

# J. Senungetuk Publishes Book Of His Alaska

"Give Or Take a Century:" An Eskimo Chronicle is the newest book to be published by The Indian Historian Press, an American Indian Educational Publishing House, based in San Francisco.

Written by the Eskimo author-artist, Joseph Senungetuk, the book is a hard cover, 216-page, color-illustrated volume which takes its theme from the author's Introduction, which states in part:

"We who are the Natives of this land are sick with waiting for the changes and improvements that have been promised us. We have been patient. We can be patient still. Just the same, we ask: Give or Take a Century . . . how much longer must we wait?"

The author tells the story of his own people, as they moved from a century of life at harmony with nature, to the century of modern civilization. He describes the skinboat fishing, polar bear hunts, foods, mores, customs, and traditions of his own people.

He speaks effectively and strongly against the proposed Alaskan pipe line, and voices his deep pride in the history and traditions of the Eskimo people.

An addenda contains a chronological history of the Alaskan Eskimos and Natives, a listing of Native organizations, and the names of well-known Native people of Alaska.

Senungetuk is 32 years of age, is married and the father of a year-old daughter, served two years in Korea, and graduated from the San Francisco Art Institute with a degree in Fine Arts. Currently residing in San Francisco, he is preparing for a career in teaching in his native Alaska.

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