

Yakutatians Welcome Home Own Citizen

Yakutat's most honored citizen came back to his birth-place last week to a rousing welcome from young and old.

A delegation of school children bearing "WE WANT A SCHOOL" signs, and a group of Rasmuson supporters greeted Elmer & Mary Louise as they stepped from their plane.

Elmer was born in Yakutat in 1909 and spent the early days of his youth there.

Many of the villagers remember the Rasmuson family and over and over was heard,

"we are so happy you wanted to come back."

Elmer's mother was a missionary and his father a teacher with the BIA when Elmer lived there.

"It hasn't changed very much," commented Elmer. Most of the changes were right at my home with the church now gone and the house has been changed some."

"I think you can safely say that anything Yakutat wants, I'll try very hard to get for them," Elmer said.