DISTRICT ENGINEER ORPHAN FUND and. VALLEY CHRISTIAN HOME THE

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FOR CHILDREN

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Established in 1948, the District Engineer ORPHAN FUND has provided nearly \$15,000 in aid to the Valley Christian Home for Children. The success of this charitable work has been the result of semi-monthly quarter donations from District employees. There have been no costs involved in administering this fund. All proceeds are used to finance the purchase of gifts for the home as well as the regular food and gift purchases made each year for Easter, Thanksgiving, and Christmas. At present the major project of the fund is in providing a deep water well for the home. On completion, this Spring, it will represent an investment of \$ $\mu_{0}500$ worth of your quarters.

The Valley Christian Home is located in the heart of the fertile Matanuska Valley on a 320 acre half-section of land just two and onehalf miles east of Wasilla on the Wasilla-Palmer road. The home is conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Richards and are aided by three other adults in running the home. At present there are 32 children at the home the majority of whom are either native or part-native, and whose parents are unable to care for them. There is no established income. Almost all financial assistance is from various churches and Christian organizations in Alaska, the United States, and Canada.

District employees have a standing invitation to visit the home whenever they desire.

"SLOPPING THE PIGS"



HENRY AND HIS CRITICS .

"CHICK-CHICK"





"OH-LOOK! THEY FLOAT " BUCKY - DOROTHY - GLORIA CHARLEY - WILLAGA "AND GOD BLESS MOMMY" (A)

DUCKY- DOROTHY - GLORIA CHARLEY - WILMA

"UP TO THE BARN AT MILKING TIME"



VALLEY CHRISTIAN HOME

"HEALTHY AND HAPPY "



VALLEY CARISTIAN HOME