

Television Working Fine at Barrow

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BARROW, (Special)—We were thinking that T. V. won't work up here in Barrow village but we made a mistake.

Pictures in T.V. were so clear, sound also is loud, were sure surprised. Now, people here are hooking up those who have T.V.s. To hook up is \$80.00 sponsored by owner of theater here.

I think this T.V. movies will turned out splendidly.

TWO BELUGAS CAUGHT

Last Sunday, belugas beach in, in schools, and Tazruk and another person took their rifles and take a shot at the nearest one and kill it.

According to Tazruk, this beluga must be 6 or 7 feet away from the beach. They waited out and get it. The other one was shot over across in Browsersville hunters.

People then were invited that day to take part of this muktaak. Which people never had an muktaak for long while. It sure taste good.

Don't get this wrong. Muktaak is from belugas outer skin, it's white. And real muktuk is off bowhead whale skin." Which people all over Alaska is always longed for.

(Editor's Note: The muktuk of the beluga is called "muktaaq" by the Eskimos

while that of the large bowhead whale is called "muktuk." Guy is quite right when he says, "And real muktuk is off bowhead whale skin." Bowhead muktuk represents true muktuk while "muktaaq" represents something less, something almost pseudo, somewhat imitative and not quite mature "muktuk" but one that "sure taste good.")

Right now, whalers are not looking for whales, as they are scattered every wheres, down and up the rivers fishing, and caribouing.

Heard today that a whale was seen by the people and couldn't place it whether it's bowhead or finback.

FUND FOR QUEEN

Last night in Armory, a big bingo game was played by BIB Jacees. They made several hundreds of dollars. This fund was to help for our queen contestant in Eskimo Olympics.

NATURE MIXED UP

All these years, we'd have snowing on the same day, never missed it. But somehow our weather was clear and warm. This day is on 4th of July, I'm talking.

Now, this morning, we find the now was falling real snow.

WEARY SUN

Our sun here is getting tired out now and will keep on till we be able to see it no more again.

Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm.



DOROTHY YATLIN—Of Huslia, a student in the Upward Bound program at the University of Alaska, models a beaded headdress from Nunapitchuk in the Lower Kuskokwim River area. The headdress is on exhibit in

the UA Museum and was donned by Miss Yatlin during a visit there. The museum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

(U of A Museum Photo)

Natives Show Ingenuity

Eskimos show ingenuity in creating tourist souvenirs from materials at hand. Ivory, bone, baleen, hides and fur are fashioned into articles by clever hands.

Walrus tusk ivory is turned into beautiful bracelets, necklaces, broaches, earrings, ring settings, button, miniature animals and birds. Bone is used for ceremonial masks and knife handles.

Black baleen from the mouth of the great bowhead whale is combined with white ivory in jewelry, sailboats and exquisitely woven baskets.

The fur and hide of animals are the materials used for sewing. These include the bearded and hair seals, caribou, fox, wolverine, wolf, polar bear, ermine, parka squirrel, arctic hare, and hoary marmot.

No better garment for cold weather wear than the Eskimo parka has been found. Some of these are works of art. There are the fancy mukluks and slippers, women's hats, purses and collars, mittens and yo-yos. Eskimo dolls are popular.

A wolf-scarer isn't likely to be used by visitors but they buy them as an unusual souvenir from the north.

Following the evening Eskimo dances and other entertainment at Pt. Barrow in the new Wien building, there is the unique shopping event where Eskimos spread their wares on tables and the visitors deal directly with the owners of the article to be sold.



WIEN VISITORS SHOP AT BARROW—Following the Eskimo dances and entertainment nightly for travelers on the Wien arctic tours to Pt. Barrow, there's a shopping event that offers interest and bargains. One, two, and three-day excursions depart daily from the Fairbanks International Airport for the top of the world.

—Wien Air Alaska Photo By Frank Whaley