

Miss Griffiths Journeys to Pt. Hope to Teach Qiviut Knitting

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

INVITATION FOR BIDS
STATE OF ALASKA
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS
Sealed bids in single copy for furnishing all labor, materials, and equipment, and performing all work on Project F-037-2(17), Fairbanks-McKinley Park Highway, Nenana Canyon, described herein, will be received until 2:00 p.m. prevailing time, March 12, 1970 in the Commissioner's Office, Department of Highways, Island Center Building, Douglas, Alaska.

This project consists of grading and drainage of 4.725 miles of roadway, construction of five composite bridges, and one structural plate arch culvert. The project is located in the Nenana Canyon, between Moody and McKinley Park Station, approximately 114 miles south of Fairbanks, Alaska.

Principal items of work consist of the following: 163 acres of Clearing and Grubbing; 2,200,000 cubic yards of Subbase, grading A; 3,000 linear feet of 36" diameter Pipe Conduit; 12,000 linear feet of Beam type Guard Rail; Approximately 950 cubic yards of Class A Concrete, lump sum, all required; Approximately 164,000 pounds of Reinforcing Steel, lump sum, all required; Approximately 400,000 pounds of Structural Steel, lump sum, all required; 1,856 linear feet of Structural Steel Piles; and miscellaneous items of work.

All work shall be completed by October 1, 1972.

Plans and specifications may be obtained by all who have a bona fide need for them for bidding purposes from the Chief Design Engineer, P.O. Box 1467, Juneau, Alaska 99801. Plans may be examined at Department of Highways District Offices in Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, and Valdez.

Robert L. Beardsley
Commissioner of Highways

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Sealed bids will be received by the University of Alaska in the office of Dr. William R. Wood, President of the University of Alaska, College, Alaska, until 2:00 p.m., Fairbanks local time on March 10, 1970 for the construction of a Campus Activities Center Building, University of Alaska, College, Alaska, and will then and there be publicly opened and read aloud. The construction bids will include general, mechanical and electrical work.

Plans, specifications and form of contract documents may be examined in the office of the Executive Director, Planning and Operations, University of Alaska; Alaska Architectural & Engineering Company, 710 Third Avenue, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701; Associated General Contractors, 3451 Airport Road, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701; Construction Plan Bureau, 801 Barnette Street, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701; Associated General Contractors, P.O. Box 3-4088, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; Associated General Contractors, 215 West Harrison Street, Seattle 98119; Plan Bureau Office, 172 Mercer Street, Seattle, Washington 98101; Scan, 5815 Sixth Avenue South, Seattle, Washington 98101 and Associated General Contractors, 1008 N.E. Multanoham Street, Portland, Oregon 97232.

A set of plans and specifications and forms may be obtained at the office of Alaska Architectural & Engineering Company, Architects, Box 509, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701, upon deposit of a certified check for \$100 payable to the Alaska Architectural & Engineering Company. This deposit will be returned to all persons who return the contract documents in good condition within a period of 15 days after date of bid opening. A maximum of two sets will be allowed each bidder.

Prospective bidders are hereby directed to read carefully and consider the plans and specifications and to visit the site of the work so as to enable them to thoroughly familiarize themselves with the conditions, particularly the difficulties existing at the site and to make the necessary measurements at examinations. No consideration will be given to any claim that a bid was made without full comprehension of the conditions to be encountered.

Bid security in the form of money order, certified check or cashier's check, made payable to the University of Alaska, or a satisfactory bid bond executed by the bidder and acceptable sureties, in the amount of not less than five (5%) of the bid will be required.

Performance bond will be required in the amount of 100% of the contract price and labor and material bond will be required in the amount of 50% of the contract price. Liquidated damages for delay will be in accordance with the contract documents.

This right is reserved, as the interest of the University of Alaska may require, to reject any and all bids, to waive any information in bids received, and to accept or reject any item of any bid.

Envelopes containing bids must be sealed, marked and addressed as follows:

Bid for the Campus Activities Center To be opened: March 10, 1970, 2:00 p.m. Fairbanks local time, Dr. William R. Wood, President, University of Alaska, College, Alaska 99701.

Miss Helen M. Griffiths, an English girl from Trebetherick, Cornwall in England, traveled to Point Hope recently to give lessons in qiviut (musk ox wool) knitting and had "great fun."

Miss Griffiths is the textile field assistant for the Musk Ox Project. The Project is funded by the Kellogg Foundation and administered by the University of Alaska. It is under the direction of John Teal, Jr.

Helen said that she had sent a telegram to Mrs. Alice Weber, president of the Mother's Club at Point Hope asking her to arrange a meeting.

"It was amazing," Miss Griffiths said, "27 of 29 members of the club showed up. I guess the remaining members must have had trouble getting baby sitters."

And this during one of Point Hope's gale force winds blowing and during which "Frances Rock was blown over." (Frances Rock is Mrs. Allen Rock and Tundra Times Editor Howard Rock's sister-in-law.)

Miss Griffiths commented that it was probably the opportune time to give knitting lessons at the village because some of the men were at the National Guard encampment near Anchorage.

She said "women with absent husbands could spend more time knitting."

Miss Griffiths was full of praise for the Point Hope women who caught on to distinctive

design of their own originated in their village. This would make a uniquely Point Hope design.

The Musk Ox Project is in the process of teaching village native women aimed at the time when villages get domesticated musk oxen from which the fine wool or fleece will be harvested.

Musk ox sheds about six pounds of qiviut per animal each year around the month of May. The fleece, which is said to be finer than cashmere, has been estimated to cost about \$50 per pound.

The knitting of the wool is aimed at producing luxury qiviut items. Market for these is in the process of being established by the Musk Ox Project.

Helen said that when this market is established "we want to be able to call on a lot of knitters" because the items ordered could be considerable in volume.

Miss Griffiths said she showed slides of musk oxen to the women and children and some men, seven of whom showed up at one of the sessions. Point Hope folks were amazed how tame musk oxen could be.

Helen was amused with Henry Attungana, now acting mayor of Point Hope, who picked up a couple of knitting needles and promptly knitted a design.

"He must have, however, gotten stuck on a difficult part and unraveled it," said Helen.

Attungana is a bowhead whaler who does not hesitate to har-

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Karla Vanderpool, wife of Protection Assistant Jim Vanderpool stationed at Dutch Harbor, was all packed and ready to take the 9:30 a.m. flight on December 31 from Dutch Harbor to Anchorage to await the birth of their first child.

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At 9:30 a.m. however, Karla departed Dutch Harbor with 7 lb. son, Aron O'Dell, for check up in Anchorage and then back to Dutch Harbor. Mother and son doing fine, father still a little shaky.

poon a 50-ton whale. Other Point Hope men are known to be fine knitters of gloves and scarves with intricate designs.

Miss Griffiths said she "had a marvelous time" meeting Point Hope people and had "great fun" teaching the women how to knit. She plans to go back at a later time after going to Cornwall to see her parents.

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WANTED: Member Education Director for a non-profit cooperative. Duties include informing indigenous people of the villages in Alaska of the benefits to be derived from a cooperative type organization, training and supervising volunteer village workers in soliciting membership applications holding membership meetings, explaining the use of and demonstrating electrical appliances, consulting with local state and federal agencies to coordinate various functions and programs with the work of the cooperative. Qualifications: Experience in coordinating work among indigenous people of Alaska, college education preferred. Administrative and editing ability required. Salary between \$14,000 and \$15,000 per year plus per diem while traveling. Write: Alaska Village Electric Cooperative, Inc., 999 East Tudor Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99502. AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

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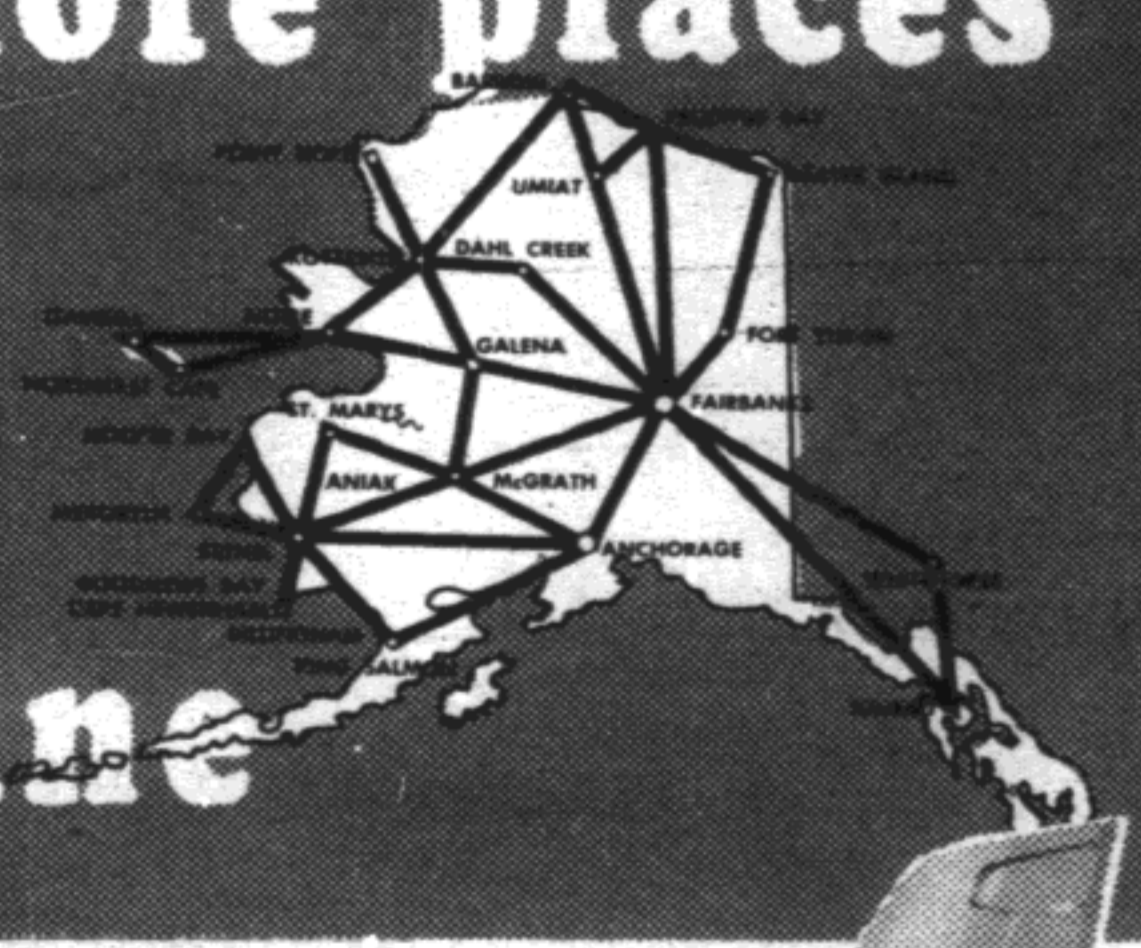
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