

Program Has 142 Students

The State Department of Education Boarding Home Program in Fairbanks has 142 students to date. They are an impressive group of boys and girls, of whom their families should be proud.

Most of them attended the Land Claims hearings in October at Alaskaland, and in spite of the difficulty in hearing the proceedings, they concentrated on listening and behaved themselves admirably.

Vice-president of the students, Sarah Seeburger of Kotzebue offered a short testimony and answered questions put to her by the Senators conducting the hearings.

A successful dance under the chairmanship of Anne Saunders was held on October 31. Over fifty youngsters were in attendance, enjoying the music of the Concord Mustache.

An Advisory Board of the FNA meets with the Coordinators of the Boarding Home Program on the first and third Wednesdays of each month to discuss policy and any problems that might arise.

Members of the Board are Mrs. Kitty Harwood, Mrs. Mary Jane Fate, Mrs. Betty Johnson, Mr. Robert Charlie, and Mr. Nels Anderson, Chairman.

Many students are participating in sports at their respective schools. Cora Chappell of Wise-

I like this Welcome Center cause it serves the Natives a good deal. I personally think that there should be more places like this.

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man is on the Lathrop cross-country ski team.

Michael Akerelrea of Scammon Bay is on the Monroe Basketball team. Nora Nungasak and Mary Akpik, both Barrow-ites, play on the Lathrop girl's basketball squad, along with Emily Lane of Point Hope. Leonard Kriska has also gone out for skiing at Lathrop. He is from Galena. Emil San (Huslia) is an outstanding wrestler in his class, according to the Lathrop wrestling coach.

Warren Matumeak is another active Barrow boy who is on a Lathrop intramural basketball team. Dorothy Nicholi (Kaltag) plays for Monroe's girls' basketball group.

Cross-country skiing is a popular sport at Monroe, under the coaching of Mr. John Nagy. Members of the team are John

Oktoyak (Emmonak), Thecla Hootch (Emmonak), Janet and Virginia Woods (Manley Hot Springs), Angela Alexie (Kalskag), and Amy Nelson (Galena) who was in the BH program for two months.

Honor Roll students at Monroe for the first quarter were Angela Alexie (Kalskag), Virginia Woods and Freda Semaken (Galena), who were both awarded honorable mention recognition. Alice Beans of Mountain Village is a member of Lathrop's Girls Concert Choir.

Several students have indicated that they would like to find part-time work after school, on weekends, or during the Christmas holiday. Persons who would like to help them out may call the Native Community Center at 452-4697.