

# The MUKLUK TELEGRAPH

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## - Village News -

### POINT HOPE —

The weather has been bad and there has been no traffic into Point Hope. Miss Sorrell, Alaska Native Service Nurse, is in town awaiting transportation to Kotzebue. Mrs. Wallace Carter and two children, recently arrived from Nome. They will spend the summer with her family, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kuiuwnn. The people have caught only two whales. Mr. and Mrs. Al Guthrie had a baby.

Charlie Tikik, from Kotzebue, is visiting his family here. Tom Page came from Ohio to visit his friend, Al Guthrie.

### KIVILANA —

Wayne Hawley left for Nome, where he expects to work this summer. Everything is quiet in the village. The ocean ice has broken up, and the people have moved out to camps along the beach and are hunting seal, ug-ruks and ducks. The store is out of rice, flour, tea, tobacco and gas.

### KOBUK —

The village of Kobuk is quiet—all the natives are out trapping muskrat and fishing. The Kobuk River did not cause any damage in the village during breakup this year. The waters stayed well within the river banks, whereas for the past several years, the river has been blocked by ice and caused the village to be flooded.

### CANDLE —

The Havenstrite Mining Company has started mining operations. The Kewalik River caused some damage during breakup. Olaf Lundberg has returned to Candle and will prospect this summer. Mrs. Henry Xavier, the teacher, has gone outside this summer. Carl Oman has gone to Nome to work.

Gus Elem has bought the old restaurant at Candle and plans to re-open it. The Mining Company is building a big, new airport. They will operate one dredge on Mud Creek, beside the hydraulic

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## Natives Forced From Fishing Area

### GUNMAN DRIVES NATIVES FROM FISHING AREA

About twenty Kotzebue Natives were reported forced at gunpoint to leave Pipe Spit where they were hooking shee fish May 26th.

The Natives, as is the custom, had gone to the point about ten miles northeast of Kotzebue to hook shee fish for themselves and their dogs. Pete Saterlee, resident of the point, insists they were trespassing in his area and demanded they move their dogs from the beach. Some of the dogs were tied to Saterlee's boat. The Natives, having always used the area as public property, refused to do so. Saterlee went to his cabin and returned with a pistol, fired at the dogs, and demanded their owners move them within ten minutes. The Natives, fearing the loss of their valuable dogs, returned to Kotzebue.

Among the Natives driven from Pipe Spit were Abraham Lincoln and family, Oliver Henry and family; David White; Theodore Kingeak; Elie Richards; Effie Richards; Sam Wesley; Mrs. Taylor; Wilson Ashby; Herman Barker and Grace Smith. There were no casualties either among the Natives or the dogs.

Although the people are in need of food, they are afraid to return to Pipe Spit. It is the best place to hook shee fish at this time of year.

## Archaeological Expedition Arrives

A party bound for Deering arrived in Kotzebue today to conduct archaeological investigations of Eskimo pre-history of the area.

The expedition is led by Dr. Helge Larsen from the Danish National Museum, for the past year the Visiting Professor in Anthropology at the University of Alaska. Accompanying him are his wife, Gerda, and son, Ole.

Other members of the expedition

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## Mining Activities

Gold mining in this area will be about the same as last year. The noticeable increase in mining activity is the comparative small tin mines of the Lost River area.

Robert Armstrong, whose company took over Graham Lambers Gold Dredging Operation on Klery Creek, states that they will employ about twenty men on the dredging operation and will also conduct a Hydraulic Operation on the benches this summer. A small prospecting crew will remain on the company's property at Salmon River, where they have been prospecting for the past 5 years. Armstrong says they expect to have a dredge operating on Salmon River by 1952. He could not divulge further information, but said that on the Salmon River, gold was of secondary importance.

At Candle, Havenstrite Mining Company is constructing a four-foot dredge on Mud Creek, which will be in operation this summer, in addition to drag line operations on Upper Candle Creek and on Bull Hill in Candle. The Bull Hill

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## Strike Threat In Canneries

Marion Sours returned to Kotzebue May 30th from a trip, which included stops at Nome, Unalakleet, McGrath, Bethel, Anchorage, Naknak, Aniak, Holycross, Mulato, and Koyukook, where he attended meetings of Union Cannery Workers, Local 46. He was accompanied by Miss Agnes Schlosser, teacher from Haycock, who is working for the Cannery Union during the summer.

Sours reports that the Union has demanded a ten percent wage increase from the Bristol Bay Canneries. To date, the canneries have failed to meet the workers' demands, but another meeting will be held before June 20th and unless the wage increase is granted, the union workers will strike this summer. The present wages are \$1.60 an hour plus overtime.

The canneries employ about one hundred men from this area.

# THE MUKLUK TELEGRAPH

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## MUKLUK TELEGRAPH GETS OFF TO ENTHUSIASTIC START

Before getting to the press, the Mukluk Telegraph has undergone acute growing pain. It was originally planned to make it a small four-page paper consisting of news from the native villages from Point Hope to Nome. There were a few requests for advertising space so we decided to make it an eight-page paper, and sell some advertising space. Ads were so easy to sell that we overdid it a bit, and before we realized we had a man's-sized newspaper. But then comes trouble; an automobile accident in far away Denver, Colorado, enters the picture. Mrs. Amy Smoke, sister of Mr. Jim Frye, the Nugget's shop foreman, was seriously injured, and Jim left immediately so that he could be at her bedside when she passed away. Oh well, we said it shouldn't be very difficult to put out a newspaper—after all, it's done every day—

so we set to work.

Here is where we made our big mistake, we should have gone down to the Store and sat on the counter and continued to brag about the swell newspaper we were going to put out. But as I said we made the mistake of trying to put it out without Jim. As a result there will probably be a coffee shortage in the Kotzebue area we drank so much trying to stay awake while setting up advertising, typing copy and checking on this story and that. Finally we decided there must be an easier way. There had to be. We found it simply by throwing out half the advertising. This made the paper much smaller and less work. That's what we wanted. So to all the advertisers especially the candidates for the fall elections whose ads are not in this issue, we offer our apologies. And also our thanks for your enthusiastic support of our paper. Our crisis should be past by next issue and we will be able to accommodate you.

## News About Town

Maggie Curtis is the new clerk in Hanson's store. She replaced Jack Jones, who went to Kodiak.

Mr. Green, engineer from Fairbanks, was in Kotzebue making a survey of the electrical needs in connection with the town's application for a municipal light plant. Indications are that the plant will be installed late this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Norton left Kotzebue for Candle.

D. S. Talford and D. W. Herr, Marine inspectors from Juneau, are in Kotzebue inspecting boats. They narrowly escaped an icy bath when the boat in which they were riding caught fire in front of town.

John Nelson, camping south of town, is reported to have got thirty seals and fifty muskrat during the past week or so.

Sammy Jackson and Ralph Sampson are in Kotzebue enroute from Fairbanks to their home in Noorvik. They report that the union strike has caused wide-

spread unemployment there.

Dora Tooyoak is visiting Kotzebue from Tanana.

Willard Baker has returned from a vacation in the States.

Gene Joiner, local bush pilot, returned from a two-day trip to Fairbanks, where he has been selling Diomedé ivory. He reports the market to be good—the shops stocking heavily in anticipation of a big tourist season.

There is keen interest in the newly organized baseball games on the airport at night.

Sally, Marge and June Rotman, daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rotman, of Kotzebue, have returned home from Holy Names Academy in Seattle, where they have been students for the past two years.

Jack Kerr and Clarence G. Chausse are in Kotzebue with the U. S. Geological Survey, Ground Water Division, to continue drilling a test well to determine possibilities of developing a water supply for the Kotzebue town and hospital. This work was begun last year but numerous difficul-

ties and bad luck were encountered. Last summer, one hole was drilled to 235 feet where a high pressure area of hydrogen sulphide gas was encountered. The present hole is 170 feet. The engineers hope to reach a minimum of 300 feet this summer.

Three young ladies—Misses Celia Hunter, Virginia Hill and Nancy Baker, former Army Ferry Pilots, are in Kotzebue and will operate a tourist hotel in the Wien Bldg. The girls also expect to do some flying this summer.

Bill Laws, former maintenance superintendent for Wien's Airlines in Fairbanks is the new station manager for Wien Airlines in Kotzebue. He replaced Red Kline, who has gone to Nome. Bill feels that his new job will offer fewer headaches.

Mollie Shelton has returned to Kotzebue from school at White Mountain, where she graduated this year. Her mother, Mrs. Alice Shelton, was present at the graduation exercises and accompanied her home.

Mary Kingeak, daughter of Theodore Kingeak, returned to Kotzebue from Mt. Edgecumbe School at Sitka.

She will return to Sitka next fall where she will be a Sophomore.

Herbert McClellan, former reindeer superintendent at Kotzebue, is now in Fairbanks employed by the Power and Light Company. He has purchased a home there and expects to be joined by Mrs. McClellan, who is now in the States. Mac sends his regards to everyone in Kotzebue.

George Curtiss is spending the summer in Kotzebue. He is a student at White Mountain.

The government Day School closed May 31st. The total enrollment this year was 147—the highest in the school's history. There were no graduates this year, since all those who would have graduated either went to White Mountain School, moved to Camp or stopped school before the end of the school term. It is expected that next year the enrollment will be even larger.

The ice in front of town broke up early in the morning of May 29th.

Louis Rotman, local trader and virtuoso of the cash register, wishes to see a copy of the Mukluk Telegraph before buying an ad. We hope this issue makes a good impression.

The people of this area have seen far more game wardens than ducks this year.

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chased and is now operating a  
store formerly operated by Fer-  
guson Brothers. Hanson has been  
in the Kotzebue area for about a  
year and a half and is well known  
and liked by many. Although a  
comparative newcomer to this  
area, he is an old time Alaska  
resident, coming to Klery Creek  
near Fairbanks in 1906. where he  
did freighting and delivered  
newspapers. He walked 25 miles  
a day, summer and winter, deliv-  
ering on his paper route. Four  
years later he bought all three  
merchandising businesses at Fox  
on the gold stream and did a flour-  
ishing business. He later sold out  
and went to Haines where he op-  
erated his own hardware busi-  
ness for ten years. He served one  
term as Mayor of Haines. He lat-  
ter had a short go at fox farming  
on Sullivan Island, then moved to  
Good News Bay, where he open-  
ed a trading post in the boom  
townsite of Platinum. This tra-  
ding Post was later purchased by  
the Good News Bay Mining Com-  
pany and Hanson was employed  
as manager for a number of years.  
One of the highlights of his stay  
there was meeting and becoming  
close friends with Ernie Pyle,  
who was then a comparatively  
unknown writer and later became  
a world-famous war correspon-  
dent.

Realizing the possibilities of  
mining in the area, he acquired  
a number of the then undevelop-  
ed Platinum claims, which he still  
holds and are under lease to the  
Good News Bay Mining Company.

Two years ago he was em-  
ployed by the First National Bank  
of Seattle to manage the fore  
closed estate of Boris Magids in  
Kotzebue, Deering and Selewik.  
He became very attached to the  
Kotzebue area and when the es-  
tate was liquidated he decided to  
go in business here for himself.  
He has purchased the Trading  
Post of Archie Ferguson which is  
now known as N. G. Hanson Tra-  
ding Company.

Mr. Hanson and his charming  
wife are welcome additions to  
our community.

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## Archaeological Expedition Arrives

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tion come from several institutions: Jorgen Meldgaard from the Danish National Museum; Miss Charlene Craft, Instructor in Anthropology at the University of Alaska; Philip Spaulding and Fred Milan, students at the University. Later the expedition will be joined by Dr. Froelich G. Rainey, Director of the University of Pennsylvania, formerly Professor of Anthropology at the University of Alaska; and three students from the University of Pennsylvania, and a student from the University of Michigan.

Louis Giddings, who is well-known in Kotzebue, is also returning later in the summer. He is Professor of Anthropology at the University of Alaska, now on leave while doing advanced work at the University of Pennsylvania.

This field work is sponsored by three institutions, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Alaska and the Danish National Museum. Financial assistance has also been rendered by the

## VILLAGE NEWS

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operations on Candle Creek and Bull Hill.

### DEERING —

Walter Outwater and family came home from Kobuk Lake. Pooto Vistal came home from Kotzebue. Edward Barr came home from Nome. He and Emma Ahpuk went to Candle to work. Mary Aden came home from

Viking Fund, Inc., of New York.

Field work during the summer will be conducted at Deering and other places along the coast. A trip will be made into Trail Creek country to continue the work begun last year on very important caves in the interior of Seward Peninsula. Also of interest to the group are studies of the life of the Eskimos of the area and of the physical type.

Nome. Ralph Swanson, Walter Outwater, Elmer Davis and Archie Morris went to work at Casa De Paga.

On May 25th. Wiens mail plane came with the mail. This afternoon it is snowing and the mail plane turned back because of fog.

This afternoon Carl Anderson and Eno Luoto and Joe Frieze came down from their mine with the tractor and went back this evening.

May 30—Alaska Airlines came without mail. May 31st—Emma Outwater came with Foster's plane. Wien's airplane came with passengers; also Alaska Airlines mail plane. Gene Joiner landed here this afternoon. Charles Lucier of the Bering Strait Expedition came this afternoon. He is with archaeologists here, digging the old relics, presumed to be 2,000 years old.

We would like to hear news from other villages.

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## NEWS ABOUT TOWN

Kotzebue Hospital — Dr. Rabreau is on a trip outside and is expected back in two weeks. Miss Sorrill is at Point Hope on a field trip. Esther Ballot from Selawik, Stone from Noorvik, Tommy Angnaboogak from Wales, Irene Susook from Kotzebue and Cecil Mitchell from Candle were recent admissions to the Kotzebue hospital.

Hattie Herman, Shishmaref; Nerl Nugent, Kiana; Roger Koenig, Kotzebue, were recently discharged.

Mildred Gallahorn was transferred from the Kotzebue to Tacoma hospital. Art Flatt, hospital engineer, is on Annual Leave and is visiting his family in the States. This is Art's first trip outside in twelve years. He will return about June 15th. Charlie Tikak, hospital employee, is on Annual Leave and is visiting his family at Point Hope and hopes to catch himself a whale.

The construction of the Quonset Huts, to be used for tubercular patients, has been completed but no definite information is available on when they will be opened. Harold Bayne, from Kleary Creek, was transferred from the Kotzebue hospital to Nome for treatment as no doctor is available here at the present time.

Archibald Furguson, local windbag and buffoon, is on a business trip outside, accompanied by his combination partner and mistress — we assume he is having a pleasant trip.

Bill Peterson, local pilot, is outside buying himself a new airplane. Bert Beltz purchased himself a damaged airplane at Selawik about 2 weeks ago. He has repaired it, learned to fly, and will use the plane for his transportation to and from work on Kleary Creek, where he is employed as a mechanic.

## OSCAR STROBEL ARRIVES IN NOME FOR ART WORK

Oscar Strobel, well-known artist of Scottsdale, Arizona, arrived in Nome Sunday, May the 28th, to gather material and make sketches for a series of pictures of Alaskan life and scenery. Strobel has been commissioned for many years to paint a calendar for Charles Ward, the president of Brown and Bigelow of Saint Paul, the largest calendar manufacturer in the world, which annually is sent to fifteen thousand business men and executives thru out the country.

He has done Mexico, the Navajo Indians, the Trail of the Conquistadors, New England and many others.

Now comes Alaska and the publicity which the Territory will receive thru this calendar can not be counted in dollars and cents. Fifteen thousand of these calendars will be mailed out at a cost of approximately thirteen dollars each.

Mr. Strobel has been in the territory about a month and a half and expects to remain about three months all told.

Mr. Strobel expected to visit Kotzebue but was able to purchase a number of fine pictures of Kotzebue from a pilot which he met in Nome.

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At ten o'clock on the morning of May 12 graduation exercises were held for twenty-four eighth grade graduates of the White Mountain Vocational Boarding School. Principal Arthur S. Bensell presented the diplomas at the conclusion of the exercises.

The following students received diplomas: Janet Ashenfelter of White Mountain, Martin Aukongk of Golovin, Judith Bailey of Natak, George Curtis of Kotzebue, Leonard Brown of Unalakleet, Sarah Cleveland of Shungnak, Martha Goodwin of Kotzebue, Harris Ivanoff of Unalakleet, Kermit Ivanoff of Koyuk, Allen Johnson of White Mountain, Maria Pameok of Point Lay, Mildred Paneok of White Mountain, Mary Richardson of Anvil, Molly Sheldon of Kotzebue, Josephine Tevuk of Wales, Grace Tungwenuk of Wales, Mae Tuzroyluk of Point Hope, Mary Ann Walker of White Mountain, Lillian Walker of White Mountain, Luther Yacoff of Solomon, Howard Lincoln of White Mountain, Ben Oksoktaruk of White Mountain.

Eighth grade students who have returned to their homes for the summer vacation are: Martin

Aukongak, Judith Bailey, George Curtis, Leonard Brown, Harris Ivanoff, Molly Sheldon, Josephine Tevuk, Luther Yacoff, Caroline Kingik and Grace Tungwenuk.

Other students who have returned home for the summer months are as follows: Abel Aukongak to Golovin, Clyde Acomen to St. Michael, Frank Tiepelman, Gilbert Clark, Homer Mills and Samuel Black to Deering, Raymond Weyanna to Teller, Eric Jackson, Jack Fagerstrom and Albert Jackson to Golovin, Frederick Kakaruk to Mary's Igloo, Andrew Tingook to Nome, Arthur Jones to Elephant Point, Herbert Esenituk to Igloo, Gladys Drake to Nome, Sadie Vestal to Kotzebue, Mabel Walluk to Nome, Alice Moto and Martha Barr to Deering, Fanny Sulooguak to Teller, Emma Outwater to Nome and Selma Daniels to Elim.

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Worship service—11 A.M.  
Junior Church—11:15 A.M.  
Hour of prayer—4 P.M.  
Evening singing and worship  
—7 P.M.

Wednesday meetings:  
Children's Bible classes  
—2 to 4 P.M.

Worship service—7 P.M.  
Friday evening:  
Intermediate class—7 P.M.

A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend these services.

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Rosary and Benediction on Sunday, Wednesday and Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m.  
Thursday, June 8th, is Feast of Corpus Christi. Mass at 8 a.m.

### Pentecostal Church of God of Kotzebue

Sunday evening service, 7:30 p.m.  
Sunday School, 10:30 a.m.  
Mid-Week service, Thursday, 7:30 p.m.  
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—NEWS FROM VILLAGES—  
**KING ISLAND**

On May 29th two skin boats from King Island arrived in Nome for supplies. The natives stated the Island store is out of everything except flour and sugar. The trip over was very rough, but the boats made it in only 14 hours. Each boat was powered by a 22 and a 9 HP outboard. The natives are in Nome selling ivory and buying badly needed sup-

plies, which they will return to the Island as soon as the weather permits. One woman was brought to the hospital. The entire village usually moves to Nome around the first of July and camps on the beach as a tourist attraction during the summer. The natives of King Island and Diomedé Island are famous for their hand-carved ivory.

**TELLER**

Miss Bertha Stedje, Lutheran

Missionary, left Monday for a year's leave outside to visit her home in South Dakota. She will be relieved by Miss Helen Frost of Igloo, who is expected back from the States in August.

Mr. McIntosh expects to double his tin production on Lost River this summer and will be employing about thirty men from this area.

The Mukluk Telegraph will greatly appreciate people sending us the news from their village.

They may send it to The Mukluk Telegraph, Kotzebue, or The Mukluk Telegraph, Wallace Hotel, Nome.

## LEGAL FORMS

### For Sale at Nugget Office

Location Notices - Lease Forms

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Bills of Sale - Notes

Intent to Hold Mining Claim

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Claim

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## Mining Activities

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operation will cut across the present airport and the company is already building a new and longer runway on the tailings of Candle Creek. They plan to make it suitable for DC-3 aircraft. The company will employ about 150 men. At present they are in need of heavy duty mechanics, "Cat" drivers, and drag line operators.

Bob Grieska is in charge of the shop. Bill Euwing is superintendent of the Mud Creek Dredging Operation. Harry Palmer is the company's engineer and will also be superintendent of the Bull Hill operation. Joe Kronenger is Purchasing Agent and Earl Browning, who has been a drag line operator for the company for several years, will be in charge of the Pump Site this summer. Earl has been in poor health for the past two years. Jack Allen is Manager of the company and "Sparks" Stirn is Assistant Manager.

At Deering, Don Stewart's Casa De Paga Company will continue to operate their two dredges on the Immuchuk River. Carl Anderson and Eno Luoto, who operated on Old Glory Creek last year have formed a partnership with Joe Frieze and will move over to Hammon Creek where they will hydraulic this summer. Henry Coffin will carry on his small operation on the Kugruk River.

Jack Hogendorn, who prospected on the Immachuk Benches and on Cripple Creek last winter, says he found nothing suitable for mining and has gone to work for Don Stewart. Taylor Moto, present store manager, expects to spend the summer prospecting.

Hunter Creek Mining Company, prospecting on Hunter Creek, tributary of the Kewalik River, is moving in a crawler mounted Keystone drill for prospect drilling this summer. Previous drilling with a small Kirk Hillman Drill, failed to reach bedrock. The company is primarily interested in Platinum, of which a good showing has been found.

Mr. A. F. McIntosh, who will manage the U. S. Tin Corporation on Lost River this summer, says he expects to have two hydraulic operations and possibly one lode operation going this summer. Mr. Erwin Adler, mining engineer from the Tin Mines of Bolivia, will be with the company this summer. They are planning to install a mill which will permit

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**KOTZEBUE SPORTS**

(Batting the Ball

Above the Arctic Circle)

With the coming of the continuous sunlight, the breakup of the ice, the mosquitoes and blowing sand, "Operation Ballgame" has gotten well under way. This season has opened with a bang, and it looks like it will be a great one to remember.

Nightly practice is now being held, with the field laid out on one of the main runways of the municipal airfield. The starting time of the games is at nine o'clock each evening. (or when the movie is over) and lasts until the wee hours of the morning.

Nearly everyone is getting those muscles limbered up by now, though it has been a painful process and both young and old men and women, participate in the activities. Even 70-year-old Deputy Marshal, Bert Neily, has taken an active part and has the honorable position of umpire!

Even though this is softball, it is as rough and tough and fast moving as the usual baseball game, and it is hoped that by the Fourth of July, the local teams of the Kotzebue Softball League can put on a great exhibition for the annual celebrations, and any and all visitors are welcome, for if present indications are anything to go by, we can look forward to a great game, filled with close competition and fired by the spirit that only comes when engaged in the sport!

So—when the Umpire cries, "Play Ball", let's all be there!

**MINING ACTIVITIES**

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winter operation of the lode property.

In progress at this time is a preliminary drilling program on Cripple River. The development is being carried out by Oscar E. Margraf of Nome. The property is located 12 miles west of Nome and is being investigated as a potential dredging operation.

S. A. Montague and Frank Whaley expect to operate on their ground in the Noxapaga Region this season.

Fred Crane, Mine Promoter of Kotzebue, is in Fairbanks on business, but promises is a good story on his U. S. Land Mining Company, which is prospecting for oil just north of Kotzebue.

# Nome Motor Company

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