Yakutatians Welcome

Home Own Citizen

Yakutat's most honored citizen came back to his birthplace last week to a rousing welcome from young and old.

A delegation of school children bearing "WE WANT A SCHOOL" signs, and a group of Rasmuson supporters greeted Elmer & Mary Louise as they stepped from their plane.

Elmer was born in Yakutat in 1909 and spent the early days of his youth there.

Many of the villagers remember the Rasmuson family and over and over was heard,

"we are so happy you wanted to come back."

Elmer's mother was a missionary and his father a teacher with the BIA when Elmer lived

"It hasn't changed very much," commented Elmer. Most of the changes were right at my home with the church now gone and the house has been changed some."

"I think you can safely say that anything Yakutat wants, I'll try very hard to get for them," Elmer said.

ning to contribute king salmon and fresh garden lettuce for the preparation of a table of Native Soul Food as the feature of the dinner. Mrs. Ketzler and Anna Starr

hope to see many of their friends at the dinner.

They said they would welcome other ideas and contributions.

Anna Starr is a student at University of Alaska majoring in psychology. Her father, Alfred Starr, is a member of the Nenana Native Council.

DeLois and her husband Al Ketzler run the Nenana Drive-In. Al is a vice president of the Rural Alaska Community Action Program.

With the possible exception of the United States Army mule, or the Arkansas razorback hog, the Alaska malernute or Canadian husky dog is considered by many to be the meanest and toughest critter or varmint known to man.

An Alaskan native relates that a big sled dog, "Malemute," found several sticks of dynamite laid out to thaw by the miners campfire, and he being ravenously hungry as usual, ate them all.

Now, ordinarily, this would not have bothered the sled dog but the darned dynamite exploded.

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That There Dog Is Tough BY GEORGE JENNINGS GALE glory hole of the mine and the

rigging was blown into the sky. The windows at the river town of Tanana three miles away were broken. Pieces of moose and caribou on racks rained down all

The native dog musher relating the story concluded:

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