

# ***Native Youngsters Environmental Meet***

Eskimo, Aleut and American Indian students representing 23 tribes attended a conference on environmental awareness early this month in Washington, D. C.

"Environmental awareness is an area in which we American Indian people are more concerned than others," BIA Commissioner Louis R. Bruce told them. We still call it ours. And we hope people will keep it as it is now."

The group met for five days. Speakers included Wilma Victor,

special assistant to the Secretary of Interior for Indian Affairs; Ed Coate, President's Council on Environmental Quality; and James Hawkins, director of education for the BIA.

One of the decisions of the conference was that measures may have to be taken to force industry to decide 10 years in advance where to place an industrial plant.

It is hoped that by 1975 the pollution problem might be settled.