

Alaska Girl Sought to Vie at Cherry Blossom

The Alaska State Society is again searching for a personable young woman from Alaska to represent her state in the annual Cherry Blossom Festival to be held next March 31, through April 7, 1968 in Washington, D. C.

The lucky young woman will be invited to all the festival affairs and will be provided with a military escort. One of the 50

Institute Animals Killed by Dogs

(From Polar Star)

One reindeer bull and three ptarmigan arctic birds died Monday at the Institute of Arctic Biology pens due to "harassment by dogs in a restricted area," according to an Institute spokesman.

The bull reindeer, dubbed "Alvin" by a department aide, was one of two reindeer that the Institute has invested in.

A few thousand dollars was lost in time and money due to the deaths. The ptarmigans were shipped from Nome three weeks ago in cooperation with the Department of Wildlife.

"Dog owners," warns the Institute spokesman, "better take care of their pets if they value them."

An intensified trapping program will soon be initiated. Trapped dogs will be turned over to the North Star Borough dog catcher for disposal.

princesses will be chosen Cherry Blossom queen.

The princess applicant from Alaska must be a high school graduate by April 30, 1968, 19 years of age or have completed 3/4 of one year of college and must not be older than 25 years of age. She must be single, not engaged to be married, nor ever have been married. Alaska must be her official residence.

Since the expenses for the princess's travel to and from Alaska, her stay in Washington, D. C., and her clothes, are very high, young women who are unable to meet all the expenses are encouraged to find a sponsor, such as a men's or women's civic or social club, a church organization, or the local chamber of commerce. Her sponsor must agree in writing to meet these expenses.

If the applicant is under 21 years of age, she must have the written consent of her parents. Her application must be in by December 10, 1967, accompanied by a recent photograph.

Interested applicants should send name and address to: Chairman, Cherry Blossom Festival Committee, Alaska State Society, c/o Senator Ernest Gruening, 4106 New Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C. 20510. She will then be sent the official information and application forms.

Village Teachers To Study Own Styles by TV

Television is going into remote Alaska villages, but it's not the usual kind of television.

An experimental program to help rural elementary school teachers evaluate teaching techniques by viewing themselves on television is being aided by the University of Alaska's Rural School Project.

William R. Filter, audio-visual coordinator for the project, will undertake the second of three trips to remote villages November 24.

He and Dr. Paul Jensen of the Corvallis, Ore. public school system, will visit Ekwok, New Stuyahok and Kolignik on the Nushagak River near Dillingham in Southwestern Alaska.

The trip will last 10 days. The two educators will videotape five teachers in class session with village children.

A previous trip to the same villages produced nine tapes taken in classes. After each filming, the teachers were able to watch themselves on the television screen, "seeing themselves as others see them in class," Filter said.

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Stephan Resigns to Get More Schooling

Tyonek Newsletter revealed last week that the president of the council of the Native Village of Tyonek, Seraphim Stephan, has resigned to attend school. The newsletter did not reveal where Stephan would go for further schooling.

Stephan took over the leadership of the wealthy village when the late Albert S. Kaloa, Jr. perished in a tragic fire in Anchorage two years ago.

Fred Bismark, vice president of the present Tyonek council, is taking over the presidency until the village election in January

of 1968 when he or some other leader will be elected president.

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