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NORTH ALASKA MUSKRAT TRAPPERS
GET 7 MORE DAYS THIS YEAR

Trappers in the Kotzebue Sound region of Alaska are allowed 7 days more for taking muskrats than has been permitted by existing regulations, under an amendment to Alaskan fur-animal regulations adopted and published by the Secretary of Agriculture on March 2.

The change provides that north of the Unalakleet River the muskrat season for Fur District 5 of Alaska will be April 1 to June 7, the former season of April 1 to May 31 for the entire district continuing in force in the section south of the Unalakleet.

Extension of the northern season, says the Bureau of Biological Survey, was based on the fact that the break-up of winter conditions in that section occurs later than in the southern part of the district.