Now He Can Marry People-Pt. Hope Mayor Appointed Marriage Commissioner

Mayor Daniel Lisbourne of the Fourth Class City of Point Hope, Alaska, was appointed Marriage Commissioner by Superior Court Judge William H. Sanders of Nome.

The new Marriage Commissioner was appointed for the areas of Point Hope, Kivalina and Point Lay, and vicinity, within the Noatak-Kobuk Recording District of the Second Judicial District of Alaska.

Point Hope was recently incorporated as a Fourth Class City under state law and Lisbourne was elected the first Mayor of the city, He was born in Point Hope in 1921 and raised in a reindeer herd camp near Cape Lisburne.

He attended high school at Eklutna near Anchorage, Alaska, and completed the 11th grade. He later married his hometown sweetheart Ella (Melik).

They have nine children,

which include five boys and four girls ranging from one to seventeen years. Two of these children are attending the vocational school at Mt. Edgecumbe.

The Mayor has spent 23 years of his life holding various positions in the old federal village corporation council.

At this time he is a member of the Alaska Advisory Committee on U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, President of Alaska Native Industries Cooperative Association (ANICA). Vice-President of Alaska Community Action Program, Inc.

He is Supervisor of the Neighborhood Youth Corp at Point Hope. He has been employed as maintenance man for the BIA school in Point Hope for 20 years.