



APPEALING ART—Children's art is universally appealing and what is being exhibited at the University of Alaska Museum is no exception. Here a young couple is viewing 34 selected works of Alaskan children picked out from a whopping 800

entries to an art show last summer sponsored by the museum. The showing will be for an indefinite period. Exhibition hours are from 1:00 pm. to 5:00 pm. each day.

Appealing Alaskan Children's Art Work on Exhibition at UA Museum

COLLEGE—Their fame as artists may never overshadow that of Rembrandt or Picasso, but there is a lot of color, originality and talent on canvas in the University of Alaska's Museum.

It was put there by Alaskan children who entered a museum-

sponsored exhibit this summer. The museum began soliciting children's pictures, done in any medium, last spring, and in the last four months the request has brought in 800 pictures from 50 schools throughout the state.

Titled "Children's Art—Life in

Alaska Today," the exhibit opened for public viewing September 9 and will run indefinitely. Museum hours are 1 to 5 p.m. daily. Out of the 800 entered, 34 are hanging in the exhibit.

Those now on exhibit, along with some not now being shown, will go into future traveling exhibits, according to museum director, L.J. Rowinski and his technical assistant, James Greiner.

The traveling exhibits, it is hoped, will visit not only schools throughout Alaska, but also will be shown in museums outside.

The pictures now on exhibit depict life as the children see it. And they see gigantic walruses, fishing boats, airplanes, and people—parkas, mukluks, and all. The pictures are executed in varying mediums from pen and ink to watercolor and crayon.

The art is an honest picture of the life around the children as they see it and that's what the exhibit is all about. It has been Rowinski's hope since the inception of the exhibit idea, to collect an artistic historic record of life in Alaska in the form of child art.

The exhibit was inspired by some children's art done in 1905 at the Cape Prince of Wales School in Nome, which was a gift to the museum in 1967 by T.M. "Tim" Clowes of Spokane who collected them when he lived in Nome in the early 1900's.

The Alaska State Council on the Arts funded the present project.

Education Department Nods to Teacher-Aides

Commissioner of Education Cliff R. Hartman announced last week that the Alaska State Department of Education has approved a project for teacher-aides and special elementary education for the disadvantaged (S.E.E.D.) in the Nome Public School District.

The federal grant of \$39,790

was awarded under Title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

The teacher aide program will provide assistance from the community to teachers in grades 1, 2, and 3. Meetings of all parents who have children in these grades will be scheduled quarterly.

The objectives of the conferences will be to interpret learning needs and problems and to inform one another about the successes and needs of the child.

Title I funds will also support for the second year the Nome elementary education program known as "Project S.E.E.D". S.E.E.D. takes qualified mathematicians and puts them into the elementary classroom.

Instructors use a discovery method of instruction which creates intellectual excitement and leads to success. Students are able to master abstract algebra and geometry.

The primary reason for teaching abstract mathematics is the fact that all children start off at the same level. This allows all children to participate, achieve, and find success in an academic subject.

Effects from the project last year were the improvement of student self-images and gains in mathematical skills.

Hoonah School District Gets Culture Prog.

The Hoonah City School District has been awarded a federal grant to fund a Tlingit culture enrichment program.

Commissioner of Education, Cliff R. Hartman announced that the Alaska State Department of Education had approved \$12,740 for the Title I Elementary and Secondary Act project.

Title I funds are made available to school districts to meet the needs of educationally deprived children.

The Tlingit culture enrichment program is being developed for students in grades K-6 and for students enrolling in high school Tlingit study courses.

The activity will include video and audio taping of local Tlingit individuals who will be invited to tell legends and demonstrate Tlingit carving, beadwork, and dances.

The tapes will be available through the elementary multimedia center and will be used in both individual and classroom activities.

Parents and community artists will be encouraged to visit the classrooms and work with the students in areas of Tlingit culture.

Tanana Valley State Fair Assn. Announces Annual Meet Oct. 15

The annual meeting of the Tanana Valley State Fair Association will be held October 15, 1970 at 8 p.m. at Hunter School Multi-Purpose Room.

All members of the Association are urged to attend. Payment of \$1 annual dues should be mailed to Box 188, Fairbanks or paid the night of the meeting.

Reports of the past year's activities will be made and three

members will be elected to the Board of Directors. Refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting.

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