

# Mukluk Telegraph

November  
Volume 2  
No. 10

## HOPPIN AND PLETT IN WASHINGTON

THE REGIONAL MANAGER AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF AIRWAYS, MESSRS. M. C. HOPPIN AND W. F. PLETT RESPECTIVELY, HAVE BEEN CALLED TO WASHINGTON ON BUSINESS BUT ARE EXPECTED TO BE BACK IN ALASKA IN A SHORT TIME.

MR. HOPPIN AND MR. PLETT ARE CONFERRING WITH MR. T. P. WRIGHT, RECENTLY APPOINTED ADMINISTRATOR OF CIVIL AERONAUTICS, ON THE PROBLEMS OF THE EIGHTH REGION.

## NEWS ITEMS FROM SECTION 55

VERY MUCH MISSED BY SECTION 55, AS WELL AS ALL OF CAA, IS MR. HOWELL, WHO HAS TRANSFERRED TO THE FIRST REGION (NEW YORK CITY). TO SHOW HIM JUST HOW HIGHLY HE IS RATED, 42 CAA'ERS SAID GOODBYE TO HIM AT A DINNER PARTY HELD AT THE IDEAL HOUR COUNTRY CLUB ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, AT WHICH TIME THEY PRESENTED HIM WITH A GOLD NUGGET WATCH CHAIN WHICH WE HOPE WILL ALWAYS BE A REMINDER OF HIS FOUR YEARS SPENT WITH CAA IN ALASKA.

MR. BROADWELL IS NOW OUR ACTING CHIEF.

THE CHIEF'S OFFICE WAS REALLY DESERTED WHEN MARY HOWELL RESIGNED ON OCTOBER 31. SHE HAD BEEN MR. HOWELL'S SECRETARY FOR THE PAST YEAR. SHE WILL MAKE HER HOME IN THE STATES SHORTLY. PILLY RYAN, MARY'S TWIN AND DAVE DISHEW'S "BEST" FRIEND, WILL ALSO LEAVE SHORTLY FOR THE STATES.

AS SOON AS THE MEDICAL AUTHORITIES DECIDE TO LIFT THE DIPHTHERIA QUARANTINE NOW IN EFFECT AT NOME, GEORGE KARABELNIKOFF WILL RETURN TO HEADQUARTERS TO TAKE UP THE DUTIES OF ASSISTANT CHIEF.

ANY GIRLS DESIRING TO MEET THE "RIGHT" MAN FOR THE "RIGHT" OCCASION, MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS AT THE CANNERS - SETCHFIELD DATE BUREAU LOCATED IN ROOM 231. FOR REFERENCES SEE MARY MADDER.

## NOTICE

DUE TO THE FACT THAT WE WERE UNABLE TO PUBLISH THE MUKLUK TELEGRAPH DURING THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, SEVERAL OF THE ARTICLES IN THIS ISSUE ARE OVER A MONTH OLD. IN SOME CASES, THE DATE OF THE ITEM IS INDICATED.

WHETHER OR NOT WE CONTINUE THE MUKLUK DEPENDS MAINLY ON THE NUMBER OF STATIONS AND OFFICES THAT CONTRIBUTE NEWS ITEMS.

## "PRE-HOLIDAY FROLIC"

PLACE: COMMUNITY HALL  
DATE: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 1944  
TIME: 8:00 P. M. TO 1:00 A. M.  
ADMISSION: \$2.50 PER PERSON

DANCING TO THE MUSIC OF CHUCK SOFAR AND HIS "YANK DOWNBEATS"

SEMI-FORMAL

AT LAST THE DETAILS OF THE PARTY FOR WHICH YOU HAVE ALL BEEN CLAMORING HAVE BEEN WORKED OUT.

WE WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE FAVORABLE INTEREST YOU HAVE SHOWN IN OUR "CAA-LUP" POLL ON THE COMING PARTY. THERE WERE MANY QUESTIONS THAT WE WILL TRY TO ANSWER AND A NUMBER OF GOOD SUGGESTIONS, MANY OF WHICH WE HAVE TRIED TO CARRY OUT.

ONE OF THE MOST POPULAR QUESTIONS WAS "WHY NOT BE ALLOWED TO BRING OUR BEST BEAU OR GIRL FRIEND?" SINCE WE HAVE SECURED THE COMMUNITY HALL FOR THE OCCASION (WHICH WAS NO EASY TASK IN ITSELF) THERE WILL BE PLENTY OF ROOM FOR ALL, AND PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED FOR YOU TO BRING YOUR ONE AND ONLY. (ONLY ONE TO A CUSTMER.)

IF YOU DON'T HAVE A SPECIAL "HEART-THROB" ON HAND, YOU CAN CALL CARL ON EXTENSION 100, EILEEN, EXTENSION 85, OR SUE, EXTENSION 70. THESE GIRLS ARE NOW OPERATING A HIGHLY SPECIALIZED "DATE BUREAU" AND THEY GUARANTEE TO FURNISH YOU WITH AN ESCORT OF THE REQUIRED SEX WITH JUST THE QUALIFICATIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS YOU NEED. IF YOU WANT A TALL, DARK AND HANDSOME MAN WHO DANCES LIKE CESAR ROMERO, JUST LET THEM KNOW AND THEY WILL LEAVE HIM ON YOUR DORSTEP THE EVENING OF THE PARTY. OR IF IT IS A "SWEET-TOOTH THING", WE HAVE NOTICED QUITE A FEW AROUND THE CAA AND WE WILL SET OUR LAST DOLLAR THAT THEY CAN DANCE LIKE DREAMS. THE PURPOSE OF THE WHOLE THING IS TO HAVE EVERYONE ATTEND AND HAVE A WONDERFUL TIME. DON'T FORGET THE NUMBERS - 100, 85 AND 70.

SINCE THE PARTY IS SEMI-FORMAL, EITHER LONG OR SHORT DRESSES AND TROUSERS WILL BE WORN. THE TREND BEING LONG DRESSES TO GIVE THAT "DRESSED-UP-HOLIDAY" FEELING, AND SHORT DRESSES WILL BE THE VOGUE FOR THOSE WHO FEEL HAPPIER THAT WAY.

SEVERAL OTHERS WANTED TO KNOW "WHY CAN'T WE HAVE A PARTY ON SATURDAY NIGHT FOR A CHANGE?" EVERYONE SEEMS TO BE OF THE SAME OPINION - (CONTINUED ON PAGE 3)

PUBLISHER .....	M. C. HOPPIN
MANAGER AND NEGROBY .....	JACK T. JEFFORD
EDITOR .....	DOROTHY REVELL
ART EDITOR .....	VIVIAN CHEVILLION
SPORTS EDITOR .....	ALLAN E. HORNING
PRINTER'S DEVIL .....	JAMES L. HURST
NIGHT EDITOR .....	LAURENCE P. ROGERS
CORRESPONDENTS .....	ALL CAA PERSONNEL
CENSORS .....	THOSE MEN

# WHO SAYS THERE AINT NO SANTA CLAUS

WE KNOW BETTER 'CAUSE WE OVERHEARD JACK JEFFORD AND BILL HANSON TELLING KING CHRIS THAT HE WAS DEW TO DEW A LITTLE FLYIN' LONG ABOUT DECEMBER 20TH TO 25TH. AND NOT ONLY WOOD HE DEW SOME FLYIN', BUT WHILE CRUISING 'ROUND THE TERRITORY, HE WOOD BE STUFFED SO FULL OF TURKEYS, CRANBERRIES, NUTS, CANDY, N'OTHER GOODIES, FUR TO MAKE CHRISTMAS A MERRY 'N JOYOUS OCCASION, THAT HIS SIDES WOULD BE ABULGIN. AND JEST IN CASE KING CHRIS CANT CARRY ALL THE STUFF AND SUCH (WE KNOW DERN WELL HE CANT) JIM HURST AND BARNEY COWLES ARE WARMIN UP THE BOEING, FUZZ ROGERS WILL DROP DOWN ON SOME OF THE SMALL OUT OF THE WAY PLACES IN NC 5 AND WE MIGHT SEND AL HORN-ING OUT IN ONE OF THEM FINE BEECHCRAFTS. AND EVERY ONE OF THESE LIKELY LOOKIN' FELLERS 'LL BE JEST TICKLED PINK IF HE KIN LOAD HIS FLYIN SLEIGH FUMBO FULL OF CHRISTMAS SPECIALITIES AND MAKE A FEW SPECIAL DELIVERIES JEST AFORE THE BIG HOLIDAY. YUH NO DECEMBER THE 25TH REALLY IS A HOLIDAY, THE ONE AND ONLY HONEST TO GOSH HOLIDAY IN THIS HOLE YEAR 1944 FOR US POOR GOVERNMENT DOPES, SO LESS ENJOY IT THE BEST WAY WE NO HOW. OF COARSE YUH NO THIS 'ERE 'CAA SANDY CLAWS HAS A LOT OF TERRITORY TO COVER AND HE KINDA WANTS TOO GET HOME FROM HIS SPECIAL DELIVERIES IN TIME TO SPEND A LITTLE TIME WITH HIS FAMBLY AND SUCH SO IN CASE HE GITS TO YOUR PLACE A DAY OR TWO OR THREE BEFORE CHRISTMAS, HE'D BE TOO PERTURBED. ANYHOW FOLKS, IF YUH DEW DECIDE YUH WANTS SOME VIT-LES FOR YOUR BIG DINNER, WHY DON'T THE R.A.S. AND THE C.A.C. IN ALL THE REST OF THE ALPHABET GET TOGETHER IN SORT OF FIGUR OUT JEST ABOUT HOW MANY TURKEYS 'N HOW MUCH OF ALL THESE OTHER FLYING YOUN'S WANT. WE HOPES TO HAVE TURKEYS, CHICKENS, BEEF, PORK, VEAL AND MUTTON FOR THE MAIN COURSE 'N THEN SORT OF FILL IN WITH CRANBERRIES, NUTS, FRUIT, VEGETABLES 'N MESSEB EVEN A LITTLE CANDY OR PEANUTS FOR THE KIDS: SO WE'RE SUGGESTIN THAT YOU GET BIZZY AND DEW THIS SO US COMMISSARY DOPES KIN GET BIZZY 'N TRY YUH FIND SUN OF THESE ERE THINGS. JEST WIRE OR WRITE YUH HOLE NEEDS AND SEE THAT SECTION 89A HEARS ABOUT IT 'N WE'LL DEW OUR DERNEDDEST TO GIT TOGETHER THE BEST COLLECTION OF APPETIZING EDIBLES YOU EVER SEED. NO DOUBT THE HAPPY ACTION JACKSON TRACTION LINE CREW WILL BE BIZZY LITTLE BEEVERS TWO A TRYIN TO STOP ALL THESE FOODSTUFFS ABOARD AFORE THEY FREEZE SOLID. ROBERT D. JACKSON, 'N HIS RIGHT HAND MAN FLOYD LASHBROOK, THE SWEET VOICE THAT ANSWERS THEIR FONE POSSESSED BY ARTHUR E. EVANS

AND THE HUSKY CREW CONSISTIN OF ART POLLARD AND ANDY MUTH WILL ALL BE AWORKIN THE WEEK BEFORE CHRISTMAS. 'N THE COMMISSARY CREW DON'T MIND PUTTIN IN OVERTIME FREE, 'GRATIS ANYMORE THAN FLIGHT OPERATIONS PERSONNEL WHEN THEY KNOW ITS FUR A GOOD CAUSE. I GUESS I'LLM FURGOT TO TELL YEZ THAT OUR COMMISSARY WAREHOUSE 'NANG CONSISTIN OF RICHARD (TINY) LOB-DELL, BENJAMIN (EX-COMMISSIONER) MAYFIELD, PETE (SITKA FLASH) MELAND, JIM (DELIVERY BOY) FOGGAS, JIM (MAC) MACDOWELL AND LAST BUT NOT LEAST OUR NEW BUTCHER A.J. BAKER HAVE ALL VOLUNTURED TO WORK ALL NITE IF NECESSARY TO SEE THAT YOU FOLKS GITS A SQUARE CHRISTMAS DINNER; YOU KNOW, ONE OF THOSE 'SQUARE' MEALS THAT SORTA ROUNDS YOU OUT. 'N THE GALS IN THE OFFICE DON'T NEVER FURGIT ABOUT YEZ EITHER CUZ THEY MAKE UP YOUR INVOICES N SUCH. MRS. MARGARITE MORGAN KEEPS TRUCK OF YOUR ACCOUNTS, MISS ELLA OSKOLKOFF NUMBERS YOUR REQUISITIONS AND WRITES THOSE LETTERS YOU GET NOW AND THEN, MRS. INOGENE MELVIN, FIGURES SOME OF YOUR INVOICES AND MATCHES THE STOCK CARDS AND LATELY MISS GLORIA RUST HAS BEEN HELPING ALL THE GURLS WHEREVER AND WHENEVER SHE KIN. THE WRITER OF THIS ERE RAMBLIN EPISTLE WON'T HAVE MUCH TO DO WITH THIS ERE DEAL 'CEPT TRY 'N FIND TH STUFF WHAT YOU GUYS WANT 'N THEN LET THE REST OF THE 'NANG DO THE WORK.

SINCERELY URZ

KOMMISSARY KID

P. S. DEW UR CHRISTMAS SHOPPIN ERLY.

P. S. AGIN - SERIOUSLY FOLKS, WE DO REQUEST THAT YOU ALL GET TOGETHER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND MAKE UP THESE LISTS OF SUPPLIES DESIRED FOR CHRISTMAS. CANDY AND MANY OTHER ITEMS ARE VERY SCARCE BUT WE HAVE ASKED OUR COMMISSARY PURCHASING AGENT, MR. RALPH D. WIGGINS DOWN AT A. P. D., TO KEEP RIGHT ON BUYING ALL THE CANDY HE CAN FIND, SO WE HOPE TO AT LEAST GIVE EVERYONE SOME SWEETS AS WELL AS MANY OF THESE OTHER ITEMS WE EXPECT YOU TO REQUEST. FLIGHT OPERATIONS ARE WILLING TO COVER THE WHOLE TERRITORY, BUT WE SORT OF SUSPECT THAT YOU FOLKS DOWN IN SOUTHEASTERN WOULD JUST AS SOON PURCHASE YOUR REQUIREMENT AT YOUR LOCAL STORES, RATHER THAN PAY THE ANCHORAGE PRICES, WHICH NECESSARILY INCLUDE FREIGHT CHARGES SETTLE TO ANCHORAGE.

K. K.

BUD CHAMBARO, CHIEF ACCOUNTS BRANCH, HAS AN OFFICE THAT WOULD BE THE ENVY OF 95% OF THE MEN IN ALASKA. YES, TWENTY ONE WOMEN AND TWO MEN BESIDES HIMSELF. A TYPICAL ALASKA RATIO, BUT ALAS, IN THE REVERSE ORDER. BUD DOESN'T LET ANY WOLVES ENFRINGE ON HIS GOOD FORTUNE (OR IS IT GOOD?) BUT TAKES THE WHOLE MATTER IN HIS STEADY STRIDE. BUD HAILS FROM SEATTLE AND HAS BEEN WITH THE CAA IN ALASKA FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. A FINE FELLOW...WE LIKE YOU, BUD.

BUD IS ASSISTED BY HANK LALLY AS CHIEF OF THE AUDIT UNIT AND MAX CUFFEL AS CHIEF OF THE ACCOUNTS UNIT. HANK CLAIMS NEW YORK AS HIS HOME. WHILE MAX COMES FROM MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA.

INCLUDED IN THE HAREN IS GENEVIEVE EKREN. GENEVIEVE RECENTLY VISITED WITH HER FOLKS IN MINOT, NORTH DAKOTA. MARY MOORE HAS GONE TO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA, WHERE SHE HAS ENTERED A HOSPITAL FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT. GOOD LUCK, MARY, WE HOPE TO HAVE YOU BACK WITH US SOON.

YOUR LAMP POST REPORTER HAS ALWAYS WANTED TO MEET SOMEONE BORN AND REARED IN ALASKA. THAT WANT HAS BEEN SATISFIED IN HAVING MET VERA HAYWARD AND ALICE OSKOLKOFF. VERA WAS BORN IN HAINEES, ALASKA. VERA RECENTLY ENJOYED A SEVERAL WEEKS' HOLIDAY. ALICE HAS SPENT ALL HER LIFE IN ALASKA. SHE IS WEARING A SPARKLER ON THE THIRD FINGER LEFT HAND. BEST WISHES, ALICE.

THELMA KOONZ, FORMERLY OF NEW YORK, HAS BEEN WITH US FOR SOME TIME AND RECENTLY LEFT TO MAKE HER HOME IN FAIRBANKS. BEVY DEU PREL ENJOYED A TRIP OUTSIDE TO VISIT HER FAMILY IN ELLENSBURG, WASHINGTON. STELLA UNWIN HAS LEFT FOR MIDST TO CARE FOR HER DARLING SON, DOUGLAS. STELLA CAME HERE FROM WASHINGTON AND WAS THE OLDEST GIRL IN POINT OF SERVICE. ELLA CLOSSON IS A CONNECTICUT YANKEE AND CLAIMS NEW HAVEN AS HER HOME. NO PICTURE WOULD BE COMPLETE WITH A YANKEE AND NO REBEL. NINA DUKE COX OF JACKSONVILLE, FLORIDA SUPPLIES THE COMPLEMENT. NINA, WHO CAME HERE VIA WASHINGTON D. C., WAS MARRIED OCTOBER 2, 1944.

THEN WE MUST HAVE A FEW CHEECHAKOS, AND THIS ELEMENT IS FURNISHED BY LOUISE NOBLEY OF RUBENSVILLE, ARKANSAS AND JO OSBORNE OF ST. PETER, MINNESOTA, RECENT ARRIVALS IN ANCHORAGE. "B" TEGGART" (THE "M" STANDS FOR BLUSHING) OF EUREKA, MONTANA CAME TO ALASKA TO BE WITH HER SISTER AND SHORTLY THEREAFTER JOINED THE RANKS OF THE CAA.

ESTELLE COLE CLAIMS SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA AS HER HOME. SHE HAS SPENT SEVERAL YEARS IN ANCHORAGE. ESTELLE MOTHERS THE CROWD AND SERVES AS AN ANCHOR. DOROTHEA DAHL RECENTLY JOINED OUR RANKS IN THE ACCOUNTS SECTION, HAVING BEEN AT MERRILL FIELD SINCE HER ARRIVAL IN ANCHORAGE FROM SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. AUDREY STROHECKER OF WASHINGTON, D. C. VALIANTLY ASSISTING HANK BY MEANS OF THE TYPEWRITER, WHILE REBECCA RYAN OF CALIFORNIA PERFORMS THE SAME FUNCTION FOR BUD.

SOME TIME AGO, AFTER HAVING LIVED IN ANCHORAGE FOR SEVERAL YEARS, COMING HERE FROM SEATTLE. GLEN DEAN BURGESS OF ARIZONA IS BACK WITH US AFTER HAVING BEEN ILL. GLAD TO HAVE YOU BACK, GLEN DEAN, ESTHER KESSINGER, FORMERLY OF NEW YORK, ENJOYED A HOLIDAY IN WASILLA AND IS NOW BACK AT HER DESK. BETTY HANDY HAS SPENT MANY YEARS IN VARIOUS PARTS OF ALASKA, HAVING COME TO THE TERRITORY FROM WASHINGTON. LENA NICHOLS COMES FROM KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI. SPENT SOME TIME WORKING IN SEWARD BEFORE COMING TO ANCHORAGE.

THIS LITTLE GROUP OF BEAVERS ENDEAVOR TO KEEP YOUR PER DIEM PAID, YOUR TRAVEL ORDERS IN ORDER AND THE WASHINGTON OFFICE INFORMED AS TO THE CURRENT STATUS OF MONEY MATTERS.

# "PRE-HOLIDAY FROLIC"

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE L)

THAT SATURDAY NIGHT WOULD BE IDEAL FOR THE PARTY, BUT ONE OF THE HARDEST TASKS OF THE ENTIRE PLAN IS TRYING TO GET A HALL, AND WE JUST DON'T SEEM TO RATE WHEN IT COMES TO SATURDAY NIGHT. AS A MATTER OF FACT, WE HAD TO TALK SOMEBODY OUT OF THE NIGHT WE FINALLY DID GET, AND FOR THIS AFFAIR WE ARE PRACTICALLY DOUBLING WITH THE 4-H CLUB. WE AGREE THAT THE LIDO OR IOLE HOUR WOULD BE VERY NICE, BUT THEY WOULD NEVER BE ABLE TO ACCOMMODATE THE CROWD THAT WE INTEND TO HAVE - NOT TO FORGET THE EXPENSE INVOLVED. THERE WERE VARIOUS AND SUNDRY OBJECTIONS TO THE OTHER HALLS IN TOWN.

ONE OF THE BIGGEST OBJECTIONS TO THE COMMUNITY HALL IS THE FACT THAT IT IS SO "BARN-LIKE", AND REQUIRES SO MUCH WORK, (WHICH IT DOES) AND ALL SHOULD GIVE CREDIT TO THE CREW IN CHARGE OF THE DECORATING FOR THE TIME AND THOUGHT SPENT IN MAKING THE PLACE PRESENTABLE. THE ONE BIG POINT IN ITS FAVOR IS THAT IT PROVIDES AMPLE FLOOR SPACE FOR ALL, AND YOU WILL HAVE ONLY YOUR OWN FEET TO BLAME FOR FALLING OVER.

ORIGINALLY, PLANS WERE BEING MADE FOR A HALLOWEEN PARTY, BUT TIME WAS DRAWING SHORT AND WE WERE UNABLE TO GET A HALL (THE OLD CRY) AND IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT A PARTY BE HELD IN NOVEMBER INSTEAD. SINCE EVERYONE HAS SO MANY OTHER PLANS FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON, IT WAS DECIDED THAT A "LET YOUR HAIR DOWN PARTY" BE HELD AT THE START OF THE NEW YEAR. DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEAS?

THE \$2.50 ADMISSION CHARGE WILL COVER THE COST OF ENTERTAINMENT AND REFRESHMENTS. THERE WILL BE MUSIC BY CHUCK SCORE AND HIS "YANK DOWNBEATS", AND "COCKS", WITH OR WITHOUT, AS YOU WISH.

THIS IS YOUR PARTY, "CAAFERS", AND IT IS UP TO YOU TO MAKE IT A SUCCESS. IT WILL TAKE A LOT OF WORK AND ALL VOLUNTEERS WILL BE GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED. CONTACT "ERNIE" ON EXTENSION 66.

LET'S MAKE THIS A PARTY TO REMEMBER!

RUBY MORTON JOINED THE FORCES OF THE CAA

YOUR COMMITTEE

WE SEEM TO BE RECEIVING A HARMONIC FROM A NON-ESSENTIAL LINE. OFF AND ON THROUGHOUT THE RECORDINGS THIS MONTH WE COULD CATCH SNATCHES OF "LAY THAT PISTOL DOWN, BADE" AND PARTS OF "THE BARBER OF SEVILLE". (WILL HAVE TO HAVE MAINTENANCE TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT THE "DARN THING"). BETWEEN THESE GLORIOUSLY WEIRD BURSTS OF SONG, THOUGH, THERE DID EMERGE SOME INTERESTING ITEMS. FOR INSTANCE . . . . .

ROBERT "THE BRAIN" RIEDEL JUMPED OFF FROM HERE FOR MOOREHEAD, KY. THE OTHER DAY, PLANNING TO SPEND THIRTY (OR MOSTLY THEREOF) GLORIOUS, EXOTIC, BLISSFUL DAYS DEEP IN THE SOUTHLAND HOGNOBBING WITH SENATORS, KENTUCKY COLOMBELS AND RELATIVES. ROBERT, AFRAID OF CAUSING UNDUO CONSTERNATION BACK IN KENTUCKY, LEFT HIS SHOUGHOES, DOG-TEAM, PARKA, NUKLUKS, LOG CABIN, DICTIONARY AND THREE YEARS GROWTH OF BEARD AT THE AIRPORT BEFORE HE DEPARTED. ALL THIS EQUIPMENT, EXCLUDING THE GROWTH, WE HEAR WILL BE DONATED TO THE FAIRBANKS MUSEUM OF UNNATURAL HISTORY FOR PRESERVATION. BON VOYAGE, BOB . . . . .

WHEN THINGS HAPPEN AROUND THIS TOWN OF FAIRBANKS THEY HAPPEN FAST AND FURIOUSLY. TAKE THE OTHER DAY, FOR INSTANCE. CHIEF ATC BILL BOWEN, ACCOMPANIED BY PRE KEN WARREN, LEFT THE WARMTH OF THE HEARTH AND PROCEEDED INTO THE WILDS OF NORTHERN ALASKA TO HUNT THE WARY GROUSE. PACKING NOTHING BUT ROCKS (THROWN BY HAND IN THE SAME MANNER DAVID RUBBED OUT GOLIATH) BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM THEY GOT GAME - SEVERAL OF THE AFOREMENTIONED "WARY GROUSE". WHICH PROVES IT WOULDN'T PAY TO GET IN A ROCK FIGHT WITH BOWEN. (WE ARE HAPPY TO STATE AT THIS TIME THAT ROCK FIGHTS IN FAIRBANKS ARE SLOWLY BECOMING EXTINCT, DUE TO AN ACUTE SHORTAGE OF ROCKS.)

WE JUST RECEIVED AN ARRIVAL REPORT HERE ON SENIOR CONTROLLER CHARLES REICH, WHO WAS AN HOUR OR TWO OVERDUE FROM ANCHORAGE. SAID HE HAD A STIFF HEADWIND ALL THE WAY IN, AND DECIDES THAT THE ALUTIAN FOG WAS SO THICK THE PROPS WOULDN'T TURN UP MORE THAN 100 RPM. WELCOME TO FAIRBANKS, CHUCK. MR. REICH WILL BE ATTACHED TO THE CENTER WHILE MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL FORCE TRAPSE AROUND THE COUNTRY AND SEE FIRST HAND THE REASON ALASKA IS RAVED AT - CONNECTION, ABOUT. TWO HAVE DECIDED TO GO OUTSIDE TO DO THEIR RAVING . . . .

ZIEMKE, ACCOMPANYING AN OLD HUNTER FROM MOGRATH (DAVIS), WATCHED THE KILLING OF A 300 POUND BEAR NEAR FAIRBANKS. THE BEAR WAS PLUGGED THROUGH THE HEART AND LUNGS WITH A .300 SLUG AND STILL MANAGED TO RUN 30 YARDS BEFORE DROPPING. THIS WAS VERIFIED BY ZIEMKE HIMSELF WAVING A 2-FOOT YARD STICK. SINCE THEN (THIS MAY BE PURE UNADULTERATED RUMOR) IT HAS BEEN SAID ZIEMKE PACKS A ROD TO AND FROM THE ATC CENTER; EVEN HAD THREE BLACK ONES CHASE HIM HOME FROM THE LOCAL PUB THE OTHER NIGHT. . . . BEARS?

JUST TO SHOW THAT WE ARE NOT INFALLIBLE (HOW COULD IT BE?) WE ALMOST LEFT OUT THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE MONTH. CONGRATS ARE IN ORDER FOR CHIEF ATC BILL BOWEN OF FAIRBANKS BECAUSE ON SEPTEMBER 4TH THE STORK PAID A

THE YAPS ARE HERE FOR SURE.

MISSING: 1 RMS HALL  
1 MECHANIC JAMES  
1 CHIEF OF COGDILL

THEY'RE HERE ALL RIGHT, BUT UNDER A CAMOUFLAGED OF BRUSH WHICH THEY SAY ISN'T BEING REMOVED UNTIL THE ICE BREAKUP ON THE KUSKOKWIM, WHICH WILL BE SOMETIME NEXT MAY. THE TWO OPALS RUE THE DAY SOMEONE SUGGESTED GROWING BEARDS, BUT THEIR YAPS HAVE BEEN TO NO AVAIL. WYNNIE KULM GOES AROUND WITH A SATISFIED SMIRK BECAUSE HER MAN DECIDED TO BE DIFFERENT AND NOT GROW A BEARD.

ALL JOKES ASIDE, ANIAK IS THE SPOT, A PARADISE IN ANY LANGUAGE. YOU CAN GO BOATING UP ANY NUMBER OF RIVERS IN THE SUMMER, AND FRANK HALL WITH HIS DOG TEAM OF SEVEN AND KENNY KULM WITH HIS TEAM OF FIVE CAN GO ANYWHERE THEY PLEASE IN THE WINTER.

WE'RE ONE HAPPY FAMILY AND REGRET THE DAY WE'LL BID FAREWELL TO THE KULMS, WHO ARE BEING TRANSFERRED TO FAIRBANKS.

#### ATTENTION: LADY BOWLERS

A LADIES' BOWLING LEAGUE OF SIX TEAMS HAS BEEN ORGANIZED TO PLAY CANADIAN FIVE BACK AT THE AMBASSADOR EVERY TUESDAY NITE AT 5:45 P.M. FOR 16 WEEKS. CAA CAME OUT WITH THREE TEAMS AS FOLLOWS!

#### KITTY'S KATS

KATHERINE HASSLER (CAPTAIN)  
"B" TEGGART  
EILEEN ANDERSON  
FRANCES KING  
ANNE MODJESKA

#### CHEECHAKOS

JOSEPHINE GIBORNE (CAPTAIN)  
SUE CHOBBERKA  
ERNA ANDERSON  
CAROL RHYNE  
CAROL ERSKINE  
ALBERTA POLLARD

#### TIMBER TIPPERS

NINA MADDOX (CAPTAIN)  
CAROL PATSON  
TINA KAPSONIS  
DORIS MAE PROIN  
GLADYS WENNERLIND

WEEKLY SCORES ARE PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY PAPER. IF ANY OF YOU GIRLS ARE INTERESTED CALL NINA MADDOX ON EXTENSION 76.

VISIT TO THE BOWEN HOUSEHOLD WITH A 9 POUND BABY BOY. HIS NAME IS WILLYUM, AFTER HIS POP. LOOKS LIKE THERE'LL BE NEW ATC MATERIAL ON HAND IN ANOTHER FEW YEARS. MRS. BOWEN IS IN ST. LOUIS AT THE PRESENT TIME, BUT BILL HOPES TO HAVE HIS FAMILY BACK IN ONE HAPPY GROUP VERY SHORTLY. CONGRATULATIONS, BILL.

ALASKA PROJECTS DEPT  
SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

ONCE MORE HERE IS NEWS FROM YOUR SEATTLE OUT-POST, ABLE PETER DOG. IT'S BEEN SOME TIME, HASN'T IT, SINCE LAST A REPORT FILTERED THRU, AND BELIEVE IT OR NOT, THIS ONE DIDN'T COME BY DOG SLED! HONEST! BUT HERE'S THE LATEST DOPE:

ACTIVITY "EXTRAORDINAIRE" AT APD IS THE BOWLING LEAGUE NOW REACHING THE HEIGHT OF THE SEASON. IT'S A REGULAR THURSDAY NITE EVENT - BOWLING FOR TWO HOURS, THEN OFF TO A GALA FEAST, THE LATEST OF WHICH WAS HELD AT THE CHARMING APARTMENT OF SELMER AND MARY HOLTE. SURE, 'T WAS A JOLLY TIME THAT ALL WERE A-HAVIN', AND IT'S WISHIN' WE ARE THAT MORE COULD SHARE IN THE FUN! THE TERMS STACK UP LIKE THIS:

BILL BLAU	RED UNTI
PORTIA BLAU	DORIS ANDERSON
DON JENSEN	LILLIAN LARSEN
GERRY CHRISTIE	GRACE WYNN
AUDREY LIND	LOLETA TROMLY
JOE NELSON	SELMER HOLTE
"PETE" PETERS	"WIG" WIGGINS
LOUISE BORDERS	LOMA FIKSDAL
MARY HOLTE	VERNA UNTI
JO D'AMICO	ELAINE PETERSON

YOU PROBABLY HAVEN'T HEARD HOW "RED" HAS ALL HIS GIRLS IN TRAINING. THE DETAILS ARE RATHER DIFFICULT TO OBTAIN, BUT WE HEAR IT'S A RIGOROUS COURSE, EH, RED?

FORTUNATE IS HE, DESPITE SHOE RATIONING, WHO LIVES WITHIN WALKING DISTANCE OF THE OFFICE. WE REFER TO THE PRESENT CONDITION OF OUR CITY'S TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. HORRIBLE TALES ARE TOLD OF THE RISKS TAKEN AND INJURIES RECEIVED IN TRANSIT BY THOSE OBLIGED TO RIDE WITH THE BOURGEOISIE. IN THIS CONNECTION WE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING LIMERICK:

THERE WAS A YOUNG MAN FROM SEATTLE  
WHO WAS WOUNDED TWICE DAILY IN BATTLE.  
QUOTH HE, "NEVER MORE!  
I'M ALL BEATEN AND SORE!  
TAKE ME BACK TO MY BOOTS AND MY SATTLE!"

DURING THE WORLD SERIES, THE BASEBALL POOLS AT APD WERE WELL STOCKED WITH SUCKERS, BUT EVERY DAY SOMEONE WON -- (SIGH). FRONT AND CENTER ON THE DAILY POOLS WAS SELMER. WINNINGS WENT SOMETHING LIKE THIS: (DAILY) \$2.50, BOB COOK AND JERRY GLOVER; \$5.00, HAL MILLER, BENJ. SCHMID, SELMER HOLTE (TWO OF 'EM) AND EVA-JUNE ELLIS; (FINALS) \$10.00 LOUISE BORDERS AND \$25.00 MARY ROSS. NICE GOING, HUM?

OCCASIONALLY ONE HEARS MENTION OF A GENTLEMAN, AND SOMETIMES THE WORD IS MORE OR LESS TAKEN FOR GRANTED. HOWEVER, THE QUESTION ARISES: WHAT IS A GENTLEMAN? IN A SNEAK POLL, WE GLEANED THE FOLLOWING DEFINITIONS:

WEBSTER'S COLLEGIATE DICTIONARY: "1. A MAN WELL BORN; SOMETIMES, ANYONE ABOVE THE SOCIAL CONDITION OF A YEOMAN. 2. A WELL-BRED MAN OF

FINE FEELINGS, GOOD EDUCATION, AND SOCIAL POSITION. 3. A SERVANT, ESP. A VALET, OF A PERSON OF HIGH RANK. 4. A MAN, IRRESPECTIVE OF CONDITION: --"

STRICTLY IN FUN, WE PRESENT THESE DEFINITIONS AS OFFERED BY (DID WE SAY "OFFERED"? SHOULD SAY "WRENCHED FROM") LOCAL CITIZENS:

GRACE WYNN: WELL, WITH ME IT'S NOT SO MUCH THE MANNERS, AND SO FORTH, BUT CHARACTER. A GENTLEMAN IS BORN, NOT MADE.

LOMA FIKSDAL AND ELLEN THOMPSON: WE NEVER MET ONE. WE'RE STRICTLY NAVY GIRLS!!

RED UNTI: ONE WHO CAN EAT CELERY BETWEEN CRACKERS WITHOUT MAKING ANY NOISE.

YVONNE KERKOFF: A MAN YOU CAN GO OUT WITH AND FEEL SECURE.

PETE PETERS: WELL, IT'S RATHER HARD TO DISCUSS ONESELF!

LILLIAN LARSEN: SOMEONE WHO'S POLITE, WELL-MANNERED AND THOUGHTFUL - BUT I DON'T KNOW ONE.

MARY ROSS: I NEVER KNEW ONE, - BUT DON'T QUOTE ME!!!!

JO D'AMICO: ARE YOU KIDDING? WELL.... I GUESS HE'S JUST THE OPPOSITE OF A WOLF.

ZOE BILINSKI: OH, YE GODS! YOU MEAN THERE ARE SUCH THINGS?

EVA GILGARD: SOMEONE WHO DOESN'T DRINK SO MUCH YOU HAVE TO HELP HIM HOME.

MILLIE PETERSON: H. HA! I NEVER THOUGHT THAT ONE OVER. I'M USED TO GOING OUT WITH SOLDIERS!

JOE NELSON: A GENTLEMAN IS A CREATURE GOD CREATED JUST FOR WOMEN.

HOWARD FIERCE: SIR WALTER RALEIGH SAYS A GENTLEMAN IS A MAN WHO NEVER HURTS ANYONE'S FEELINGS, EXCEPT INTENTIONALLY.

SO, WE HAVE A PRETTY GOOD CROSS SECTION OF OPINION, THE GENERAL CONSENSUS OF WHICH SEEMS TO BE THAT "THERE AIN'T NO SUCH ANIMAL". WELL, IT HAS BEEN SAID THAT A GENTLEMAN IS A WOLF WHO BRINGS CANDY AND FLOWERS. IT IS ALSO SAID THAT A GENTLEMAN IS A MAN WHO, INSTEAD OF PUSHING YOU OUT OF THE WAY AND TAKING THE ONLY SEAT, COUNTS THREE AND RACES YOU FOR IT! AT ANY RATE, WE HAD A BEAST OF A TIME GETTING THESE APD'ERS TO TALK. IT APPEARS THAT EVERYONE OF THEM IS BOTH PRESS-SHY AND SUSPICIOUS BY NATURE. A FEW WHOM WE APPROACHED REFUSED TO TALK AT ALL FOR FEAR OF BEING QUOTED. OTHERS ASSUMED A SAD-EYED SILENCE, SHOOK THEIR HEADS AND MOTIONED TOWARD THE "CARELESS TALK" POSTER ON THE WALL. SO YOU SEE, IT MAKES FOR GREAT OBSTACLES, AND WE GOT MIGHTY TIRED OF TWISTING PEOPLE'S ARMS! MAYBE NEXT TIME, THO, THEY WILL RELAX ON THE HUSH-HUSH AND GIVE WITH THE DRIVVEL!!

WELL, FELLOW EIGHTH REGIONAIRES, THIS SEEMS TO BE ALL FOR NOW. WE SHOULD LIKE TO LEAVE YOU WITH THIS THOUGHT, HOWEVER: WHENEVER YOU'RE IN SEATTLE, LOOK US UP. WE READ ABOUT YOU IN THIS FAIR PUBLICATION, AND HEAR ABOUT YOU FROM TIME TO TIME, AND WE REALLY ENJOY MEETING YOU ALL.

YOUR SCRIBE,  
LLR

AIRWAY COMMUNICATIONS STATION  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA  
KIS/KCOW/HQ  
OCTOBER 1944

WHO WAS IT THAT SAID, "JUST LET ME GET MY FEET BACK ON 'GOOD OLD UNCLE SUGAR'!" WHAT SEEMED TO BE THE TROUBLE WITH JIMTOWN, MR. HEGGE? WE KNEW THAT YOU MADE CONTACTS IN HQ PUT HARDLY THOUGHT THOSE CONTACTS WERE SO-O-O MAGNETIC! BUT CAME TO THINK OF IT, SHE DID HAVE BEAUTIFUL EYES AND ALL THOSE LITTLE THINGS THAT GO TO "BRING 'EM BACK ALIVE".

AGAIN, OR SHALL WE SAY STILL, HQ IS SERVING AS THE MELTING POT OF ALASKAN GOLD. YES, ANYONE WHO KNOWS A DIT FROM A DAB IS GOLD IN THESE PARTS. WITH NEW CIRCUITS COMING THICK AND FAST, WE OF HQ ARE EXPERIENCING QUITE A LITTLE TROUBLE THESE DAYS IN KEEPING OUR HEADS ABOVE WATER. NOT TO MENTION, KEEPING OUR HEADS!

ADDED TO OUR STATION COMPLEMENT RECENTLY ARE THE FOLLOWING: HELEN LEHMAN FROM IQ, WHO IS LEAVING OUR OLD FRIEND ROY DELANEY TO SHIFT FOR HIMSELF THESE DAYS. TED PRICE, FORMERLY ATTACHED TO K2, AND H. S. REA, RECENTLY FROM SEATTLE AND OTHER ALASKA POINTS, ARE NOW WITH US. VELTON AND PAT GOODRICH PAID US A FLYING VISIT ENROUTE KG TO FX. OUR FRIEND G. W. COPPING, WHO HAS MORE HOURS IN THE AIR THAN CARTER HAS LIVER PILLS, RECENTLY MAILED FROM DOWN SEATTLE WAY AND IS GETTING A WORK'S-EYE VIEW OF THIS AIR-TO-GROUND - GROUND-TO-AIR ACTIVITY. EVELYN HUFFMAN IS BACK WITH US FOR AN EXTENDED STAY (WE HOPE) AFTER HAVING SPENT THE SUMMER AT WILES. DOBBIE STAOT IS PERHAPS OUR NEWEST STATION MEMBER. ANYONE WANTING INFORMATION ON THE GOINGS ON IN THE STATES CAN UNDOUBTEDLY OBTAIN IT FROM HER.

RECENTLY WE CAME UPON AN OLD NAVY MAN WHO ALSO DID A HITCH WITH THE FCC RUNNING LOOSE IN ALASKA AND NOT IN COMMUNICATIONS OF ANY SORT. IMAGINE! MELANDER IS HIS NAME AND, AFTER DISCOVERING HIM COMPLETELY FOOT-LOOSE AND FANLY FREE (EXCEPT FOR BEING MARRIED), WE PROCEEDED TO SMILE HIM. HE SEEMS TO THINK HE WOULD LIKE TO GO TO FT. SINKOW OR SOME OTHER NORTHERN TERMINAL, BUT FROM HIS INITIAL SHOWING AT HQ WE WHOLEHEARTEDLY AGREE WITH HE SHOULD STICK AROUND.

JACK TAYLOR, WHO LEFT A SHORT TIME AGO FOR HIGLOUTON, REPORTS "IT AIN'T ALL GOLD THAT GLITTERS. WE WOULDN'T HAVE MINDED IF THE OFFICIAL MAIL SACK HAD GONE ASTRAY SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE DOOR OF NCU AND THE GROUND, BUT OH ME, IT TOOK SOME GENUINE DETECTIVE WORK TO LOCATE THE PERSONAL MAIL. SINCE IT WAS THE PERSONAL MAIL, THEY FORCED US TO DO IT. GRASS SURE GROWS TALL IN THESE PARTS."

FOR THE SAKE OF OUR FRIEND CROW AND A COUPLE OF OTHER LOCAL SYMPATHIZERS, WE WERE THANKFUL TO SEE THE ABOUT TRAIN ACTUALLY GET AWAY THE THIRD MORNING. THESE DUMMY RUNS SURE TELL ON THE "GOLDEN VOICE OF RADIO". DID YOU OF AD NOTICE?

WE UNDERSTAND OUR TELETYPE MAGICIAN JARVI IS SLATED FOR TELETYPE SCHOOL IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE. WITH THE MAN SHORTAGE IN CH, CGO

THESE DAYS, TOO BAD THIS LITTLE TRIP COULDN'T HAVE BEEN ARRANGED ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO.

THE EVENING WATCH HAD A NEAR CATASTROPHE A FEW WEEKS BACK WHEN VOLZ, JONES, MARS, CARSON AND LAESCH FAILED TO SHOW UP FOR DUTY ONE FINE DRIZZLY EVENING. A JAEQ WAS ON THE CRT WHEN THEY FINALLY SHOWED UP, ARMED WITH EVERYTHING FROM SHOTGUNS TO KNIVES AND ALL IN HUNTING GARB. A FINE KETTLE OF FISH WITH THE CHIEF DASHING MADLY FROM HITHER AND YON PULLING OVERWORKED OPERATORS OUT OF THE PROVERBIAL HOLE. BUT NO FISH AND NO BEAR. IT HAS BEEN RUMORED THAT THEY WEREN'T USING BEAR BAIT. ANYWAY, THEY SAY THEY LEFT THEIR TRADE MARK AT SG. JUST ASK K. SLOVE.

IN ALL SERIOUSNESS, A TFK-CK-CHICK WAS RECENTLY OVERHEARD INQUIRING ABOUT A PAIR OF ROLLER SKATES. WHEN ASKED WHAT SHE PLANNED TO DO WITH THEM SHE REPLIED, "WHAT DO YOU THINK?"

WITH THE DEPARTURE OF SHERRAO H. KENDALL FOR OF, THE INTERIOR DECORATIONS AT HQ HAVE UNDERGONE ANOTHER RADICAL CHANGE. WHEN BERATO FORSOOK US, SOME MELANCHOLY CONFERE WAS HEARD TO REMARK THAT IT WAS LIKE LOSING A PIECE OF FURNITURE. KENDALL'S REMOVAL EVEN AFFECTS THE ATMOSPHERE. THE AIR IS 100 PERCENT PURER AND HACKING COUGHS ARE SELDOM HEARD NOWADAYS. WE NEVER DID GET THE STATISTICS ON HOW MANY "EL ROPON" SHK LUGGED TO OF, BUT THE FIGURE MUST READ LIKE SOMETHING OUT OF THIS WORLD.

QUIPS FROM THE 4:00 TO MID. I'M WRITING FROM THE EVENING WATCH IN ANSWER TO A NOTICE PLACED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN BEHALF OF DEAR OLD MUKLUK. THE BULLETIN BOARD, BETTER KNOWN AS THE "FARTY LINE", BECOMES THE DESTINATION OF ANYTHING PRINTED, FIT OR OTHERWISE.

NEW ON THE WATCH ARE DOBBIE STAOT, "KATCHUM-ON-KWIKIE" BRUNETTE FRESH FROM RADIO SCHOOL, AND TED PRICE, BECOMING RE-CIVILIZED AFTER HIS TERM AT TANNA. AT PRESENT DOBBIE AND HELEN LEHMAN ARE HOLDING DOWN THE TELETYPE ROOM. (AT LEAST IT'S NEVER FLYING ANY HIGHER THAN THEY ARE!) TED MUST BE PRETTY SHARP ON A CIRCUIT FOR HE'S ALWAYS "FOUR-EARED".

BETWEEN A SLOW TEXAS DRAWL COMING FROM THE WEATHER BUREAU WAY AND A SILVER-VOICED TOWER OPERATOR, POOR LARRY IS HARDLY ABLE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT EITHER IS SAYING. RUMOR HAS IT THAT HE'S DESIGNED HIS OWN SYSTEM OF SHORTHAND FOR COPYING CLEARANCES. SPEAKING OF LARRY, WE'RE LUCKY TO BE EVER SPEAKING TO HIM. GREMLINS GOT AT HIS MOTOR AND CUT HIM OFF AT A CRUCIAL MOMENT. LUCKY HE ESCAPED WITH A CUT FOREHEAD AND A GOOD SCORE.

IT'S GOODBYE TO FRANK CARSON NOW AS HE HEADS NORTH TO FX FOR AN ERAC POSITION THERE. SOON WILL BE WEDDING BELLS TOO, WE HEAR. BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN BOTH VENTURES FROM ALL ON THE WATCH, FRANK.

(CONTINUED ON PAGE 7)



# AIRWAY COMMUNICATIONS STATION

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 5)

OH YES, FORGOT TO MENTION THAT ONE CRAIG FROM THE MIDWATCH AND DAYWATCH WAS WITH US A COUPLE OF NIGHTS. GUESS HE COULDN'T STAND US THOUGH; 'CAUSE HE CHANGED BACK TO MIDS.

FOND FAREWELLS TO HELEN WILSON, TOO, AS SHE LEFT US THE FIRST OF THE MONTH - TO RETURN, WE TRUST.

WELL, MUKLUK OLD BOY, GUESS THAT'S ALL THE PROPAGANDA FROM THE EVENING WATCH FOR THIS TIME. REMIND ME TO WRITE AGAIN. IF I'M STILL ALIVE AFTER THIS IS PRINTED. SIGNED (MUSICAL COMMUNICATIONS MESSENGER)

AND NOW IN BRINGING TO A CLOSE OUR PAGE OF MUKLUK WE TAKE PLEASURE IN SUBMITTING A LITTLE VERSE WRITTEN BY ONE IN OUR MIDST WHO WISHES TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS.

## GOD'S GIFT TO RADIO

OUR LADY OP'S TEMPERAMENTAL STRAIN,  
BRINGS MEN GRAY HAIR AND UNFOLD PAIN.  
HER MISSING DOTS AND HER JAMMED UP MILLS,  
HER TRAFFIC'S FULL OF THOSE FLYER FILLS.  
HER CARS ARE BAD, SHE'S OUT OF INK,  
THE SLIP TAPE'S TORN, SHE NEEDS A DRINK.

HER CLOCK HAS STOPPED, HER GROUP COUNT'S WRONG.  
HER BUG IS SHORTED AND HER PENCIL'S GONE.  
THE SIGNALS FADE, JUST HEAR THOSE MOANS,  
IT'S NEVER THE OP, IT'S ALWAYS THE FONES.  
GOT NINE ON HAND AND NINE TO COME,  
THE TIME'S RUN OUT --, SHE CALLS IT FUN.

WEIRD NOISES, SQUAWKS AND SNAFU STATICS,  
JUST BLAME IT ON THE AUTOMATICS.  
THE MAINTENANCE MEN AT TUNER-VILLE,  
RECALL THE DAYS BEFORE THE FRILL,  
THE SIGNALS LOW, THE PITCH TOO HIGH  
THEIR TEMPER'S HOT, SHE HEAVES A SIGH.

HER CHAIR'S TOO HIGH, THE MILL'S TOO LOW,  
THE MISSING GROUPS WILL NEVER SHOW.  
SHE CHATTERS OF A LID SHE'S SNOYED,  
BUT NOT A WORD OF THOSE SHE'S SLOWED.  
HER NUMBER'S DUPED, THE CHECKERS TELL,  
SHE CAN'T BE WRONG, SHE KNOWS DAMN WELL.

IS THAT STRANGE CODE? NOW PLEASE DON'T RAVE,  
THINK HOW HORSE FEELS IN HIS GRAVE.  
SHE FUMES AND FUSSES, RANTS AND TRIES  
TO CHANGE PROCEDURES OF THE OTHER GUYS.  
THE PLANES THAT CALL ADD TO OUR WOES,  
SHE STOPS TO EAT---, OR PAINT HER NOSE.

THANK YOU, LADIES, EACH ONE TWICE,  
SHARING THE TOIL REALLY IS NICE.  
YOU'VE DONE YOUR PART AND YOU'RE DOING SWELL,  
THOUGH THE HOURS ARE LONG, YOUR WORK WILL TELL.  
AND WHEN THOSE KEYS GET THAT LONG, LONG REST,  
YOUR NAMES WILL BE ON TOP WITH THE BEST.

AND WHEN CODE'S LIFE ON THIS EARTH IS SPENT,  
FIND SOLACE IN THOSE DUPES YOU'VE SENT--,  
SO LONG FOR NOW, WE'VE JUST GOTTA GO  
AND HELP THE CRACKERJACKS SHOVEL SNOW.

# MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION: ALL BRANCH CHIEFS AND UNIT CHIEFS

SUBJECT: DEATH OF WORKERS IN THE OFFICE

1. IT HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THIS OFFICE THAT MANY PEOPLE IN THE OFFICE ARE DYING AND REFUSING TO FALL AFTER THEY ARE DEAD. THIS MUST STOP!

2. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, ANY PERSON CAUGHT SITTING UP AFTER HE HAS DIED WILL BE CUT OFF THE PAYROLL AT ONCE, EXCEPT WHERE IT CAN BE DEFINITELY PROVED THAT THE WORKER IS BEING SUPPORTED BY A TYPEWRITER OR OTHER SUITABLE EQUIPMENT PROPERLY STAMPED "PROPERTY OF THE CAA". FOR FURTHER INFORMATION THE FOLLOWING RULES WILL BE OBSERVED IN ALL CASES OF THIS KIND IN THE FUTURE:

A. IF, AFTER SEVERAL HOURS, IT IS NOTED THAT A WORKER HAS NOT MOVED OR CHANGED HIS POSITION, THE SUPERVISOR IN CHARGE WILL IMMEDIATELY INVESTIGATE - IN AN APOLOGETICAL MANNER OF COURSE, BEING CAREFUL NOT TO AROUSE THE IRE OF THE PERSON BEING INVESTIGATED. IF, UPON EXAMINATION, IT IS SHOWN THAT THE PERSON IS DEAD AND STILL SITTING WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE PROPER EQUIPMENT, ALL THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL BE FOLLOWED:

(1) FILL OUT FORM DWOF 1/E.5 (15 COPIES). MAIL THE FIRST THREE COPIES TO THIS OFFICE TOGETHER WITH THE TOPS OF THREE COKE BOTTLES (ADDRESSES MUST BE PLAINLY PRINTED INSIDE). COPIES 4, 5, 6, 7 AND 8 WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE MESSAGE CENTER. COPIES 9, 10, 11 AND 12 WILL BE SUBMITTED TO THE SCRAP PAPER DRIVE (CONSULT THE PINK PAGES OF THE LOCAL TELEPHONE DIRECTORY FOR USE'S CORRECT ADDRESS). COPIES 13, 14 AND 15 MUST BE SENT SOMEWHERE!

(2) IF THE INVESTIGATION PROVES THAT THE PERSON DIED AND IS STILL SITTING WITHOUT THE SUPPORT OF PROPER TOOLS OR EQUIPMENT, FILL OUT FORM DWOF 5-3/4 AND FORWARD TO THIS OFFICE FOR APPROVAL. SIGNED COPIES WILL BE RETURNED TO THIS OFFICE. THIS WILL BE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE OFFICE SUPERVISOR TO PUSH OVER THE BODY AND COMPLETE THE CASE.

(3) IN ALL CASES WHERE OFFICE WORKERS HAVE DIED AND NOT FALLEN, IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO COMPLETE FORM DWOF 5-3/4 TOGETHER WITH A SWORN STATEMENT OF THE DEAD MAN COVERING HIS HISTORY FOR THE PAST EIGHTEEN YEARS. IF THE DEAD MAN CANNOT WRITE, SIGNATURE MUST BE WITNESSED BY TEN OR MORE PERSONS WHO ARE AT LEAST PARTIALLY ALIVE, GIVING FULL NAMES AND ADDRESSES.

(4) FINAL DISPOSITION WILL BE TO FILL OUT ALL FORMS AVAILABLE AND MAIL COPIES TO HELL!

B. THAT IS ALL!

8-11-52

BUT WE DON'T WORRY WHEN WE'RE IN DOUBT,  
WE KNOW THE GALS WILL HELP US OUT.

AFTER TWO YEARS WITH CAA, MRS. MARGARITE MORGAN IS BIDDING US A FOND FAREWELL! WHEN ASKED WHAT SHE PLANNED TO DO, SHE REPLIED, "NEXT STOP, MORNINGSIDES."

EVERYONE IS WONDERING WHY ELLA OSKALOFF HAS SUDDENLY DEVELOPED A MANIA FOR A TRIP TO MT. MCKINLEY. SHE ISN'T DEFINITE ABOUT WHEN SHE WISHES TO LEAVE OR FOR HOW LONG SHE'D LIKE TO STAY. IS IT THE SNOW, ELLA???

CONGRATULATIONS TO MRS. ETHEL GERRING ON HER SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM WEDNESDAY, NOV. 8TH. SHE HAS A VERY BEAUTIFUL VOICE. TAKE A BOW, ETHEL, AND LET'S HOPE THAT WE HEAR MORE OF YOU.

FAREWELL TO VIVIAN MORRIS. WHAT IS DEPOT'S LOSS IS SECTION 54'S GAIN. WISH YOU WERE BACK, BUT HOPE THAT YOU HAVE THE BEST OF LUCK.

INTRODUCING IN THIS CORNER, MRS. EDITH KHOLER. SHE HAS COME DOWN TO TAKE VIVIAN'S PLACE SEEING TO IT THAT OUR SHORT AND SIMPLE WEEKLY REPORTS ARE TAKEN CARE OF EVERY SATURDAY EVENING AROUND 10 TO 5.

FAREWELL TO FRANCES JACKSON. SHE HAS LEFT TO JOIN HER FIGHTING HUSBAND IN MISSOURI. HOPE THE MULES DON'T GET HER!!

ALSO, WE'LL SAY GOODBYE TO HARVEY MACMICHAEL. HARVEY CLAIMS THEY HAVE FAIRER (?) WEATHER (?) WAY DOWN IN MONTANA. GOOD LUCK TO MEL CLEMENTS, WHO HAS STEPPED IN TO TAKE OVER THE BUYING SITUATION, AS IT STANDS. (??)

SOMETHING NEW HAS BEEN ADDED. HE NOW HAVE ANDREW J. (AJ) BAKER AS A BUTCHER. WE DON'T KNOW YET ABOUT THE BUTCHERING BUT AS A CARPENTER, HE'S A WHIZ!

CONGRATULATIONS TO MR. AND MRS. E. S. (NEO) GRIFFIN ON THE ARRIVAL OF THEIR LITTLE DAUGHTER KATHERINE. HOPE BY NOW THAT SHE IS ALLOWING OUR ASS'T. SUP'T. TO GET MORE SLEEP, LESS DIAPERS AND LESS HOUSEWORK.

WHY WAS DICK LOBDELL HOME MONDAY, NOV. 6TH? WE DIDN'T NOTICE ANY AD IN THE PAPER FOR "MOTHER'S LITTLE HELPER", BUT THE WASH SURE DID GET DONE UP IN A CLOUD OF SUDS!!

MY, THAT WAS SOME SHOWER THROWN IN THE COMMISSARY FOR PETE MELAND ONE AFTERNOON. DON'T GOT OVER ENTHUSIASTIC; HIS FAVORITE COCKER SPANIEL HAD ONE PUP. BY THE WAY, IT'S BEEN NAMED DICK, JR. FOR ITS GODFATHER, DICK LOBDELL. SLIGHT RESEMBLANCE.

DICK HARLSON MYSTERIOUSLY PASSED AROUND A BOX OF CANDY ONE AFTERNOON. WE ARE WONDERING WHAT THE OCCASION WAS??? ARE CONGRATULATIONS IN ORDER??? 'FESS UP, DICK. LET US IN ON THE SECRET OR WAS IT A PUT UP JOB?????

SNEAKING UP ON THE OLD SOURDOUGHS, PETE MELAND AND DICK LOBDELL, WE LEARNED A NEW BUSINESS HAD BEEN SET UP. IF ANYONE IS LOOKING FOR A GOOD (?) MATE, JUST COME TO THE "MATRIMONIAL BUREAU". WE'RE SURE THAT EITHER "CUFFID"

LOBDELL OF "LONELY HEARTS" MELAND CAN HELP YOU. THE NUMBER TO CALL IS EXT. 114. THE FEE IS---WELL, IT ALL DEPENDS ON THE SERVICE. (PAID ADVT.)

OUR NEW 3URBER, MERLYN E. (JIGGS) JEGULM, MANAGES TO KEEP THE STENCILS IN DEPOT AND COMMISSARY VERY WELL SUPPLIED (?). CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT; ALL HE DOES IS STAND IN HIS CORNER AND THEY ALL RUN TO HIM. DID SOMEONE MENTION A WOMAN SHORTAGE? WHAT HAS HE GOT THAT GETS THEM????

THE TALL, LANKY FELLOW YOU SEE STANDING IN THE FREIGHT DEPT. IS NOT THERE JUST TO LOOK AT. I OFTEN WONDER WHO THINKS SO THE MOST, HE OR THE STENCILS. NO HARM MEANT, BERT. WE THINK YOU LOOK GOOD AMONGST ALL THE FREIGHT.

WE WONDER WHAT IT IS THAT HAS JIM POGGAS IN SUCH A DITHER SOME DAYS. HE HAS MANAGED TO EITHER PLACE OR MISPLACE THINGS SO APPROPRIATELY THAT HE'S STARTED US SNORPING. 'FESS UP, JIM, AND DON'T TELL US IT'S THE WONDER OF "IS I IS OR IS I AIN'T GOING INTO THE ARMY".

WHAT IS IT ABOUT THE COMMISSARY SCALES THAT FASCINATE IMOGENE MELVEN? SHE KEEPS ASKING, "ARE YOU SURE THEY'RE BALANCED CORRECTLY?"

POOR GLORIA RUST! ONE DAY SHE'S HAPPY, THE NEXT DAY FORLORN. CHEER UP, GLORIA. THEY'VE BEEN THREATENING TO MOVE SO MANY OUTFITS OUT! HE WON'T GO FOR YEARS. NOTICE: SHE SWINGS A WICKED LEG, AND I DO MEAN LEG. ASK THE G I'S AT THE CANTEN ON EACH AND EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT.

WHY WAS THE EX-COMMISSIONER OF TALKEETNA (YES, WE MEAN YOU, BEN MAYFIELD) SO ANXIOUS TO BE THE HEAD JUDGE OF THE QUIETLY RUN BEAUTY CONTEST RUN BY THE COMMISSARY? JUST CHECKING UP ON YOU, BENNIE, MY LAD.

POOR BILL (THAT COVERS BILL FORNACIARY COMPLETELY) HAS BEEN SO DEJECTED LATELY. DON'T WORRY, BILL. THEY'LL GET YOUR CAB FIXED AS SOON AS THE ARMY DECIDES WHAT APPROX. TO TAKE FROM AND PUT IN TO. GUESS YOU KNOW THAT JUST COVERS A SHORT WAIT.

THE MEAN MR. JACK HOEKZEEMAN IS ALREADY TALKING ABOUT THE DAY WHEN HIS HUGE 5 MONTHS OLD SON WILL BE TUGGING HIM AROUND IN A SLED. HOPE HE WAITS A FEW MORE WINTERS.

DON'T GET OVERLY EXCITED WHEN YOU NOTICE MARY MAURER RUNNING IN AND OUT OF THE FEDERAL BLDG. SHE HASN'T BROKEN A LEG YET. IF YOU EVER LOSE TRACK OF HER, YOU'LL FIND HER IN SEC. 55. BETTER TAKE A CLOSER LOOK; SHE MAY BE IN WASHINGTON BY NOW! WE DO MISS YOU, MARY.

COME, COME, BAMA DEARMOND. WHERE DID YOU GET THAT GOOD LOOKING PIECE OF JEWELRY THAT YOU KEEP TIME ON? COULD YOU HAVE NAMED IT RICHARD?????

HELEN CLEMENTS ALMOST FAINTED THE FIRST OF

(CONTINUED ON PAGE 9)



KOTZEBUE GIMLET (BORES ALL)

TO DISCOURAGE THE LOCAL ESKIMOS FROM BEACHING A FIFTY TON WHALE IN FRONT OF THE CAA QUARTERS, TEX NOZY PERSUADED THEM THAT THE BEACH A MILE FARTHER NORTH WAS MORE SUITABLE. HE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THE SITE IN FRONT OF THE SUMMER QUARTERS OF RESIDENT ENGINEER DICK MCGOWAN AND HIS MENCHMAN BARNEY ILERTSON.

A WHOLE WEEK OF WHACKING AND HACKING BY ENTHUSIASTIC NATIVES REDUCED THE HULK TO A PORTION OF ITS FORMER SIZE, BUT IT BECAME INCREASINGLY APPARENT TO THE SNIFFING CONSTRUCTION OPERATIVES THAT AN ALARMING AMOUNT WAS UNDESIRABLE AS ESKIMO FOOD. GREATLY CONCERNED, THEY WATCHED THE NATIVE BUTCHERS WITHDRAW FROM THEIR BLACK MARKET, LEAVING THE RECKING REMNANTS OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST ANIMAL LYING IN THE KOTZEBUE SUNSHINE A FEW YARDS OFF THE WINDWARD SIDE OF THEIR COZY COTTAGE. MONTHS PASSED AND THE CONSTRUCTION GANG DEVELOPED A GREEN TINGE UNDER THEIR SWARTHY BEARDS. BY MIDSUMMER, UNABLE TO STAND IT ANY LONGER, THEY FOUND URGENT BUSINESS AT SHUNGNAK AND DEPARTED IN GREAT HASTE. NOT UNTIL THEY LEARNED VIA THE GRAPEVINE TELETYPE OF THE BURIAL OF THE REMAINS DID THESE OPPORTUNISTS LEAVE THE MOSQUITO COUNTRY AND RETURN TO THEIR UNFINISHED BUSINESS AT KP.

EXTRA.....UTILITY ENGINEER MISTAKEN FOR ESKIMO: VISITING ARMY PERSONNEL SIGHTSEEING AT THE VILLAGE REPORTED SEEING A REDHEADED ESKIMO EMERGE FROM ONE OF THE IGLOOS. LATER, THEY LEARNED THE REDHEADED ESKIMO WAS NONE OTHER THAN "RED" WILKINS, DRESSED IN HIS NEW FURS, WHO HAD BEEN CONFERRING WITH A SKIN SEWER REGARDING PARKIES FOR HIS TWENTY GIRL FRIENDS.

ESKIMOS ACCEPT CAA PROJECT: A SKIN CLAD KOTZEBUE ESKIMO KNOCKED ON THE DOOR OF A CAA DWELLING AND GRUVELY GRANTED, "HOW HIGH IS A DOOR KNOB?" AFTER LENGTHY QUESTIONING IT WAS APPARENT THAT HE WAS INSTALLING A DOOR ON HIS HOUSE THIS YEAR AND RECOGNIZED THAT ONLY FROM A CAA ABODE COULD THE PROPER DOOR KNOB HEIGHT BE FOUND.

KP IS SURELY PLEASED AND DELIGHTED WITH ITS NEW CAC, "FRITZ" SCHAEFER (EX WILES) AND HIS WIFE, CLARICE. THE WEATHER BUREAU MISSES GEORGE NICHOLS AFTER HIS DEPARTURE TO NORTHWAY, BUT FIND THE NUMMELIS, ERIC, BORGIE AND BUTCH, A VERY PLEASANT ADDITION TO THEIR GROUP.

WITH AN IDEA TO MAKING OUR NEW ARRIVALS ACQUAINTED WITH THE "TOWNSPEOPLE", IT TOOK THE CAA AND WEATHER BUREAU WIVES NO TIME AT ALL TO ARRANGE A DINNER DANCE. OUR UTILITY BUILDING (WITH THE WASHING MACHINE CLEVERLY CONCEALED) WAS THE SCENE OF THIS SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR. DINNER WAS SERVED TO THIRTY PEOPLE, INCLUDING SOME FOLKS FROM TOWN AND SEVERAL OUT-OF-TOWNERS WHO WERE FORTUNATELY, SO THEY SAID, MAROONED HERE. OUR FAVORITE RMS, GEORGE MENKE, ACTED AS MASTER OF CEREMONIES. THE OUT-OF-TOWNERS WERE INTRODUCED - NAMELY, MR. JACOBSEN, ASSOCIATE EDITOR ALASKA LIFE MAGAZINE; MR. BOUSHAY OF THE HOME NUGGET; DICK MCGOWAN, CAA

ENGINEER; PILOTS BILL PETERSON AND FRANK WHALEY; DELWYN RASMUSSEN, WEATHER BUREAU RADAR TECHNICIAN. AFTER-DINNER SPEAKING WAS ENJOYED AND WE HEARD THE ONLY HUSBAND IN THE WORLD SAY "AND NOW I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR A FEW WORDS FROM MY WIFE". "RASS" LOST TWO BITS ON A BET THAT HE WOULD BE IN BARROW AT THE TIME OUR PARTY WAS TO BE HELD, BUT ADMITTED THE LOSS WASN'T TOO GREAT. THE MENU IS STILL BEING DISCUSSED; WE HAD ITALIAN SPAGHETTI, BAKED HAM, SWEET POTATOES, COLESLAW, FRUIT SALAD, UPSIDEDOWN CAKE, CHOCOLATE SAND, COOKIES AND COFFEE. THE ONLY SPIRITS PRESENT WERE OUR OWN.

BORING, ISN'T IT.....

DEPOT DIRT AND COMMISSARY COMMENTS  
(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 8)

THE MONTH. BELIEVE IT OR NOT, SHE FINALLY MANAGED TO CORNER THE CHECK POOL. YOU'LL BE OUT AGAIN, HELEN, IN APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS (WE HOPE).

LOIS MUTH IS HAVING QUITE A TIME IN FREIGHT TRYING TO KEEP THE MEN IN ORDER. SEEMS AS THOUGH SHE IS QUITE A JOG FOR HERSELF, BUT SHE HAS PROVEN HERSELF VERY CAPABLE OF HANDLING IT. SHE'S NEW WITH US AND WE HOPE THAT SHE LIKED HER POSITION.

CHARLIE KNOX HAS THE WORST TIME OF ALL OF US TRYING TO KEEP UP WITH THE COMMISSARY AND DEPOT WOMEN. HE LEAVES THEM ON ONE CORNER OF TOWN AND THEN HAS TO SEARCH ALL OVER FOR THEM IN ORDER TO GET THEM BACK TO WORK. ONE OF THESE DAYS HE'LL TIE A STRING ON THEM AND GET MORE MIXED UP TRYING TO UNMIX IT. THAT'S ALL RIGHT, CHARLIE; HE'LL SEND YOU DO-ODDS WHEN YOU GET TO MORNINGSIDE.

MUST BE SPRING ALREADY - MARY GROSSON HAVING A SHEARING GOOD TIME LOSING SOME OF HER LOCKS. SHE'S REALLY BEGINNING TO LOOK QUITE GLAM-OR-GUS, AND WE'RE NOT KIDDING. SHE'LL ELOOR HER HUSBAND ALL OVER AGAIN IF SHE'S NOT CAREFUL. COULD THAT BE IT?????

NOTICED THAT MAXINE MOORE HAS MANAGED TO STAY OUT OF THE HOSPITAL LONG ENOUGH TO MIX HERSELF UP IN A FEW INVOICES. COULD IT BE THAT SHE ENJOYS THE MILK THEY SERVE, OR WHAT? WONDER IF THAT'S WHERE SHE ACQUIRED THE GOLD LIZARD THAT SHE SO MYSTERIOUSLY SPROUTED ONE LUNCH TIME. WE'LL FIND OUT!!

LOOKS AS THOUGH MR. YOUNG WILL NO LONGER HAVE TO ARGUE WITH THE TIDES. HE CAN STILL TELL US ABOUT ALL THE DUCKS THAT GOT AWAY AND THE BIG FISH THAT HE THREW BACK BECAUSE HE HAD TOO MANY ALREADY!! WELL, THAT'S WHAT HE SAID.

WHY IS WALT WILLIAMS ALWAYS IN SUCH A HURRY TO GET HOME AT NOON AND IN THE EVENINGS? LOOK OUT, WALT. THE OLD TRUCK WILL FALL APART ONE OF THESE DAYS.

GUESS THAT'S ALL FOR THIS TIME, BUT YOU'LL BE HEARING FROM US MORE REGULARLY FROM NOW ON, BY GOSH!!! SEE YOU WHEN YAKATAGA HAS EGGS!!

KHON/UTW/TW ANY CMCTN 'STN  
TANACROSS, ALASKA  
"KNOT-HOLE DAILY NEWS"

OCTOBER 6, 1944

HEARD THE LAUGH!! TARTARIE.

WITHIN THE LAST COUPLE OF MONTHS, TANACROSS HAS HAD ITS PATHS, BOTH IN AND OUT, WELL TRAVELED AND WORN DEEP WITH THE PASSING IN OF CHEECHAKOS AND OUT OF SOURDOUGHS. THE PARADE GOES SOMEWHAT IN THIS ORDER: ACCOM'S LYLE AND RUTH; BAXTER OF THE RECENT CLASS IN SA ARRIVED AUGUST 5 TO JOIN THE OTHER GOOD OLE MONTANANS - BUCK AND DORT SWAN, WHO ARE "PARTIALLY IF NOT PRACTICALLY" SOURDOUGHS BY THIS TIME (BUCK SAYS ONLY 1/3). THEN ON THE EVE OF SEPTEMBER 8TH CAC AND MRS. R. F. (FILL) DEFORD WITH FILLYS AND RICHY, THEIR TWO CHILDREN, DROPPED OUT OF THE HEAVENS FROM GSJ. MRS. DEFORD (SHE INSISTS ON WE'UNS CALLING HER IRMA) SO, IRMA ENDEARED HERSELF TO US PROMPTLY WITH A FOOL-PROOF RECIPE FOR BREAD, AND IT HAS ALREADY PROVEN CONCLUSIVELY THAT WE'UNS COULD HAVE BAKED GOOD BREAD AFORE THIS IF'N WE HAD HAD IRMA'S RECIPE. (ANYONE WISHING TO HAVE AN EXPERIENCED BAKER AS A HOUSE PET, WELL TRAINED IN ALL PHASES OF HOUSEHOLD DUTIES AND BAKING - YOU SHOULD HEFT SOME OF HIS DUNKERS - KINDLY SEND ANY AND ALL OFFERS, INCLUDING STARTING SALARY AND DAYS OFF, TO EARL FUQUAY, TW. MAKE IT SUDDEN, AS EARL SAYS HE MAY GO INTO SOME KINDA BUSINESS FOR HIMSELF ANY DAY NOW IF HE COULD JUST MAKE UP HIS MIND WHICH - SINKERS OR BLOCK BUSTERS.)

THE NEXT FLOAT IN OUR LITTLE PARADE WAS A CUT BEARING DOUG AND ATHALENA McDONALD OFF TO KG SEPTEMBER 12, WHERE THEY WILL WORK AS TEMPORARY ERAC'S WHILE AWAITING THE COMMISSIONING OF THEIR NEW STATION AT GUSTAVUS. ROSS CRONE, OUR WORTHY AND HIGHLY ESTEEMED RMS, PAID LIBERALLY IN \$5.00 BILLS ON THIS DEAL AFTER SWEARING HE WOULD LEAVE HERE BEFORE THEY DID EVEN IF HE HAD TO START RUNNING DOWN THE ALCAIN BEFORE THEIR PLANE TOOK OFF. (ROSS CRONE IS HERE, STILL. HIS ONLY REPLY TO ANY QUESTIONS, "GUESS I MUST HAVE THE WRONG ALTITUDE".) ANOTHER RIVAL FOR "EARLIEST DEPARTURE DATE" HONOR WAS ACAC HARGOLD J. SHERMAN, WHO WAS "HITTIN' THE TRAIL FOR THE COW CAIN-TREE" OF SAN ANTONIO STARTIN' SOMETIME BACK ACCORDIN' TO THE CALENDAR MARKINGS. LAST ENTRY DATE FOR DEPARTURE WAS SEPTEMBER 16; DEPARTED SEPTEMBER 22 OR THEREABOUTS.

WE ALL OF US WANT TO TAKE THIS MEANS OF WISHING THE McDONALDS GOD-SPEED AND SUCCESS. WE HATED TO LOSE YOU BUT WILL CHERISH THE MEMORY OF YOUR GOOD FELLOWSHIP AND FRIENDSHIP. ALSO, WE SINCERELY HOPE THAT BROWNVILLE, TEXAS MEETS ALL EXPECTATIONS FOR SHERMAN AND SUGGEST THAT HE TAKE A GOOD LOOK AT UNCLE SUGAR ON THE WAY THROUGH, AS HE WILL PROBABLY NOT GET A CHANCE TO GET BACK INTO THE STATES AGAIN FOR A WHILE SINCE HE IS GOING TO BE STATIONED SO FAR OUT AGAIN.

SAY, WHAT IN TARNATION WAS ALL THIS FUSS ABOUT LEGAL RESIDENTS OF GL' KAINUTUCK? LYLE AND RUTHY BAXTER ADVISE THEY ARE NEITHER ONE LEGAL SQUATTER RIGHT HOLDERS, THE SAME FOR JEAN FUQUAY WHO SHE SAYS SHE'S NOT CERTAIN ABOUT HER MAN. EARL SURE AN CERTAIN HAS THEM KAINUTUCK SHOOTIN' WAYS WITH A THUNDER STICK; HITS EM FLYIN' OR RUNNIN'.

CHIEFY HAD A HECK OF A TIME FOR A FEW DAYS AFTER ARRIVAL. WE'UNS WONDERED WHY HE KEPT HIS EYES CLOSED MOST OF THE TIME. HE ADVISED THAT THE SUNLIGHT HURT HIS EYES, NOT USED TO IT, DOWN THERE ON H31 AND GSJ ISLANDS; SAID HE WAS AFRAID TO GO OUTSIDE NEXT MORN' ACCOUNT OF CONTRACTING SUNBURN OR SUNBLINDNESS.

OCTOBER 26, 1944

HEY WE'UNS LET Y'ALL IN ON THE KNOT-HOLE MOTTO? HERE 'TIS: WISDOM, KNOWING WHAT TO DO; SKILL, KNOWING HOW TO DO IT; VIRTUE, NOT DOING IT.

WELL, THE PATHS MENTIONED PREVIOUSLY HAVE BEEN WELL PAVED EVER SINCE WE WROTE LAST; YEP, BOTH IN AND OUT. OUR GREATLY MISSED RMS CRONE (WRONG ALTITUDE) DEPARTED FOR HQ OR THEREABOUTS AND WE WELCOMED OUR NEW RMS AND WIFE, THE MINOR TILLORS, WHO ARE NOT CHEECHAKOS BY ANY MEANS. THEN SHORTLY AFTER ANOTHER PARTY ROLLED IN THAT WE ALL WELCOME WITH OPEN ARMS, THE NEW MCK AND FAMILY. THEY HAD A BIT OF TROUBLE ALONG THE ROAD WITH OUR NEW TRUCK. SEEMS WE RECEIVED A DISPATCH TO THE EFFECT THEY HAD DEPARTED HQ WITH THEIR SEVEN YEAR OLD SON ENROUTE FOR TW, BROKE DOWN AT SOME POINT ALONG THE WAY AND WERE DELAYED...BUT WE CAN'T FOR THE LIFE OF US FIGURE OUT WHERE THE LONG LAPS O TIME ENTERS THE PIX CAUSE THE DOTSON FAMILY, MR. DOTSON, MRS. DOTSON AND THEIR SIXTEEN YEAR OLD SON BOB PULLED INTO TW 'HAIL AND HEARTY AND, AS THEY SAY, SURE GLAD TO BE HERE AND INTEND REMAINING LONG WITH US HAPPY TANACS.

JEAN FUQUAY ADVISES US THAT HER ULTRA BAKER SPOUSE IS REALLY GOING PLACES FAST WITH HIS BREAD MAKING, AND THOSE PLACES ALL LEAD TO.... BUT LET ME TELL YOU HOW IT WAS. EARL MIXED UP A BATCH THE OTHER NIGHT, MIXED AND MIXED - SOMETHING DID NOT MIX JUST RIGHT SO EARL ADOS A BIT OF POWDERED MILK - THEN WATER - THEN MORE FLOUR AND MIXED AND ROLLED AND SQUASHED SOME MORE - STILL THAT FUMFY FEEL SO ADD MORE FLOUR, WATER AND MILK POWDER, MIX, PUNCH, ETC. - WITH THE SAME RESULT AND THE SAME CUE OVER AND OVER - FAR INTO THE NIGHT UNTIL EARL BAKED THE MASS AS WAS - SAID IT CAME OUT OF THE OVEN HARDER THAN YOU KNOW WHAT AND AS HEAVY AS YOU KNOW WHAT AGAIN - YEAH, HAD TO BORROW A CROSS-CUT SAW TO CUT THE LOAVES INTO SLICES AND THEN GRIND IT UP IN A FOOD CHOPPER BECAUSE THE SLICES COULDN'T BE BIT AND THEN THROW THE GRINDINGS AWAY CAUSE THEY LOOKED CRUMBLY. WELL - IT WAS NOT 'TIL NEXT AM WHILE PREPARING BREAKFAST THAT EARL MADE HIS GREAT BREAD FIND AND DISCOVERY - HE HAD USED PANCAKE MIX FOR FLOUR. MORE NEWS NEXT TIME ON THE BREAKMAKER OF TW.

WHO WAS THE OPR THAT COULDN'T FIND A BUG TO USE AND WASTED TO SEND A FLUSH ON BOTH CKTS - TW. BUGNO? WOULD SAID OPR HAVE SENT BUGGK AFTERWARDS?

(CONTINUED ON PAGE 11)

BEAR MUKLUK:

SEPTEMBER 13, 1944

BOY? (LOCKETT WRITING.)

SURE, MERRILL FIELD HAD MORE OPERATIONS THAN LAGUARDIA FIELD DURING JULY. AND LAGUARDIA HAD QUITE A FEW, TOO. GOOD WEATHER (WHO SAID THERE ISN'T SUCH A THING IN ANCHORAGE?) AND LONGER HOURS OF DAYLIGHT WERE RESPONSIBLE, TO A CERTAIN EXTENT, FOR THIS NEW TRAFFIC RECORD.

TO AID STUDENTS AT MERRILL FIELD IN THEIR UNDERSTANDING OF TRAFFIC PATTERNS, GROUND AND AIR RULES, AND GENERAL TOWER PROCEDURES, THE AIRPORT MANAGER SIGNED A LETTER MAKING IT A FIELD REQUIREMENT FOR ALL STUDENTS WHO HAVE NOT SOLOED TO SPEND AT LEAST TWO HOURS IN THE TOWER. CONTROLLERS ON-DUTY DISCUSS TRAFFIC CONTROL WITH EACH SUCH VISITOR. ESPECIALLY INVITED, SAYS ONE CONTROLLER, ARE THE WOMEN PILOTS. AT THIS POINT IT IS ASSUMED THAT THE TERM "RANGE LEGS" WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE CLARIFIED.

ON A POSTMAN'S HOLIDAY, R. J. "PETE" PETTITTE HAS BEEN VISITING THE TOWER ON SUNDAYS. ALSO AROUND, JUST ABOUT IN TIME TO HAVE WIEENERS AND KRAUT WITH CONTROLLER JOHN MAW, WERE MR. STOUGH OF THE CAB AND MARSHALL HOPPIN.

BILL KELLY WAS OFFICIALLY PROMOTED TO CHIEF AND FLOYD WEST TO CONTROLLER DURING THE MONTH. FORMER CHIEF LEON KARLSON IS SIDING HIS TIME IN BAYONNE, N. J., AWAITING FINAL DRAFT BOARD ACTION.

DURING THE 65 MPH BREEZE THAT CAME THE OTHER DAY, THE ONLY FIELD CASUALTY WAS A CUB THAT BROKE LOOSE FROM ITS MOORINGS AND STARTED TAKING-OFF THROUGH THE BUSHES. THE TOWER, DURING THE SAME BREEZE, BENT AND WEAVED BUT IS STILL INTACT AND AS READY FOR ACTION AS EVER.

OCTOBER 15, 1944

ALL THINGS AROUND MERRILL TOWER PASS INTO INSIGNIFICANCE. SO SAID ALBERT LOCKETT, CONTROLLER, OCTOBER 3 WHEN HIS SECOND SON, ROBERT, WAS BORN IN BOISE, IDAHO. SON ROBERT IS UNDOUBTEDLY DESTINED TO BE ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING MEN OF HIS TIME; SO SAYS AL LOCKETT. (NOTE: AL LOCKETT ALSO WRITES THE MERRILL TOWER RAMBLINGS.)

NOW TO THE LESS IMPORTANT NEWS. (LOCKETT STILL WRITING.)

AS OF 0000AWT OCTOBER 16 MERRILL TOWER WENT ON A 16-HOUR-A-DAY SCHEDULE, WITH THE MIDNIGHT SHIFT BEING ELIMINATED AND OPERATIONS NOW FROM 0800AWT TO MIDNIGHT. THE ARMY AIR FORCES GAVE THE OK FOR THE SHUTDOWN. RUNWAY LIGHTS, BEACON, WIND "I", AND LOCALIZER REMAIN ON DURING THE NIGHT JUST IN CASE ANYONE DROPS IN.

THE NORTH-SOUTH RUNWAY IS TAKING ON A NEW APPEARANCE AND IS NOW MUCH WIDER AND LONGER THAN BEFORE CONSTRUCTION STARTED A MONTH OR SO AGO. THERE WAS NO ONE AVAILABLE TO OPERATE THE ROLLER, BUT THAT DIDN'T SLOW UP AIRPORT MANAGER MIKE SKRIVAN; HE JUST TOOK OVER THE JOB AND DID HIS OWN ROLLING.

HAVE YOU HEARD THAT THE LOCKETTS HAVE A NEW

CONTROLLER FLOYD WEST IS OFF TO THE STATE ON HIS FIRST VACATION OUTSIDE IN MORE THAN TWO YEARS. HE'S HEADED FOR CINCINNATI. HELD OUT ANOTHER UNEXPECTED VACATION RECENTLY WHEN HE WAS STRANDED IN NOME WHILE ON A FAMILIARIZATION FLIGHT. NC14 CAME TO HIS AID AND GOT HIM BACK TO ANCHORAGE NOT TOO MUCH THE WORSE FOR WEAR AND TARE.

AS TO THE REMAINDER OF THE PERSONNEL, CHIEF BILL KELLY IS DOING QUITE A BIT OF FLYING ON THE SIDE AT MERRILL AND JOHN MAW IS KEPT BUSY MAKING IMPROVEMENTS IN THE TOWER.

THAT'S ABOUT ALL THIS MONTH EXCEPT AL LOCKETT HAS A NEW SON.

MERRILL TOWER

IN THESE HECTIC DAYS OF WAR AND ITS INVASIONS OUR TARS, SPARS AND WACS, ON OCCASION, ALSO OUR SOLDIERS AND SAILORS, WHO BATTLE THE AXIS ARE CITED AS HEROS, IN MANY DISPATCHES.

BUT HAVE YOU EVER HEARD IN ANY WAY OF THE BOYS WHO TOIL FOR THE C. A. A.?

THEY ARE THE BOYS WHO PROVIDE THE RANGE FOR THE PILOTS WHO FLY THE C. A. A. LINES. AT FORTY BELOW AND A FIFTY MILE GALE, (YOU MAY THINK THAT THIS IS A FAIRY TALE) OUR BOYS HAVE SPENT MANY MISERABLE HOURS RUNNING THEIR LINES AND CLIMBING THE TOWERS.

WE ALSO HAVE BOYS WHO HIT THE LINE, LIKE THE GANG FROM SECTION 99. FROM BARROW, KOTZEBUE AND WILES, THESE BOYS COULD TELL YOU MANY TALES.

THEY GET NO HEADLINES AND ASK FOR NONE; THEIR SATISFACTION IS ONLY A JOB WELL DONE.

LIKE THE PILOTS WHO FERRY THE SHIPS TO RUSSIA, LIKE THE FIGHTERS WHO BATTLE AND SOB IN EAST PRUSSIA, LIKE THE CATSKINNER WHO BATTLES THE RUTS, AND THE LABORER WHO SHOVELS THE MUCK, OUR BOYS ARE ALSO MAKING HISTORY, AND DOING THEIR SHARE TOWARD VICTORY.

— MALEMUTE SLIM

"KNOT-HOLE DAILY NEWS"  
(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10)

BUCK AND THE CHIEF THINK THEY HAVE THEIR BRAINCHILD-CLOCK JUST ABOUT FIGURED OUT NOW AND WILL START INSTRUCTING THE REST OF US ON ITS PROPER USE SO WE CAN ALL TELL WHAT TIME IT IS AT ANY TIME. IT'S SUPPOSED TO GIVE THE CORRECT TIME IN THREE OR FOUR WAYS - AWT, LCL, 24 HR, GST AND MAYBE ANOTHER OR TWO. THEIR NEXT PROJECT IS THE FOREVER-IN-THE-WAY LADDER TO THE ATTIC; MORE ABOUT THAT NEXT TIME; GOT TO GET BACK TO THE KNOT-HOLE AND START GATHERING SIGHTS TO WRITE ABOUT NEXT TIME - B O N U ALL.

THE PATACROSS SCAVENGERS