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TWO ALASKA GAME AGENTS WILL FLY PLANES FROM WASHINGTON

Alaska-bound in airplanes purchased for use in patrolling remote areas, two agents of the Alaska Game Commission are planning to take off from the Washington Airport at noon on Saturday (September 7), according to the Fish and Wildlife Service.

Hon. Anthony J. Dimond, delegate from Alaska, Congressman James G. Scrugham of the House of Representatives Appropriation Committee, members of the Fish and Wildlife Service, and other officials of the Department of the Interior plan to inspect the two planes before the take-off and speed the pilots on their way.

Sam O. White, veteran Alaska Wildlife Agent of Fairbanks, who 12 years ago started game-law enforcement from the air in his personally owned plane, will fly one of the planes. The other will be piloted by Ray Renshaw, pilot-mechanic and Deputy Alaska Game Warden of Ketchikan.

Both planes will be flown cross country to Seattle, Washington, and will clear Canadian Customs at Vancouver, British Columbia. From Vancouver, White will fly across Canada by way of Prince George, Hazelton, Telegraph Creek, and White Horse. Renshaw's plane after being converted to a sea plane at Seattle will be flown up the Inland Passage to Alaska. Upon their arrival in Alaska

the agents will proceed immediately to their headquarters and resume patrols of their districts for the protection of wildlife against law violators.

Another airplane purchased last February is now being flown by Alaska Wildlife Agent Grenold Collins with headquarters at Anchorage. This plane was flown to Seattle by John Ball of the Fish and Wildlife Service but was shipped from there to Alaska.

So far as known the three planes of the Alaska Game Commission are the only ones being used primarily in the enforcement of laws to protect Wildlife.