

Barrow Sure to Become Big City; Dedicates New Modern Hospital

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Program of dedication is now on 2nd of March in Armory. I was working during that day as I have to stand by.

When Bob Reichlen ask me if I want to go, I didn't hesitate to answer him. I said if he will let me I would like to attend. I almost ran over to the meeting.

When I opened the door, there I saw room was already filled. So full, can't hardly walk through. Program begins at 2:25 p.m. Hearings from these officials were very much alike.

REMEMBER OLD HOSPITAL

We people of Barrow have not forgot on the Old Barrow Hospital that was constructed in 1930, only one-story frame structure accommodating 12 beds. The carpentry work done by the Eskimos. Myself and Tom Brower lay out the rock board, ceiling, and wall, after Tom left, Steve Hopson took Brower's place. We both work together till we come to the very last board. Mr. Al Hopson was our foreman that year.

During our work, the rate was 75 cents per hour. We were quite happy then, when we could get that much pay per hour.

Nineteen years later we heard that this hospital was transferred to the U.S. Public Health Service from the Bureau of Indian Affairs. These years Dr's. and Nurses done all they could to help Eskimos. Sometimes when they couldn't put them all in to the hospital, they'd put them to the school.

Now in this new Hospital, modern Hospital they could hold twice as much as in the old hospital.

This new hospital provides medical services for Barrow, population 1,900; Wainwright, 253; Barter Island, 135; also other variously-located villages in an area of about 65,125 square miles. During that year 1965 last winter there were 96 infants born in the hospital.

Let me say once again that Barrow is increasing every year, the way the new infants born.

During the dedication, Dr's. and Senator Bob Bartlett said that they were happy to be in Barrow to attend the ceremony even though they could not be with their family.

I can say once more, thanks to Mr. Bob Reichlen who let me go to the Program.

MEETING

In meeting this evening, Abel Akpik, resident of Barrow, who was also a Chairman, said that those who are interested in getting a new house, they can fill out the application what sizes of building they would want, or either additional to their houses.

In hearing this evening, some of the attendance have problems, where can they would want their building

build, when they couldn't get the lot without getting an information from the city councils.

It's a long story, after all when a man and his wife who attended in this meeting said that they both tries, couple times, to come to the council's meeting but always found no one, not any council member was in the room, when time day comes.

WHALES SIGHTED

The hunters said today that the whales have already pass through the lead. Then yesterday, Whitlam Baxter and his crew went out. The others will also go out next week.

NICE MEETING AGAIN

Dr. Carl Muschenheim and his wife Ronda, also their son Dwight, came over to my home to see me. We were just finished eating supper. I shook hands with the couple, and I was happy to see their faces again, after I have seen them in New York, Annual Meeting. Doctor said that they wish to stay more here in Barrow, but can't—have to do

the Schedule way.

Ronda said that they wish they'd come back again and stay longer. They said they have a wonderful trip, finding good people in Alaska. We all talk together for half hour.

While they both were yet inside my home, the plane due in, plane they supposed to go back with from our village. Told them, God bless them, and have a pleasant trip back home, and good luck.