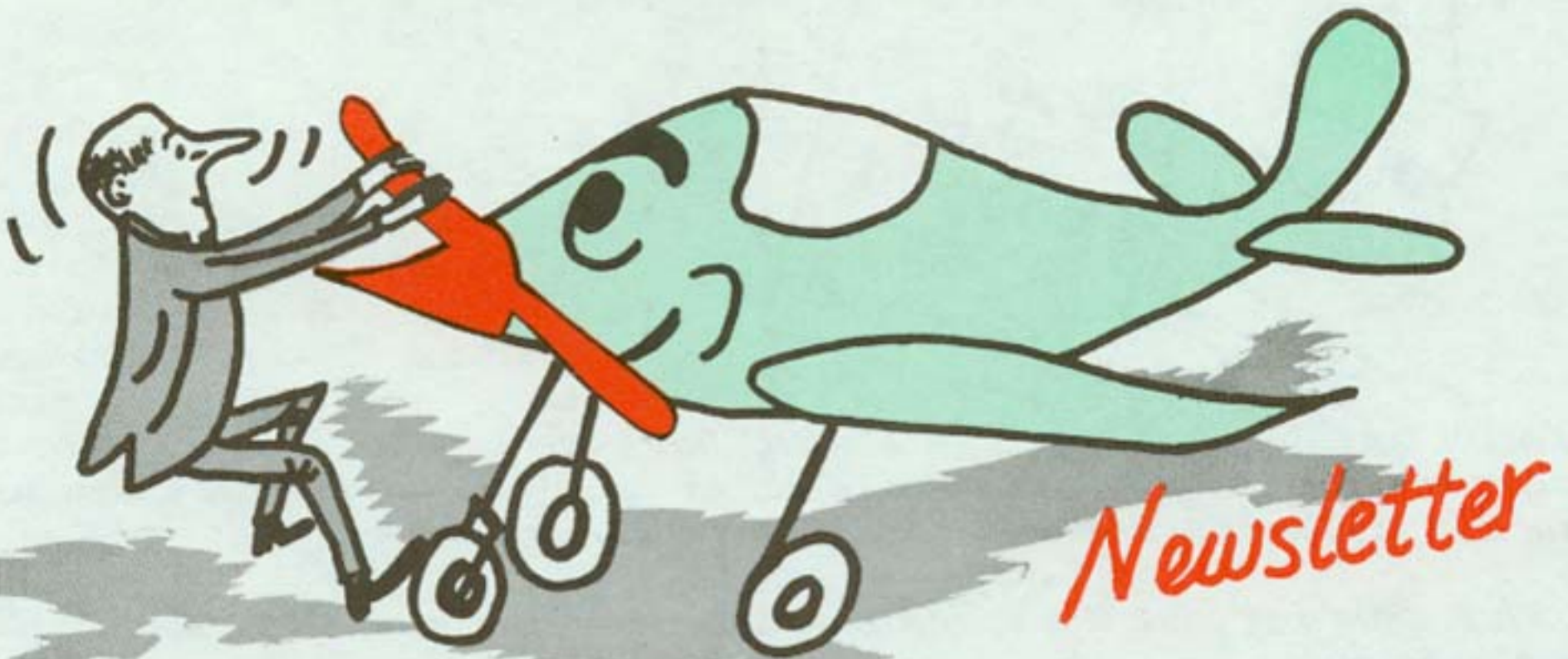


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GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

This "CONVENTION ISSUE" of the Newsletter can only faintly reflect the full and pleasant hours of enjoying the excellent hospitality of Archbishop Frank Hurley, Anchorage, and of his staff and friends. The week in Alaska was a real winner.

Besides flying (there, around and back, with UAL, King Air, Aero Star, Mooney, 210, 182, 172, 235, etc.) fifty-four congenial NAPPers and FOPP (Friends of...) filled their hours with fun, prayer and business.

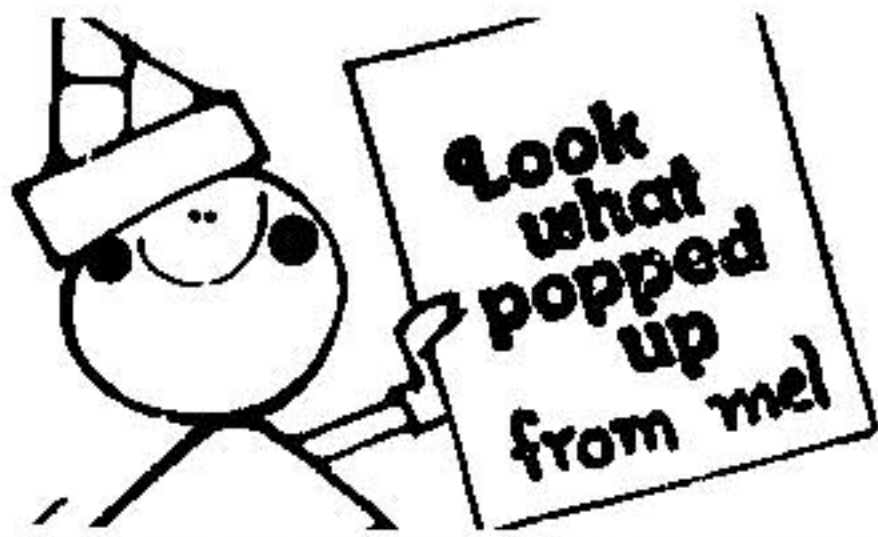
Here are some of the activities: nice retreat house atmosphere and meals (burp), vans and autos available, the zoo, Mt. McKinley, glaciers galore, a plethora of super cubs, F-5 simulator plus search and rescue at Elmendorf Air Base, first class hospitality and King Salmon at the Leo Walsh home, halibut fishing at Homer with some green complexions, drinks and meals at the Bishop's residence, expeditious business meeting, a four-bishop homily at Mass, etc. etc.

Alaska is surely a "fur piece" from everywhere. The all night (3 hr. lag) trip to Iowa via customs and ice at flight level 22 was a memorable one. Lots of whistles and lights in a King Air.

We indeed are grateful for the good fortune of friends and safe conduct of this 27th annual convention. Ad multos annos, gloriosque.

Frank Nemmers

Frank Nemmers



L. This issue might well be entitled the GREAT ALASKA ADVENTURE. Frank's presidential letter and his letter to Archbishop Hurley, the minutes of the meeting, the pictures...none of it can adequately portray the

wonderful time enjoyed by all in Alaska. This one certainly made up for the lousy weather on previous occasions. On behalf of us all we once again thank Archbishop Frank and his devoted co-workers for their wonderful hospitality.

II. This issue includes the following items: 1) The minutes of the 1989 and 1990 annual meetings.

2) NAPP photographer John Ballen took a multitude of pictures. We will include some in this newsletter. Unfortunately black and white never does justice to the beauty of the real thing. To see them all you'll have to come to next year's convention when John will have the 1990 album on display.

3) If I have room I'll include a couple of letters from the membership. If not this time, then in the October issue.

4) The particulars on the Midwest Fall meeting in Hampton, Iowa.

III. PLAN AHEAD: Next year St. Louis will be the site of our gathering on July 9 - 10. I am sure Ray Lagesse will have a great time lined up for us. Pete Sweeney will host us in Maryland in 1992.

IV. The Midwest Region will meet in HAMPTON, IOWA. Host is Fr. Walter Kleinfehn, an Iowa non-flyer who is interested in planes. Besides spending time with each other there will be a viewing of several restored planes. The meeting date is Monday, October 8. Wally's address:

Rev. Walter Kleinfehn
St. Patrick Rectory
2 - 19th Avenue NE
Hampton, IA 50441

(House) 515-456-3406 (Office) 515-456-4857

Be sure and let Wally know your ETA. When you arrive on the 8th, call the OFFICE number as the secretary will be expecting your call. If you plan on arriving early or staying late, please make those arrangements with Wally ahead of time.

This will be your only notification of this meeting. I am including some information on Hampton in the midwest envelopes.



ADDRESS ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PRIEST PILOTS

July 12, 1989

Our meeting took place at St. Mary's Parish, Belerica, MA with FR. JACK LAWLER (His Nibs the General) hosting. President FR. BILL BEVINGTON opened with a prayer at 7:15 PM. The Roll was called: 3 members were present with 9 guests. Our host, Fr. General, reminded us that the hospitality room was open and that the Registration Desk was still open so as to tidy up loose ends such as those who had not as yet paid fees, dues, etc. No current Treasurer's Report.

I. OLD BUSINESS: We were informed that we are still incorporated in the State of Kentucky. Fr. Al Ruschman signed in for us.

II. CONVENTION SITES and DATES:

1). Our 1990 Convention will be held in Anchorage, Alaska with member Archbishop Frank Hurley as our host.

Motion: TEUFEL/RUSCHMAN: "THAT THE CONVENTION BE MOVED BACK ONE WEEK TO JULY 17-18 SO AS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE FISH RUN."

Passed: 19-11-3.

III. THIS YEAR'S GIFT: Motion: TEUFEL/J. HEMANN. "THAT OUR GIFT OF \$1,000.00 BE AWARDED TO BISHOP MICHAEL KANIECKI, S.J. OF THE DIOCESE OF FAIRBANKS, ALASKA. Passed 13-9-11.

IV. PRESENTATION BY FR. BOB KIRSCH ON FLYING MINISTRY OF BISHOP LLAGUNO, S.J.

1). Bob gave a brief history of the Tarahumara Indian Vicariate's Bishop Jose Alberto Llaguno, S.J. and his flying ministry in the State of Chihuahua, Mexico.

2). Bob distributed a Fact Sheet to all present explaining the expenses involved with the Bishop's plans, and outlining a plan whereby we, not as NAPP, but rather as pastors with our parishes might be able to subsidize Bishop Llaguno's mission efforts.

V. FR. HENRY HAACKE. FR. AL RUSCHMAN prepared for us a beautiful summary of the highlights of the life of FR. HENRY HAACKE, one of our Founding Fathers. We are all, indeed, very grateful to FR. AL.

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

1). We have gratefully accepted the gracious offer of member FR. RAY R. LAGESSE, S.J. as St. Louis, Missouri as our 1991 Convention Site. Our Alternate would be handled by the Midwest Region

2). FR. JOHN BELLON, CSSR suggested that for Vacation Priest Supply we might contact the Redemptorist Provincial, VERY REV. FR. WILLIAM NUGENT, CSSR. P.O. Box 6. Glenview, Illinois 60025.

VII. ELECTIONS:

1) For President for 1990-1991: Nominated: FR. FRANK NEMMERS and FR. JOHN HEMANN. Elctoted: FR. FRANK NEMMERS.

2). For 2nd Vice-President (taking FR. HAACKE'S place) for 1990-1991. Unanimously for FR. JOHN HEMANN.

3). For Secretary: Continuing for 1990-1991. Unanimous: FR. BOB KIRSCH.

VIII. FR. BILL BEVINGTON was gratefully applauded for his yeoman service to our sterling Organization. FR. JACK LAWLER and HIS PEOPLE were warmly acknowledged for an excellent Convention.

IX. ADJOURNMENT at 8:15 PM. Belatedly submitted, your devoted brother,

Bob

Fr. Bob J. Kirsch, Secretary

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
PRIEST PILOTS

MINUTES OF OUR ANNUAL
MEETING

Our meeting opened with a prayer by president FR. FRANK NEMMERS at 4:30 P.M., Wednesday, July 18, 1990 at Holy Spirit Retreat House, Anchorage, Alaska. Our Convention host was ARCHBISHOP FRANK HURLEY. 38 members were present at the meeting. The Convention was also attended by 2 Associate members and 8 guests.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT: by FR. NEMMERS (in the absence of FR. WOLESKY). Income of \$2,755.00 and Expenses of \$23.94 leaving a balance (including savings) of \$8,037.15. There was some discussion as to why these funds have not been donated. In response to questions, our policy of making donations from the interest generated was reiterated. FR. AL RUSCHMAN will look into the procedure of dispersal of funds if and when our Corporation should be dissolved.

II. OLD BUSINESS: FR. BOB KIRSCH gave a report of BISHOP (member) JOSE A. LLAGUNO, S.J. and his flying mission apostolate in Chihuahua, Mexico and support of his efforts by our members as individuals and by their parishes. Five parishes and four individual members joined in this support during the past year for an amount of approximately \$3,000.00 BISHOP LLAGUNO expresses his deepest appreciation. Fact sheets re: this Mission Support were again distributed by BOB KIRSCH.

III. ELECTIONS:

1). First Vice-President. Nominated: FR. GENE MURRAY and FR. PETE SWEENEY. FR. PETE SWEENEY elected.

2). Treasurer: (FR. JOHN WOLESKY has had to resign. Appreciation for his faithful service was duly expressed). FR. BILL ROCHE was nominated. MOTION: "THAT NOMINATIONS CEASE." Passed unanimously. FR. BILL ROCHE proclaimed our new Treasurer by acclamation.

IV. CONVENTION SITES AND DATES:

1). Our 1991 Convention will be in St. Louis (with God's help). Convention host will be FR. RAY LAGESSE, S.J., July 9 and 10 (we return in 1991 to our accustomed time, i.e., in the first full week after July 4th). Event to be listed in AOPA Calendar of events.

2). FR. PETE SWEENEY has graciously offered to host the 1992 Convention at Frederick, Maryland. Our appreciation was expressed to PETE.

V. THIS YEAR'S GIFT.

MOTION: J. REMANN/PAISLEY: "THAT OUR GIFT OF \$1,000.00 BE AWARDED TO BISHOP TOM LOBSINGER, O.M.I. of the Diocese of Whitehorse, Yukon Territory, Canada. Passed unanimously. BISHOP TOMMY expressed his grateful appreciation... as did BISHOP MIKE KANIECKI, S.J. (Fairbanks, Alaska) for last year's gift.

VI. OUR GRATEFUL APPRECIATION was expressed to ARCHBISHOP FRANK HURLEY and HIS PEOPLE for hosting such a fine Convention. ARCHBISHOP FRANK announced: 1) That there was no Registration Cost. 2) That Lodging and Food at the Retreat House were \$45.00 a day. 3) That he would host all of us at his home on Thursday evening (after the fishing trip). He also presented each of us with a delightful little wooden plaque as a Memento of our 1990 Anchorage Convention.

VII. ACTIVITIES: 1) A Fishing Expedition from Homer, Alaska was arranged. Four planes ferried fisherpersons to and from Homer. 2) We had a very interesting visit to Elmendorf Air Force Base which included an exciting simulator experience. 3) A most delicious fresh Salmon cookout was enjoyed at the home of LEO & BEVERLY WALSH, parents of Archdiocesan seminarian

LEE WALSH who served as Convention Coordinator. 4) Several vehicles were provided free along with the services of BROTHER CHARLES for our convenience. 5) Post Convention Housing was arranged by JOANN WHITE, Archbishop's Secretary, for those who stayed on.

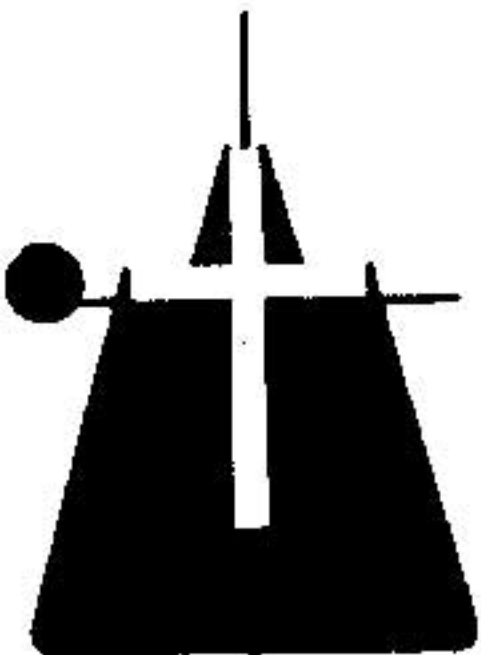
IX. OF NOTE: 1) This was our third Convention in Alaska. 2). ARCHBISHOP HURLEY'S Secretary, JOANN WHITE, informed us that 16 of the 1981 Conventioneers returned for 1990. 3) For the first time, four of our Hierarchy members were present: ARCHBISHOP FRANK HURLEY (Anchorage, Alaska), BISHOP MIKE KANIECKI, S.J. (Fairbanks, Alaska), BISHOP TOMMY LOBSINGER, O.M.I. (Whitehorse, Yukon Territory) and BISHOP JIM TIMLIN (Scranton, PA).

X. COMMENDATIONS: Plaques were presented to: 1) LEE WALSH, Convention Coordinator. LEE was also named honorary member of NAPP. 2) LEO & BEVERLY WALSH, LEE's Parents in appreciation for the marvelous Salmon Bake. 3) JOANN WHITE, Archbishop's Secretary in appreciation for her organization of all three of our Alaskan Conventions of 1972, 1981 and 1990. 4). FR. MEL REMANN was applauded for our fine NEWSLETTER.

XI. ADJOURNMENT was Moved, seconded and passed at 5:00 P.M. Holy Mass followed in the Chapel of Holy Spirit Retreat House with our four hierarchy members as principal celebrants.

"Expeditionously" submitted,
your devoted brother,

Bob
Fr. Bob J. Kirsch, Secretary



Saint Lawrence Church

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July 28, 1990

Dear Archbishop Hurley:

On behalf of the Convention participants and the whole NAPP (& FOPP) I again send notes of gratitude for the generous hospitality. The week of July 15 in Anchorage was a delight. Lee and his parents, JoAnn, Peg and others also share the thanks of the ± 54 attendees. We are richer for knowing you.

Especially poignant was the four-bishop 'homily' at the convention Mass. The relaxed rapport of fraternity among pilots who are bishops and priests is a social plus, a value to be savored.

Special thanks to the nice lady who so ably handled the food service at your July 19 house-dinner.

God's choice blessings on you and your work. We will watch the Russian Experiment with interest.

Fraternally in Christ,

Frank Nemmers

Fr. Frank Nemmers

NAPP President

P.S. By shared executive decision, and when the new treasurer you nominated gets the checkbook, we are sending you a token 5 Cs for extraordinary expenditures at the 1990 Convention.

CATHOLIC COMMENTARY

Francis T. Hurley
Archbishop of Anchorage

Friday, July 20, 1990, The Anchorage Times

We welcome this week the annual convention of NAPP. Some 10 airplanes will wing through the airways along the Alcan Highway or along the coast of Southeast.

The NAPP is simply a bunch of priests who fly. The Association has about 150 members. Forty-two are expected. (As of this writing a few are experiencing weather delays. No surprise).

A number use their skills as part of their ministry. Most just enjoy flying.

What happens at a convention of this type? Most of the time is spent "hangar flying," a euphemism for "can-you-top-this-experience" stories. Or, to put it another way, the NAPP is a group of flying priests who come together annually, tell a bunch of "lies" about flying, donate their annual dues to some missionary diocese, enjoy each others' company and then fly on home.



St. Mary's Church

796 Boston Road

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Dear Mel,

Just a note from the ancients on the eve of your departure for Alaska. I have retired and will start the flight around the Country the end of July followed by Europe in September and then Naples, FL from November to May. Have a nice condo surrounded by 18 holes enough water to keep them honest. Airport is 5 miles distant and tell the gang they are more than welcome.

Bob Sennott just got out of the hospital. He was riding a bike in a congested area, tried to take a sharp turn to avoid a car and fell in the street. He could not stand so they took him to the hospital with a break in the pelvis. I told him he never should have taken off the training wheels.

Say hello to the gang and enjoy.

Fraternally,


Jack

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ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

July 18 - 19, 1990

ARCTIC VACATION

TWO DAYS



Frank Huxley & His 201

NO NIGHTS



Ft. Nelson - Watson Lake



Where are the Tops?



Whitehorse to Northway



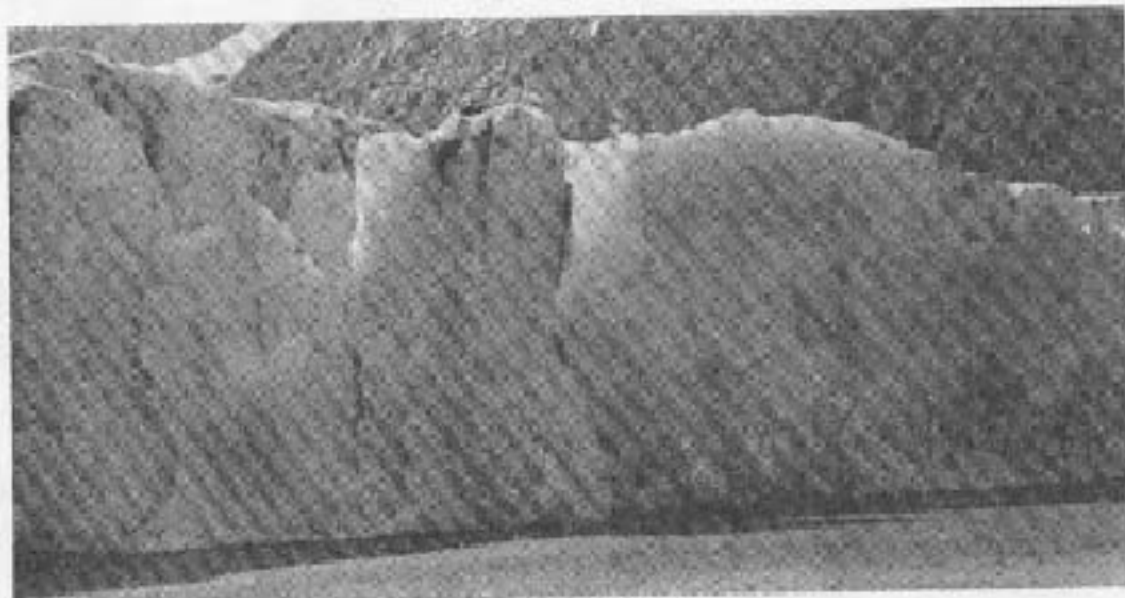
Fearsome SX in Northway



WOW! That's CLOSE!



Glacier Lake NW Whitehorse



Postage Glacier



Boat to Glacier



Annual Meeting



*President Frank
Secretary Bob*



4 BISHOPS at WORSHIP



Joann White



*1992 Host
Pete Sweeney*



Fisherman Ed Murray



Dining at Walsh's



The WALSH'S



Archbishop's Bash



The Cooks



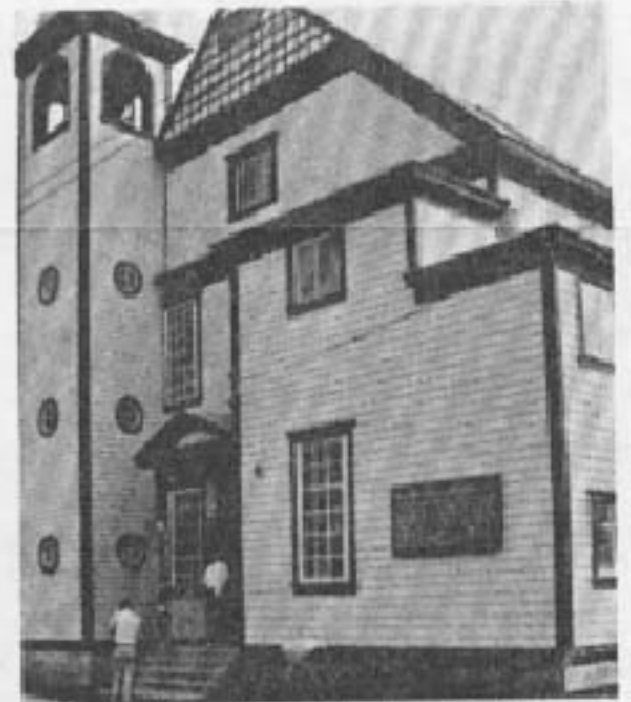
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Cathedral-Anchorage



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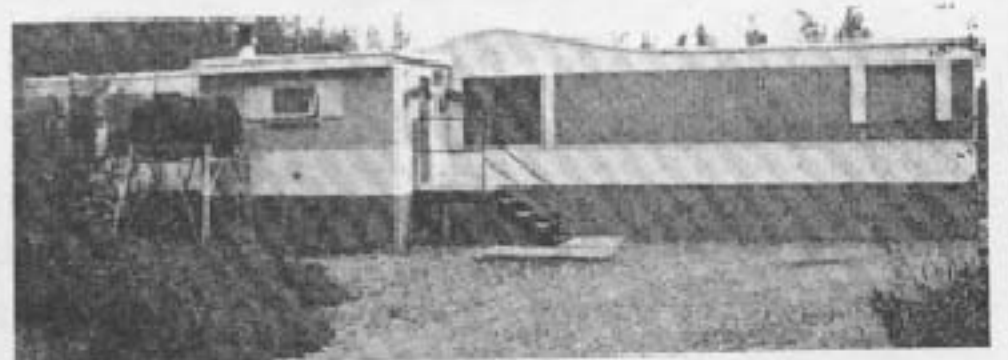
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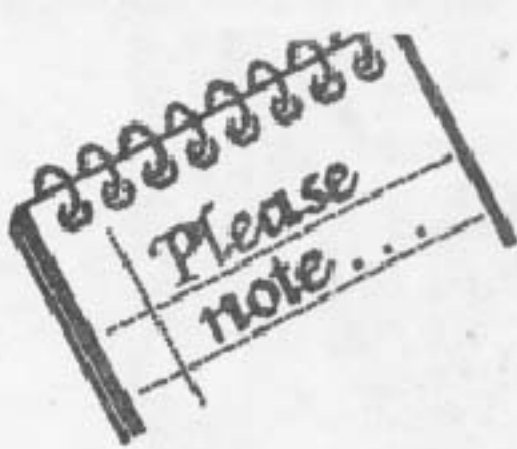
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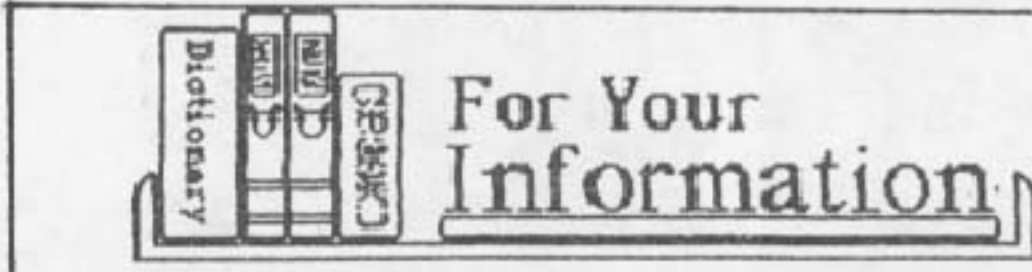
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