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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Elected AT ANNUAL MEETING

The Council has been most fortunate each year in its excellent mix of conscientious executive committee members. This year the fifteen-person board was expanded to sixteen, making room to retain the outgoing president on the committee for the sake of continuity. Three members dropped off, two of them with five years of longevity -- from RDC's beginnings as OMAR. They are Lee Fisher, managing partner of the CPA firm of Coopers & Lybrand, attorney Homer Burrell, and Terry Brady of Forests North, Ltd. All served the Council in the most dedicated manner.

In their place are new members Dan Hinkle, attorney for Marathon Oil Company, Dorothy Jones, Matanuska-Susitna Borough Assembly and Darrel Rexwinkel, managing CPA of Coopers & Lybrand.

Returning to the board after resignation while he became a political candidate for governor of Alaska is Tom Fink of Schroer-Fink Insurance Agency. Remaining as one of two vice presidents is Andy PiekarSKI of Laborers Local 341. The other vice presidential position is held by Bob Fleming, former broadcaster and now special consultant to RDC. Other officers of the committee are Darrel Rexwinkel, treasurer and Robert Swetnam of Phillips Petroleum, secretary.


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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

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ACTION GUIDELINES FOR 1980-1981

After a lengthy series of meetings, RDC leaders pinpointed five key areas that continue to require urgent attention, not only by RDC but by other groups as well. As approved unanimously at the council's annual meeting, these guidelines will direct the organization's activities:

LITIGATION

File class-action lawsuits when private rights are threatened by laws, regulations and policies.

Assist, through RDC's liaison office, development of cases for Pacific Legal Foundation to undertake.

REGULATORY REFORM

Educate the public on impacts of regulatory costs on productivity and profits and actions needed for change.

Increase member involvement in substantiating and reporting experiences with regulatory excess and abuses.

Lobby to change unnecessary laws and regulations.

We now have over 7,000 RDC members, which is a solid base of support. I'm counting on the executive committee, statewide board and general membership to provide the help, input and support we need, especially during times when RDC must become more vocal on issues, and as we work toward our stated goals.

A T. Tom Fink

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DEVELOPMENT POLICIES/INVESTMENT CLIMATE
Oppose legislation and policies leading to more government control and expansion of the bureaucracy.
Focus on development policies of state government; when inadequate, get constructive policies implemented.
Promote stable investment, tax and leasing policies.
Provide sound recommendations for streamlining development functions in state government; press for appointment of economic advisory council members to assist governor.
Support rational development of transportation and public facilities to enhance local economies.
Explore means of creating and using capital for private-sector expansion.

NOTABLE QUOTES:

"I have been cutting logs 41 years in the Chilkat Valley. Twelve thousand acres of a 127 thousand-acre forest have been harvested. During this time, the eagle has flourished and his numbers increased."—John Schnabel, Haines, Alaska Lumbermen

"...this year the Amway Corporation sales will cross the billion-dollar mark; the company employs 500,000 distributors. Taxpayers, Ralph Nader. By the way, Ralph, how many jobs have you created lately?"—Patrick J. Buchanan, Anchorage Times (on Big Business Day)

"The big guns can outspend us at every turn, but as soon as we can outvote them, we're going to start winning."—Brook Evans, Associate Director, Sierra Club

RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
Work with other organizations to support programs and policies for developing agriculture, fisheries, timber, mining, energy.
Pursue courses of action that result in moderate taxation of resource harvesting, instate processing when economic and manageable regulations.

STATE/FEDERAL LAND POLICIES
Monitor state and federal regulations, disposal policies, energy and mineral leasing programs, resource allocations; press for rational decisions at all levels.
Prepare testimony for RDC and others, lobby and support multiple use for majority of Alaska's land.
Encourage Congress to support return of Rare II Wilderness Study land to multiple use, resolve wetlands controversy and delay BLM wilderness inventory.

FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING FEATURES

The Howard Rock Ballroom of the Anchorage Sheraton Hotel was filled to capacity April 25 for the annual meeting, luncheon and election of new officers. The crowd could have filled a larger room.

Ron Zumbren, President of the Pacific Legal Foundation was the featured speaker, explaining the function and purpose of public interest legal foundations in general and that of the PLF in particular. He also announced the new alliance with RDC making the Council the Alaska liaison office for PLF.

The AMERICAN HUNTER and the RIDE-IN bulletin board for forest products were available to all present.

"The recent legislation enabling a dividend and state income tax relief for the Alaska resident raises an interesting point. Namely, the acceptance of these benefits by those activists and advocacy groups who have opposed to the very development responsible for this oil money. To now force these benefits upon these people would be a disservice, as it would degrade their causes, along with making the recipient a hypocrite."—Anchorage Assemblyman Fred Chiei, Jr.

"But we don't dare lose our sense of outrage about federal spending. We are being stung, taken, bamboozled, boundogged, flimflammed, hoodwinked, misled, exploited, sucked and robbed by an army of bureaucrats that has swollen out of control. We are being forced to buy more government than most of us can afford (it'll cost $2,786 for every man, woman and child of us next year for the federal government alone, or $11,144 for that basic family of four) and more than most of us want."—Joan Beck, Anchorage Times

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(3) Supporting: $5 to $40 per year

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Person to contact: ____________________________ Home Phone: ____________________________
Mailing address: __________________________________________ Zip: __________

Type of membership desired: ____________________________ Sustaining Supporting Subscribing

Full payment enclosed in the amount of $__________________
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I will communicate - at my own expense - with legislators, administrative leaders, and/or members of Congress, etc. when Red Alerts are called. I understand "Red Alert" may cross the $40 per year.

Signature: ____________________________

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find the taxpayer paying for:
1) Public utilities operating free of competition under monopoly license "IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST."
2) Reorganization of all state agencies, established by law to regulate utilities "IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST."
3) Public advisory groups intervening in utility rate regulation "IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST."

I believe that the public has really had about all it can take of this type of bill. I agree with Mr. Love of AkPig ("The Need for A Public
Advocacy Corp.") — Daily News — Campus — 4/24/80, and with Rep. McKinnon — Alaska State Legislature — that something is wrong with our present system. But I am certain that more interven- tion and more public awareness is CERTAINLY NOT THE ANSWER! It seems obvious to me that the idea of a reorganization plan for utilities by competition would have been a whole lot cheaper in every way. Then, at least, all those regulatory cultures and counter-cultural might be working productively instead of burning up tax dollars argu-
ing with each other.
- guest editorial by Chk-k Adams

SORRY, VIRGINIA,
The other day this old editor of the Resource Review opened a letter from a little girl named Vir-
ginia. It was tear stained. It said that her little

friends had been telling her that oil companies will not pay the windfall profits tax. Much as we wanted
to perk the little lady up, we had to an-
ter as follows:
Dear Virginia:
Sorry honey, but your little friends were laying it on you straight. I'm a little surprised that even the children have figured
out who really pays the windfall profit tax; they're the same ones, sweetheart.

DEVELOPMENT FUNCTIONS GET FACELIFT
THE BEST NEWS IN A LONG TIME comes in four by five inches: a reorganization plan for the develop-
ment functions of state government. Supported by the governor and key com-
mis sioners, the program would kick off July 1 this year and involve some fancy footwork and desk
moving.
Research functions now under the Division of Economic Enterprise would be beefed up and
placed in the Governor's Office.
Our long-hoped-for Council of Economic Ad-
visors would be appointed and would meet quarterly with the governor, well-known in Juneau. On May 19 the Council urg-
ated the Secretary of Interior to review lands with high mineral potential and to open those lands
appropriate for mineral exploration. The challenge would result in a variety of develop-
m ent functions now being carried out by other
state agencies being put under the roof of the
Commission of Commerce and Economic Development.

RC's support of this streamlined approach is well-Known in Juneau. On May 18 the Council urged
full funding for the program and is looking forward with anticipation to its implementation. Among others, Leonard Lane & Associates
did a fine job developing the plan and recommen-
dations.

BUREAUCRATIC BURDEN NO. 999
In case you missed the report in the Anchorage Daily News, Big Bend Community College in Moses Lake, Washington, had to send back a $1,000 check to the federal Department of Energy, a grant that was too expensive to accept.
To keep the money, the school would have had
to comply with so many demands for paperwork and application documents that the cost of applying
for the grant exceeded the amount of the grant.
Because of: "I'm from the government and I'm here to help you."

EXERCISE PROGRAM FOR RDC MEMBERS
(1) Leap before you look
(2) Run from temptation
(3) Jump to conclusions
(4) Side-wipe responsibilities
(5) Jog your memory
(6) Sit up and take notice
(7) Stoop to anything
(8) Stretch to new depths

YOU'LL NEVER GUES WHO WROTE THIS LETTER
"Dear Mr. President:
... I am most concerned about the need to as-
sure continued U.S. access to strategic minerals.
"I think we can develop our natural resources in an environmentally acceptable fashion if we plan ahead. As a beginning, I urge you to take the fol-
lowing steps:

Direct the Secretary of Interior to review lands with high mineral potential and to open those lands appropriate for mining as soon as possible.

Ask the Secretary of Interior and Agriculture to cooperate in planning uniform guidelines to incor-
porate minerals activity into land-use plans and decisions.

Without quoting the entire letter or revealing the author's name, we wanted you to know that he is the same person who signed a recent fundrais-
ing appeal for the Sierra Club Legal Defense Fund. In that letter he said dollars were needed to "ensure that the mistakes which have been made in the lower 48 in land use planning are not made again. To
ensure that the face of Alaska is not destroyed and de-

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JUNE SPEAKERS (CALENDAR)
JUNE 5: Clarissa Quinlan, Director of Division of Energy and Power. She will talk about in-state use of fuel and what will be required to make Alaska energy-independent by the year 2,000.
JUNE 12: Jerry Allison, Manager of the Alaska Division of Charter Resources Company. He will speak about Charter's role in resource development in Alaska.

POLICY RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED
At its annual meeting the council adopted six-
teen policy resolutions for the coming year dealing with:
Employment and the Economy, Taxation, Fisheries, Renewable Energy Resources, Transpor-
tation, Resource Exploration, Coal, Agricultural Development, Coal, Fishing, Airports, Land Classification, U.S. and Gas Leasing, Forestry, Roadless Area Review and Evaluation (Title II), Coastal Zone Management, Petroleum Industry, and last, but certainly not least, Wetlands. All resolutions adopted by the Council at its April 25, 1980 annual meeting call for Action; there is nothing passive in their wording. Our resolution calls for reduction of taxes at all levels and specifically zero-based corporate tax for the first $150,000 of net income per year.

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The Renewable Resource resolution resolves that state leaders shall be urged to support develop-
ment of power projects on the Upper Susitna River, Bradley Lake and already studied projects offering long-range potential for meeting residential and in-
dustrial needs.

The transportation policy resolution stipulates a number of specific projects which should be de-
developed as quickly as is feasible such as the Copper River highway and the Knik and Turnagain Arm Crossings.

Resolutions are forceful and unambiguous in all of the council's areas of interest and concern. Copies of resolutions are available to members on request.
CHEMICALS TO THE RESCUE

At the Council's May 22 general breakfast meeting at the Holiday Inn, speakers were Joe Brunt and Edward Nussbaum of Dow Chemical USA. In a slide presentation, a full history of Alaskan plans by Dow were unveiled. Nussbaum then talked about how more than a feasibility study is petrochemical plant.

The Council has not heard from other firms proposing developments using the Prudhoe Bay gas liquids.

THANKS TO DOW

Virtually all of Alaska's support for its d-2 land points up to now has come from other western states which perceive the problem as relating to their own plans and policies. Now from east of the Mississippi, Alaskan plans have been set in the Holiday Inn, speakers were Joe Brunt and Dick Markham followed with an explanation of how his department planned to cooperate in expediting permits.

The point at issue, a clear definition of Wetlands, was left hanging. Generally speaking, according to Nussbaum, the types of vegetation and moisture content of soil are the basic determining factors in identifying wetlands, but other departments and bureaus may inject other criteria which affect their particular areas of responsibilities. The other criteria remain ambiguous, unidentified and dangerous in the eyes of many, judging from questions from the audience which followed the speakers. Within the natural slide presentation before a full house, Alaskan plans were spectacular; photographers' heyday. Apple. The costumes of those climbing off the train were amazing. The Railroad Coordinator was the state has a brand new form to fill out, but that's not bad. It replace the others. In a move to simplify its system of issuing placer gold-mining permits, our state of Alaska consolidated three permits into one. Used to be to get a placer gold-mining permit you had to fill out permits forms for: The Department of Fish and Game, the Department of Natural Resources and Department of Environmental Conservation.

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GOVERNMENT

About 300 climbed aboard the Gold Rush Express on a Saturday morning in May and journeyed from Anchorage to Talkeetna for a day of fun, food, and a few glasses of their favorite refreshment. The Council of Delegates was a grand success and a lot of good comment was heard about the train trip committees coordinated by Bill Purcelling. Jim Streed, Armand Pepe, Kevin Hyde, Jerry Jean, Hammed, and Bob Hamilton and Karen Beck headed committees designed to assure that everything was at the right place at the right time. Railroading was Wadent Hepworth.

Twelve musical groups performed aboard the train - the best music ever - with sound systems provided by Dave Molletti of Mass Sound. It all came together and was off without a hitch. When the train arrived in beautiful downtown Talkeetna the Susitna Valley Stage Band was serenading. The costumes of those climbing off the train were spectacular; photographers' heyday. Apparently one was not left or lost, no one hurt, and a lot of people and of the town of Talkeetna performed like a bunch of pros with their booths and cookout.

A highlight of the day was the Royal Talkeetna Airforce in its command performance, a la the Blue Angels, complete with fly-bys and a handsome "bogey" that got a cheer from the ground for sheer guts and careful planning. Too bad the guys in the sky couldn't hear all the admiring comments below.

That's progress. But don't stop now, there's a long way to go. For instance, if the legislature passes the right legislation, you could see the permit system streamlined even more. SB 548, for instance, would limit the length of time a state agency can sit on a permit application. They would either grant, deny, or the permit would be automatically granted when the time limit expires.

A lot of chicken, eggs, noodle salad and beer was dispensed and consumed around the mess tents, the entertainment bands took turns from the steps of B & K Trading Post and following a rotting softball game, so ably refereed by Dick Shepherd, Marcuschum Incoming received an appropriate troph.

Then the raffle for which a lot of people had been waiting. John Briski, Bob Hamilton and Karen Hepworth.

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