



**INAUGURAL FLIGHT**—Barrow Eskimos recently viewed for the first time a huge pure jet transport of the Wien Consolidated Airlines, the Boeing 737, when it made its inaugural flight. Hundreds of Eskimos and their friends were

treated to the rare sight some of whom had a chance to view the new ship's interior. From that time on, Barrowites will be seeing the 737 on routine flights to the northernmost settlement on the North American Continent.

## New Skymark in Northern Aviation

A new skymark in aviation history was made September 16 when Wien Consolidated Airlines' Boeing 737 twin jet flashed out of a blue Arctic sky to land at Barrow, the northernmost settlement on the North American continent.

The flight inaugurated regular five times weekly (except Friday and Sunday) service to the top of the world. This flight is believed to be the first pure jet flight that far north and to be the northernmost jet service in the world.

Colorful in their gay parkas most of the villagers turned out to meet the aircraft and "walk through" it. A delegation of

newsmen and civic leaders and officials of the company was headed by Fritz Wien, vice president in charge of special projects.

The 527-mile flight was made at 26,000 feet in one hour and seven minutes with pilots Ed Steger and Jerry Boehms at the controls. Stewardesses were Kay Koyle, Kiana Diaz and Jackie Cassidy.

The Rogers-Post Memorial Airport at Barrow, which has been under re-construction during the past summer, provided a smooth landing on black-top. It is due for final completion next summer by Burgess Construction Co., the contractor.