

Whalers Get Ready to Hunt

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FAIRBANKS — March is the month of every whaling captain who owns canoes do get busy, remodels their equipment, changing the cover on canoe frame.

Mr. William Kaleak, resident of Barrow, said today that the owners of the canoes are getting ready again for whaling. Bill and his brother, Kooklak, came in to Fairbanks for treatment.

Kooklak said that he have to see doctor tomorrow as he always have tooth trouble. Bill said he will have to see the NC Co. for car parts as he will needs the car in a near future.

POPULATION GROWS

Barrow is growing steady each year, population now is almost 3,000, and students itself in school are over 600. I met one of the guardians who takes care of the students said to me that they are 74 5th graders who came in to Fairbanks.

The young lady I met, Name Harriett Kanayurak, who now is teacher's aide. She said these students will go down to Oregon and they will go down to Anchorage by train and stay two days there. From Anchorage to Juneau, and from Juneau by ferrie to Seattle and from there to Oregon.

The students are to be away two weeks. I asked one of the students, 5th grader, where he stays. Answer from him was, I don't know the people's name, and don't even where I was. Anyway he said he was treated as if they were their own son. I thank them all.

There are 74 5th graders all

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from Barrow village school students. Teachers aide Eskimos are; Harriett Kanayurak, Mary Stott and some others. Harriett said she's hoping that nothing would come on their way till they all come back home.

ESKIMO LANGUAGE

Eskimo teachers are still teaching Eskimo language to the young people who were born as Eskimo, don't even know how to pick up their own language. Now they are learning fast.

Mrs. Martha Aiken, wife of Mr. Robert Aiken, is the Inupiat teacher, also Mrs. N. Adams, wife of Baxter Adams, is also an Inupiat teacher. They both are real Exkimos.

We as older people don't want our young people not to forget the culture. Keep up!

LOOSE DOGS

There are several loose dogs here in Fairbanks and some are mean dogs. We hoping that they be taken care of before they hurt children.