

New Public Telephone at Pt. Hope Is the Pride of the Village

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The new public telephone installed here in month of June is the pride of Point Hope people. Not only did it link Tigara with the outside world, but its major advantage is emergency calls to Kotzebue hospital and elsewhere.

Point Hope obtained this simple package telephone from Alaska Communication System and Air Force. It works by means of micro-short waves which eliminates the use of direct wiring.

The similar station was installed to nearby Cape Lisburne than linked to Fairbanks switchboard. There are three telephones with three-way selector

switches.

Many calls were made since the operation of the phone, for example, calls were made so far to Kotzebue, Nome, Barrow, Anchorage in Alaska, and to Seattle, Wash., Honolulu, Hawaii, Utah, and to many parts of the world.

The rates are reasonable and we welcome calls from all over the world.

Our grateful appreciation to Sen. Bartlett and to Dan Lisbourne who have done much to achieve this modern means of communication for our village.

The City Council of Point Hope was placed authority over the new telephone. And with ACS maintenance just in case of any problems or malfunction.