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Nome, Alaska, Dec. 6-Weeks after | cussed and Government representa-

positions become the big events at Koduk, White Mountain, Noorvik, interest is encouraged in racing Akiak and Shaktoolik, within a day's Awards are made for short and long queness, skill of exhibition and popu- teams and sleds, breaking to harness larity equal the roundups of the West- wild deer, snowshoe running while trappers.

Not a horse, steer, saddle nor gun to neighbors. enters in the program, yet races, contests and prize winning entries en- level frozen surface of a viver serves courage much spirited competition. as sleeping quarters for visiting rein-

ulus to the reindeer business and de- electric lights. velop keen interest among the Eskimo herders and owners.

In the sports division of these shows monia.

ern cowboy country, often draw 1,000 driving reindeer, building of sleds and a view to passing the good thing on

A huge circus tent pitched 'on the These arctic fairs are staged under deer herders and exhibits. The spread the auspices of the United States Bur- of canvas is in itself a big attraction cau of Education for the natives of to the Eskimos, who liken it to a mamnorthwestern Alaska to advance pri- moth igloo of the happy hunting land marily the reindeer industry. The They come every year and are each rodeos, usually held in January, Feb- time just as much awed by the swing ruary and March, add unlimited stim- ing spread of cloth and its glittering

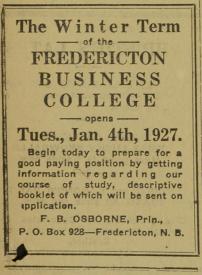
Ten Mile Race.

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The Prize Contests.

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The long distance contest is a ten mile round trip. The deer start away like bullets, last season's record being a Cold Overnight thirty-seven minutes in a field of twenty-four entries.

One sled reindeer made a pulling test by drawing on level snow a sledge laden with 2,300 pounds of sacked sand.

In voting for prize winners of harness, sleds or reindeer products the ten judges stand with their backs on the exhibits. They turn slowly around one by one, each pointing at their particular choice while a government official records it.

A peculiar rule in racing requires that the driver must bring his reindeer in to the starting point. If the animal balks at pulling the load and driver, then the driver in turn hauls in the manacled animal. Contestants striving against such odds cause an immense amount of comedy, that adds as much fame to the luckless one as is accorded great American movie stars.

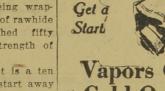
Some Tricks Tried.

Other stunts of great interest to the industrious Eskimo is tying cargo to sleds, new ways of attaching har- from the antlers and fresh bones. ness to the animals and trick ways of hitching tandem.

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Since the herding of deer has been popularized the Alaskan natives of the tundra are wealthy and surrounded with comforts. Many are gradually assuming civilized methods of living, using wooden and stone houses with electric lights, eating much the same food as the white population at the coast towns.

Of great interest at this winter's fairs will be the showing for the first time in the far north of such epochal films as "Covered Wagon," "North of 36," "The Iron Horse," "The Vanishing American" and others.

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