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NEWS IN BRIEF . . .

A Russian speaking man called KICY from Ninilchik (south of Anchorage some 540 miles from Nome) in September. He said our **Russian language programs** (11 - 11:45 P.M. every day) are **booming** in there at this time of the year. When he called he was listening to "Voice of a Friend" produced by the Mennonites. He told us that he has encouraged a colony of Russian speaking people at nearby Anchor Point to tune in.

We have recently received a **reception report** for the first time from the country of **Italy**. It is interesting to note that we also have been heard in **California**. Ham radio operators in San Jose and Chatsworth sent us information indicating they heard KICY for over an hour the evening of September 7th.

We are happy to report that our Fall schedule includes the continuation of 2 **locally produced** children's **programs**. "Sunshine Club," a 15 minute gospel program, is produced weekly with Nome children under the direction of Mrs. Shirley Krinke. Five days a week, Mrs. Betty Lindholm reads stories on "Storytime." Both ladies are volunteering.

Native Christians from the Nome area had the privilege in October of participating in the recording of one of their favorite programs. Solomon Elook and Jim Barefoot of "Cabin Prayer Meeting of the Air" (heard Sundays at 5 P.M.) were in the area gathering music and testimonies. While here they took the opportunity to record an entire program at the KICY studios. The program is produced by Polar Evangelism of Fairbanks, AK.

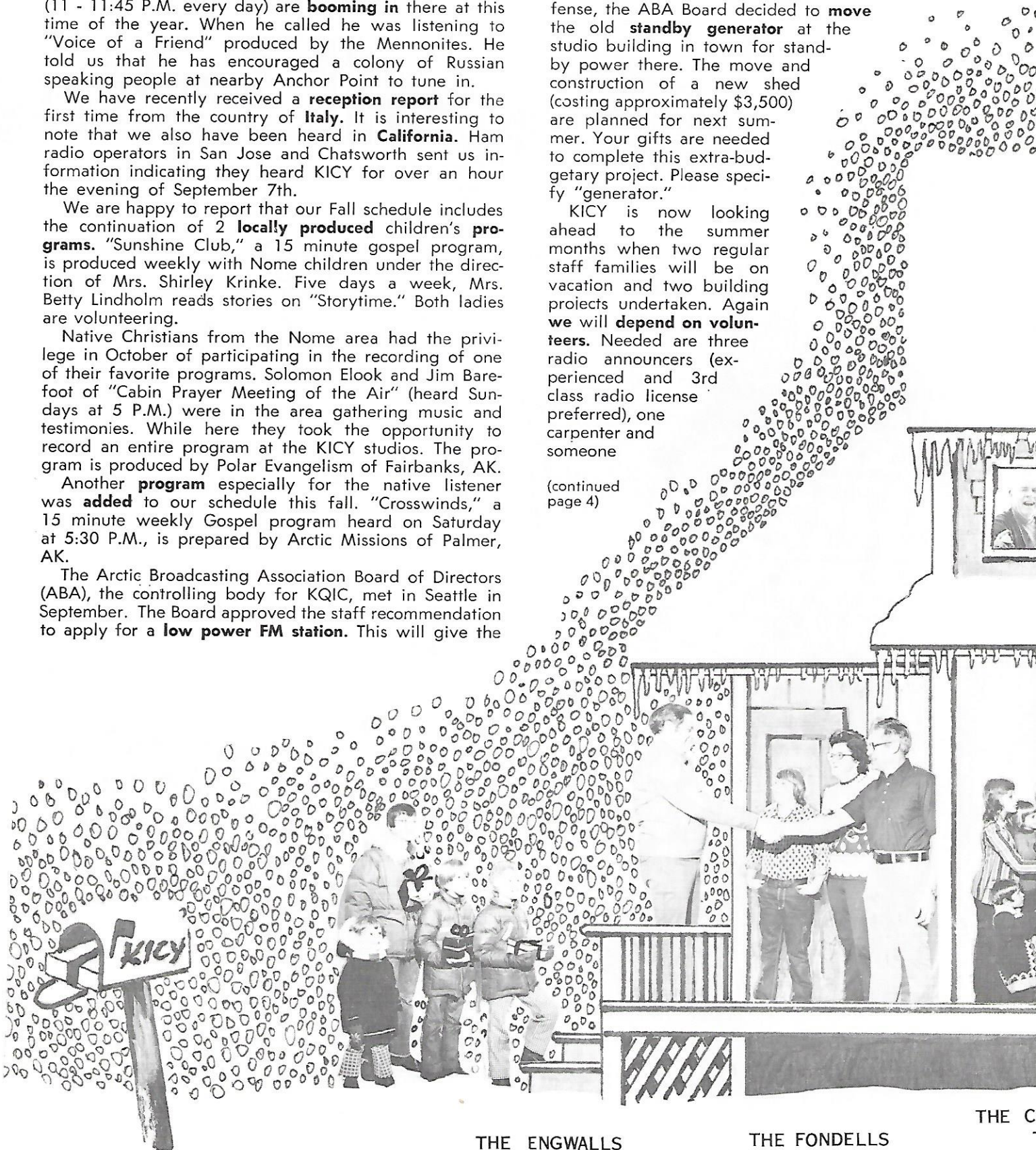
Another **program** especially for the native listener was **added** to our schedule this fall. "Crosswinds," a 15 minute weekly Gospel program heard on Saturday at 5:30 P.M., is prepared by Arctic Missions of Palmer, AK.

The Arctic Broadcasting Association Board of Directors (ABA), the controlling body for KQIC, met in Seattle in September. The Board approved the staff recommendation to apply for a **low power FM station**. This will give the

city of Nome an additional radio signal making it possible for our AM station to program more for the listeners in the surrounding villages. Because KICY will be receiving a new standby generator for the transmitter site (3 miles from town) from Civil Defense, the ABA Board decided to **move** the old **standby generator** at the studio building in town for standby power there. The move and construction of a new shed (costing approximately \$3,500) are planned for next summer. Your gifts are needed to complete this extra-budgetary project. Please specify "generator."

KICY is now looking ahead to the summer months when two regular staff families will be on vacation and two building projects undertaken. Again **we will depend on volunteers**. Needed are three radio announcers (experienced and 3rd class radio license preferred), one carpenter and someone

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Stan Summers (left) and Jim Engwall (right), new school board members, look over the Nome School audit with Superintendent Darroll Hargraves.

NEWS IN BRIEF...

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to cook for the crew. If God is directing you to help in any one of these areas, the time to act is now; write to manager Ralph Fondell for an application. Don't let money keep you from contacting us. For 15 years God has been using churches, family and friends of volunteers to obtain necessary board, room, and transportation funds. He has led people from all over the country (and recently from NW Alaska as well) to work with us. How about you?

We praise God for the big step taken by the Lowell Mattsons and their five children (from Redeemer Covenant, Minneapolis) who came to KICY as **volunteers** in September. Lowell works the night shift and writes commercials; Nancy is giving secretarial assistance.

Other volunteers include Kathy Hayden (Community Covenant, Missoula, MT) who is taking a year away from her studies at North Park College to be our secretary-receptionist. Phil Kugzruk from Nome as afternoon D-J for three months, and Rhoda Savok a high school student from Nome who works on the air 3-4 hours per week. **Regular staff** members Stan Summers and Jim Engwall were elected to one and three year terms respectively on the **Nome School Board** this fall. Stan serves as clerk of the board.

Reminder: The Covenant Home Mission Dept. is sponsoring a **tour of Alaska** June 26-July 4, 1976. Approximate cost will be \$650 per person, including transportation, meals, and lodging. Don't miss this opportunity to visit KICY and other Covenant mission work while seeing the beautiful scenery of our great state. Visitors last summer found their experience meaningful and wrote: "our concerns and prayers (for your work) have taken on a new and closer meaning to us now." For further information on the tour write to:

Department of Home Mission,
5101 North Francisco, Chicago, IL 60625

What KICY Means To Me . .

"KICY means a lot to us, especially 'Eskimo Hour' and 'Cabin Prayer Meeting' lifts us up in spirit. They are both such a blessing to us here in the village. We almost never turn radio off. Some times only way to know about other villages too."

Moses Otten, St. Michael, AK



PAUSE FOR PRAYER . . .

PRAISE . . .

- . . . for a hard working volunteer crew, coming both from Nome and the "lower 48."
- . . . for words of appreciation from Russian language listeners.
- . . . that a resupply barge arrived before freeze-up with freight for NW AK., including winter groceries for our staff families, after the original barge sank north of Seattle.
- . . . for the privilege of ministering to children with the locally produced "Sunshine Club" program.
- . . . for the opportunity next summer for many to see missions first hand on the Covenant Home Mission sponsored Alaska Tour.

PETITION . . .

- . . . for contact soon with volunteers needed for next summer (3 radio announcers, a carpenter and a cook) and a secretary for a year starting next summer.
- . . . that a recent increase in gifts will continue in order to meet the amount budgeted for the year ending December 31.
- . . . that \$3500 in extra budgetary funds will come in so we can move a standby generator and build a new generator shed next summer.
- . . . that the F.C.C. will grant a license soon for a low power FM station for Nome.
- . . . for wisdom and the needed construction volunteers as the Nome Covenant Church's remodeling program continues next summer.

REMINDER: YOUR GIFT TO KICY IS TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

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