

# Pt. Hope Holds Traditional Feast

According to Pt. Hope News, a traditional feast of whale muktuk was put on by whaling captain Amos Lane, who with his crew was the only man who caught a whale on the coast last spring.

The fluke section of a whale catch is stored in the underground meat cache through the summer and fall.

The section is taken out of the cache by the whaling captain and his crew at the first sign of ice forming on the ocean.

The celebration is called Ah-no. Pt. Hope News reported the occasion:

"Ah-no is an old custom passed on from our ancestors. This celebration takes place at the first sight of the ice forming on the ocean.

"The whale crew—captains have to be on the whaling toss for four seasons, and on the fifth season, he can give it out just before whaling season begins."

The feast was put on October 16.

"The people were given whale muktuk," Pt. Hope News added. "The delicacy of village people was enjoyed by all, even the VISTA Volunteers."