

# Three Whales Caught At Pt. Hope Village

Reliable reports, although unconfirmed, have it that three bowhead whales have been caught at the ancient whaling community of Point Hope.

Three whaling captains and their crews who are said to have caught the big mammals are: Billy Webber, Amos Lane and Joe Frankson.

It has also been rumored that a fourth whale had been caught but the name of the captain was not known.

Telephone hookup to the village has not been working for several days. Point Hope has had

a connection through the Air Force facility at Cape Lisburne via microwave system.

The telephone hookup was made possible through the efforts of the late Sen. E.L. "Bob" Bartlett and the former Point Hope mayor Dan Lisbourne. It was hooked up as an emergency link in case of sicknesses and accidents.

If the three whales reportedly caught at the old whaling community are 35 tons each, less than average weight, Point Hope has about 105 tons of muktuk, meat and bone.