

Dental Aides Trained

Thirteen dental assistant students officially marked the halfway point in their training Jan. 18 in an afternoon capping ceremony at the Mt. Edgecumbe Public Health Service.

The students have successfully completed one semester of study and have earned the right to wear a dental assistant's cap. They participate in a program operated by Sheldon Jackson College and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

"The cap is an honor, it is a symbol that the girls have made it halfway through the program and can look forward to completing the course," said Carol McGraw, director of the dental assistant training program and instructor.

Mrs. McGraw and Bonnie Pruett (a certified dental assistant) pinned on the caps after the students were introduced by Dr. John Sundell, assistant chief of dental services at the Mt. Edgecumbe Public Health Service.

Dr. Charles Bovee, SJC vice-president for academic affairs and dean, was the guest speaker.

The students are: Lorna Alexander (Wales, Alaska), Lucy Andrew (Tuntutuliak, Alaska), Rosemary Baxter (Winterhaven, Calif.), Patricia Berry (Selawik, Alaska), Mathilda Case (San Carlos, Ariz.), Judi Demientieff

(Holy Cross, Alaska), Hazel Esmaika (Kaltag, Alaska), Roberta Ham (Klawock, Alaska), Mabel Johnson (Ambler, Alaska), Charlotte Orosco (Angoon, Alaska), Rosemary Paul (Kipnuk, Alaska), Marilyn Sanchez (Algodones, N.M.) and Ida Smith (Kiana, Alaska).