

ANB Criticizes State Fisheries Policy

JUNEAU—The Alaska Native Brotherhood (ANB) voiced strong criticism at the State's restrictive fisheries policy of weekly opening and closure during the commercial salmon season.

In a press statement issued last week by the Grand President Richard J. Stitt, Juneau, he said

that the 110 delegates attending the official 57th annual ANB Convention were unanimous in passing a resolution charging the State administration with "gross mismanagement and exercising poor judgement" in its handling of the 1969 Southeast Alaska commercial fishing season.

The ANB resolution, which is directed to Governor Keith H. Miller and officials of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, also reads that the total of 12 to 15 days for the entire season is not enough to sustain a commercial operation and a decent livelihood for fishermen.

The ANB also took issue with the State's restrictive policy of fishing for subsistence use and recommended that the commercial harvest be open for not less than three days per week.

Stitt said that the Convention acted on a total of 167 resolutions, of which 39 related to fish and game management.

The ANB conclave meeting in Kake all last week came from all communities in Southeastern

Alaska, and from such points as Pt. Barrow, Copper Center, and also Seattle, Washington.

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Sheldon Jackson Offers Urban Life Course

A grant from the Danforth Foundation to Sheldon Jackson College will make it possible for Sheldon Jackson College to offer a special urban studies course in January.

The course, "The City: Problems and Prospects," Sociology 250, will be open to Alaskan Native students of the college who desire to gain an understanding of what it means to live in an American city today.

The college is offering a variety of courses to the students for accelerated study during January. The students had earlier indicated their preferences in courses. Each will study only one subject for the entire month, giving the chance to travel if necessary.

"The City: Problems and Prospects" will include a week of intensive orientation from instructors Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Kerr followed by a stay of two-and-a-half weeks in Seattle. Numerous visits to places of interest

in Seattle will be supplemented by regular discussions on the significance of what students see.

In commenting about the sociology course today (Thursday), college president, Orin Stratton, remarked, "During the time spent in Seattle, students will take part in a variety of activities which will hopefully increase their understanding of urban living."

The aim of the course will be to examine the difficult problems of which a city faces, and to explore the diverse cultural and social life which is part of a large city. For most of the students it will be a first close look at the complex large city that seems to dominate the mainstream of American life today."

Another special opportunity for students will be a chance for those interested in teaching to observe in real classroom situations. Special arrangements are being made for S.J. students who wish to participate to become observer-teacher aids during the interim.

Other interim courses to be offered at the college include Ethnic Arts, Ceramics, Biology of the Alaskan King Crab, Investments, American Literature, Radio Broadcasting, Survey of Forestry, Rapid Reading in French, Alaskan Land Claims Seminar, Independent Study Mathematical Seminar in Number Theory, Choir, State and Local Government, Contemporary Alaskan Mission and Office Machines.

Successful completion of an Interim course earns the student three hours of college credit.

The college announced that part-time students will be accepted. They must complete registration before December 17, 1969.

For further information please write the Dean, Sheldon Jackson College, Box 479, Sitka, Alaska 99835, or call the Registrar at 747-3241, extension 39.

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