



SNOW SUCCUMBS TO SPRING—Snow has all but disappeared in Fairbanks but where the snow was deeper it still lingers. The warm rays of the spring sun conduct its warmth into dead leaves and make them seeming to burrow into the snow hastening its melting. Robins and other little singing birds have arrived into the

interior city. Geese, ducks, cranes and other migrating fowl are coursing the skies on their way to the Arctic nesting grounds. Bears and squirrels have awakened from their winter hibernating. Spring has arrived in Alaska.

—DIGNA JOHNSON Photograph

Young Native's Art Show in Anchorage

The Alaska Festival of Native Arts 2nd Annual Native Children's Art Show, sponsored by the Alaska Festival of Music, will begin in Anchorage at the new Anchorage Museum.

The children's Art Show will last for the entire month of June.

The show, open to children of elementary and Junior High School age, will accept entries from Alaskan Native children across the state. Prizes will be awarded in several categories and the items will be sold with the money going to the entrants.

Chuck Lastufka, chairman of the Alaska Festival of Native Arts, announced plans for this year's art show. "We were so delighted with last year's response," he said, "that we hope for an even better show this year."

Lastufka said that over 100 items were entered last year.

There will be six categories, with three prizes for each one. They include basketry, sculpture,

models and miniatures, graphics, skin sewing, and a miscellaneous category.

First prize category will award \$10.00; second prize, \$7.00; and third prize, \$5.00. Ribbons and honorable mention certificates will also be presented.

The show sponsors request that entries include name, age, school, and address. If the entrant desires to sell the item, he should state the price.

If not, it should be marked "not for sale." If the item is sold, the money will be mailed to the entrant. All entries must be mailed by the 15th of May.

Prizes will be awarded by the judges on the basis of design and craftsmanship. Persons eligible to enter must be of Alaskan Native descent and either an elementary or junior high school student.

Entries which are not sold or which are not for sale will be returned, postpaid, to the entrant.

Ad Brings Natives to Alaskaland

FAIRBANKS, (May 6, 1969)—As a result of an ad in the Nome Nugget Alaskaland will have an Eskimo couple from Teller this summer to operate the native craft store in Native Village at the Exposition.

Thomas Menadalook, Manager of Inupiat Arts & Crafts, Inc. of Teller came to Fairbanks this week to finalize arrangements with Alaskaland Director Martin Elkort.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Soolook will arrive within the next few weeks and will provide visitors to the park with a general representation of Eskimo craft work.

Soolook was born on Little Diomed Island and is a noted carver. His wife is known in the arctic area as a sewer and she will demonstrate this craft at Alaskaland.

Soolook hunts and fishes in Teller, a community of about 200 people, and like many Eskimos he supplements his livelihood by the sale of his craft

Stevens Cosponsors Health Center Bill

Senator Ted Stevens announced last Friday that he has joined Senator Charles Percy of Illinois in co-sponsoring the Neighborhood Health Center Act, S.2037.

"This bill would allow the expenditure of Federal funds to provide financial assistance to the states for the benefit of our neediest people," Stevens said.

"The major goal of the bill is provision of the best possible medical care for all. Priority is given to areas with low physician accessibility. The bill attempts to stop the fragmentation of health services and points to a

comprehensive and efficient health program.

"This bill will bring together comprehensive services in easily accessible facilities.

"I envision that in the long run this program will result in substantial savings to the American taxpayer," Stevens said. "By switching the emphasis from treating disease to promoting health, this program can avoid the high incidence of disease and hospitalization."

Stevens said that he hoped for early passage of the measure.

work. He and his wife are foster parents to four children in Teller.

Inupiat Arts and Crafts was formed by the Eskimos and dedicated to the purpose of keeping alive the arts and crafts of the Eskimo people and enabling them to find outlets for their handicrafts.

They are particularly concerned about the quality of their work and will not allow an item to be released unless it meets agreed standards of artistic excellence.

Thomas Menadalook is a quietly dedicated man who speaks with a tough and fierce pride about the organization. He himself is a world famous Eskimo guide for seal and walrus hunting and has clients all over

Inupiat Arts and Crafts carvers have been featured in international publications and their work is displayed throughout Alaska, Canada, Texas and in Washington, D.C. The organization has 19 members.

Like many other summer visitors to Fairbanks Mr. and Mrs. Soolook are having a tough time

finding a place to live. Information about accommodations for them would be most welcome.

Please call Alaskaland Director Martin Elkort at 452-4244.

70-foot Whale!

The seventh bowhead whale of the season was taken at Barrow Monday, reports E.O. Wheeler, Relief Station Manager for Wien Consolidated Airlines.

The crew of Tom Brower's boat took the 70 foot Bowhead whale, which yielded twelve feet of baleen. The whale was shot with darting and shoulder guns by Brower's crew.

Wheeler said that the ice is now three miles off shore, while the weather continues to be good. Conditions for whaling are described as excellent, since there is plenty of open lead.

Other whales, measuring 20 to 23 feet, were taken this season by six other teams. David Brower, Alfred Levitt, Warren Matumeak, Bert Okakok, Thomas Panigeo, and Joe Panningona each killed one whale.

Cases of Rabies in Homer and Anchorage Bring Urgent Warning

Dr. Ralph Williams, Chief of Branch of Laboratories, Alaska Department of Health and Welfare, announced this week that there has been a case of rabies in Homer where one person has been bitten by a stray dog, confirmed as being rabid by lab examination.

Others have been exposed to this dog and are also under medical evaluation.

There has also been a case of rabies reported in an Anchorage feline.

Since rabies may occur in most of Alaska, all Alaskans are warned to exercise caution around animals, especially those acting in an unusual manner. Stray animals should be avoided at all times.

The best rabies control is

prevention. The Alaska Department of Agriculture maintains a stock of vaccines which are available at cost (approximately 50 cents per dog) in areas where dogs are economically important and veterinary service is not available.

It is required that some qualified individual be in charge, for handling vaccines requires certain precautions.

In communities where rabies is a threat, and individuals are unable to afford the protection for their dogs, the Department of Agriculture will be able to assist.

For humans requiring rabies vaccine, the Division of Public Health will assist.

SUGGESTED RABIES CONTROL PROGRAM FOR ISO-

LATED COMMUNITIES AND CAMPS

1. Confine all dogs and eliminate strays.

2. Vaccinate all animals. Immunity lasts up to three years.

3. Eliminate foxes and wolves in the area where rabies has been found.

4. Confine for observation all biting animals or those showing any rabies symptoms.

5. Use caution in handling suspect animals or in removing the heads for examination, to prevent accidental exposure.

6. Submit heads of those animals which show definite symptoms.

7. Seek medical aid immediately when bitten by suspect animals.

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