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HOMER, ALASKA

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Press and Radio Release

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Since November 1954 Homer has been served by Dr. Jack Provonsha who flies his own plane to Homer five days a week weather permitting. Clinical service is given and the more serious cases have had to be transported out of Homer for hospitalization either to Seldovia, Seward or Anchorage. Dr. Provonsha and his wife Margaret who is also a physician-surgeon operate the hospital at Seldovia. Dr. Provonsha will continue to serve the people of Homer until such time as a physician-surgeon may be found to locate in Homer, thereby relieving Dr. Provonsha to his duties in Seldovia.

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Further information may be obtained from the Homer Hospital Board, Homer, Alaska.

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