

Times Has Impact in Canada Says Canadian

Graham W. Rowley, Canadian civil servant, whose principal work is researching the Canadian North and its people, mainly the Eskimos, came to pay his respects at the Tundra Times office last week.

"Tundra Times has had a lot of impact in Canada," Rowley said. "So many of the problems you cover are so similar in nature. Everybody I know who reads your newspaper is exceedingly interested in it. It is doing an excellent job in defining important issues and focussing attention on them."

"Also important is that it is something of which Eskimos and other native people can be proud."

Rowley recalled when Guy Okakok of Barrow, and columnist of the Times, made a visit to Ottawa in the summer of 1962.

"I remember Guy Okakok during his visit, he stayed with me, you know, had his hopes for it before it started. He said it was mentioned at the Inupiat Paitot meeting at Barrow. It's done everything he was hoping it would do," Rowley said.

Graham Rowley works for the Canadian government in the Department of Indian Affairs, formerly Department of Northern Affairs. He is directing research in the Canadian North.

He said he has a small laboratory at Inuvik, N.W.T. He said he was also responsible in trying to coordinate federal agencies to work at common goals and defining them.

"Sometimes there are duplication of services among the agencies and these have to be coordinated," Rowley said.

Rowley became interested in the Eskimos over 30 years ago when he was with Cambridge University in England.

Before World War II, he traveled in Baffin Island as an archaeologist. He was also chairman of the Arctic Institute of North America. The Institute publishes the journal, the ARCTIC.

His wife, Diana M. R. Rowley, is a member of the Board of Governors of the AINA.

Rowley attended the Symposium on Circumpolar Health Related Problems conference held on the campus of the University of Alaska last week.

On leaving, Rowley said to the editor, "You should visit the MacKenzie country one day. I would be interested in what opinion you would get of the people and conditions there."