

BUSY PORT

The Port of Anchorage was a beehive of activity this weekend with several ships tied up at once. In the foreground is part of the Puget Sound Tug and Barge Company's 400-foot-long barge Attu. It arrived from Oakland, Calif., with 70 modular units from Designed Facilities Corp. which will comprise the borough's new office complex. Next

is Sea-Land's Pacific Apollo which makes the Anchorage-Kodiak run. It is flanked by the tug Jenny Foss and the crewboat Lady Vicki. In background is Standard Oil Co. of California's Utah Standard, and behind it, out of sight, is the Stolt Castle, a Standard Oil tanker which arrived from Curacao, Netherlands Antilles.



PORT CONSTRUCTION APPEARS COMPLETE

The dock extension project at the Port of Anchorage appears completed in this aerial view of the port area taken by Times Photographer Robin Smith. Despite its finished look, however, contractors Locher Co.-J. R. Clinton Co., Inc. are still at work on the \$2.4 million project scheduled for Oct. 31 completion.

The 800 feet of additional dock space and a port access road and trestle are seen north of the three small gantry cranes, center right. In center foreground is the Sea-Land Services warehouse and storage area.

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Suit Over City Dock Settled Out of Court

A \$2.2 million suit by the city of Anchorage against the designer and contractor on a municipal dock that failed before being completed has been settled for \$575,000, ending a three year law suit just days before a trial was to begin in Superior Court here Monday.

When asked to comment of the settlement, Karl L. Walter Jr., former city attorney who initiated the suit, indicated the decision to accept the compromise offer by insurers of the defendants was a pragmatic one.

WALTER SAID that in his opinion the city had a strong suit against the designers, the firm of Lounsbury, Sleavin and Kelly, but a poorer one against the contractor, Swalling Construction Co. Inc. But the amount that could be recovered from the LSK insurers was limited and it appeared doubtful that much more would be obtained in a court battle that could drag on for years, Walter added.

Even if the city should win a substantial settlement, Walter pointed out, there could be problems collecting the money from the defendants and there was also a counter claim against the city by Swalling for standby costs incurred as a result of delays following discovery that the dock couldn't be completed.

A part of the settlement included the abandonment of the counter claim.

PORT DIRECTOR Erwin Davis said the settlement funds are tied to the original \$4 million bond issue which was restricted to construction use.

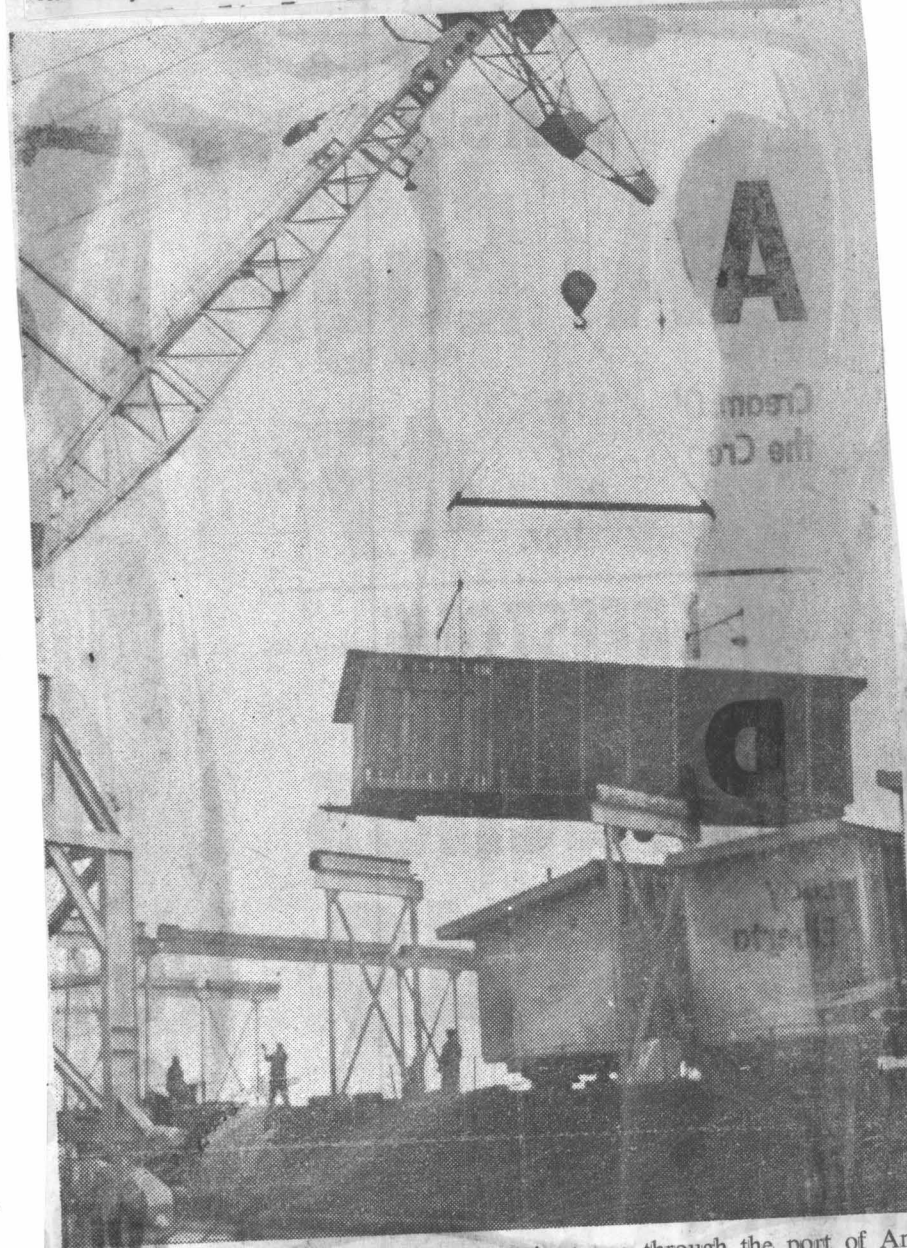
Consequently, he added, some of the money — when received — will possibly be used to fund some small additional projects at the new dock and the remainder will probably be paid on retirement of the original bonds.

When the original project was terminated, unspent funds totaled \$1.26 million and there was a stock of \$500,000 worth of prefabricated concrete material on hand.

Part of the remaining cash was paid to Swalling for the wrecking job but that was more or less balanced by sale of the remaining material for construction of a commercial dock on the Kenai River.

The LSK firm was subsequently reorganized as Kelly, Pittelko, Fritz and Forssen.

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The first Palmer-built modular housing units to go through the port of Anchorage were loaded aboard a Foss barge for shipment to Kodiak where they are to be used for temporary school classrooms. They were among the first units to be produced at the new Huskey Manufacturing Co. plant in the Matanuska Valley.



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10:15 a.m., Saturday, November 21, 1970
at the Port of Anchorage
Cocktails will be served
11:00 a.m. - Noon
Port Room, Anchorage Westward Hotel



AIRMAIL IS FASTER

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BATTLE OVER DOCK ENDS OUT OF COURT

The city has won a \$575,000 out-of-court settlement that ends a three-year legal battle over construction of a planned extension to the Port of Anchorage dock.

Construction on the proposed 600-foot extension began in 1966 but the portion which had been completed by the spring of 1967 became badly cracked by ice movement.

The 145 feet of pre-stressed concrete pilings and deck were demolished and work was begun anew using steel pilings and pour-concrete deck. Finishing touches on the extension are now being performed by one of two new contracting firms later put on

the job. Announcement of the settlement was made Wednesday in Superior Court here by attorneys representing the city in a civil lawsuit that was scheduled to begin trial Monday.

Plans for payment of the amount call for more than one-half million dollars to be paid to the city in cash by insurance companies representing Swalling Construction Co., the local surveying and engineering firm of Hewitt V. Lounsbury and the engineering firm of Sleaven and Kelly. The remainder of nearly \$60,000 is to be paid in the next six years.