that, as adults, they know little of the native American legacy, the biological and cultural contributions made by Indians to society.

A rapidly growing population of modern Indians, with education and training, are beginning to make a rich contribution to present-day American life. In some communities, because of their numbers, they are acquiring political and social dominance.

To help identify key issues relative to Indian participation in higher education, UC Davis

Extension, in cooperation with Far West Laboratory, Berkeley, and the California Indian Education Program, Modesto, will conduct a training program for higher education personnel-college administrators, faculty members, students, parents, community leaders-to prepare them to play a major role in recruiting, retaining, and assisting the American Indian students in colleges and universities throughout the coun-

Trainees, selected from strategic geographic areas, will engage in an intensive week-long program, to plan better use of higher education resources.

As Dr. Jack Forbes, director of the training program, says, "The multi-cultural reality of American life and history should be a part of every school curricu-

lum, from first grade through college. Higher education resources must be more responsive to the needs of Indian students and Indian communtiles."

Plans will be developed for creative approaches for Indian participation in federal programs Upward Bound, Talent Search, et cetera.

In addition to Dr. Forbes, who has recently been appointed a faculty member of the Department of Applied Behavioral Sciences, UC Davis, consultants from the California Indian Education Association, the Far West Laboratory, and the faculty of UC Davis, will assist in training.

Each person trained will return to his state or region to conduct training programs at the local level.

Further information concerning the program may be obtained from UC Extension, Davis.

Eskimos Want Better Services on Bering Is.

The Gambell City Council has hereby agreed to present to the voting citizens of Gambell, Savoonga and North East Cape, the following petition:

WHEREAS, the three villages of St. Lawrence Island are visited by only one ship a year and the only other means of conveyance is via air,

WHEREAS, the volume of freight and mail continues to increase,

WHEREAS, there is need for more frequent trips between the island and Nome to meet the needs of local people,

WHEREAS, tourist traveling to the island is just beginning to build up to the point of contri-

buting substantially to the island's economy,

WHEREAS, there have been three flights a week and yet mail and freight have been known to take unduly long periods of time getting to the island and,

WHEREAS, Wien Consolidated Airlines has announced plans to cut the number of flights to the island from three a week to only two a week, we request a reveiw of the matter and the re-scheduling of three flights a week to the island.

Signed by concerned, affected citizens of St. Lawrence Island, Alaska. Copies of this are in circulation now in Savoonga and North East Cape, Alaska.

Gun Fighters, Atlantic Richfield

Co., and the Alaskan Air Com-

mand Band. Other interested

groups may obtain parade entry

blanks at the Chamber of Com-

"Frontier Flashbacks" should al-

low for great variety in floats

this year. 'Persons planning floats

should keep in mind our rich and

exciting frontier history, and each

float should enable the specta-

tors to flashback to the colorful

that will build a float to carry

the 12 contestants in the Miss

Greater Fairbanks Scholarship

Pagent," Muir said. "Another

possibility is for a group to invite

the girls to ride on its float."

the Chamber of Commerce at

July 26 and the pageant, a pre-

liminary to the Miss Alaska con-

test, will be staged in the even-

Interested groups may phone

The parade will be held on

"We are trying to find a group

past," Muir explained.

452-1105.

Muir said the parade theme of

merce log cabin.

Letters to the Editor

(Editor's Note: The Arctic Broadcasting Association that operates the radio station KICY at Nome has objected to the establishment of another radio station planned by Father James E. Poole, S.J. also at Nome. The Covenant Church controls the ABA while the Catholic Church would control the new station. Father Poole has written a letter to the Nome Nugget, Nome newspaper, and the following letter is Lincoln Riley's answer to Father Poole.)

> Nome, Alaska June 3,1969

Tundra Times Fairbanks, Alaska Nome Nugget Nome, Alaska

Dear Editors:

I am writing in reply to Jim Poole's letter in the Nome Nugget, dated June 2, 1969. Many of the people in the villages do not receive the Nome Nugget, that is why I am writing to the Tundra Times also.

As a daily listener of KICY in the villages, my sympathy goes out to Jim Poole. A few people you have listed are but a dip of a finger from a stream compared to those living in the villages.

You also mentioned in your letter the FCC have done a good job. If they were not on the job we in the villages would probably start a radio station too. So they had a good reason, whatever it is, to put the freeze in 1968.

In closing the only kind of SUNSHINE which you mentioned, which I haven't heard is the 2 bit honky tonk you hear in the taverns, which we in the villages certainly do not need.

I remain a daily listener to KICY.

Lincoln Riley

P.S. I reside in Elim and Golovin, Alaska.

'Frontier Flashbacks' to Be Theme Of Golden Days Parade in City

A parade of "Frontier Flashbacks" will highlight the 15th annual Golden Days celebration, according to parade chairman Jim Muir.

"Although the parade is more than a month away," Muir said, "we are trying to arouse interest now. Groups that enter floats now will have the advantage of more planning and construction

Early parade entrants include the First National Bank, Eielson

Celebration

POINT HOPE, (Special)-The village of Point Hope is celebrating whaling catches by Allen Rock and Amos Lane, Rock caught two whales. Lane's whale was a small one.

Visitors to witness the celebration came from Fairbanks, Nome, Kotzebue, Barrow, and other villages and towns. A plane load of people from Anchorage was expected to arrive yesterday.

Poem— Stinging Toll

It is an awful thing When people go out on holidays

And go on a fling, Instead of home and stay. Death comes and sting

And always sorrow bring. For death comes on wheels, Depends on how one feels.

It might be under Influence of alcohol For death to take a toll.

-ISAAC EBEN

ARTIFACTS WANTED! If you are going to sell old-time objects, please contact the Alaska State Museum first. If you have oldtime things that need special care, you can lend them to the Museum for safe-keeping and display. If your things are in the Alaska State Museum, they stay in Alaska. Contact: Jane Wallen, Director, Alaska State Museum, Pouch FM, Juneau, Alaska 99801, phone 586-1224.

