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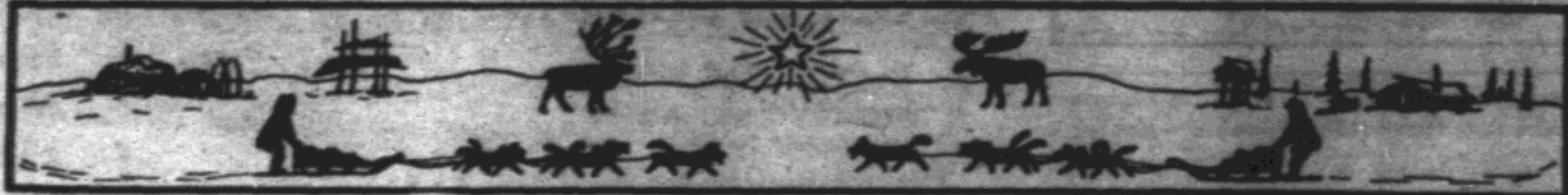
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ANB SUPPORTS TUNDRA TIMES

Five Governor's Commissioners Perish in Crash

A tragic plane crash claimed the lives of six people yesterday morning about four miles from Barrow.

Robert (Bobby) Fisher, widely known bush pilot who flew in the Barrow area for years was the pilot of the Aero Commander that took his life and five other people who were members of the Governor's Employment Advisory Commission.

Werner Bohrer, member of the commission and mayor of Nome, survived the crash but he was listed as critical.

The dead are: Harold Groothuis, Anchorage, chairman of the commission; Leo M. Loll, Fairbanks, comptroller at the University of Alaska; George Wilson, Juneau, executive director of the commission; Tom LaFollette, Anchorage, member of the State Department of Economic Development, Mrs. Viola Dodge, of Anchorage, and Charles William Elliott. LaFollette was traveling with the commission as an advisor.

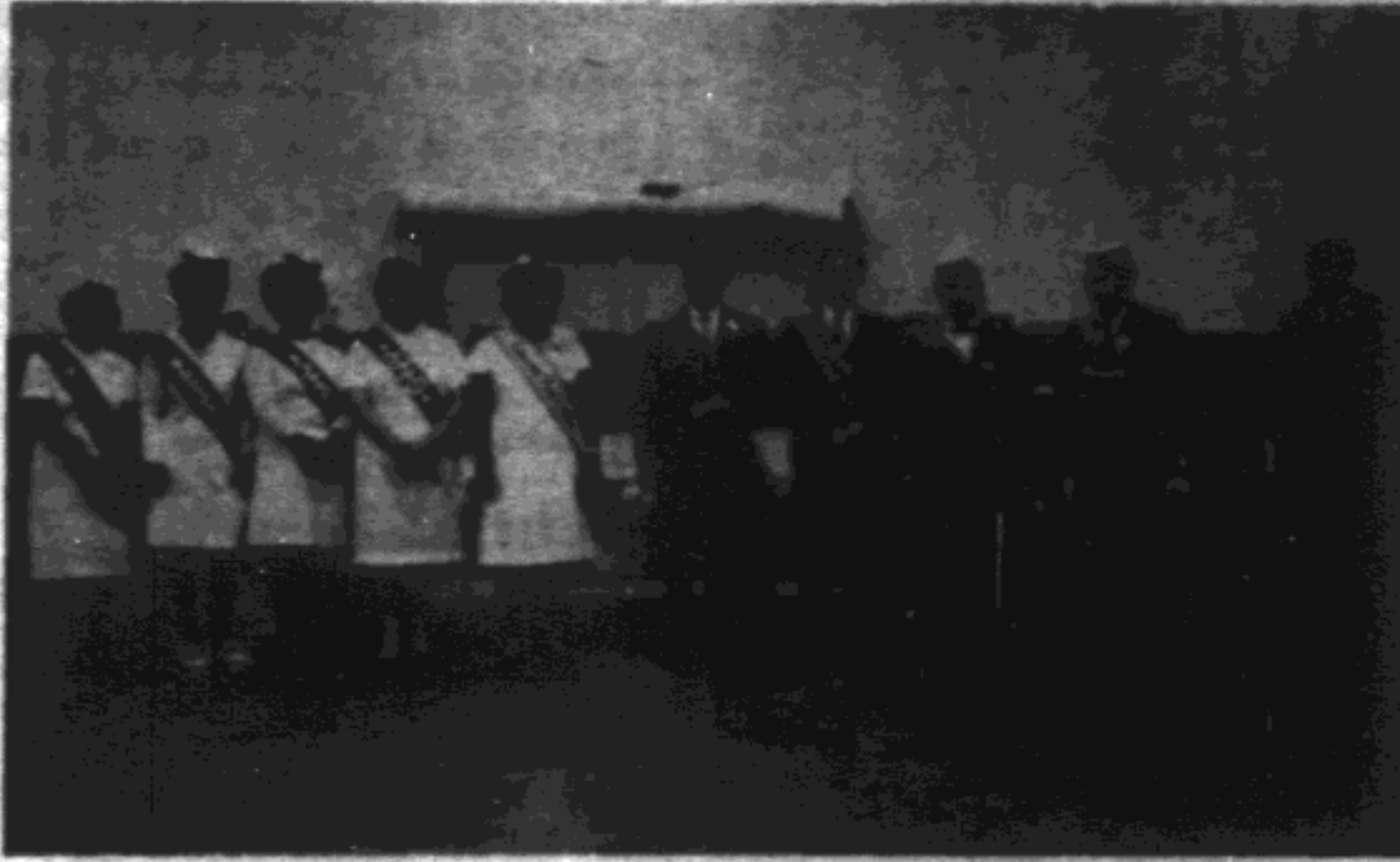
The plane's destination was Inuvik, N.W.T. to the east.

Eli Reyes, Minority Group Specialist for the State Department of Labor, was thought to be one of the crash victims but it was found later that he had not been aboard the plane.

Sam Taalak calling Tundra Times from Barrow gave the newspaper some fragmentary information about the crash. When asked if Eli Reyes had been one of the victims, he said:

"No, he's not. I just talked

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GRAND OFFICIALS—Pictured are the grand officials of the Alaska Native Brotherhood and Alaska Native Sisterhood after being elected last week at the 56th Annual Convention of the ANB. Left to right: ANS Sgt. at Arms Trudy Wolf; ANS treasurer Teresa Stitt; ANS Grand Secretary Mary Jones; ANB Grand President Dr. Walter Soboleff; First Grand Vice President Byron Mallott; Second Vice President Irving Igtanloc; Grand Secretary Richard Stitt; and Treasurer Frank O. Williams.



YEAR'S MOTHER—Mrs. Mildred Sparks, Mother of the Year, also a past Grand President of the Alaska Native Sisterhood, far left, is receiving a gift for her birthday and official acknowledgments from the GRAND ANS officers at the Juneau convention last week.

—Photos by VOICE OF BROTHERHOOD

Southeastern Indian Organization Will Push Circulation and Ads

The estimable Alaska Native Brotherhood during its 56th Annual Convention in the State Capitol of Juneau last week voted unanimously and passed a resolution to give full support to the Tundra Times.

"WHEREAS, The Alaska Native Brotherhood,"

the resolution states, "feels that communications is a vital key to informing the Native populace of Alaska, and

"WHEREAS, The wide distribution of the Tundra Times affords information of concern to Natives in regards to land claims and all major concerns of Natives of Alaska and that the Tundra Times is owned, controlled, and edited by the Eskimos, Indians and Aleuts—thereby becoming an important factor in educating the Natives of Alaska in their legal rights as citizens of the United States.

"BE IT RESOLVED that members and friends of the Alaska Native Brotherhood give their full support by subscribing thereto.

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each camp be urged to henceforth become a subscriber and to inform their members of the availability of stock and business advertising and to forward news items to the Tundra Times for print."

According to witnesses, the ANB convention had the trappings of a major convention with banners, bands, campaign gimmicks, one of which was a mini-

ature rolling pin that said, "Roll in with" and then a campaigner's name.

Mrs. Mary Jane Fate of Fairbanks who, along with Ralph Perdue, also of Fairbanks, was invited to represent the Fairbanks Native Association, and John Sackett, president of Tanana Chiefs. Mrs. Fate reported as follows:

"On the day of our arrival in Juneau, campaigning was in full force for executive positions for 1968-1969. Throughout the convention, banners were numerous. A family marching band marched through the tables of the different camps.

"The delegates were flooded with all sorts of goodies and souvenirs. Cigars of all brands were plentiful, pencils, rolling pins, candy of all varieties, and every kind of gum.

"And you know what? Ralph Perdue had a ball with all those brands of cigars. His pockets were bulging with them.

"During all the campaigning, committee meetings, resolution sanctions, raffles, auctions, entertaining, donations, campaign speeches, visiting of friends and

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Editorial—

Sad Fact of Natives' Jealousy of Leaders

We have written about the following subject editorially in the past. Although we are not exactly willing to mention it once again, we feel that we must because it persists—the jealousy of some of our people toward their leaders. This is one of the most unfair revelations we can think of. It is not only disturbing, it is short-sighted and disgusting.

Remarks, such as the following, have been heard more than once directed toward the native men and women who were, and are, trying to help their fellow native people:

"Who do you think you're trying to be? Are you trying to be better than us?"

Such remarks are the sorriest revelations of dumbness and short-sighted display of ignorance anyone ever heard of. These utterances, instantly, brand the natives who make them as nothing but selfish. They are the people one can recognize quickly as childish and who do

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Claims Non-consultation—

Arctic Slope Organization Declares 'No Party to' Claims

RESOLUTION NO. 3-68

WHEREAS, the Arctic Slope Native Association filed a land

MDTA, State Offer Course for Mechanics

Manpower Development Training Administration has signed a contract with the Barrow City Council to train 15 maintenance mechanics in Barrow.

Classes are scheduled to begin on January 13, 1969. Cost of the training will be \$18,945.

The program is a joint effort by the State Department of Labor and the Alaska Department of Education.

Tentative date of the completion of training is expected to be around April 25, 1969.

claim in the year 1965 against the United States government, and

WHEREAS, the land claim covered an area approximately 95 million acres, to wit, from the Canadian border in the east, running westerly along the Brooks Range, to, and including the native village site of Pt. Hope, Alaska, and

WHEREAS, this area is the known habitat of the Eskimo people since time immemorial, using the game and natural resources for their livelihood, and

WHEREAS, the state and the federal government have encroached upon this land without the consent of the Eskimo people on the Arctic Slope, disposing of huge blocks of land to the oil companies and the general public, in fact, taking land away from the Eskimo people and

WHEREAS, the policy of the state and the federal government continues to be detrimental to the goals set out by the land claims of the Eskimo people on the Arctic Slope, and

WHEREAS, the present bill before the Congress was drawn up without representation from the Arctic Slope, and gives no consideration whatsoever for a just settlement for the claims of the Arctic Slope Native Association, and

WHEREAS, a huge oil strike was made at Prudhoe Bay on the Arctic Slope, long after a claim was filed, and approximately one year after the bill was drawn up proposing a statewide overall settlement in the capitol city of Juneau, Alaska, and

WHEREAS, it has been the contention of the Arctic Slope Native Association that proper

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