

SALMON PACK RESPONSIBLE FOR ALASKA'S S. S. SERVICE

That Alaska's principal transportation facilities and frequent mail service to the outside is very largely dependent upon the success of the Territory's chief industry — salmon canning, is sometimes overlooked by residents of the Territory, William Semar, General Manager of the Northland Transportation Company, states.

"Now that the salmon packing season is about at an end, it is quite appropriate that I point to Alaskans the part this industry plays in supporting their transportation system," Semar said. "The steamship lines serving Alaska depend on income earned during the summer months to maintain year around operation. While off-season operation is essential to the residents of Alaska it is not profitable to the steamship companies which must meet their bills during this period out of funds earned in the peak summer months.

"While tourist travel accounts for a good deal of the line's summer revenues, the tourist, financially speaking, is really only the frosting on the cake. The real dependence of the steamship companies is on the annual shipments of canned salmon.

"Approximately 75 percent of our annual income is derived from freight revenues collected on the movement of this product, and the shipment of cans, machines, and other supplies north to the canneries at the start of each season. Without these cargoes," Semar continued, "Sailings would necessarily be much less infrequent and the vessels engaged in the Alaska trade would be smaller and less comfortable than they now are.

"The Canned Salmon Industry not only makes these facilities necessary, but it also supports the shipping industry and enables it to serve all the territorial residents more efficiently and increase the frequency of mail service from the outside," he concluded.

DILLINGHAM GAME WARDEN TRANSFERRED PETERSBURG

Hosea Sarber, who has been stationed at Dillingham, Bristol Bay for the past year and a half, has been transferred to Petersburg as Alaska Game Warden for that section. He is to have the use of the boat Marten, reports the Petersburg Press.

With his wife, the former Miss Virginia Tate, and young son, Frank Earl, he returned to Petersburg on the Brown Bear last week.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Sarber say they are happy to be back in Petersburg. This is the first trip to Petersburg for Frank Earl, who was born in Anchorage and has been growing up in the Bristol Bay region. Earl Ohmer says that, although Frank already has eight teeth, he is going to give the boy a six shooter on which to cut the rest of his teeth.

Mr. Sarber reports that fishing has been very good all through Bristol Bay, but the Nushagak River fishing has been a failure. Conditions in general are good. The people in that section need governing and law enforcement, or relief. He also says the liquor situation there is a problem just as it is elsewhere.

According to Mr. Sarber, the natives in that section have unusually good resources. There is wild life and fish in abundance and if properly handled there should never be any want.

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Between 400 and 500 Cordova citizens attended dedication ceremonies of the town's new city hall built at a cost of \$33,096 as a PWA project, the town's actual cost being \$18,211.

The dedication services included inspection of the building, brief talks by city and government officials and free dancing in the big community room on the top floor.

The building is 50 by 100 feet and is substantial and practical, special thought having been given to a type of construction that would resist dampness and wind.

One of its main features is a large community hall upstairs 50 by 80 feet with a ceiling 20 feet high. This will be used as a gymnasium for the high school, a dance hall and generally assembly hall. At one end there is a balcony 20 feet wide for spectators and leading off from the right are shower rooms, washrooms and lavatories. There is also a large kitchen for serving community dinners. Below is the very comfortable apartment for the fire chief and city man which consists of living room, two bedrooms, kitchen, bath, large hallway and closets. The apartment is modern in all respects, is wired for electrical appliances including a range and has many built-in features.

On the main floor are the council chambers, large truck room, a tool room and the fire department. Heat is supplied by a steam plant burning diesel oil which supplies steam to standard radiators in all rooms except the truck rooms which have special fan-equipped heaters. The entire interior is finished in stainer, plywood while the gymnasium floor is treated with a special paraffin preparation that is always smooth for dancing but is adaptable to ordinary use and is not slippery for basketball players.

HOTEL ARRIVALS

The following persons registered at the Wrangell Hotel during the past week:

Oscar R. Hart; Tom Richard, Albert Mustafa, Seattle; Vern Keeley, J. J. Moore, Jr., Ketchikan; Mrs. M. Woods; W. C. Chisholm and wife; G. E. Cannon; L. C. Sorenson; J. Coulter; Tom Tremble; J. W. Merhin; Jerry Reiland, E. A. Meyring, Wilfred Lund, Juneau; Mrs. C. H. Alexander, L. Adamson, J. V. Boys, Geo. Adsit, Telegraph Creek; J. A. Fraser, Prince Rupert; J. R. Gibson, Joe Searfass, Seattle; C. A. Irvine, Dease Lake; John V. Thorpe and wife, Chicago.

F. Forn, Steve Virkovich, J. L. Morgan, Elmer Jakeway, Juneau; C. C. Grubb, Ketchikan; Charles Rogers and wife; Lambert van der Stoep, A. Van Mavern, Juneau; N. A. McEachran, Seattle; Stanley Zuern, Portland; R. S. Hyland, Carl H. Beal, R. E. Havenstrite; A. B. Johnson, Wrangell; Fritz Barts, Palo Alto; Ted Hethcock; James Lovett.

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16 TOWNS REPRESENTED AT WRANGELL INSTITUTE

Sixteen Alaskan towns are represented by the 65 boys and 41 girls now enrolled at Wrangell Institute. The enrollment follows.

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Kake — Arnold Austin, Heinrich Bean, Loomis Bean, Herbert Duganua, Charlie James, Elmer Johnson, August Martin, Roy Martin, Harold Ross, David Thomas, Louis Austin, Albert Davis, Morris Grant, Inez Friday, Josephine Thomas, Mammie Thomas, Evangeline Williams.

Ketchikan — Wilbur Reece, Pete Johnson, Lawrence Baines, Henry Leask, Patrick Pawsey, Bucey Wallace, Doris Ridley, Leonora Dalton, Gertrude Evans, Phyllis Ridley.

Klawock — Roy Williams, George Ketah, Jack Kato, Reginald Chuck, Evans Gonyah, Elsie Gonyah, Nellie Peratrovich, Rowena Williams, Irene Nickerson, Alicia Fields, Pearl Rowan, Adella Isaacs, Jane Roberts, Bernice Rowan, George Gonyah, Lincoln Peratrovich, Calvin Roberts, William Smith, James Johnson, Sampson Nickerson.

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Petersburg — John Berkeley, Seldovia — Paul Boyan, Lawrence Larsen, Mathilde Lund, Virginia Lund, Alice Ollestad, Frances Ollestad.

Sitka — Henry C. Wentz, Edward Littlefield, Cecil Wentz, Louise Howard.

Wrangell — Walter Moreno, Walter Austin, Frank Perez, Nellie Brown, Winifred Rinehart, Rosalina Lanado, Norma Willard.

Yakutat — John Ellis, Harold Gray, Sheldon James, Violet James, Ugashik — Patrick Neucklavok.

COLONISTS HAVE MODERN HOSPITAL AT PALMER

If the future birthrate among the Matanuska valley colonists keeps on at the present ratio, there should be no need of adding to the number of families now on hand for the sake of increasing population. In the past year there were 60 babies born at the colony, something better than one baby a week.

The hospital that took care of the mothers and their new-born, is a model in regard to appearance, convenience and appointment. No stairs to climb, everything on the ground floor with most modern type of equipment.

Dental offices for Dr. Pollard are ideal in appointment, and the wide corridor that runs the width of the building, upon which opens wards and private rooms, would make a fair sized ballroom.

Altogether 414 patients have been received at the hospital and there have been 128 operations, minor and major.

Two young ladies, sisters have a lot to do with creating this spirit of friendliness—Miss Marian Batdorf, superintendent, and Miss Lucella Batdorf, secretary. Philadelphia girls, they were trained in their work in their home city, which is also the eastern homeplace of Dr. Conrad Earl Albrecht, physician in charge.

There is a staff of three nurses—Miss Katherine Powers, from Arkansas; Mrs. F. Richards, Seattle; Miss Ruth Kelly, Philadelphia. Max Sherrod is the X-ray technician.


JUNEAU INSPECTOR REPORTS CAUSES RADIO INTERFERENCE

Completing the first of a series of steps toward prevention of radio interference throughout the city, W. E. Hixson, city radio inspector of Juneau, read to the city council his report covering causes of major air disturbances there.

Specific mention of sources of trouble were included in the report which indicated that, in general, neon signs, oil burners, generators, elevators, electric mixers, beauty parlor appliances, and electric light and power lines are largely responsible for poor radio reception. In concluding his report, Hixson asked that complaints on interference be made to him. The present city ordinance at Juneau covering collection of radio interferences provides enforcement of required improvements when the causes of interference have been definitely located.

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