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CHUGIAK-10¢

Health Fund "Over The Top"

CHUGIAK: The drive to raise \$400 to pay for the Public Health Nurse and other services provided by the Department of Public Health went over the top this week.

The donation which blew the top out of the thermometer came from George Smith, of the Half Way House.

Louise Long, President of the Chugiak Health Council wishes to thank all those who donated for their generosity and for helping Chugiak preserve it's reputation for being the only community in the State to have consistently met this ob-

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EXPOSURE INCIDENT REPORTED

EAGLE RIVER: Two Eagle River ladies reported an incident involving a case of indecent exposure last week.

The ladies were driving toward Eagle River from Palmer when they noticed a man standing at the roadside in front of some bushes at mile 15.

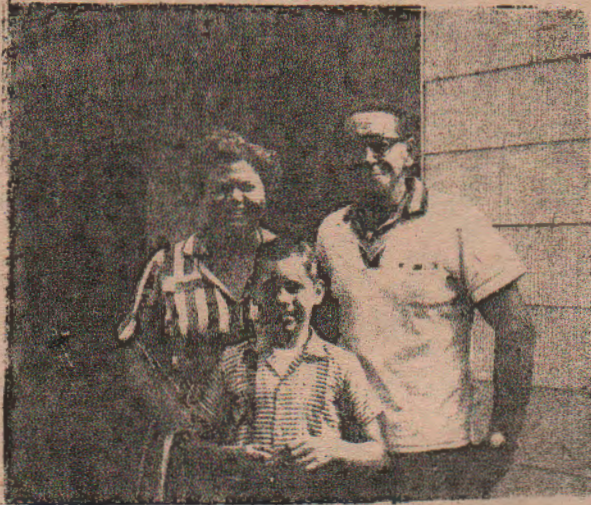
Upon approaching they saw that he was completely undressed and appeared to be deliberately exposing himself.

The ladies hurried to the nearest service station and called the State Police; however, by the time a trooper could be dispatched to investigate the matter the man had disappeared and is presumed to be still at large.

There have since been sev-

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BUD FILLMORE TO COACH ALL STARS



REUNITED! AFTER A SEPARATION OF ALMOST A YEAR, JOHNNY REJOINS HIS FOSTER PARENTS ART AND LORRAINE JOHNSON AT THEIR EAGLE RIVER HOME. HIS ADOPTION APPROVED, JOHNNY IS HOME TO STAY.

CHUGIAK: Paul "Bud" Fillmore, manager for the Champion Chugiak team was the logical choice for coach of the Katmai All Star Team.

Fillmore's ability to turn out head's up ball players gives the Katmai team hope of coming out ahead in the series, and ending up the Alaska State Champions.

There is All Star Practice every night, and the series will begin on Monday, July 31st in Anchorage.

The Katmai team will be wearing the Chugiak team uniforms, with a Katmai patch basted over the word Chugiak.

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SCOUTS FROM NEW YORK VISIT HERE

CHUGIAK: A troop of six boyscouts and their scoutmaster were a long way from home when they stopped in Chugiak last week.

Accompanied by their scoutmaster, G. Carl Buessow of troop 48 from Tarrytown New York, the boys were on a nine week tour of the United States, Canada and Alaska.

The boys, Edward Bermingham, Steven Schlesinger, Peter Koner, Paul Peterson, Richard Horbit and Scott Buessow (son of the scoutmaster) are all students at Hackley School in Tarrytown, where Mr. Buessow teaches science.

During their stay of a week in Chugiak the boys camped at the Eagle River campground.

They were in complete agreement on one subject... "Alaska is a beautiful spot!"

SEE PAGE TWELVE FOR
SPECIAL NEWSBULLETIN

MORE ABOUT THE FAIR QUEEN CONTEST

PALMER: "We would like to see at least two Chugiak candidates for the Fair Queen", stated Bill Miller, manager of the Alaska State Fair.

Several local business establishments have announced their readiness to sponsor a queen candidate.

Any girls between the ages of 18 and 26 who are unmarried are eligible to compete.

Many valuable prizes have been lined up for the competitors, and personal appearances on television and radio have been arranged.

Application blanks and rules may be obtained by calling the Knik Arm Courier, at Homestead 2-5275, or at the State Fair Association office at the Fairgrounds in Palmer.

A girl who will be 18 on or before July 1 of 1962 is eligible.

THE KNIK ARM COURIER

(new feature)

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NO WINNER YET

The first winner of the free
subscription sweepstake has
yet to claim his or her prize
so we are unable to announce
the name this week.

However, we wish to remind
our readers that we will be
giving away a free subscrip-
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Look through this copy
carefully, this may be IT!

NEW FEATURE

This week we are beginning,
on a trial basis a new feat-
ure which will appear on
page five.

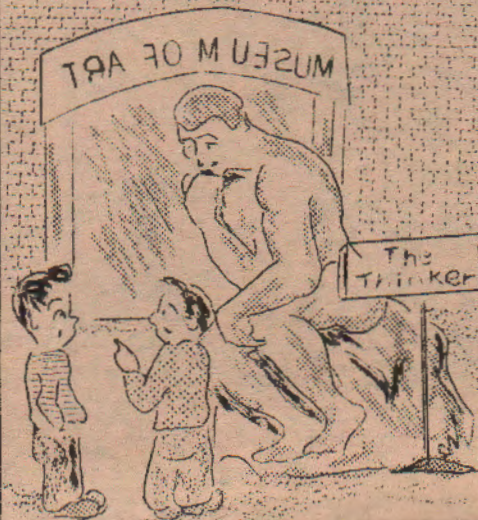
The editor of this col-
umn has asked that her iden-
tity remain a secret for
obvious reasons.

Although this type of a
column is something new to
(next col)

to us, the author has had
considerable experience in
this field, and is well
qualified to handle it.

We hope that our readers
will take advantage of this
service, but wish to state
that the Courier reserves
the right to reject any
material that may be judged
unsuitable.

This should prove to be
an interesting experiment,
so if you have any problems,
Tell them to Martha.



"He's probably trying to
remember where he left
his clothes!"

MAIL FOR THE NEW
POST OFFICE

EAGLE RIVER: Although the
new Eagle River Post Office
is still existing on paper
only, carrier Dave Sweeney
has already received mail
addressed there.

They are from avid phil-
atelists who are anxious to
get their first day cancella-
tions.



The Vernon Moore family of
the Eagle River Homestead Rd.,
enjoyed a vacation trip which
took them to Dawson.

The John Steeby's of Jayhawk
Drive in Birchwood have re-
turned from a trip on the
Outside.

Kemper Johnston of Birchwood
has gone to Nome where he
will be working.

M/Sgt Frank Laukat and his
family have sold their home
on Mt. Eklutna Drive at mile
23 and moved to Spenard. Sgt,
Laukat expects to be shipped
to Korea this fall.

Mrs. F.S. (Pen) Lee, of Swanee
Slopes has accompanied her
guests who are visiting from
the "south 48" on a trip to
Circle.

Guy and Olga Johnson of mile
22 and their two sons have
left for a trip to Minnesota.

The "Tex" Huard family of Jay-
hawk Drive in Birchwood have
moved to Anchorage.

Jack Phillips of Birchwood

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ZIMMERMANS



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The Cook of the Month

COOK FOR JULY
- ELSIE BOROUGHS -

The final recipe which Elsie gives us is called a pudding, but is more like a cake in appearance and taste.

DANISH PUDDING (Date Nut Cake)

- 1 cup shortening
- 1 3/4 cups sugar
- 3 eggs (beaten)
- 3 cups flour (sifted)
- 1/2 tsp salt
- 1/2 tsp soda
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 tbs orange juice
- 1 pkg dates (also may add cherries)
- 1 cup nuts (broken)

POUR soda & boiling water over dates

ALLOW to cool while you...

MIX other ingredients

CREAM shortening and sugar

BLEND other ingredients into mixture

STIR in date mixture

BAKE at 350° for about 1 hour

(Test with toothpick..if pick is clean, cake is done.)

LEAVE cake in pan and pour icing over cake while it is still hot.

ICING:

- 1 cup sugar
- 1 cup orange juice

MIX together

POUR over cake

ALLOW to stand until mixture is absorbed.

(This cake is baked in an angel food pan.)

THE WHEELS OF
COCHS ARE STILL TURNING!

NORA BENITO NEW LADIES CLUB PRESIDENT

PETERS CREEK: The Chugiak Ladies Club, meeting at the home of Margaret Halverson on Mt. Eklutna Drive elected new officers for the coming six months.

Nora Benito, who had been club Vice President, was chosen to serve as President. Vice President was Margaret Halverson, Secretary, Dee Stallard and Treasurer, Ferne Johnston.

The Ladies all received gifts from their Secret Pals signed by the givers real name, and drew names for the next year.

Final plans for the club's anniversary dinner were made this year to be held at Willawa Lodge on Lake Wasilla.

The hostess raffle was won by Nora Benito, a set of ceramic cats.

BAKE SALE PLANNED

CHUGIAK: The Chugiak Homemakers will hold a bake sale this Saturday at the Eagle River Shopping Center, from 11am until all the baked goods are gone.

Another fund raising project which the club is undertaking is the raffeling of a doll with an unusual "gimick" involved.

In addition to a handmade wardrobe, the doll's winner will be presented with a matching wardrobe, specially tailored to fit the lucky little girl who will get her.

PAIR UNITED IN CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY

OLD CHUGIAK: The Chugiak (next col.)

(Wedding)

Lutheran Church was the scene of the candlelight ceremony which united in marriage Donald Benjamine of Chugiak to Joyce Ann Hartner of Palmer.

The bride was given in marriage by her father Edwin Hartner of Palmer. She was attended by her sister, Marcina Carlson who was Matron of Honor, Janiel Browne, bridesmaid and Sherry Benjamin and the brides younger sister were flower girls. Max Pyles of Birchwood was the best man.

Rev. Roland Fritz conducted the ceremony, and music was provided by Barbara Williams at the piano with soloist Ruth Briggs, singing "I love you Truly."

The bride was attired in a gown of white lace, with full length fitted sleeves, and a v-necked fitted bodice decorated with rhinestones. Her fingertip veil fell from a headband of lace and satin.

The Matron of Honor wore a yellow gown with a matching feathered headress and carried a white carnation nosegay.

Miss Browne's dress was beige, her pink feathered headband matched her nosegay pink roses. The bride's bouquet was pink tiered roses.

The mother of the bride wore a champagne beige dress with lime green accessories, while (cont page 4 col 2)

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(come & go cont page 2 col 3)

(wedding)

has left for Big Delta, where he will be working.

Mr. and Mrs. Les Fetrow of Old Chugiak, and their five children have returned from a vacation trip during which they toured many of the south 48 states.

Herb Boucher, of Seattle Washington is visiting his daughter Mrs. Pau Swanson of Swanee Slopes. His brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Milford Boucher, of Calgary Canada are visiting with him.

The Albert Weger family has moved to Chugiak, and are making their home in Birchwood. The Weger's formerly lived in Anchorage.

The Leon Hartman family of mile 22 combined business with pleasure, and all took a trip to Valdeze.

PARTY GIVER SURPRISED

OLD CHUGIAK: Pen Lee, who is noted for giving many

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the groom's mother wore a suit of brown tweed, with a white hat and black shoes and purse.

The altar was decorated with pink gladioli and fren.

Approximately fifty guests at ended the wedding, which was followed by a reception at the Carnival Hall.

The Benjamine's are at home on the Birchwood Loop.

(surprise party)

a surprise party, was herself the guest of honor at a surprise birthday party held at the Chugiak Lutheran Church.

Lured there last Friday evening on the pretext of organizing a Women's Society of the Church, Pen discovered that the ladies assembled there had come not to form a Society, but to help her celebrate her birthday.

The conspirators responsible for this most successful surprise were Lorene Tofson, May Gilly and Carol Connell.

The lovely cake, which was shaped and decorated to resemble a birthday card, had been baked by Mrs. Tofson.



NEW PHONES

The following new phones have been added to the Homestead exchange during the month of July.

- John E. Carpenter... HO-2-5131
- Harry's Auto Parts... HO-2-5132
- Donald G. Masterson... HO-2-5185
- Aden Cates....HO-2-5270
- George E. Smith...HO-2-5326
- Eagle River Improvement Association....HO-2-5340
- O.R. Walford....HO-2-5445
- Leo DeLaCruz....HO-2-5545

The above listing is published for your convenience. Clip it out and place it at the back of your Matanuska Telephone Directory.

PCCC MEETING CANCELLED

PETERS CREEK: The meeting of the Peters Creek Community Club was cancelled last Friday due to lack of a quorum.

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Tell it to Martha!

B Y: Martha Council

Dear Sourdough,

I wouldn't worry; if your people know nothing of life in Alaska, they are probably expecting to find you living in an igloo and eating blubber.

Most visitors to Alaska like to think of their trip as an adventure to the Last Frontier, and the primitive facilities that some of us are forced to put up with will just give them something to boast to their friends when they get back about how they lived just like pioneers.

(If you are really worried about that number 2 tub, just don't even mention it, but suggest the public showers that are available in our community.)

.....Martha Council

(Address all letters to Martha Council to the Knik Arm Courier, box 1166 Chugiak and they will be forwarded.

* * * * *

"Dear Martha,

Here's a problem to start you out! The other day I was horrified to get word that my husband's family are going to "surprise" us with a trip to Alaska this summer.

Don't misunderstand me, I am very fond of my in-laws, but we have told our family very little about our home here, and I don't what they will say when they see our outside bathroom facilities and learn that we don't have running water. Should I write and warn them, or wait until they arrive to apologize? (I just can't imagine my sister-in-law bathing in a number 2 washtub). They know nothing of life in Alaska, and I don't know what they will think."

.....Waterless Sourdough

TOFSON STILL IN HOSPITAL

PALMER: Ingvöl Tofson, who last week was injured in an auto accident is still confined to the Valley Presbyterian Hospital in

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(Tofson)

in Palmer,

In addition to a crushed vertebra, Tofson was discovered to be suffering from internal injuries.

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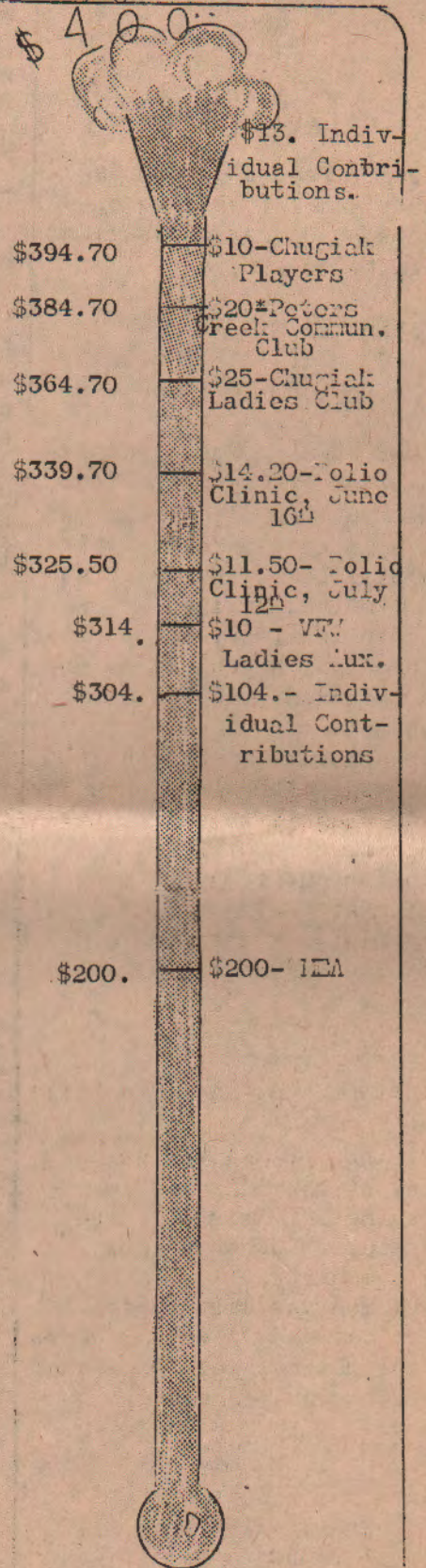
BIRCHWOODITE PLANTS "MONEY CROP" IN KANSAS

ALTAMONT KANSAS: John Steeby of Birchwood, when visiting in his home state recently decided to see if he could still plow a straight furrow. Steeby's pride was short-lived however, when he (cont page 6 col 2)

ligation.

However, Mrs. Long wishes to assure those who planned to donate, but had not yet gotten around to it that the Health Council still needs operating funds.

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TALES

(Exerpts from the OCHS Report and latest developments on Operation Chugiak High School.)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET WITH SCHOOL BOARD

PETERS CREEK: The executive committee of Operation Chugiak High School, meeting at the home of publicity chairman Bill Lowe, decided that the time had arrived to meet with the advisory school board of the Chugiak School in order to coordinate actions with them.

An appointment has also been made with Representative Bruce Kendall to enlist his support.

The executive committee will meet again on Monday, July 31st, at the home of Dale Pierson in Eagle River.

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eral unconfirmed reports of a man of that discription behaving in a similar manner seen at other points in the community.

The man was described as being between 25 and 30 years of age, blond, well tanned and athletic in appearance.

GENERAL ARMSTRONG DAY PROCLAIMED

JUNEAU: Governor Wm. A. Egan, has officially proclaimed Saturday, July 29, to be Lieutenant General Frank A. Armstrong Day throughout Alaska, as a symbol of appreciation and best wishes from a grateful people.

(Money in Knasas cont page 5 col 2)

discovered that somewhere along the line he had lost his billfold from his hip pocket and had plowed into the Knasas soil.

This instituted a frantic search by the whole Steeby clan, as the billfold contained not only a goodly some of cash, but all of Steeby's credit cards, identification and other valuable credentials.

For the next two days John's wife Dee followed behind the tractor while he plowed, disked harrowed, re-plowed, re-disked and re-harrowed and then again plowed, disked and harrowed that same field, hoping to turn up the billfold. Finally, just when they were about to give up hope the billfold was turned up.

The leather wallet, hand-tooled by Charles of Birchwood, was scarcely damaged by the experience and the contents was intact.

Steeby said that this type of thing is quite common back there, and told of one farmer who lost a billfold containing \$700, then plowed up the following spring.

PHONE OUTAGE EFFECTS LARGE AREA

EAGLE RIVER: A phone outage which affected most of the Eagle River Area was experienced last Wednesday.

The interruption in service was caused by a truck with a high boom passing under the main cable and pulling it down.

MTA repair trucks hurried to the scene, and were able to return most phones to service in a few hours.

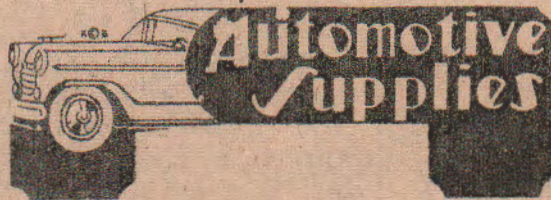
MORE VANDALISM IN BIRCHWOOD

BIRCHWOOD: State Police were investigating a report of vandalism by the Alaska Railroad involving boxcars which were standing on the Birchwood siding.

The cars had been entered and the contents scattered.

The police had been questioning a number of the local children, leading to the assumption that they believed (cont page 7 col 3)

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Church News



CHUGIAK CHAPEL

(Assemblies of God)
 Mile 21 Old Chugiak
 Rev. Bernard Tewell PASTOR
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Morning Worship.....11:00 am
 Evangelistic Serv... 7:30 pm
 Bible Study & Prayer Meeting
 Weds..... 7:30 pm
 Christ Ambassadors (Young
 People Fri7:30 pm

CHUGIAK ST. ANTHONY'S

Religion Classes discontinued
 for the summer.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Mile 14 Eagle River
 James Henderson PASTOR
 Sunday school 9:45 am
 Morning Worship.....11:00 am
 B.T.U..... 6:30 pm
 Evening Worship..... 7:30 pm
 Wed. Prayer Meeting... 7:30 pm
 The 4th Wed. of each month the
 following groups meet at
 ... 7:30 pm

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 Sunday School.....10:00 am
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ATTEND THE CHURCH OF
 YOUR CHOICE
 THIS SUNDAY

LATTER DAY SAINTS

Sunday School..... 9:00am
 CD Quonset, mile 20½
 11th & E St. Chapel, Anch
 Priesthood Meeting..... 2:30pm
 Sacrament Meeting 4:00pm
 M.I.A.....Tues..... 7:15pm
 Choir Practice, Jhunke home
 in Birchwood. Wed... 7:30pm

COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Paul Hughes PASTOR
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Morning Worship.....11:00am
 Young People..... 6:30 pm
 Evening Worship..... 7:30 pm
 Wed. Prayer Meeting.. 7:30 pm
 Dorcas Ladies, alt Thurs
 .. 2:00 pm
 Crusaders, Thurs.....4:00 pm

CHUGIAK METHODIST CHURCH

Mile 19 Swanee Slopes
 Rev. Wayne Hull PASTOR
 Worship Service.....9:00 am
 Sunday School.....10:00 am
 Worship Service.....11:00 am
 Jr. Hi MYF 3:00 pm
 Sr. MYF Wed 7:00 pm
 WSCS, 1st Thurs 8:00 pm

CHRISTIAN CHAPEL

Don Smith Evangelist
 Bible School.....10:00 am
 Worship & Lords Supper
 11:00 am

CHUGIAK LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mile 19 Old Chugiak
 Rev. Roland Fritz PASTOR
 Worship Service..... 9:00am
 Sunday School.....10:00am

EVANGELIST STILL HERE

OLD CHUGIAK: Rev. Bernard
 Tewell renews his invitation
 to come and hear a young
 evangelist from Ceylon who
 will be speaking at the Chu-
 giak Chapel through August
 6th.

A convert from idol wor-
 shipping, he preaches the
 Gospel of Christ every night
 at 7:30pm.

Special music and song are
 part of the program.

(Vandalism, cont page 6 col 3)

this to be the work of juv-
 eniles.

The possibility of the con-
 nection of this with other
 recent acts of vandalism and
 tampering of aircraft is be-
 ing considered.

WORD FROM A FORMER RESIDENT

MOUNTAIN HOME IDAHO: Word
 has been received from M/Sgt
 J. and Vicki Ksheski form-
 erly of Birchwood and now
 stationed with the Air Force
 at Mountain Home Idaho.

J and Vicki are well and
 happy and are expecting their
 fourth child.

J has been promoted to Mas-
 ter Sgt. since his transfer.

REMINDER OF REPUBLICAN MEETING

EAGLE RIVER: All Chugiak
 Republicans are reminded of
 the Caucus to be held tonight
 at 8pm at the home of Walter

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BASEBALL!



CHUGIAK LEAGUE CHAMPS!

By: Liz Harriman

In their last game of the season, Chugiak came out ahead of the Indians 15 to 2 giving them 13 wins out of 15 games, and the title of Champions of the Katmai League.

Congratulations, boys-- it's been a good season and fun to watch.

You who missed these games, missed all the excitement of "big" league ball and should make every effort to root for our All Stars in their forthcoming playoffs.

COMPLETE ROUNDUP FOR THE SEASON

Chugiak-21	Braves 2
" 16	Tigers 9
" 11	White Sox 5
" 29	Dodgers 0
" 29	Indians 0
" 38	Braves 0
" 8	Tigers 11
" 22	White Sox 5
" 16	Dodgers 11
" 23	Indians 1

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Chugiak 27	Dodgers 0
" 15	Indians 2
TOTAL: 296	54

(Fillmore Coach, cont page 1 col 3)

The reason for this being that Chugiak is the only team in the League with a complete set of uniforms.

The winning team of the series will then go on to the Regional Championship at Washington State.

Fillmore is confident that it will be the Katmai Team.

Of the seven Chugiak players who tried out for the All Stars, all were chosen.

Those boys were, Tommy Branch, Jim Boroughs, Gary Hoag, Dean Fillmore, Steve Hull and Toby Riddell and Lester Stephens.

This will compose seven of the nine first string players, making the Katmai Team mostly Chugiak players.

(Health Fund cont page 8 col 3)

The \$400 raised in the drive will be sent to the State to be matched with funds for the carrying out of their program.

Money is still needed by the local Health Council to help defray the cost of supplies used in conducting the local clinics.

Any organizations or individuals who might feel that they missed their chance to contribute are assured that the urgent need is still present.

NEW PHONE DIRECTORY SOON OUT

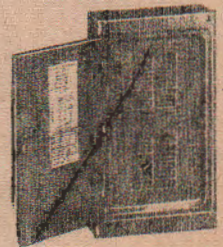
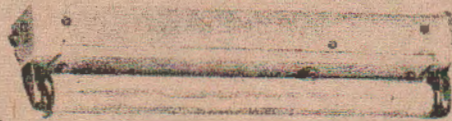
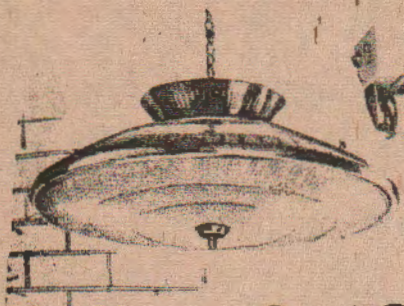
PALMER: The Matanuska Telephone Association Directory will soon be out.

Word has been received that the latest copy has arrived from the printer and will soon be mailed to the subscribers.

GIRL UNDERGOES SURGERY

PETERS CREEK: Fourteen year old Linda Robinson underwent surgery at Providence Hospital last week for the removal of a metal plate from her arm.

The plate had been placed there three years ago when Linda suffered a serious break in that arm
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EAGLE RIVER HARDWARE

**A VISIT TO CAMP
BIRCHWOOD**

(A special Courier feature)
By Rusty Bel'ringer

Few residents of Chugiak are aware of the existence in our midst of a very beautiful and unusual summer camp.

Located but a few short miles from populous Birchwood, this spot is a remote as though it were on the moon.

Operated by the Methodist Church, Camp Birchwood offers a new concept in camping, which enables the youngsters to get the most out of living close to nature.

There are two ways to get in to Camp Birchwood; the walking trail, which leaves the Birchwood Loop Road about a mile from the Highway, and the "long way around", which may be navigated by a very sturdy jeep or truck.

"You'll wish you had walked" warned Esther Hull, wife of our minister; when we elected to ride in on the camp truck which was bringing in a load of supplies.

We soon learned the reason for her warning as we began the tortuous ten mile trip, the "long way round". It started innocently enough down the well graded artillery road, however this soon gave way to a tank track which wound over hill and through bog through the army impact area. We were well sandwiched in between a load of frozen turkeys and a fifty gallon barrel of drinking water, and soon forgot the rough road.

Mrs. Hull took advantage of this opportunity to tell us something of the background of the camp.

The area which comprises the camp was originally a homestead which was occupied in 1917 by Eugene E. Vick and his wife Cleo.

The Vicks patented their homestead and made their
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CHIRS BROOKS, OF BIRCHWOOD ASSISTANT CAMP MANAGER STANDS BY THE CAMP TOTEM POLE. EACH SYMBOL REPRESENTS A PHASE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE CAMP

living raising fox and mink.

After the Vicks had passed away, the homestead remained deserted until the Methodist Church learned of its existence a few years ago.

The church was able to purchase the entire 360 acres, all of which are to be kept in the primitive condition, with the exception of the few camp facilities on the lake shore.

We were able to tell as soon as we arrived on the camp property. As if by some magic the scrawny second growth trees gave way to beautiful virgin timber of birch spruce and cottenwood.

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As we looked around, we saw what the Hulls had referred to when they spoke of a new concept in camping.

Instead of the colony of tents and related facilities which were expecting, we saw only the peaceful lake shore. However, tucked in among the trees was an occasional tent, which blended in with the surroundings so as to go almost unnoticed.

This is primitive camping. Each tent "family" consists of two counselors a man and a woman and twelve campers, six boys and six girls. Each tent is divided into two sections, one for the boys and one for the girls. The counselors work with their group all the time, and with the exception of meals, devotions and occasional other activities, each family keeps to itself and follows the program of the individual counselors.

The group we visited were junior campers, ages nine through eleven. The name
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ESTHER HULL STANDS ON THE SHORE OF PSALM LAKE IN FRONT OF THE CROSS WHICH MARKS THE OUTDOOR CHAPEL.

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CAMP COOK NITA BAKER, POSES IN FRONT OF COOK HOUSE WITH HER HELPERS. (left to right) THERESA PYLES, KAREN MORAN, KAY EKSTEDT, AUDREY ABBREY MRS. BAKER AND TONIA CHARLES

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of this group was the Christian 49'ers, and their counselors were Rev. and Mrs. Jack Martin of Homer Alaska. Mrs. Martin who is a registered nurse was also serving in the capacity of camp nurse.

When we arrived they had just completed a discussion session and were preparing to go swimming.

They conducted us around their campsite, and showed us their "Home in the Woods" as each group calls their area. They had constructed a fireplace for cookouts, a table and other facilities.

From there the aroma of warm spicy baked goods led us to the cook house where camp cook Mrs. Ted (Nita) Baker was taking an enormous batch of Snickerdoodles from the oven.

The cook house was the original homestead cabin, and the only permanent building at the camp.

Mrs. Baker, an employee of the camp was cooking for 49 campers plus all the adult members.

When we entered the cook house we were greeted by a group of girls who had come to bake a birthday cake for their counselor and had remained to help Mrs. Baker prepare the vegetables for the dinner.

Next to the cook house was the large dining tent, with tables and benches.

Future plans for camp development (next col.)

ment were explained to us.

Two projects which are currently under way, are a well, which is now being drilled, and the construction of a log building for administration.

This building will be a prefabricated one of natural logs, and had preceded us down the road loaded on a semi-trailer.

Rev. Hull explained that if this type of construction proved

satisfactory, there would undoubtedly be others, including the lodge building with its fireplace.

At present a recreation tent was serving this purpose.

The trail from the cook house led down to the lake shore where a boat dock and swimming area now occupied the "Christian 49'ers".

The lake had been named Cleo Lake by the original owner, after his wife, however the church had renamed it Psalm Lake.

The camp property completely encircles the lake shore.

At present the "fleet" consists of two rowboats, however future plans call for more and also some canoes.

Although it was cloudy and threatening to rain, the water was filled with shrieking youngsters, under the supervision of Mike Fox, one of the assistants to the camp manager, who in this instance was working as lifeguard.

Mike and another teenager Chris Brooks had done (next col.)

ated their summer to working at the camp.

From the swimming area, the trail followed the lake shore to a beautiful outdoor chapel.

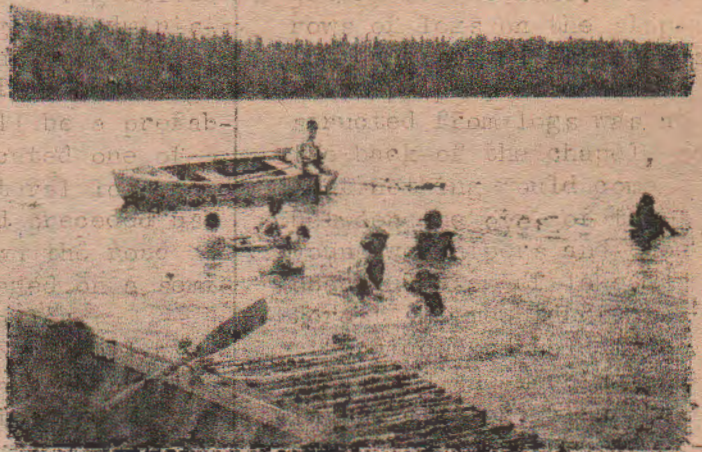
A handmade cross was silhouetted against the still waters of the lake, while rows of logs on the sloping bank served as benches.

The pulpit, also constructed from logs was at the back of the chapel, so that nothing would come between the eyes of the young worshipers and the peaceful view of lake, forest and mountains.

Services are held twice a day, in the morning and in the evening, with the campers themselves encouraged to conduct them.

A typical day in the life of a camper begins with reveille at 7am; following which the campers police their own tent and then join the others at morning devotions.

From there the entire group will go to the dining tent for breakfast.



LIFEGUARD MIKE FOX, OVERSEES THE ACTIVITIES OF A BUNCH OF EAGER YOUNG CAMPERS.

Each camper is responsible for washing his own dishes and eating utensils after every meal.

After breakfast each group will follow the program their counselors have lined out for them, joining the rest of the campers only for lunch and supper and for the evening devotions.

Occasionally a group will have a cook-out or a sleep out.

Camp programs are designed (cont page 11)

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to fit in with the beauties of nature as provided in the camp as well as to impress upon the campers the closeness of God and nature.

As we toured the camp, we got to meet the rest of the counselors.

Camp Manager is Rev. Wayne Hull of Chugiak, who is also Chairman of Camp development.

In addition to Rev. and Mrs. Martin, we met Miss Harriet Kunz, from Seward where her father is the City Manager; Miss Marilyn Watson, a furloughed missionary teacher from Japan, whose home is in Anchorage; Rev. John Shaffer, from Moose Pass; Rev. Kenneth Hefflin, pastor of the Anchor Park Methodist church and Rev. Daniel Harlan from Kenai who was director for the Junior Camp.

We also met Ted Baker and Bill Williams who were working at camp construction as well as Chris Brooks and Mike Fox, members of the Senior MYF and assistants to the Camp Manager.

We were surprised to learn that simple as the camp seemed to be, the economic impact up-

greater effect on the economy of the community.

Although this is the first year of regular camping, the way was paved last year by a group of college aged camp workers who cleaned away the old fox and mink pens and prepared the camping area.

They were followed by a group of senior campers who also worked at camp construction.

This year the regular camping program began, and future plans call for an expanded program every year.

In addition to Rev. Hull, members of the camp development committee are Paul Swanson, Bill Williams, L.B. Mau'din and Superintendent David Blackburn.

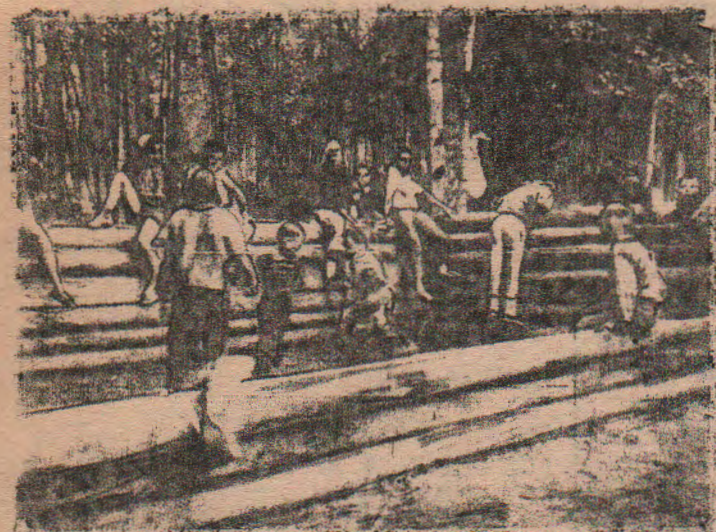
One of the programs which they hope to be able to begin next year will be a family camping

program. Wherein members of an entire family; parents and children will attend camp.

Family's sharing a tent, and also participating in camp program with other family groups.

This is something very new, and is designed to bring the family together by bringing them close to nature.

There were a great many things about Camp Birchwood which impressed us, and it



YOUNG CAMPERS IMPROVISE A GAME OF "WALL TAG" IN THE RUINS OF A PARTIALLY CONSTRUCTED LOG BUILDING ON THE SHORE OF PSALM LAKE

on the community was considerable.

Rev. Hull explained that all materials and lumber that went into the camp construction was purchased in Chugiak, as well as all food and supplies for the campers.

He also explained that when ever possible all local labor was hired.

As chairman of future camp development he sees an even (next col)

would be difficult to decide which stood out the most.

Was it the beauty of the place, and the knowledge that no matter how the rest of the community may change, here is one place in Alaska which would always remain the way that God had created it? Was it the varied program of handicrafts, athletics and inspirational discussions?

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HIGHLIGHT OF THE DAY, A BOAT TRIP ACROSS THE LAKE. HERE REV. HEFLIN INSTRUCTS A GROUP OF EAGER SAILORS ON THE ART OF SAFE BOATING

We finally decided that it was the enthusiasm which was shared by the campers and adult leaders alike. The enthusiasm which the frequent rain was unable to dampen.

The feeling that these people knew that they were creating something important.

There will probably be many problems which will arise during the development of Camp Birchwood, but we feel that the one which will be the most difficult to solve is how to accommodate the many, many young people who will want to spend a week at this spot.

Children from all over Western Alaska will be attending this camp. Children from Kenai, from Seward, from Fairbanks and from Nome.; as well as those from the local area.

We foresee a very busy time in years to come for Camp Birchwood as more and more participants arrive to take part in their program.

Although the existence of Camp Birchwood is not too well known this year, we feel that in a short time, it will be well known as the finest recreational center in the whole State of Alaska, in not in the United States.

COMING EVENTS

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SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, July 26 1961
 Chugiak Ladies Club Dinner
 Willawa Lodge, 8pm
 Republican Caucus, Pippels
 8PM

THURSDAY, July 27, 1961
 Driver licenses, Chugiak
 Post Office, 1pm-4pm
 Library Open 7pm-8:30pm
 Obedience Training, Carnival
 Grounds, 8pm
 Movie, Carnival Hall 7:30
 & 9:30pm

FRIDAY, July 28, 1961
 Movie, Carnival Hall 7:30
 & 9:30pm

SATURDAY, July 29, 1961

SUNDAY, July 30, 1961
 CHURCH SERVICES
 Movie, Carnival Hall 9:30pm

MONDAY, July 31st, 1961
 ALL STAR GAMES begin
 Anchorage
 Kiddies Matinee, Carnival
 Hall 1:30-4:30pm
 MOVIE, Carnival Hall 7:30
 pm & 8:30pm

TUESDAY, August 1st, 1961

WEDNESDAY, August 2, 1961
 CHUGIAK LADIES CLUB,
 7:30pm (place to be
 announced)

(girl undergoes surgery
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Linda, who is the daughter of
 Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Robinson
 of Sunnyside Drive, mile 23,
 did not require extensive
 hospitalization and is almost
 completely recovered.

SPECIAL NEWS BULLETIN!

The Chugiak Ladies Club
 Dinner has been postponed
 until Wednesday, August 2nd.
 Lake George has gone out
 and the road to Palmer is
 flooded and closed.
 Dinner will be at Willawa
 on Wednesday, August 2nd at
 8pm.

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 Stanwick

KIDDIES MATINEE
 Monday July 31
 1:30-4:40-pm



Zane Grey's
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 plus.

CARTOONS



SUN & Mon, July 30 & 31

MAGNIFICENT
 OBSESSION
 with
 Jane Wyman
 Rock Hudson



ASSORTED SHORT SUBJECTS WITH EACH SHOW

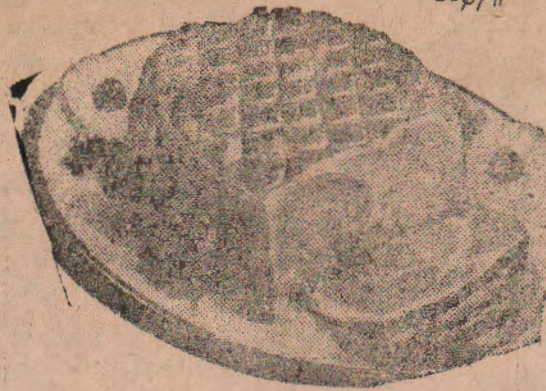
FREE Kids tickets still being given by local merchants

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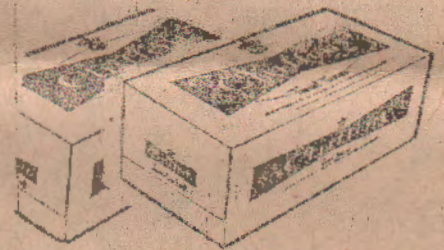
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