



ESKIMO MASK FORM—A talented young Eskimo, Larry Ahvakana of Anchorage, created the art piece working from a traditional King Island Eskimo mask. Larry told Sheila Turner, who formerly worked for Tundra Times, that he likes to start with traditional forms and build on them. Larry's parents, Maj. Lloyd and Lucy Ahvakana,

are originally from Barrow. Larry is now a student at the Institute of American Indian Arts in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He has just started sculpturing this year. See picture of Larry and another creation, "Spirit of the Apache Warrior," on page 5.

Young Eskimo Artist Does Impressive Work



TALENTED ARTIST—Larry Ahvakana, Anchorage, is busy chiseling on a stone sculpture in the studio at the Institute of American Indian Arts, Santa Fe, New Mexico. At 19 or 20 years old, Larry is recognized as a highly talented young Eskimo artist. Larry's father, Lloyd Ahvakana, is a Major in the Alaska National Guard. His charming mother, Lucy, is a housewife. Lloyd and Lucy are from Barrow.



APACHE WARRIOR—Using metal and a welder's torch, Larry Ahvakana created this work which he labeled, "Spirit of the Apache Warrior." The symbolic work seems to convey fierceness of will and determination.