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Athletic Association supports UAJ growth in intercollegiate sports

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Alaska's students today and in the future have as a birthright the right to, and access to, a quality educational system. As a state, Alaska has the funds to make an investment in an educational system second to none. Competition for those funds has made it clear, however, that all Alaskans do not place such a high priority on higher education.

We realize that we can never expect to have a quality program in athletics, if we cannot afford an excellent education program in the first place. We hope our children and grandchildren will be scholars first and scholarly athletes second.

Our commitment to the youth of southeastern Alaska starts with a commitment to an adequate budget for operations and facilities. Funding a first class university education is our number one priority for Legislative action.

The strong interest in youth, sports and recreation in southeast dictates that UAJ provide maximum opportunity for men and women to participate in a variety of sports and recreation activity, including an intercollegiate athletic program. We of SEAAA are prepared to speak and act forcefully in response to the dictates of that community of interest.

SEAAA BELIEVES, that health is the first of all liberties. That health, physical education, recreation and sports participation (both intramural and intercollegiate) should be a dynamic part of UAJ's total program.

Intercollegiate athletics will:

- 1) improve the image of UAJ, and enhance its goodwill and public support from throughout this region, the State of Alaska, and the Pacific NW;
- 2) provide additional

participation on the part of southeastern Alaska community residents in "OUR UNIVERSITY";

3) stimulate high school student interest in higher education, and result in increased enrollments;

4) initiate group

consciousness, morale, spirit, and a sense of belonging, loyalty and pride in UAJ, and 5) promote an integrated and more visible student community, and provide educational incentive, opportunity and benefit to student-athletes.

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Gov. Jay Hammond signed a citation proclaiming April 4-10 the Week of the Young Child. In Juneau, schools, child care centers, agencies and individuals working with young children

participated in activities celebrating the week long event. UAJ students in Early Childhood Education Program were also involved.

Library finally plays with full deck

The UAJ Library is converting its card catalog to a COM (computer output microfiche) catalog.

The Library made the decision to use a COM catalog for several reasons:

At the present time, access to the Library's collection is only possible in one location: the card catalog in Novatney Hall. With a COM catalog many access points can be made available such as the UAL Library and selected locations off the Auke Lake Campus.

As card catalogs grow, they

become more and more difficult to use. Cards become misfiled; filing rules change. A COM catalog will solve these problems, making research and just plain browsing easier.

More cross-references will be available in the COM catalog than the Library was able to produce manually. Because the computer will do the work, updated cataloging information will be produced much faster.

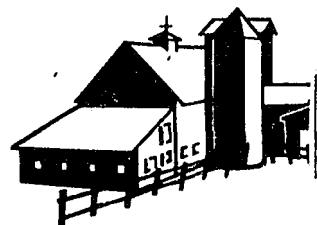
Every COM catalog will have a complete update every three months.

UAJ has joined the Washington Library Network (WLN), a computer-based bibliographic utility. Since January the Library has been adding all new books to that data base. The most efficient and least expensive output of that data base is a fiche catalog.

The staff at UAJ Library look forward to further explaining the process and to answering any questions. If you would like a Library representative to discuss the COM catalog with you, please call BJ Allen at x515, or Rochelle Sager at x440, to schedule a time.

Editorials

Where Have the Farm Lands Gone?



What is Prime Farmland, and Why is it Disappearing?

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Prime, flat lands are also the least costly to build upon. When towns and cities grow, it is usually these valuable agricultural acres that are used for highways, houses, shopping malls, industrial parks and other urban development.

In the war between the bulldozer and the plow, one million acres of America's prime farm lands are urbanized each year. *A million acres equals a half-mile strip of land from New York to California—or the loss of four square miles of our best agricultural land every day.*

In addition to the prime farm land loss, we are losing another two million acres of lesser quality, nevertheless productive agricultural land to nonagricultural conversion each year. *The total annual loss of three million acres is the equivalent of 320 acres, or a half-section of farm land every hour.*

Every day in the United States, four square miles of our nation's prime farm lands are shifted to uses other than agriculture. The thief is urban sprawl.

Today there are highways and houses, airports and shopping centers on land that once produced an abundance of grain and timber, forage, vegetables and fruits. There are motels and reservoirs, industrial parks and power plants on land where farmers once grazed their cattle and harvested cotton and flax.

“Ten years from now, Americans could be as concerned over the loss of the nation's prime and important farm lands as they are today over shortages of oil and gasoline!”

*Norman Berg, Chief
USDA Soil Conservation Service*

Is the world running out of dirt?

Forget the oil crisis--we're threatened with a more serious problem: the world is running out of dirt. The experts say over-farming and spreading urbanization is stripping the globe of its valuable topsoil, and the lack of fertile cropland could cause widespread famine by the end of the century.

Lester Brown, head of the Worldwatch Institute, a Washington think tank, says the prospect of declining harvests could put the U. S., as the world's leading

grain exporter, in the same position as OPEC nations today. "If we don't destroy our cropland base," he says, "it's going to give us more leverage than any military system we could create."

Being the food supplier to a hungry world won't be all that good for the U. S., he goes on. Deciding who will eat and who will starve could be a no-win situation, because nobody will get as much as they want.

(Denver Post, December 27)

Guest Editorial by Vern Metcalf

Pride expressed in UAJ's "phenomenal expansion."

It is with more than a slight bit of amazement that I've witnessed the growth of the University of Alaska, a truly phenomenal occurrence when one considers that it was only 27 years ago that the University got its first true chance at expansion. I know all of this simply because it happened in 1955 when the Alaska Legislature bent its biennial budget to near the breaking point to give then President Ernest Patty some \$3 million in matching funds to build a new campus, for all practical matters, at College.

The writer happened to have been a member of the House of Representatives that year, having also served in the 1951 session, and a member of the House Ways and Means (Finance) Committee. The then Territory was only beginning to recover from a fiscal miscalculation of the 1947 session which had over-estimated revenues by \$4 million which had led to such unique financing arrangement as the legendary Austin E. (Cap) Lathrop making good the University's bills until the Territory could enact

what became known as the Basic Tax legislation.

It wasn't always that Alaska dealt in billions, as you can see. By 1955, however, there was something in place called the Alaska Public Works Act which provided federal matching moneys for worthwhile capital projects (the Alaska Office Building here in Juneau was one and cost all of \$300,000 when built).

Dr. Patty was a prospector, successful miner, professor, businessman, and one hell of a salesman. He came to the 1955 session promoting a \$6 million expansion plan for the Fairbanks campus (there was no other) and with hat in hand asked for the 3 mil mentioned above. He found a ready cohort in the writer who had visited the existing campus in 1953 and left horrified. It was akin to a slum and the dormitories resembled something out of Camp Swampy and also violated all known building codes.

My argument was that either we had a University or we did not and the campus indicated we did not.

The legislative enactment followed and you'll be amazed to know that the total budget for the biennium (fiscal 1956-57) came to about \$35 million. Total. There was to follow under the guidance of such women members as Rep. Dora Sweeney and Rep. Mildred Banfield the beginning of the Community College system but I like to feel that the impetus that led to all of this came in 1955.

My pride is not specious. You see, I was the only Southeast Alaska Representative or Senator that supported the Dr. Patty-inspired building projects. There could be a lesson in this, however, since when I ran for re-election in 1956 I finished out of the money.

I can assure you that there are many others responsible for the beautiful campus at Auke Lake, the downtown Bill Ray Center, and the by now statewide services of the University but it all truly began just 27 years ago. I just thought you students of today needed that trivia lesson to better appreciate where we all find ourselves today.

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Question: I hear that caps and gowns will be worn at graduation this year. Can you give me the details.

Answer: The Eleventh Annual Commencement Program of the University of Alaska, Juneau will have caps and gowns for both the stage party and the graduates. There will be no fee charged to the students.

A committee formed to determine if UAJ should have formal commencement exercises recommended caps and gowns be worn this spring. This will add distinction to the commencement exercises and reflect the importance of receiving a degree.

Graduates should have received a letter from Administrative

Services which contains details of the commencement ceremony. If you are a graduate planning to receive a degree this spring and you have not yet received your letter, please contact the Vice Chancellor of Administrative Services as soon as possible.

Several students have expressed concern and confusion about the manner in which refunds are calculated by the Business Office. Here is some information that might help you to better understand the refund system. The fee schedule established by the Board of Regents can be found on page two of the class schedule. You can use this as a reference as I give you a quick math lesson on

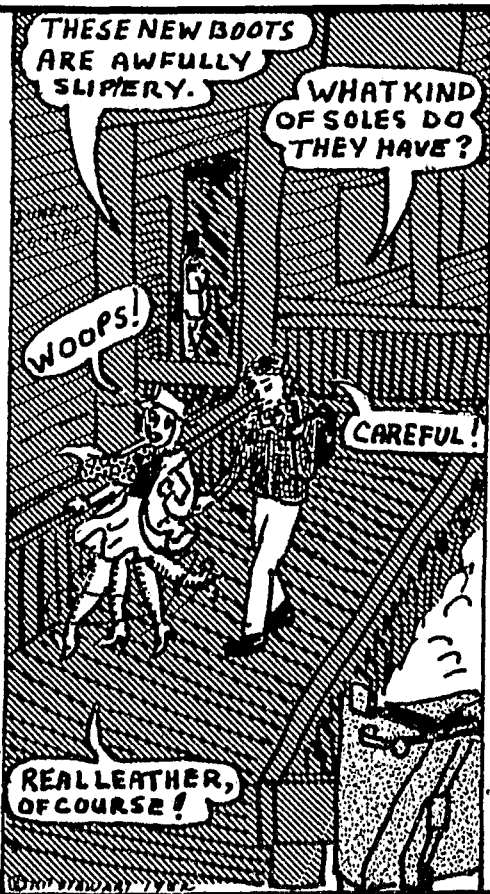
calculating refunds.

Ready for that math lesson? Suppose you are registered for 15 undergraduate credits. You drop a three credit class before the beginning of the semester and one of your three credit classes is cancelled due to lack of enrollment. You should receive a refund, right? Wrong. You are still registered for nine credits (15 minus 6 = 9). Based on the consolidated fee schedule you did not pay for 15 credits; you paid for eight credits (8 X \$25) plus \$5.

Some students believe they paid \$13.66 per credit (\$205 ÷ 15 = 13.66) and should receive a refund. Not true. You actually received 6.80 free credits when you registered.

AUKE U ADVENTURES

by Kit Stewart



Career counselor helps others plan lives

L. Williams

Choosing a career or occupation is a personal matter, according to Jerome Mayfield, UAJ's Career Counselor.

A career counselor helps students examine different alternatives and explore both the positive and negative factors of career areas.

"Ultimately it's up to the student to decide what he or she wants," Mayfield said.

"I help students explore the job markets...explore with them their interests as well as their abilities."

An individual may be guided to the many different occupational choices, but can only be counseled to choose from areas consistent with the student's own abilities and interests, Mayfield stated.

Mayfield explained, sometimes a person may have an interest but not the abilities required to be successful in a chosen field.

"I would try to make that person understand that his interest area may not correlate with his abilities," Mayfield said. "I may

recommend that he go into another area, but still remain within his career choice."

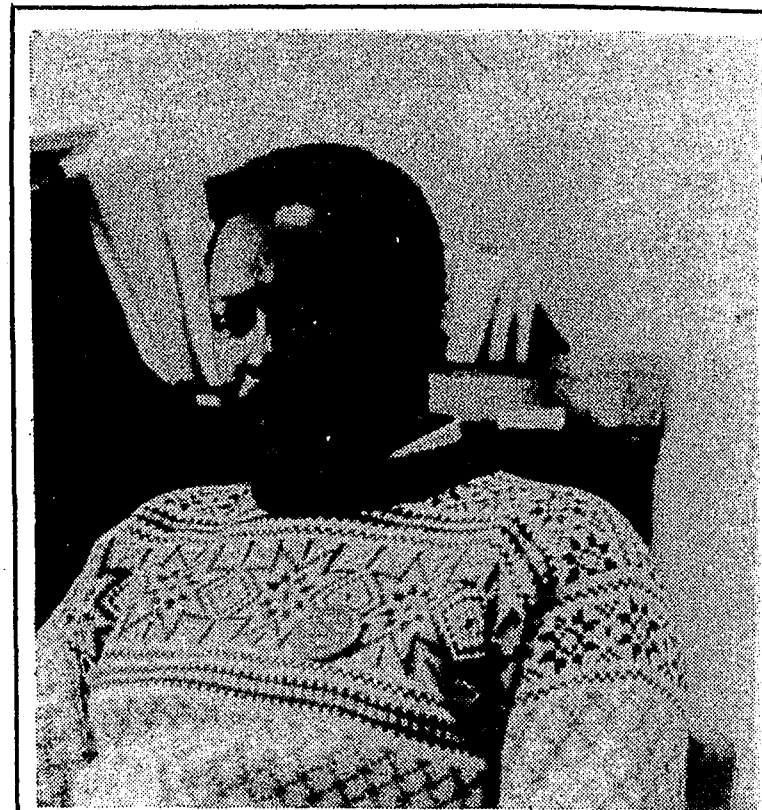
According to Mayfield, career choices are endless.

"A student can even create his or her own job...you have to know how to sell yourself on paper and in person," Mayfield stressed.

Because students have a wide variety of interests, Mayfield finds he must keep informed of all areas of curriculum at UAJ.

"I've got to work with all of the parts of the campus from the Chancellor to the custodial workers. It's my job to be familiar with all of the areas," Mayfield said. "I never can tell when a student is going to come in and ask what he has to do or know to have a career in a particular area."

Although Mayfield has been with UAJ only a short time, he has already established some goals. These include striving towards accreditation, working in the best interest of students making a career decision, recognizing the uniqueness of UAJ and ensuring that



Jerome Mayfield
Career Counselor

each academic, vocational, technical and certification program maintains its individual identity.

Mayfield received his Masters in Education from the University of Idaho. Recently he was nominated as the Most Outstanding Young Man of America for 1982.

Athletic Association...

Even without student housing, physical education and athletic facilities, UAJ could field competitive performers in cross-country and downhill skiing (using Eaglecrest facilities), or other "individual sports" including gymnastics, shooting, and wrestling. BUT WITHOUT ACCREDITATION, UAJ cannot join an athletic conference or affiliate with the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA), nor any of the many women's athletic associations.

Women's athletics is an exciting new dimension on the collegiate scene. UAJ is one of the few schools where

sports for women will not have to play "catch-up". SEAAA believes women's intercollegiate athletics can and will make a "big splash" at UAJ. Some of our members contend that UAJ has the potential problem of making sure that women's athletics does not unconstitutionally overshadow the athletic program for male athletes! AND FINALLY, SEAAA is anxious and willing to get on with its program of promotion and support. We feel that the non-accreditation of UAJ, due to the lack of basic facilities and fundamental deficiencies is, at least, an embarrassment and an indictment, at worst, for all Alaskans.

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Mini-course stretches minds and bodies

L. Williams

During the summer session at UAJ, the mini-course program, "Stretching Minds and Bodies," will be offered to children, ages 9 to 14.

Each day children will participate in activities related to natural science, computer usage, accelerated or remedial math or reading, and various sports at the Juneau Raquet Club.

Marjorie Fields, UAJ associate professor of education, designed and organized the series of mini-courses. According to Fields, the program offers not only a learning opportunity for children, but for adults as well. The program provides a lab situation for UAJ students taking courses in personalizing instruction, science or computer education.

The mini-courses will run Monday through Thursday, during the July summer session, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The cost is \$200 per child, and enrollment is limited to 20 children. Registration information will be available shortly.

Docent training classes started.

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BRING A BAG LUNCH

(UNIVERSITY CREDIT MAY BE ARRANGED ON REQUEST.)

UAJ phones remember what's forgotten

Forgetfulness affects the phones at UAJ. Sometimes a person using the phone forgets to dial "9" first. If he or she then dials a long distance number with the 100 or 101 first, the phone is then programmed to forward all incoming calls to another phone.

If the person forgetting the "9" will remember to clear the phone by pressing 111 or 110, then the phone will forget the 100 or 101 code. Then some poor person in some unknown office won't be receiving calls for someone else.

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SEAAA to recognize SE HS athletes

A program to recognize the boy and girl athletes of the month in each southeast high school is being formulated by the Southeastern Alaska Athletic Association, according to its president Roger Grummett, a Juneau insurance agent.

"Our organization plans to present certificates of achievement, or other suitable awards, monthly to the outstanding student-athletes in this region," Grummett said. "We want to work out procedures to accomplish this program with high school officials, activity directors, coaches, sports broadcasters and writers, and our association delegates in each community."

SEAAA is a nonprofit association, organized a year ago to promote and support a small college intercollegiate athletic program at the University of Alaska, Juneau. The organization goal is to help expand the influence of UAJ in southeast and assist in its growth and development as a first-class unit of the State University system.

"Our members believe that the addition of sports programs at UAJ will create positive alternatives to many of today's social problems," Grummett stated. "We want the young men and women graduates of southeast high schools to have the opportunity and the incentive to compete locally at the college-level in the process of gaining a

higher education. In future years, SEAAA plans to offer scholarships to qualified student-athletes at UAJ."

SEAAA will work in cooperation with UAJ officials, with the school's division of student activities and athletics, or with other groups interested to see that UAJ programs and influence are expanded throughout the region.

Efforts are being made in Juneau to assure that special legislative consideration is given so UAJ can construct housing and remove other basic needs to be accredited as a bonafide, independent, four-year unit of the University system.

"Our organization is anxious to hear from interested community representatives, as well as high school officials, who are willing to assist with the process of selecting high school athletes of the month in their community," Grummett concluded. "During summer months we will recognize athletes involved in American Legion, Senior League baseball, city recreation, or other sports programs for the high school age group."

SEAAA boasts a membership of 150 volunteers, predominately from the southeast region, but has "Founders" in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Palmer, along with out-of-state founding members from California, Hawaii, New York City, and Washington, D. C.



Mark Anderson running the Giant Stolem at Eaglecrest.

Alaska History classes begin

The Alaska State Museum has begun Docent training classes Wednesdays at noon. This is your opportunity to learn about Alaska's history, environment, and heritage and earn University credit if you wish.

Anyone interested should contact Paulette Simpson at 586-6433.

Students call for tightening of loan program

In what was by far the best attended ASSA meeting of the year, students met on the Auke Bay campus at UAJ April 3 and called for a tightening up of the student loan program.

The student leadership passed two resolutions out directed at the Post-secondary Education Commission. Both aimed at improving loan enforcement. The first called for the establishment of a student loan abuse hotline, and the second for moving the deadline for applications to 60 days before the opening of classes.

Another topic of discussion was ASSA-sponsored Senate Bill 767, which would put a student on the Post-secondary Commission. The bill, which has the support of NEA-Alaska and the Governor, as well as ASSA and the commission itself, recently cleared the Senate on a 16-0 vote and is now in the House Health, Education, and Social Services Committee.

Also debated was the University of Alaska operating budget. The students agreed that the House and Senate proposals, both well under \$140 million, are far too low. The

Governor had requested \$145 million and the Board of Regents had originally asked for \$156 million. The University administration says it can live on \$134 million but the students disagree.

ASSA will also be putting before the Regents a set of proposals aimed at increasing student participation in the system. The proposals address such issues as the budget process and the sovereignty of students governments. Current plans are to put the proposals forward at the next full Board of Regents meeting.

Fourth Month Entertainment April

16 Friday

SPANISH CLUB MEETING
6 p.m. El Pequeno Mexico Restaurant
Alison/586-6806

FOLK DANCING

7:30 - 11 p.m. Capitol Community School
Tom/586-3082

17 Saturday

EQUINOX FILM FESTIVAL
"South Africa Belong to Us," & "Love it Like a Fool"
7 p.m. Alaska State Museum
Sussana/586-2977

18 Sunday

SUNDAY FLICK
"Jane Eyre"
5 & 7:30 p.m. Bill Ray Center
Kelly/465-2841

CHRISTY TEWS LECTURES

"All Woman Annapurna Mountain Climbing Expedition"
7 p.m. Alaska State Museum
Jim Dumont/789-2101

20 Tuesday

BROWN BAG LUNCH
"How to Start a Babysitting Co-op"
Noon: Juneau Women's Resource Center
Shirley/586-2977

21 Wednesday

UAJ SINGERS IN CONCERT
8 p.m. Chapel by the Lake
586-ARTS

CLOGGING

7-9 p.m. Capitol Community School
Tom/586-3082

22 Thursday

UAJ SINGERS IN CONCERT
8 p.m. Northern Lights Church
586-ARTS

WOMEN'S STUDIES MINI-WORKSHOP

"How to Start a Small Business"
7:30 p.m. Juneau Women's Resource Center
Connie Davis/586-6806

23 Friday

FOLK DANCING
7:30 - 11 p.m. Capitol Community School
Tom/586-3082

24 Saturday

STUDENT ACTIVITY MOVIE
"Bound for Glory"
7 p.m. Auke Lake Campus
Jim Dumont/789-2101

25 Sunday

SUNDAY FLICK
"Gungadin"
5 & 7:30 p.m. Bill Ray Center
Kelly/465-2841

27 Tuesday

BROWN BAG LUNCH
"Raising Liberated Children"
Noon: Juneau Women's Resource Center
Shirley/586-2977

28 Wednesday

CLOGGING
7-9 p.m. Capitol Community School
Tom/586-3082

29 Thursday

WOMEN'S STUDIES MINI-WORKSHOP
"Basic Budgeting & Credit"
7:30 p.m. Juneau Women's Resource Center
Connie Davis/586-6806

30 Friday

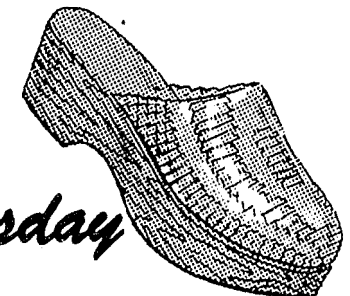
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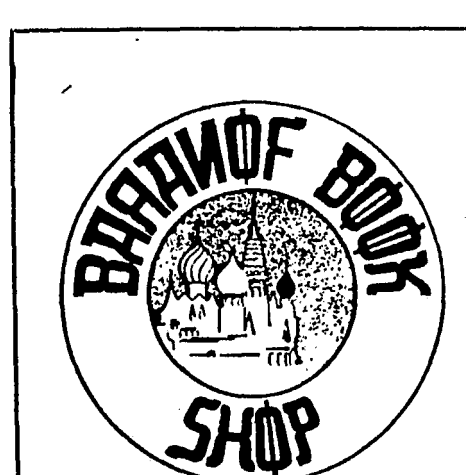
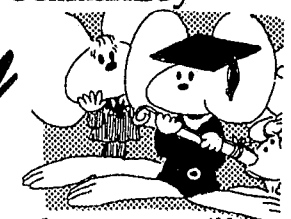
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Surely you'll be in Anchorage sometime soon and need to know some special place to go out to, some place a little bit special, maybe a little bit different. I'm not going to provide a restaurant guide for Anchorage, but certainly there are some high spots that oughtn't be missed.

There are probably more specialty, fast-food franchises up there than you ever want to hear about, but the McDonald's with the African motif is neat. It's kind of jungly with huge ceramic giraffes, hippos, lions, etc. to ogle as you reassure yourself that the Big Mac you're eating really is 100% beef.

The three Flipper's restaurants offer luscious looking desserts; giant, plastic color menus that look as if they were stolen from Woolworth's; and decent service. However, they are so popular that even on Monday you have to stand in line to be seated.

But even Flipper's isn't that different; it doesn't have that *je ne sais quoi* quality, that this-place-is-just-waiting-to-be-discovered air that all of us eaters secretly long to find before the food columnists write it up and it loses that special flavor. The place I'm looking for is the kind of place you can't wait to take your sister to when she comes to visit.

Well, we found just such a place in Anchorage recently: The Hogg Brother's restaurant. If I lived in Anchorage and if my sister were coming to visit, I would certainly take her there for breakfast on the first possible occasion.

The Hogg Bros. certainly meets the criteria of being special and a little bit different. It is a small place, right next to Chilkoot Charlie's by the way, with a horseshoe counter and small tables along one wall. If you're lucky and this part is full, then they'll seat you in the back at the tables--you have to walk through a bar to get there. Back to the front, there is all

anner of pig paraphernalia adorning the walls, windows and counter: pig heads, posters of portly porkers and porcine figurines.

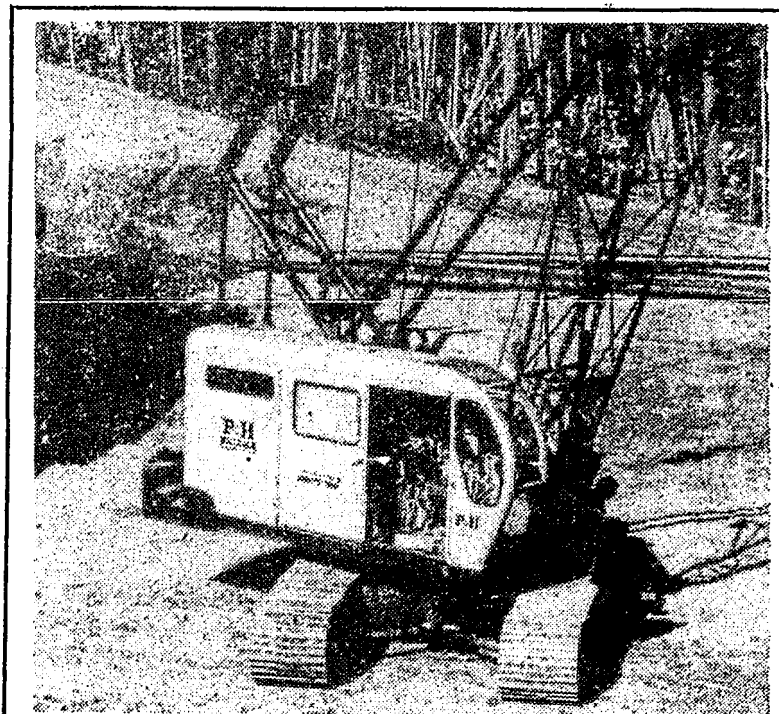
The waitresses wear jeans and tie-dyed T-shirts that say such inspiring things as "Hogg Bros." and "Hogg Down." One patron was overheard to say that "Hogg Down" is certainly classier than "Pig [censored]."

The menu is done by hand and is a work of art, both in the colorful drawings and in the names of the entrees.

But the biggest surprise is the food--it's great! And there is such a variety of unusual (but delicious) taste combinations to choose from, like the ham Jarlsburg cheese and spinach (?) omelet I had. The bread is thick-sliced, home made dark bread and wonderful. It's a great place to pig out.

I would rate the Hogg Bros. at least 3 1/2 sow's ears with the recommendation that you make a concerted effort to find it when next in Anchorage. It's worth the little rooting around it takes to get to a Hogg Bros. happening.

Don't wear pearls.



Construction of the new UAJ Administration Student Services Building is proceeding on schedule.

Swimming once again available

Students trying to use the high school pool recently have been rebuffed in their efforts to make use of the UAJ discount. The reason given by the pool is that student activities has let their account get too low.

It's true the account was down to only \$1.50, said Jim Dumont,

student activities director. However, the agreement with the pool is that they inform UAJ when there is \$100 left in the account. They have failed to do this several times.

As soon as Dumont learned of the problem he had money transferred so the pool is once again available to UAJ swimmers.

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