LYSD holds music festival

On Friday afternoon April 3rd, the Arctic Chamber Orchestra and bands from Emmonak and Alakanuk arrived in Mt. Village. The groups were here as part of the Lower Yukon School District music festival.

Since the A.C.O. was planning a tour of the yukon and Savoonga and Tom Granum (the Mt. Village Music Teacher) knew many people in the Orchestra. it was arranged to do a concert in Mt. Village, Gordon Wright conducted the orchestra. There were 35 people in the orchestra. The instruments that they play are violin, viola, violincello, contiabass flute oboe clarinet bassoon, horn, trumpet, trombone and tympany. They played music by composers such as Wolfgang Mozart. Edvard Grieg, Igor Stravinsky, and Josef Hayden.

The Orchestra also demonstrated their instruments to the audience, and many people from the village had the opportunity to try the instruments during intermission.

The Orchestra enjoyed their visit and left early Saturday morning

Mr. Bob Armstrong of ductor and clinician for the bands. The bands were Mt. Vil-

lage Advanced Band, Mt. Village Beginning Band (Tom Granum Conductor), Emmonak (Bruce Carpani-Conductor), and Alakanuk (Sue Henry-Conductor). Mr. Armstrong worked with the bands individually and together as a massed band. He worked especially hard on intonation. The massed band performed on Sunday night April 4, and they played "Amazing Grace" and "Have Tuba.will oom pah".

We hope that the Orchestra and villages bands will have another festival next year as part of the L.Y.S.D. effort to improve the various music programs in the district.

Right, Gordon Wright and Below, the Arctic Light Orchestra played concertos in Mountain Village.



