



HENDRICKSON, FUQUA ARRIVE IN ALASKA

AS A RESULT OF OUR EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH A SYSTEM OF FEDERAL AIRWAYS THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY, AND IN LOOKING TO THE FUTURE, THE WASHINGTON OFFICE HAS NOW RECOGNIZED THE NECESSITY FOR SCHEDULED AIR CARRIER OPERATIONS AND HAVE ASSIGNED MR. D. G. HENDRICKSON, AIR CARRIER INSPECTOR, OPERATIONS; AND MR. F. H. FUQUA, AIR CARRIER INSPECTOR, RADIO, TO HELP OUR OWN ED DARLINGTON, AIR CARRIER INSPECTOR, MAINTENANCE, IN FORMULATING AIR CARRIER OPERATING CERTIFICATES TO ENABLE THE ALASKAN AIR CARRIERS TO BETTER PERFORM THEIR FUNCTIONS OF SERVICE TO THE PUBLIC.

WE ARE ALL HAPPY TO HAVE THESE MEN WITH US AND ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO RESULTS IN THE FUTURE.

VACATION CAMP FOR HARD-WORKING CARRIERS

WITH THE APPROACH OF THE SUMMER MONTHS THE PRIMARY THOUGHT IN MOST OF OUR MINDS IS TO GET AWAY FROM IT ALL FOR A WEEK OR TWO AND GET AFTER SOME OF THE MUCH TALKED ABOUT RAINBOWS REPORTED TO BE AVAILABLE IN THE WATERS OF THE ALASKAN LAKES AND STREAMS.

THE FIRST QUESTION IS "WHERE TO GO?" NEXT "HOW?" THIS BRINGS TO LIGHT THE REASON FOR THIS WHOLE THING. DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS RAPID GROWTH HAS KEPT THE EIGHTH REGION'S PERSONNEL TOO BUSY AND SHORT-HANDED TO DO MUCH ABOUT A VACATION, AND IT IS NOW FELT THAT THE ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN TOWARDS THE SELECTION AND BUILDING UP OF A NICE SPOT THAT CAN BE USED BY PERSONNEL OF THIS REGION AND THEIR FAMILIES TO GET OUT IN THE FRESH AIR EACH SUMMER AND TAKE LIFE EASY. IT HAS BEEN SUGGESTED THAT A DORMITORY BE CONSTRUCTED ALONG WITH A MESS HALL AND A RECREATION HALL, TENNIS COURTS AND A PLAYGROUND FOR THE LITTLE ONES. (OF COURSE THIS WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR THE OLD ONES IN THEIR SECOND CHILDHOOD).

THEREFORE, IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE OPINION OF ALL PERSONNEL OF THIS REGION IT IS REQUESTED THAT EACH EMPLOYEE GIVE THIS IDEA SOME THOUGHT AND MAKE KNOWN HIS OPINION. IT WOULD BE APPRECIATED IF SUGGESTIONS COULD ALSO BE OFFERED AS TO WHAT THIS VACATION SPOT SHOULD CONTAIN, LOCATIONS RECOMMENDED FOR THIS INSTALLATION, AND IF CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO A WINTER RESORT.

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS TO THE EDITOR, MUKLUK TELEGRAPH.

A MESSAGE FROM THE REGIONAL MANAGER

HAVING JUST RETURNED FROM AN OFFICIAL TRIP OUTSIDE, I SPENT ONE MONTH IN THE WASHINGTON OFFICE ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN APPROVAL ON THE REQUISITES FOR THE BETTERMENT OF ALL IN THIS REGION, SUCH AS LIVING CONDITIONS, LEAVE, RECLASSIFICATION, INSURANCE, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES, AND OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING TO SOCIAL PROBLEMS.

NATURALLY, PERSONS NOT RESIDING IN THE TERRITORY DO NOT FULLY UNDERSTAND THE CONDITIONS AND PROBLEMS WITH WHICH WE ARE FACED DAILY, BUT ALL OFFICIALS CONTACTED IN THE CIVIL AERONAUTICS ADMINISTRATION IN WASHINGTON CAREFULLY WEIGHED THE MULTITUDE OF PROBLEMS PRESENTED AND OFFERED SOME VERY EXCELLENT SOLUTIONS

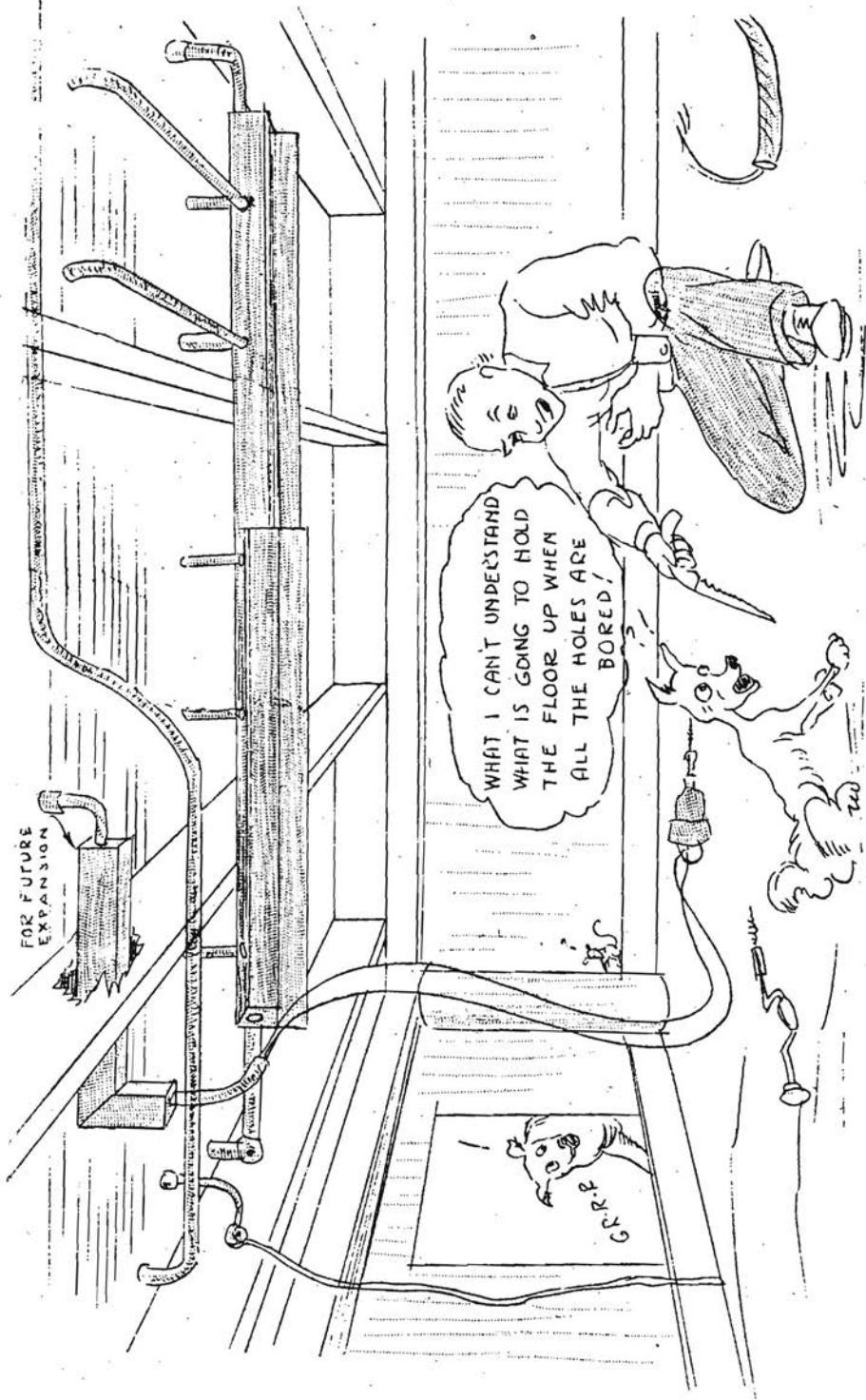
WHICH WILL BE PUT INTO EFFECT IN THE COURSE OF TIME. THEY ALL EXPRESSED THEIR APPRECIATION OF THE WORK YOU PEOPLE IN THIS REGION ARE CARRYING ON AND, IN MANY INSTANCES, WE WERE HIGHLY COMPLEMENTED FOR THE MANNER IN WHICH WE HAVE CONDUCTED OURSELVES UNDER THESE TRYING WAR TIMES.

WE MAY EXPECT SEVERAL OF THE WASHINGTON OFFICIALS TO BE WITH US THIS SUMMER TO SEE FOR THEMSELVES AND TO OBTAIN FIRST-HAND KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED AND THE CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH YOU ALL ARE REQUIRED TO PERFORM. THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS UPON RETURNING TO WASHINGTON WILL GREATLY AFFECT THE FUTURE POLICIES OF THE EIGHTH REGION; ESPECIALLY IN REGARD TO THOSE CONDITIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN OF CONSIDERABLE CONCERN TO ME. IT IS MY DESIRE TO VISIT EACH STATION AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE TO DISCUSS WITH YOU PERSONALLY THE PROBLEMS WHICH YOU ARE MEETING.

THE ADMINISTRATOR EXTENDS HIS PERSONAL APPRECIATION TO EACH AND EVERYONE OF YOU FOR YOUR SPLENDID COOPERATION IN THE WORK YOU HAVE PERFORMED.

MARSHALL C. HOPPIN
REGIONAL MANAGER

FOR FUTURE
EXPANSION



WHAT I CAN'T UNDERSTAND
WHAT IS GOING TO HOLD
THE FLOOR UP WHEN
ALL THE HOLES ARE
BORED!

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WHY NOT ENJOY YOUR ALASKAN ASSIGNMENT?

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IT TAKES ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE TO RUN THE CAA IN ALASKA, BUT WE STILL NEED MORE OF A CERTAIN KIND.

THIS IS A CURBSTONE OPINION FORMED AFTER TRAVELING 5000 MILES THROUGHOUT THE TERRITORY BETWEEN APRIL 18 AND MAY 20, AND IS OFFERED FOR WHAT IT MAY BE WORTH BY AN INEXPERIENCED CHECHAKO TO THE CAA'S AERONAUTICAL SOURDOUGHS. WITH ALL THE ADVANTAGES MADE AVAILABLE BY CAA AIRPLANES, I HAVE OBTAINED A GENERAL, IF SOMEWHAT SHALLOW, PICTURE OF THE WHOLE PROBLEM IN ALASKA. LAYING ASIDE THE PROBLEMS POSED BY ARMY OCCUPATION AND THE WAR CONDITION, AND NOT CONSIDERING ALL THE ASPECTS OF ISOLATION, TRANSPORTATION DIFFICULTIES, AND THE FRAILTIES OF HUMAN TEMPERAMENT, CERTAIN FACTS STAND OUT.

ONE IS THAT OUTSIDERS WHO COME TO ALASKA BRIMMING WITH EAGER ANTICIPATION OF A NEW KIND OF A LIFE OUGHT TO CLING TENACIOUSLY TO THEIR FRESH APPROACH AND INTELLIGENT INTEREST. I SAW TOO MANY PEOPLE FROM OUTSIDE WHO HAVE TOO SOON LOST INTEREST IN ALASKA. THEY HAVE EXHAUSTED THE NOVELTY OF THEIR SITUATION. THEY HAVE SEEN ALL THE THINGS THAT INTEREST THE CASUAL VISITOR. MANY OF THEM HAVE CRAWLED BACK INTO THE CAA QUARTERS AND SETTLED DOWN TO A LIFE OF "ENDURING IT". ALMOST UNANIMOUSLY, THEY WERE CRIPERS. THEY HAD FAULT TO FIND WITH THEIR WORK, THEIR LIVING CONDITIONS, THE CAA, THE ARMY, THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE WEATHER. THEY WERE EVEN CRITICAL OF THE CAA QUARTERS, WHICH - IN CASE YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN - COMPARE FAVORABLY WITH HOUSES ANYWHERE IN THE STATES AND ARE FAR BETTER THAN THE BETTER HOUSES IN ALASKA.

LIVING ONLY BETWEEN THE COMMUNICATIONS OR CT SITES OR MAINTENANCE BUILDINGS AND THE CAA QUARTERS AT THE AVERAGE ALASKAN CAA STATION IS NOT CALCULATED TO PLEASE SUCH PEOPLE. VERY FEW PEOPLE WOULD ENJOY SUCH A NARROW LIFE. BUT I HAVE SEEN THAT THIS IS UNNECESSARY. MEMBERS IN CAA'S ALASKAN STAFF HAVE PROVED IT IS THE WRONG WAY TO WORK THROUGH THEIR ALASKAN ASSIGNMENT.

WITHOUT MENTIONING NAMES OR MAKING INVIDIOUS COMPARISONS, LET ME DESCRIBE ONE HAPPY COUPLE AND THE COMMUNICATORS IN A REMOTE STATION. THERE IS A NATIVE VILLAGE NEARBY, AN INDIAN HOSPITAL, AND A FEW OTHER WHITE PEOPLE. AROUND THEM IS WHAT STEFFERSON CALLS "THE

FRIENDLY ARCTIC". THEY HAVE ACCEPTED THIS FRIENDSHIP, AND THEY WORK JUST AS HARD ENJOYING THEIR LEISURE AS THEY DO ON THEIR SHIFT AT THE STATION. LIKE ALL OTHERS, THEY WORK 56 HOURS A WEEK, AND THEY STAND SEPARATE SHIFTS, BUT THEY SPEND NO TIME GRIPIING ABOUT THOSE INCONVENIENCES. THEY HUNT, FISH, TAKE PICTURES, EXPLORE, TAKE PART IN THE LIFE OF THE NEARBY VILLAGE, VISIT, READ, AND THE WIFE TAKES A REAL PRIDE IN THE TABLE SHE SETS. THEY ARE INTENSELY INTERESTED IN THE STATION AND THE WORK THEY DO THERE, BUT THEY KNOW WHEN TO STOP TALKING SHOP. THEY CORRESPOND ENERGETICALLY WITH THEIR FRIENDS OUTSIDE. THEY HAVE AMBITIOUS SOUNDING PLANS FOR WHAT THEY HOPE TO DO IN THE SUMMER SEASON.

BOTH HAVE HOBBIES. THAT, ACCORDING TO OFFICIALS AT ANCHORAGE, IS ALL TO THE GOOD. A WORKER WITH A GOOD INDOOR HOBBY AND A GOOD OUTDOOR HOBBY IS FAR MORE LIKELY TO BE HAPPY WORKING IN ALASKA THAN THE ONE WHO LEAVES THE JOB, EATS AND SLEEPS AND DOES LITTLE ELSE. I HEARD COMPLAINTS THAT NECESSARY SUPPLIES FOR PURSUING HOBBIES ARE UNOBTAINABLE. PHOTOGRAPHERS CAN'T GET FILM, READERS CAN'T GET BOOKS AND MAGAZINES, YOU CAN'T BUY YARN FOR KNITTING - THESE ARE THE EXCUSES. THE ANSWER SEEMS TO BE SIMPLE. SOME PEOPLE GET ALL THE MATERIAL THEY NEED, SO THERE MUST BE WAYS OF DOING IT.

THERE IS HARDLY A STATION IN ALASKA, WITH THE POSSIBLE EXCEPTION OF NORTH DUTCH, MIDDLETON AND A FEW OTHERS, WHERE MANY INTERESTING HUMAN CONTACTS ARE NOT AVAILABLE TO CAA EMPLOYEES. THERE ISN'T AN ALASKAN TOWN WHERE EVEN A SMALL PORTION OF CIVIC INTEREST WOULD NOT TURN UP A DOZEN JOBS WORTH DOING FOR THE TOWN OR ITS CITIZENS. VERY FEW OF THE PEOPLE I HAVE MET ARE WELL-READ ON THE SUBJECT OF ALASKA, AND THERE ARE BOOKS GALORE FOR THE ASKING - AND I, THERE ANYBODY WHO WOULD DENY THAT THE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE WHITE AND THE NATIVES ARE IN NEED OF SOME CONSTRUCTIVE WORK?

I KNOW THE TIMES ARE OUT OF JOINT. A 50-HOUR WEEK WOULD CHANGE THE TABLE PICTURE. PEACE WOULD IMPROVE CONDITIONS EVERYWHERE. BUT I HAVE NOTICED THAT THESE WHO FIGHT AGAINST THESE UNUSUAL CONDITIONS AND WHO GO AHEAD VIGOROUSLY TO ENJOY THEMSELVES, DESPITE THEM ARE HAPPIER IN THEIR CAA WORK. I HAVE A NOTION THAT THEY ARE MORE EFFICIENT, TOO.

THE DEPOT - COMMISSARY IS NOW OPEN FOR BUSINESS IN THE "NEW SITE". THOSE WHO ARE WILLING TO BRAVE THE INTRICATE PASSAGEWAYS WILL FIND THAT THE TWO UNITS ARE NOW UNDER ONE ROOF. THE ONLY TWO ROOMS IN THE BUILDING THAT YOU CAN ENTER WITH ANY DEGREE OF CONFIDENCE ARE PLAINLY MARKED. THOSE HAVING ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THEIR LOCATION ARE REFERRED TO DICK HARALSON.

YOU CAN HARDLY HEAR THE CHATTER ABOVE THE HUMMERS OF THE BULLDOZERS DOING THE TRUCKING OR THE "LANDSCAPING". IT MAY BE JUST AS WELL, FOR SOME OF THE TRUCK DRIVERS WERE ONCE MULE SKINNERS.

INSTALLATION OF LOUSPEAKERS WOULD AID IN CALLING OFFICE PERSONNEL TO THE TELEPHONES. WALKIE-TALKIE RADIOS WOULD BE AN IMPROVEMENT OVER THE PRESENT RUN-SHOUT COMMUNICATION SYSTEM.

PEDESTRIANS ENTERING THE FRONT OFFICE, BEWARE. TRAFFIC IS HEAVY BETWEEN THE CALCULATORS, TYPEWRITERS, PHONES AND FILES. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT MOTORS BE ADDED TO THE STENO CHAIRS. THE CONSTRUCTION UNIT DESIGN, TO WHICH THE DEPOT BUILDING WAS ENLARGED, HAS ADDED NEW LIGHT TO OUR ACTIVITIES, FLUORESCENT.

AMONG OUR MORE RECENT ARRIVALS - FRATERNAL, NOT MATERNAL: HELEN AND MELVELL CLEMENTS FROM FAIRBANKS, MARY MAURER FROM WARREN, OHIO, GLOIRA RUST FROM PALMER, AND INOGENE MELVIN FROM CITY.

WANTED BY ANNE MODJESKA: A PAIR OF SKATES TO COVER THE DISTANCE BETWEEN HER DEN AND THE FRONT OFFICE, OCCASIONED BY THE NEW ARRANGEMENT.

CONGRATULATIONS TO JACK HOEKZEMA, WHO WAS SEEN PASSING OUT CIGARS. THE OCCASION, A BOY.

WITH THE DEPOT AND COMMISSARY NOW IN ONE BUILDING, FORMER PARONERS IN GRIME NO LONGER HAD TO COMMUTE TO CONFER WITH Mrs. MORGAN. SHE WAS TRANSFERRED FROM A DEPOT POSITION TO ONE IN THE COMMISSARY. FRANCES JACKSON HAS TAKEN OVER HER DUTIES ON THE EWF CARDS.

WE ARE GLAD TO HAVE DICK TOUSLEY BACK, AFTER HIS VACATION IN THE STATES. HE PLANTED GARDENS ALL THE WAY FROM CALIFORNIA TO ANCHORAGE. SOW AND YE SHALL REAP, IF CUT WORMS AND TERMITES FIND THE TURNIPS.

THE BEAR

THERE WAS ONCE AN UNBEARABLE BEAR,
WHO WAS BORN WITHOUT ANY HAIR;
HE HUNTED AT NIGHT
TO KEEP OUT OF SIGHT,
FOR NO ONE CAN BEAR A BARE BEAR.

R. WITNO PENCE (KZ)

WELL, 71 "DOOD IT" AGAIN. OUR NEWEST ADICTION TO OUR STAFF, MARIE WORTH, HAS ADDED HER SECOND RING TO HER FINGER - THE PLAIN GOLD BAND. SHE'S NOW THE WIFE OF THAT PRUD ACC-LAD, "HOPPIE" HOPKINS.

OUR MAN ERNIE WAS JUST ABOUT READY TO GO OUT WITH THE FISHERMEN OR THE FOX FARMERS, ON THE 3RD. ANNIE SENEB FINALLY GOT AWAY ON HER LONG-WAITED LEAVE OF ABSENCE. (ANNIE, YOU KNOW, IS GOING TO BE MRS. LARRY ANDERSON. SO SOON AS LARRY CAN GET OFF THAT BARGE LONG ENOUGH TO COME BACK TO OUR THRIVING COMMUNITY.) EVERYONE FROM EVERYWHERE HAD TO HAVE SOMETHING IN A RUSH, AND ERNIE FELT VERY CLOSE TO THE WELL-KNOWN "SALO SACK" BY THE TIME 12 O'CLOCK ROLLED AROUND. BUT HE HAD THE SYMPATHY OF EVERYONE IN HIS MARCH, OVER HERE, SO HE PULLED THROUGH IT OK.

THE GIRLS ARE CERTAINLY ENJOYING THIS TROUBLING BUSINESS. WITH ALL OF THE NICE SUNSHINY AFTERNOONS, THEY'RE ABLE TO COUNT A FEW MORE FRECKLES ACROSS THEIR NOSES EACH TIME. WE'RE STILL WONDERING WHY THEY DON'T BUILD THAT INCINERATOR LIKE A BARBECUE PIT, SO WE COULD KILL TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE.

VIVIAN CHEVILLON WAS PLEASANTLY SURPRISED, AFTER WORK, WITH A LOVELY BIRTHDAY CAKE, AND NO ONE CAN SAY THAT THAT CAKE DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH FROSTING. THERE WAS SO MUCH THAT THE POOR CAKE STARTED TO SAG.

RALPH WALKER IS HAVING A LITTLE BIT OF TROUBLE WITH HIS "FLOCK". IT SEEMS THAT "HIS GIRLS" DON'T LIKE THE IDEA OF HAVING AN UNMARRIED OR UNMARRIED PERSON HANGING AROUND THEIR DRAFTING ROOM. BUT THEY'VE FINALLY FIGURED IT OUT. WE'RE GOING TO MARRY HIM, BY PROXY, DURING HIS NEXT TRIP DOWN THE CHAIN.

DOWN THE ALLEY OF PRODUCTION PUTTERINGS, WE FIND THAT THE DRAFTING UNIT'S BLUEPRINT SECTION HAS RUN 19 1/2 MILES OF PRINTS THROUGH ITS MACHINES IN THE LAST YEAR! HOW'S THAT FOR MILEAGE?

WELL, THAT'S 30 FOR NOW, SO WE'LL SIGN OFF AND WE'LL BE COMING IN ON THE BEAM IN THE NEXT ISSUE.

WAIL OF THE WOUNDED OP

CURSE BE THE GUY THROUGHOUT ETERNITY
WHO'D READJUST ANOTHER FELLOW'S KEY.
THE MAN (OR GAL) WHO'D TAMPED WITH MY BUG
IS LOW ENOUGH TO WALK BENEATH A RUG.

GOUGE OUT MY EYES; MY TOES PULL FROM THEIR JOINTS;
BUT ALTER NOT THE SETTING OF MY POINTS.
FOR OF ALL CRIMES, NONE HAS THE POWER TO VEX
LIKE THAT OF MESSING WITH MY VIBROPLEX.

-- N. GOTNO PENCE (KZ)

I TAKE UP MY PEN TO WRITE, THEN GET MAD
BECAUSE I CAN'T THINK OF NEWS ITEMS, SO I
THROW THE THING AWAY - I BREAK MORE DARN
NEWS THAT HAVE! SO-C WILL TRY TO POUND OUT
SOMETHING ON THIS DECIPHER IT OLD MILL.

AS I'M NEW AROUND THESE PARTS I DON'T KNOW
IF TW HAS EVER MADE THESE HONORED PAGES BEFORE
OR NOT; MAYBE NOT, SO LET'S START OFF BY
INTRODUCING OURSELVES AND STATION.

OUR STATION IS A COZY LITTLE NUT-HOUSE NES-
TLED IN THE BEAUTIFUL TANANAI RIVER VALLEY JUST
ABOUT RIGHT THERE. EVERY NIGHT WE ARE LULLED
TO SLEEP ON THE MID-WATCH BY THE LOVING OF
COKEY OLD B-17'S AND MURMURING TRICKLE OF PEAS-
SHOOTERS. FISHING AND HOPPING IS WONDERFUL -
SOMEWHERE, BUT NOT HERE.

STATION WAS COMMISSIONED ONE COLD MORNING
ABOUT 10:30 AM ON 8TH (OR 17TH, 1943) BY C/O
H. S. FREDRICKSON AND GOOD WIFE VELDA. THIS
WAS BEFORE MY TIME, BUT GUESS THEY GOT IT OFF
TO A GOOD START. OPERATORS COME AND GO (YEAH,
AT TW, TOO); AND I GUESS A LOT OF THEM HAVE
COME AND WENT, SO WE'LL KEEP THIS SQUID PER-
TAINING TO CURRENT OPERATORS. ACAC BEACH WAS
HERE WHEN WE ARRIVED, BUT SLIPPED AWAY FROM US
SOMESHOW. HI! THEN ALONG ABOUT OCTOBER, 1943
JOE AND ANN GRANGER SHOWED UP TO DO THEIR BIT
(THEY JOE SHORE CUSSES). JOE WAS KEPT BUSY
ALL WINTER KEEPING THE VICIOUS RABBITS FROM
THE DOOR.

THEN, WAY BACK IN '44, BELIEVE IT WAS IN
JANUARY, DORT SWAN, SON DAVID, DOG, BAGGAGE
AND BUCK BLEW IN (C/O, IT WAS COLD); BAGGAGE
ARRIVED TWO MONTHS LATER. DORT, DAVID AND DOG
RECOVERED AND ARE DOING FINE - NO HOPE HELD
OUT FOR REST. H. A. BASINGER, 5TH REGION VOL-
UNTEER FROM KINGMAN, ARIZONA, ARRIVED IN FEB-
RUARY AND MANAGED TO BREAK HIS ARM ON THE DAY
SENDING TESTS WERE GIVEN - DON'T KNOW YET
WHETHER HE REALLY FELL DOWN OR NOT. THE
THINGS SOME GUYS GO THROUGH ----? EARL FUQUAY
FOLLOWED SHORTLY AFTER, IN MARCH, DEFINITELY
UNACCOMPANIED. JERRI AND INFANT DAUGHTER ARE
EXPECTED DAILY AND WE, ALONG WITH EARL, ARE
ANXIOUSLY AWAITING THEM.

DOUG AND RHYLINE McDONALD ARRIVED NEXT,
ALONG ABOUT APRIL OF THE SAME YEAR. DOUG SAYS
HERE WE SPENT 6 MONTHS IN SEATTLE TRYING TO
LEARN INTERNATIONAL CODE, AND NOW THAT WE GET
UP HERE THEY'RE USING THIS STUFF - WHATEVER IT
IS (APOLOGIES TO AVERY - I KNOW THAT'S YOUR
JOKE - HI!). LATEST ARRIVAL IS OUR LONG EX-
PECTED NEW ACAC H. SHERMAN, 4TH REGION VOLUN-
TEER FROM SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, MORE RECENTLY
TRANSFERRED FROM FX.

THAT TAKES CARE OF THE ACCOM'S. THEN ON
THE MAINTENANCE END WE HAVE RMS ROY ANDERSON,
RECENTLY TRANSFERRED FROM NEARLY ANY STATION
IN ALASKA YOU CAN NAME; Sourdough PRE JAY ATH-
ERTON, AND MEGHANIC BLACKBURN AND WIFE, NEWLY
ARRIVED FROM ANCHORAGE. IF I'VE SKIPPED INTRO-
DUCING ANY IT'S BECAUSE THEY'RE RUNNING LOOSE
OUT IN THE BUSH AND HAVEN'T BEEN IN TO BE

WE HAVE EVERY REASON TO BELIEVE THAT THE
EGYPTIANS DID WELL WITH THE HELIOGRAPH; THE
INSTITUTED GIANTIC CONSTRUCTION PROJECT
LOOKING TO THE INCREASED EFFICIENCY OF HELIO-
GRAPHY. AS THE AVERAGE RANGE OF A FIRST CLASS
HELIOGRAPH STATION WAS LIMITED BY THE HORIZON
(NATURAL AND ARTIFICIAL) THE EGYPTIANS CON-
STRUCTED HUGE SUPPORTS TO RAISE THE LEVEL OF
THE INSTRUMENTS ABOVE THE SURROUNDING TERRAIN
FOR THEIR FIRST ORDER STATIONS. TODAY WE CALL
THESE "PYRAMIDS"; CLEO AND TONY CARRIED ON A
ROMANCE VIA THE HELIO AND D.JE RUMOR HATH IT
THAT HE CAPTURED THE LADY FAIR BY MEANS OF THE
HELIOGRAPH, HENCE THE ORIGIN OF THE WORD HELI-
COPTER.

DURING A FOG THE TOPS OF THE PYRAMIDS WOULD
BE ABOVE THE FOG LEVEL AND IN THE SUN, THEN
ALL HELIOGRAPH STATIONS WOULD DIRECT THEIR
PARABOLIC REFLECTORS CELEWARD AND THE WARSHIPS
OF THE EGYPTIAN NAVY WOULD SAIL TO SAFETY.
THIS APPEARS TO BE THE FIRST RECORDED INFOR-
MATION CONCERNING "COMING IN ON THE BEAM".

JUMPING OUT OF THE FIRE INTO THE FRYING
PAN, WE RETURN TO GREECE. WE CANNOT FIND ANY
RECORDED INFORMATION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT
HELEN WAS THE FIRST FEMALE HELIOGRAPHER TO
RECEIVE INTERNATIONAL ACCLAIM AND RECOGNITION
AS THE PREMIER OF HER DAY OR NOT. HOWEVER, WE
DO FIND THAT SHE WAS AU FAIT AT THIS ART. WE
FIND THAT SHE RECEIVED NUMEROUS MENTIONS IN
THE THESSALONIKIAN NEWS AND SHE WAS ONCE COM-
MENDED BY THEODOSIUS ON THE SENATE FLOOR FOR
HER MISTERY OF THE HELIO. THIS ALL LEADS US
TO BELIEVE THAT SHE WIELDED A WICKED HELIO.
SUBSEQUENT TO RECEIVING HER CERTIFICATE OF
AVAILABILITY WE FIND THAT SHE GAVE AGAMEMNON'S
BROTHER THE NICTITATE AND THEY PROCEEDED TO
NODIFICATE IN THE WEST.

DUE TO THE PAUCITY OF HISTORICAL RECORDINGS
CIRCA THIS PERIOD WE WANDER AS GRACEFULLY AS A
BOVINE GENTLEMAN IN A CHINAWARE EMPORIUM UNTIL
WE STUMBLE ACROSS A CLOSET CONTAINING A FOS-
SIL. THIS RUMOR INDICATES THAT THE DESTRUCTION
OF THE ROMAN FLEET BY THE CONCENTRATION
OF THE SUN'S RAYS VIA THE MAGNIFYING GLASS
ROUTE, LONG CREDITED TO ARCHIE, COULD HAVE
BEEN HELEN HELPING HANNIBAL HURDLE THE HELLES-
POINT. IN FACT WE FIND STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE
THEORY THAT HELEN WAS HELIOGRAPHING A HOT
HELIOGRAM TO A B. F. ON BOARD ONE OF THE
WOODEN (GREECEWOOD) VESSELS AND THE HELIOGRAM
WAS TOO HOT TO HANDLE, HENCE THE CONFLAGRA-
TION. AND FROM THENCE FORWARD WE FIND THE
EXPRESSION "HOT SHOT"-APPLIED TO THE OPERATOR
WHO IS ALWAYS BURNING THINGS UP.

COUNTED LATELY.

BEEN TRYING ALL THE WAY THROUGH TO THINK OF
A HEADING FOR THIS. GUESS I'LL ACT EDUCATED
AND MAKE IT "FACILE PRINCEPS-CUM GRAND SALIS"
--EICKHOFF WILL DECIPHER IT FOR YOU--HE WOULD.
HI, RED!

AND THAT'S THIRTY.

NOTAM WELCOME - JOHN E. MAW AND ALBERT L. LOCKETT, BOTH OF THE BOISE TOWER, ARRIVED THIS MONTH TO ASSUME DUTIES AS CONTROLLERS IN THE MERRILL TOWER... ART WOODLEY IN THE "GENERAL", AN ARMY-COLORED BOEING... THE MCKINLEY FLYING SERVICE, PLUS FEMALE INSTRUCTRESSES!

DEPARTURE - DANIEL A. WARD... TO ACCEPT CADET TRAINING IN THE USNR... GOOD LUCK, "DANNY".

FLIGHT PLANS - JAMES F. HUMPHRIES, FORMERLY OF ZHQ, DEPARTING FX FOR CHQ, CFR... ROBERT A. RIEDEL, ANCHORAGE OLD-TIMER, DEPARTING ZHQ FOR CFX... FORWARD POSITION REPORTS.

AN ACCOUNT FROM ACCOUNTS

GENEVIEVE EKREN IS RECOVERATING AT RAILROAD HOSPITAL AFTER A SERIOUS OPERATION. WE MISS YOU, GENEVIEVE, AND HOPE YOU'RE BACK SOON.

THE AUDIT UNIT HAS ITS UPS AND DOWNS. DOROTHY SIDLEY LEFT FOR PULLMAN, WASHINGTON TO ATTEND THE WASHINGTON STATE COLLEGE AND WE ALL WISH HER WELL. THREE NEWCOMERS, ALL COMING UP FROM THE STATES, HAVE BEEN ADDED, NINA DUKE, HAZEL GRAVES AND ELLA CLOSSON. WELCOME, GIRLS, FOR WE SURELY NEED YOUR HELP.

REBECCA RYAN, BETTER KNOWN AS BECKY, LEFT FOR AN EXTENDED VISIT WITH HER FAMILY IN ANTIPOCH, CALIFORNIA. HAVE FUN, KID. AUDREY STROHECKER IS TAKING HER PLACE DURING HER ABSENCE.

EVERYONE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO THE RETURN OF W. K. (BUD) CHAMBERD, WHO WAS CALLED TO SEATTLE, WASHINGTON BY THE DEATH OF HIS TWIN SISTER. MAX CUFFEL HAS BEEN DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB OF TAKING OVER BUD'S HAREM DURING HIS ABSENCE.

HARRIET ELLIS, A FORMER ACCOUNTS UNIT CLERK, WAS IN THE OTHER DAY TO SHOW OFF HER NEW DAUGHTER JOYCE.

FRANCES KING, THE BOND CLERK, MOVED BAG AND BAGGAGE TO THE DISBURSING UNIT, AND SHE IS REALLY A BUSY GAL NOW WITH THE FIFTH WAR LONN DRIVE IN FULL SWING.

ANGELA VONDERBERG IS STARTING... A NEW BRAND OF VITAMINS, AS SHE THINKS IT'S TERRIBLY DUSTY SO CLOSE TO THE GROUND.

PHYLLIS McLAUGHLIN, FORMERLY OF DISBURSING UNIT, IS NOW IN WASHINGTON, D. C., WORKING FOR THE CAA, AND GETTING ALONG VERY NICELY, NINA MADDOX, WHO RECENTLY CAME UP FROM THE STATES, IS TAKING HER PLACE.

A BUNCH OF THE GIRLS IN ACCOUNTS UNIT HAVE SIGNED UP WITH USC AND ARE REALLY DOING THEIR PART WHEN IT COMES TO DANCING AND ENTERTAINING THE G.I.'S. MORE POWER TO YOU, GIRLS. THAT'S THE SPIRIT WE NEED AWAY UP HERE IN ALASKA.

THE "COKE KITTY" AT HQ PAID OFF IN A BIG WAY SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH, WHEN APPROXIMATELY 150 MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN GATHERED AT LAKE SPENARD FOR WHAT WAS PROBABLY THE BIGGEST BARBECUE EVER KNOWN IN THESE PARTS. THE "KITTY", WHICH IS ACCUMULATED FROM THE 4 CENT PROFIT ON EACH BOTTLE OF SOFT DRINK SOLD BY THE COMMUNICATORS TO THE PERSONNEL AT MERRILL FIELD, COVERED ALL EXPENSES AND PARTICIPANTS WERE URGED TO EAT AND DRINK TO THEIR HEARTS' CONTENT.

AT A COST OF \$260 TO THE "KITTY", A MENU WAS PROVIDED THAT WOULD MAKE OUR STATESIDE NEIGHBORS GREEN WITH ENVY. THE PIECE OF RESISTANCE WAS 275 POUNDS OF CHOICE BEEF, BARBECUED TO KING'S TASTE, FLANKED BY 75 POUNDS OF TASTY POTATO SALAD, GALLONS OF PICKLES, OLIVES ETC. FOR THOSE WHO BROUGHT ALONG A THIRST (AND WHO DIDN'T!!!) TEN CASES OF BEER AND FIFTEEN CASES OF SOFT DRINKS WERE ON HAND. LOTS OF FOLKS MADE THE PICNIC AN ALL-DAY EVENT, WHILE OTHERS DROPPED IN TO DINNER.

PREPARATIONS FOR THE BIG DAY GOT UNDER WAY ON FRIDAY NIGHT, WHEN THE CHEFS GOT BUSY WITH THE BARBECUE. S. H. KENDALL, GENE BERTO AND JIMMY HAINES REPRESENTING COMMUNICATIONS AND ELMO E. CONE, CMO, HAD THE ALL-IMPORTANT TASK OF SITTING UP ALL NIGHT WITH HALF-A-STEER, TENDERLY SWAGGING ITS SUCCULENT SIDES WITH A BARBECUE SAUCE PAR EXCELLENCE. (N. B. DON'T SYMPATHIZE TOO MUCH WITH THESE GENTLEMEN FOR THEIR ALL-NIGHT VIGIL. THEY HAD A DARNED GOOD TIME, AND KENDALL WAS OVERHEARD TO REMARK THAT SO FAR AS HE WAS CONCERNED, THE BARBECUE WAS OVER AT 9 A. M. SATURDAY!)

THE GREAT DAY WAS BLESSED WITH THE BEST WEATHER THIS SIDE OF SUNNY CALIFORNIA. THE MERCURY ROSE TO 71° AND QUITE A FEW SUNBURNED NOSES WERE COUNTED AT THE END OF THE DAY. FESTIVITIES COMMENCED AT 9 A. M. AND THE LAST DIE-HARDS STRAGGLED HOME AT MIDNIGHT.

HIGHLIGHT OF THE DAY WAS THE SOFTBALL GAME - THE COCKEYED COMMUNICATORS VS. THE PERRY MAINTENANCE MEN. THE HOTLY CONTESTED BATTLE RESULTED IN A 48 - 20 VICTORY FOR THE COMMUNICATORS. THE VICTORS WERE A LITTLE DUBIOUS AS TO "WHAT PRICE GLORY" CAME THE FOLLOWING DAY, INASMUCH AS SEVERAL CHARLEY HORSES WERE APPARENT AMONG THEIR NUMBERS AND THE M. M. M. SHOWED UP BRIGHT AND CHEERY.

AFTER KNOCKING THEMSELVES OUT IN AN EFFORT TO MAKE THE MOST OF THE REFRESHMENTS AND SPORTS OFFERED, ALL MINDS WERE ONLY TOO GLAD TO GATHER AROUND THE HUGE BONFIRE AS THE EVENING WORE ON AND LISTEN TO THE MUSIC PROVIDED BY A TRIO COMPOSED OF INSPECTOR A. V. CARROLL, ACCORDION, AC A. E. MOORHEAD JR., SAXOPHONE, AND SAC KENDALL, GUITAR (WHEN THE LATTER WASN'T TOO BUSY SALVAGING EMPTY BEER AND POP BOTTLES).

THE OUTING WAS DECLARED A ROARING SUCCESS BY ALL WHO ATTENDED AND IT LOOKS FROM HERE THOUGH THIS MIGHT BE THE FIRST OF A SERIES OF SUCH CELEBRATIONS.

FROM UP NOME WAY - AS IT WAS SO DEFTLY PUT IN A RECENT ARTICLE NOTED IN THE MUKLUK. FOR THOSE LESS INTERESTED IN THE PASTORAL PROSPECTS TO BE FOUND IN NOME WE QUOTE A SMALL PORTION OF AN ARTICLE IN MUKLUK, VOL. 2, NUM. 5, MAY 1944, PAGE 6 (HANGAR RAVINGS) (BLAME MANOP) QOT WONDER IF THOSE COUNTRY GENTLEMAN AND FARM AND GARDEN MAGAZINES ENHANCED THE PASTORAL LIVING UP NOME WAY. UQOT.

IT IS SUGGESTED THAT THE PASTORAL LIVING OF NOME BE GIVEN MORE CONSIDERATION AND AS EVIDENCE THEREFOR WE OFFER EXHIBIT "A" - I. E. "THE ONLY (BEDRAGGLED?) CARROT SPROUTING (HALF-HEARTEDLY?) WITH NO ARTIFICIAL FLAVORING, COLORING OR FERTILIZATION OTHER THAN A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF IRRIGATION APPLIED CONSTANTLY. LOCATION: YOU ARE REFERRED TO QUARTERS #7, CURRENTLY OCCUPIED BY SOME OF OUR MORE OPTIMISTIC (LESS SEASONED) OPERATORS.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS OUTBURST IN DEFENSE OF THE HERBIVOROUS POTENTIALITIES TO BE FOUND IN THIS LOCALITY IS TO DEMONSTRATE THAT LIFE CAN (RPT) CAN EXIST HERE, REGARDLESS OF THE PRECONCEPTION THAT SOME OF OUR ME-STRIKEN VISITORS MAY BRING WITH THEM. ALSO, IT GIVES US AN EXCUSE TO BREAK INTO PRINT BY OFFERING SOMETHING TO WRITE ABOUT.

ALL KIDDING ASIDE, YOU FOLKS WOULD BE SURPRISED AT THE AMOUNT OF LIFE THAT HAS RECENTLY COME TO LIGHT IN THIS DARK WORLD OF OURS - AND NO CRACKS ABOUT THIS BEING SUMMER AND NATURALLY WE GET MORE LIGHT FROM THE SUN.

YUP! WE'VE TURNED OVER A NEW LEAF. FROM NOW ON THE CAA AT NOME IS GONNA BE THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR THE FROZEN WASTES OF THE NORTH COUNTRY.

OKAY, GO AHEAD AND LAUGH - S'ALL RIGHT WITH US. I'LL BET WE'RE THE ONLY STATION - IN THE EIGHTH REGION WHICH HAS ENOUGH LIFE IN ENOUGH OF ITS PERSONNEL TO GO TO ALL THE TROUBLE TO THROW DANCES EVERY TWO OR THREE WEEKS -- JUST FOR THE RELAXATION AND STUFF. OF COURSE, THIS TIME OF YEAR WE DON'T GET MUCH STUFF, WHAT WITH THE FIRST DIRT OF THE SEASON YET TO COME, BUT THEN THERE ARE WAYS OF COMPENSATING FOR LACK OF THE ARTIFICIAL SPARKLE.

AS FOR OUR NEGLIGENCE IN MUKTEL CONTRIBUTIONS, WE HAVE A PRETTY LEGITIMATE EXCUSE. SINCE WE MOVED INTO OUR NEW CONTROL BUILDING WE'VE BEEN SORTA BUSY WHAT WITH THE JOB OF RELEARNING OUR JOB AND GETTING USED TO THE IDEA OF A MESS HALL AND KEEPING UP WITH OUR STUDYING AND WITH THE OLD PERSONNEL MOVING OUT AND NEW ONES COMING IN SO FAST WE HARDLY HAVE A CHANCE TO GET ACQUAINTED BEFORE THINGS GET CHANGED AROUND AGAIN. BUT NOW, IT'S BEGINNING TO SETTLE DOWN JUST A LITTLE BIT, SO NATURALLY WE RECALL THAT THERE IS SUCH A THING AS THE OL' MUKLUK AND THAT AFTER ALL WE GOTTA DO OUR SHARE (SUCH AS IT IS).

AND SPEAKING OF NEW PERSONNEL, THIS WOULD

DUTCH HANSON, FROM DUTCH HARBOR, HAS BEEN SPENDING A FEW DAYS IN ANCHORAGE VISITING HIS FAMILY. HE WILL RETURN BY PLANE.

THE ALDRIDGES HAVE DEPARTED FOR THE OUTSIDE ON AN EXTENDED BUSINESS TRIP AND A VACATION. THEY WILL STOP IN CHICAGO ON THE WAY BACK.

MRS. LLOYD SUGDORF HAS LEFT US PERMANENTLY. FROM NOW ON SHE CAN BE FOUND AT HOME. ADIOS, TEDDY!

BLITZ DANES HAS RETURNED HOME AFTER A PROLONGED VISIT.

CARL ANDERSON ARRIVED FROM MASSACHUSETTS. GREETINGS, CARL. THAT NEW ENGLAND ACCENT SOUNDS PRETTY GOOD.

CONGRATULATIONS ARE EXTENDED FROM "59" TO BESSIE BENTON FOR THE SWEET JOB SHE DID IN "AS YOU WERE". ORCHIDS OF THE WEEK GO TO JOAN ANDERSON FOR EFFORTS IN PRODUCING COSTUMES USED IN THE PRODUCTION.

GREETINGS AND HALLUCINATIONS TO HELEN LEPPANEN, WHO HAS COME TO 99 FROM WASHINGTON, D. C. WELCOME, HELEN, WELCOME.

SEEM TO BE ABOUT THE RIGHT SPOT TO MAKE THE INTRODUCTIONS. YOU ALL KNOW HELLIE-THE- - - MR. WINEBRENNER, THE CAC, AND BOB SCHMIDT, ACAC (RIGHT NOW ON EMERGENCY LEAVE) AND CARL MURINEN - AFTER ALL, THEY'VE BEEN HERE AND AROUND HERE FOR A LONG TIME. AND MOST OF YOU RECALL ED MOZESKI, THE REFUGEE FROM LA GUARDIA, AND LILA JONES AND BILL (SINNY THE SALMON) CHANDLER. BUT NOW WE HAVE THE SHAW, GRACE AND JIMMY, AND THE MOYS, VIVIAN AND MARSHALL, AND THE POTORSKY, ROMAYNE AND NORMAN. ALL FROM THE SEATTLE TRAINING SCHOOL AND JUST NEW ENOUGH NOT TO HAVE GIVEN CAUSE TO BE NICK-NAMED. HOWEVER, THE SHAW'S WERE DOWN TO HQ FOR A WHILE AND THE POTORSKY'S AT HQ. IT WAS QUITE A REUNION THEY ALL HAD HERE.

COURSE, THAT'S JUST THE OPERATING CREW. FRED YENNEY IS HEADING THE MAINTENANCE GANG (NATURALLY, BEING RES), CHARLIE PETERSON, CRE, AND MILTON SING, ALEC STURROCK AT THE TRANSMITTERS. FRED GLOVER TOOK OVER GLENN SMITH'S JOB WHEN THE LATTER GOT TOO TO ANCHORAGE, AND FINALLY AND JUST ABOUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, MR. AND MRS. ENBURY OFFICIATING AT THE COOK STOVE. MIGHTY FINE BUSINESS, TOO.

YOU KNOW, IT'S KINDA FUNNY ABOUT THIS HERE "WIT BUSINESS". WHEN A FELLA FIRST STARTS WRITING AND IS REAL FRESH, SEEMS LIKE US HOW ALMOST EVERYTHING HE SAYS - IS A REGULAR FRENZY OF WIT - BUT SOMHOW LONG TOWARDS THE END THERE SEEMS TO BE SOMETHING LACKING - CAN'T EXACTLY PUT THE FINGER ON IT - JUST A KIND OF A LACK OF THE OL' ZING. AFTER DEEP COGITATION THAT ALMOST SUGGESTS SOMETHING - IT COULD BE THAT MAYBE IT'S TIME TO QUIT. S'POSE MAYBE THAT'S RIGHT? OKAY - NUFF SED. CUL AND 73'S.

THE BLOWARD OF SHARK TOOTH SHOAL

DEAR MUKLUK:

WAS SURE PLEASD TO SEE MY HOLE LETTER RUN IN YOUR PAPER, APRIL COPY. IT LOOKED SO GOOD, AT AT FIRST YOU SLICKED IT UP SOM AS I ASKT YOU TO, BUT MABBY YOU FIGGERED IT WAS GOOD ENOUF TO PRINT AS IT WAS. FACT IS, AL FRAZIER DONT THINK I WRIT IT SO OF YOU GOT ROOM WILL YOU PRINT MY NAME. WICH SAME IS: MR SLIM CREEK SM.

WELL THEY AINT MUCH NEWS. LON BRENNAN FLEW IN CARRYIN A LODE OF HIRAM WALKERS. INSIDE IS HIS PLANE OF COURSE. VIC LEFT US, BUT LT. DAVE GARDNER KIN CUT HAIR AND HAS LECTRIC CLIPPERS BESIDES. PAT COLE LEFT FOR THEY LIVVHIRE STN KG; MAX EARLY IS AT JW SO WERE LOOKIN FER SOMEONE TO PLAY THE ORGAN SUNDAYS. MR AND MRS ERNEST CARLSON AND TWO CHILDREN HAS TOOK THE PLACE OF FRED AND MILLIC AND THE BUG, WHO WENT TO LMS FER HEALTH AND MUSHRATTIN. JUDSON'S GARDEN IS SPROUTIN RITE ALONG SPITE OF THE LATE START AND JIM HANSAS WHEEL DOG BABY IS EXPECTIN. OH YES AND OLE OLSON JUST DROPPED BY TO WORK ON THE DIESELS.

AN THATS ALL EXCEP THE ICE BROK UP A FEW DAYS AGO THE QUIETEST WE SEEN IN YEARS. WAS SOME PUT OUT AT THIS AS I BIN TELLIN THESE CHEECHUCKERS WHAT A COMOTION WENT ON DURIN BREAKUP. SPREAD IT ON PRETTY THICK TOO, MAKIN OUT LIKE IT WAS A MIXTURE OF ADOK WILLI-WAW AND LONG BEACH EARTHQUACK WITH A ARKINSAW TWISTER THROWN IN FER SOUND. ANHOW IT SHOVED A FEW CHUNKS OF ICE ONTO THE BANKS AND IT RIZ A FEW FEET AND LOOK WHAT IT DONE TO GALENA, I TELLS EM.

BUT THESE FOXES IS BEGININ TO LOOK A-SKANST AT MY YARNS LIKE THAT ONE NOW WHERE I JUST SAVED FROM WULVES WHEN NORTIN LIGHTS COME CLEAN TO THE GROUND AND SCARED OFF THE CRITTERS OR THE ONE NOW ABOUT THE PILIT FISH WHICH RIDES THE FIRST STEAMBOTES DOWN PAST THE BARS OF THE TANANA. TED PRICE CLAIMS HE HEARD THE SAME THING BACK WHEN HE WAS IN THE NAVY ONLY THAT WAS AT BALBOA. SO I GESS THEYS NOTHIN HERE FER ME ANIMORE.

FACT IS I BIN THINKIN OF PUTTIN IN FER A TRASSFER EF I KIN GO TO SUM PLACE YOU KIN RITE SOMES ABOUT. ALL THE OTHER PLACES BIN SENDIN IN POIMS BUT I CANT FIND A WORD THAT RYMES WITH "TANANA". NOW TAKE A PLACE LIKE HOME OR KETCHIKAN THEYS EASY TO RYME. AND ANWIONE CAN THINK UP RYMES LIKE POTLATCH PETE FROM UNALASKET OR KOTZEBUE SUE OR ETHEL FROM BETHEL, OR MABBY THE MULATTO FROM NULATO. AND SUCH. BIN WORKIN ON A LONG POIM OF SERIOUS NATURE, CALLED "SMELL OF THE YUKON", ONLY DOC LANGSTROM TELLS ME ITS BIN DONE BY ANOTHER POIT CALLED ROBERT W. NERVICE. (THINK HIS NAME WAS ROBERT.)

WELL, ANYONE THAT CAN USE A ACCOM WHAT HAS A BUM FIST, A GOLDPAN AND A SORDOUW BATCH A-GOIN, LET ME NO. KIN TAN MUSHRATS TOO AND I GOT A FINE LEAD DOG, BOZO, THREE PARTS WULF,

GOOD NEWS TO US IS THE EXPECTED ADDITION OF NEW PERSONNEL. RIEDEL OF ZHQ AND ZIMMER OF ZFX ARE EXPECTED TO ADD THEIR NAMES TO THE CENTER ROSTER BEFORE LONG. TO DAMPEN OUR JOY, THOUGH, IS THE REALIZATION THAT WE'LL BE LOSING HUMPHRIES TO CHQ. WE HOPE THE LOSS IS TEMPORARY.

THEY SAY A NEW BROOM SWEEPS CLEAN - SO THE RECENT CENTER CHANGES ARE PROBABLY DUE IN NO SMALL PART TO OUR NEW CHIEF, BILL BOWEN. THE BOYS SAY BILL IS REALLY AN EAGER BEAVER. BUT IT LOOKS LIKE BIG CITY METHODS CAN WORK IN ALASKA.

A BIG SMILE ON PARKS' FACE HAS BEEN APPARENT SINCE DEFINITE NEWS OF HIS TRANSFER HAS COME THRU. WASHINGTON SAYS HE'LL GO TO THE SEATTLE CENTER. IT'S EXPECTED THAT THE FAIRBANKS FEMALE POPULATION WILL WEAR MOURNING WHEN HE DEPARTS.

ONE OF THE CENTER BOYS RECENTLY STOPPED OFF A COUPLE OF DAYS IN ANCHORAGE, FAMILIARIZING HIMSELF WITH THE RO, WHILE ENROUTE TO CHQ. WITH THE COOPERATION OF THE RO, THE CENTER HOPES IT'LL SOON BE ABLE TO RE-EVALUATE SERVICE FLAG IN ITS WINDOW.

IN A RECENT LETTER FROM RODGERS, EX-ZFX STALWART, HE WROTE THAT HE EXPECTED TO BE MARRIED THE FIRST OF JUNE. THIS SHOULD RENEW THE HOPES OF THE STAGNANT BACHELORS THROUGHOUT THE REGION.

THE FAIRBANKS TOWER IS CONTINUING ITS HIGH STANDARD OF PERFORMANCE. DESPITE EARLY MISGIVINGS, IT'S REMOVED THAT WEST, EX-COMMUNICATOR, IS A DEFINITE ASSET TO THE TOWER. SOME NEW BLOOD IS EXPECTED IN FROM THE STATES SOON TOO.

THERE HAVE BEEN SOME SIZZLING SINGLES AND DOUBLES MATCHES ON THE LOCAL TENNIS COURTS RECENTLY INVOLVING MEN FROM ATC. THEY SAY "CANNON BALL" VOESTE IS REALLY A ROUGH OPPONENT.

FAIRBANKS WAS RECENTLY HONORED BY A VISIT FROM INSPECTOR LLOYD SUSDOORF OF THE RO - AND IT'S BEEN ONLY A FEW WEEKS. SINCE PETE WAS OFF, FX MUST BE ASSUMING NEW IMPORTANCE IN THE EYES OF THE BIG BOYS.

THE OTHER PART SNOWSHOD RABBETT. MAKES HIM GUD FER BREAKIN TRAIL.

AND MEANTIME WE HOP YOU KIN GIT IN WITH ANOTHER LODE OF GRUB AS OURN IS ALL ET UP BUT THE BLACKBERRIES, WICH JUD SEZ THEY AINT ENOUF SUGAR IN ALASKER TO SWEETEN, NO-WAYS. JIM TED AND AL HAS WENT IN TOGEDDER ON A-FISH WHEEL AND IS KETCHIN LOGS FER THE RAFT, SMITTY AND JUNIOR HELPIN, SO WERE GONNA HAVE PLENTY FISH TILL YOU GIT HERE.

YR TANANA CORRESPONDENT

BY A COMBINATION OF UNFORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCES WE FIND OURSELVES COMPELLED TO SHOVEL FORTH A DECENT SUPPLY OF WORDS AND COMMENTS FROM WHICH THE EDITORS MIGHT CHOOSE AN APPROPRIATE PORTION FOR THIS ISSUE. THE UNFORTUNATE CIRCUMSTANCES INVOLVE A MORTIFYING FEELING OF CHAGRIN THAT THE MUKLUK IMPROVED WITH OUR ABSENCE (WE REFER TO THE HISTORY OF COMMUNICATIONS THAT NOT ONLY ROLLED THE COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH CRYSTAL BALL INTO A CORNER, BUT OPENED THE EXCLUSIVE PAGES OF OUR PERIODICAL TO A RETURN SHOT FROM WASHINGTON), AND THE FACT THAT THE MAY ISSUE WOUND UP WITH PAGE TEN AS BLANK AS OUR MIND GENERALLY IS WHEN WE SIT DOWN TO WRITE THIS STUFF. SO, TO PUT THE CRYSTAL BALL BACK ON THE TABLE BEFORE THE BRANCH GETS COMPLETELY OFF THE BEAM, AND TO PUT SOME PRINTER'S INK ON PAGE TEN, WE SAUNTER TO OUR GARDEN.

IT TAKES MORE TIME THAN YOU WOULD THINK, TO GROW A CROP FROM SEEDS.

BUT WHAT WE HARVEST HERE EACH MONTH, WE HOPE IT FITS YOUR NEEDS.

SUMMER HAS COME, WINTER HAS WENT. THE ONIONS ARE UP AND WE'RE STRONG WITH SCENT.

TO FILL PAGE TEN WE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING.

WE'RE IN THE HUD AND THE PIGS ARE WALLOWING.

PRIME SCANDAL THIS MONTH IS BRANCH EIGHTY POKER MANNERS. (PLEASE APPRECIATE IT; IT TOOK US A LONG TIME AND A LOT OF MONEY TO COLLECT IT.)

CHIEF OF WAR MEASURES, HERB BRIDGES, THINKING WE ARE STILL FIGHTING THE CIVIL WAR, TRIES TO RING IN FAMILY-HEADLUM CONFEDERATE MONEY ON A RAISE, AND THEN SHOUTS "TAINT RIGHT", (OR MAYBE IT'S "STATES' RIGHTS") WHEN THE BOYS INSIST ON DISCOUNTING IT.

WHEN INSPECTOR JIM HAINES (DIXIE'S BOY) LOOKS AT HIS HOLE CARD JUST TWICE, YOU KNOW HE IS LAYING FOR A KILLING. WHEN HE LOOKS AT IT JUST ONCE, YOU ARE DEAD. IF HE DOESN'T LOOK AT IT AT ALL, YOU ARE BURIED.

CHIEF OF TRAINING, BILL CRUSE, HAS LEARNED HIS TRAINING WELL.

HE DEALT HIMSELF A ROYAL FLUSH AND SO HE TRIPPED AND FELL.

HE JINGLES DOLLARS, DIMES AND QUARTERS; THE NOISE OF JOINING BATTLE.

HE'S COMING BACK, WE SWEAR HE WILL, WITH MORE OF SAME FROM SEATTLE.

INSPECTOR ELMO CONE HAS THE PERFECT CONE OF SILENCE. HE BUILDS IT ALL BY HIMSELF IN FRONT OF HIS CHAIR, AND IT'S WHITE AND RED AND BLUE.

CHIEF OF BRANCH AL HULEN'S FIRST MOVE IS TO TAKE OFF HIS HAT AND COAT AND ROLL UP HIS SLEEVES. HIS SECOND MOVE IS TO GLARE INTO THE COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH CRYSTAL BALL, WHICH HE FILCHES FROM THE OFFICE FOR THE PURPOSE, AND THEN PROCEED TO DEAL SUCH PIE-EYED POKER AS, (1) SELECTIVE STUO WITH THE DEUCES WILD TO THE MAN HOLDING THE ONE-EYED KING, (2) SHOTGUN, AND (3) CINCINNATI LIZ. UNDER THOSE CIRCUM-

STANCES OUR FIRST MOVE IS TO PUT ON OUR HAT AND COAT, AND OUR SECOND MOVE IS TO GET THE HELL OUT OF THERE.

THIS MONTH'S HEART-RENDING SOB WE DEDICATE TO ALL TRAVELING PERSONNEL WHO, IN THE COURSE OF TIME AND THEIR HECTIC JAUNTS, ARE NEVER ABLE TO RECLAIM FROM ANY ONE LAUNDRY ENOUGH APPAREL DISTINGUISHABLE FROM THAT OF A BEACH-COMBER'S, OR JUST ENOUGH APPAREL. IN BRIEF BALLAD WE HOPE THE FOLLOWING COVERS THE REFERENCED SUBJECT:

A TIE IN KOTZEBUE, SOME SHORTS IN KETCHIKAN. SURVIVAL OF THE FITTEST. I'M THE FORGOTTEN MAN,

LITTLE ITEMS FROM HERE AND THERE -

ITEMS FROM HERE -

WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN THE REGIONAL OFFICE BRANCH AND UNIT CHIEF FRATERNITY AND THEIR ASSISTANTS WILL BE ABLE TO AFFORD SMOKING A BETTER BRAND OF MUSTARD GAS THAN THEY ARE NOW SMOKING. WE ARE FRESH OUT OF POLTICE AND PRACTICALLY COMATOSE.

WE HAD THE HONOR RECENTLY OF BURNING CERTAIN PAPERS IN THE FEDERAL BUILDING INCINERATOR. SOME OF THEM BORE DISCARDED NOTES FROM A COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH CONFERENCE. DURING THE BURNING THERE OCCURRED A MOST VIOLENT COMBUSTION. ONE OF THE CHIEF'S STORIES, NO DOUBT, THAT GOT MIXED UP IN A DISCUSSION OF RADIO FREQUENCIES, RECLASSIFICATION AND RELAXATION.

ITEMS FROM THERE -

A CHIEF AIRCRAFT COMMUNICATOR FROM THE HINTERLAND TELLS US HE IS BREAKING IN A NEW PAIR OF SHOES. HE SAYS HE REALIZES NOW HOW A NEW TRAINEE COMMUNICATOR FEELS.

ANOTHER CHIEF SUBMITS AN ANNUAL REQUISITION TO THE REGIONAL DEPOT ON WHICH WAS INCLUDED THE ITEM: TUBE OF LIQUID CEMENT. IN EXPLANATION, HE ATTACHED THIS NOTE: "I HAVE A COMMUNICATOR HERE WHO CAN'T CONTROL HIS DOTS. I WANT TO TRY LIQUID CEMENT ON HIS SPEED KEY. I REALLY WANT TO TRY IT ON HIM. BUT I'LL TRY IT ON HIS SPEED KEY."

THEN THERE ARE OTHER THINGS WE WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU THAT TIME AND SPACE AND THE EDITORS WOULD NOT PERMIT. SUCH GOINGS-ON AS THE BIRTHDAY PARTY HELD IN ROOM 29 FOR A COUPLE OF BRANCH EIGHTY CHICKADEES. AND NOW (AFTER THE REGULAR SESSION) ONE OF OUR MOST ESTEEMED GENTLEMEN ALMOST GOT BEATEN BY A SPROUT FOR ROLLING A HIGH SCORE ON GUESSING HER AGE. AND THEN THE INCIDENT OF THE PALM READING IN ROOM 63, WHEN ONE OF THE GALS READ THE PALM OF A SUPPOSEDLY RESPECTABLY-MARRIED ASSISTANT TO A UNIT CHIEF, AND CAME TO FIND OUT HIS MARRIAGE LINE IS NON-EXISTENT. AND THINGS LIKE THAT THERE. WELL, NEVER A DULL MOMENT AROUND HERE. (NEXT MONTH - THE FURNACE ROOM.)

VERY TRULY YOURS.