Excitement Mounts for Olympics

Fairbanks as preparations got underway for the 1973 World Eskimo-Indian Olympics. A record number of participants are expected to make this the largest and most exciting year

For the first time in the history of the games, all con-testants will take part in formulating future plans for the

Olympics.

There will be two meetings held, both at the beginning and the wrap-up of the games, to solicit ideas and suggestions for improvements and additions, making the games more and more a reflection of the spirit traditional village games.

Villagers are urged to write

the Olympics Committee, Box 1287, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701 for more information on this vears event.

Dance groups and contestants are still being sought and native arts and crafts are needed for exhibition and sale. Village contact the Comartists may cont mittee for details.

Airman Larry Atkinson Assigned

SAN ANTONIO Airman Larry Atkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harris L. Atkinson of Metlakatla, Alaska, has been assigned to Sheppard AFB, Tex., after completing A. E. Coros has after completing Air Force basic

During his six weeks at the Air Training Command's Lack-land AFB, Tex., he studied the Air Force mission, organization

and customs and received special

instruction in human relations The airman has been assigned to the Technical Training Center at Sheppard for specialized training in the wire maintenance field.

Airman Atkinson is a 1972 graduate of Metlakatla High School. His wife, Flora, is the daughter of Mrs. and Mr. Freeman Dundas Sr. of Met-

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Land Bridge . . .

More than 100 papers were read by Soviet and foreign scientists on the history of the Bering region, which in the distant past linked the con-tinents of Furasia and America

tinents of Furasia and America and on related topics.

Academician Alexei Okladnikov, Director of the Institute of History, Philology and Philosophy of the Siberian branch of the USSR Academy of Sciences, recalled meetings with a famous American anthropologist, Ales Hdlicka, a zealous supporter of the theory of the Bering land bridge, along which the ancestors of American tribes the ancestors of American tribes made their way from Asia to

Hdrlicka came to Siberia in 1912 to try to find ancestors of

1912 to try to find ancestors of the Indians in a neolithic settlement in the Baikal area. In 1939, at the age of 83, he paid another visit to the Soviet Union, and explored the excavations of a paleolithic settlement near the village of Buret on the Angara River, where a dwelling of mammoth hunters and specimens of their art were inearthed.

A burial-mound from the early Bronze Age was also found there. According to this American scientist, the un-earthed skulls greatly resembled those of Shoshom Indians which he had discovered earlier. Later, during the Second World War, Hdrlicka returned time time again in his written time and to his impressions of Siberia As a prominent scientist, he

As a prominent scientist, he did everything he could to build up and consolidate cooperation and friendship between the American and Soviet peoples.

Scientists at the Khavarovsk symposium agreed that the arcient inhabitants of America had a distinctive sulture. Stone swoods made by time chinning.

had a distinctive fulture. Stone swords, made by time chipping techniques, were widespread on the Japanese islands, in Mongolia, and in the Baikal area. Many ancient tribes of North and Central Asia thus contributed to the formation of ancient American cultures, and a definite road ran from the Northeast. across the Berine Northeast across the Bering bridge

The prospects for the study of the Bering region are great and attractive, but the joint efforts of scientists from various countries and continents are necessary. The Khabarovsk symposium was fresh proof of their cooperation.

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