

Tlingit-Haida Enrollment Deadline on December 31

Owen D. Morken, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Juneau Area Director, reminded Tlingit and Haida Indians of the impending enrollment deadline.

Morken, in his announcement, revealed that although requests for applications exceed 17,000, there may be some individual claimants who have neglected to file their applications.

The original mailing deadline was June 30, 1967; it was extended to December 31, 1967, at the request of the executive committee of the Tlingit & Haida Central Council.

The Tlingit and Haida case is still before the Court of Claims for evaluation proceedings and an announcement on the valuation is expected in the near future.

Sitka ANB Makes Effort for Edgumbe Students' Christmas

George W. Miyasato, committee chairman for the Alaska Native Brotherhood, Camp No. 1 in Sitka, is appealing to the citizens of Alaska to help make Christmas a happy one for the 800 students of Mt. Edgumbe High School and 100 patients at the Mt. Edgumbe hospital.

The student body of the school is made up of young people from all parts of Alaska, from Barrow to Aleutians to Ketchikan.

"We are soliciting help from the parents to dress up the smorgasbord table with delicacies from the respective areas," said Miyasato. "If there are any who may

wish to donate monetary contributions, please send the donation with a Christmas card which will be strung with other donors' cards around the field house in order to demonstrate the spirit of Christmas."

A huge tree will be put up at the field house, goodies for all, a real Alaskan smorgasbord and a dance to climax the festivities. The dance may be held on New Year's Day.

"We are attempting to give the students and the patients a real Christmas, and we hope that this will be a Christmas which will relieve some of the loneliness caused by separation from loved ones during this time of year," said Miyasato.

Contributors to the Sitka project should write a return address so they may be thanked personally by the committee and given an account of the evening.

Send all contributions to: Committeeman, Harvey B. Marvin, Box 240, Mt. Edgumbe, Alaska 99835.

Timothy Sam of Arctic Village Draws Attention at his School

Timothy Sam of Arctic Village is making quite an impression at the Cook Christian Training School on Linden Lane in Tempe, Arizona.

A personable young man of 26 years of age, Timothy is the talk of the campus as he is the first Alaskan Indian to enroll in the school at Tempe.

"We are most happy that Timothy is with us," said Alonzo Spang, director of the school. "We are learning from him—about his homeland and environment. He is a very serious student, a fine Christian and a hard and dedicated worker. He has been out of school for nine years and is finding it a little difficult to re-adjust to school, but we have no doubts he will make a good re-adjustment."

An Athabaskan Indian from the south edge of the remote Brooks Range near the northeast corner of Alaska, Timothy's first three days at the Cook School were rather difficult ones because of the impact of a severe change of climate.

He suffered headaches and a tendency to fall asleep easily. Due to the heat at Tempe, Timothy was permitted to attend class in a dampened T-shirt to help him stay cool and awake.

Timothy was asked why he came to the training school and he answered:

"I am trying to learn something about the Word of God. I want to be a minister to my people. I've always read my Bible and Cook School is the only place I know of where I get to read my Bible and gain knowledge and meaning about Christ. It gives me a chance to work with other Christians."

Timothy was born in Arctic Village with the current population of about 90 people. He is one of ten children and is currently a member of the Alaska National Guard.

An Episcopalian, Timothy became a lay reader in his village and in 1965, helped his local priest with various duties.

Homesick at first at Cook School, he has now made many friends among the students and the staff and this has helped him overcome much of the initial loneliness.

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