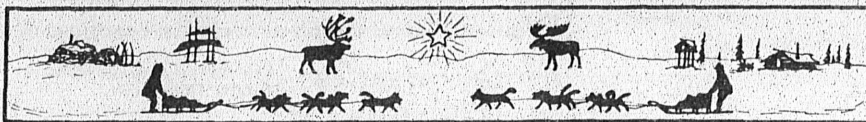


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Slope borough Mayor Hopson Poses Inupiaq education aim

All done but printing--

Claims textbook

"The Land Claims textbook is completed and we're waiting for it to come back from the printer," Robert Arnold, editor and principal author of the book commented.

The textbook is an 8 by 10 inch cloth bound, 300-page narrative describing the background of the settlement act and portraying its implementation to 1975.

It includes 34 maps, 21 which are in 3 colors, and one 17 by 29 1/2 inch fold-out map of Alaska.

The book also contains 23

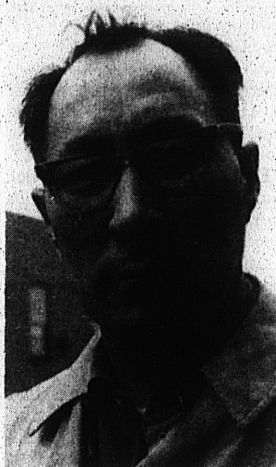
figures and graphs, and over 200 photographs and illustrations.

According to Arnold "there are pictures of native leaders and representatives that have never been in print before."

A copy of the Settlement Act is also included in the book.

Anyone wanting to purchase copies of either the textbook or students and teachers guide can write to Robert Arnold, Alaska Native Foundation, 515 D Street, Anchorage, Alaska, 99501, or call 274-5638.

The book sells for \$12.95. Group discounts are available.



MAYOR—North Slope Borough Mayor Eben Hopson. He is a former state legislator and a former executive director of the Alaska Federation of Natives, Inc.

Mayor aims to wrest North Slope area from Assimilationist era

Background: The enclosed text is of a televised speech of Mayor Eben Hopson to the people of the North Slope Borough.

This speech was delivered at a time when the Barrow Education Association, the local NEA teachers union affiliate had begun its annual contract negotiations. Last year, the teachers union was startled by the success of its Barrow local in gaining a 20% annual wage increase in its first negotiation with the North Slope Borough School District. The 20% wage increase resulted in a sharp cutback of non-certificated teacher positions held by Inupiaq-speaking teachers.

It is recommended that you contact Superintendent John Anttonen for his reaction to Mayor Hopson's remarks:

MAYOR'S ADDRESS On EDUCATION
DELIVERED On TV In BARROW

On DECEMBER 19, 1975

INTRODUCTION

We Inupiaq are a nation of people occupying the circumpolar Arctic from Siberia through Alaska and Canada to Greenland. We share common values, language, culture and economic system. Our culture has enabled us to survive and flourish for thousands of years in the Arctic where no other man or culture could. Among our entire international Inupiat community, we of the North Slope are the only Inupiaq who have achieved true self-government with the formation of the North Slope Borough. We have the greatest opportunity to direct our own destiny as we have for the past millenia.

TRADITIONAL EDUCATION

Possibly the greatest significance of home rule is that it enables us to regain control of the education of our children. For thousands of years, our traditional method of socializing our youth was the responsibility of the family and community. From the first, visitors to the Arctic have universally commented on the warm disposition of our children. Corporal punishment was absolutely unknown. Boys and girls began their education

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Gov. Hammond delivers--

State of the State

By SUE GAMACHE

In his State of the State address Governor Jay S. Hammond emphasized his plan "to ask Alaskans what they wanted rather than tell them what they are going to get."

"It has been my hope and my goal as governor to stimulate discussion which brings decisions forward from the people where they can be ratified by us," he told the legislators that were assembled.

The governor said that the most important bill this session will be a proposed constitutional amendment which he says is necessary to the creation of a permanent fund for some state revenues. "I believe we must place some nonrenewable resource revenue in a constitutionally sound savings account where it cannot be

withdrawn to buy only more bureaucracy."

He went on to say that only by doing so can most Alaskans ever expect to draw interest to that money.

"Future shock comes in its highest voltage in Alaska and I urge Alaskans to keep their vision of the state both in mind and heart as development decisions are made," Hammond said.

"We believe that land use planning and transportation planning must go hand in hand," he added. "Of course a bridge now exists across the Yukon and will be open to public use as soon as pipeline construction permits."

"But how much road north of the Yukon will be open, in what manner and when," Hammond

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A.V.C.P. Housing Authority

The A. V. C. P. Housing Authority offices in Bethel have relocated to the Yupikta Bista Office Building (located in the old N. C. Building across the First National Bank).

The move gives us better contact with the people involved in the delivery of our program efforts. Our offices are open Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Our new telephone number is 543-2604. Our mailing address remains the same at P. O. Box 767, Bethel 99559.

Ramos organizes staff...

Rural Educational Affairs Program

FAIRBANKS—A central support office has been established in Anchorage for the University of Alaska's new Rural Educational Affairs (REA) Program, and Vice President Elaine Ramos has begun organizing a staff to implement the program.

The program is designed to provide greater educational opportunities in rural Alaska and the vice presidency was created to give direction and emphasis to it.

The central support office is located in Room 19 of Alaska Methodist University's Grant Hall, Ramos announced. Dr. Robert Hage, appointed dean of academic affairs for the program, is in charge of the



UNIVERSITY VICE PRESIDENT ELAINE RAMOS confers with Dr. Sam Rogers, left, and Fred Bigjim. (UA PHOTO)

Protests against Union Oil drilling- Kuukpik Corporation

(Special to KBRW)

BARROW—Union Oil is preparing to drill the first exploratory well off Alaska's Arctic Coast near Jones Island in Harrison Bay, approximately 3 miles north-east of the mouth of the Colville River.

Union Oil, together with the American Oil Company (AMOCO), owns an oil lease from the State Division of Lands.

Permission to drill on this near-shore lease-hold must be granted to Union Oil by the U.S. Corps of Engineers, responsible for regulating all oil drilling in navigable waters.

Union applied for permission to begin drilling by January 1, 1976. However, because the

Corps of Engineers has received objections to this project drilling permit has yet to be issued, forcing Union to postpone its exploratory drilling until next winter.

Thomas Napageak, President of the Kuukpik Corporation of Nuiqsut, has requested Jacob Adams of the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation to join him in opposing Corps of Engineers approval of Union's drilling program in Harrison Bay.

With the help and advice of Bud Helmericks a trading post operator on the Colville River, Union has developed an ice island to serve as its drilling platform, thus scratching its original plan to drill from a

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