

Many Exciting Events at Gamble Village

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GAMBELL — There have been a long list of new happenings over here at Gambell this winter.

One of the things that hap-

pened was the carnival in school. They said it was for the 8th grade and the trip they are going to take to Anchorage this year.

There have been movies some evenings in the week where popcorn is sold, candy and pop. They are raising money for the 8th graders pretty good, maybe already enough now, for them to go and back.

Two girls really worked hard thinking up ways to make it interesting. It will be a very interesting trip which makes me wish I was back in 8th grade.

NEW ARRIVALS

Next to happen in new things was the coming of more people. Four boys were born this winter. They are Clifford Apatiki, Chauncey Malegotkuk, Quentin Oseuk and little Ozevaseuk boy. This has made Gambell 400 in population.

ANOTHER EXCITEMENT

Another excitement that hap-

pened so suddenly was a very rare one. The Russian plane that landed at our airport was a good excitement.

It was in the early evening when I noticed the people were running around, some in snow machines and many on foot, down to the airport. It was the Russian big plane slowly landing that aroused people.

Grabbing my little girl, I joined the excitement running down to the airport which is some quarter of a mile from town. As it was the first mild weather in a long time that February day, the people were taking this opportunity for a long walk.

Then over there at the airport people were crowded around the big plane trying to talk to the men but no one could understand Russian and none of the Russians spoke English.

It really was very exciting. But finally by motions we began to understand that they were out of oil.

Whole night there was excitement going on. And next day a big plane from Anchorage came and filled the Russian plane with oil and away the big plane went, tipping its wings to us as a good-bye.

Right away I went and see if I could talk to KNOM in Nome and tell the news, but I was not successful. The reception was no good — noises in the radio were loud.

RARE CATCH

The next thing to happen was Alex Oozeva getting a polar bear. It is only once in a while that this happens. This mighty, white

and graceful animal is killed only at times.

We don't hunt polar bears. When a man out at hunting meets this animal, sometimes terrible things happen and he has to kill the animal.

AT TRAINING

Another thing of interest; four young men from here are at Fort Polk, La., training. What will they think of home climate when they come back? They should be coming home this month, March. They'll freeze after being in Louisiana climate or they just might scoop up snow and eat it in joy of being home.

I would if it was me who was arriving from the south.

RADIO STATIONS

Right across from my island home at the mainland great and broad, are the radio stations KICY and KNOM from where pleasure and information is brought.