



ATTU BASKETRY—These tiny marvels of Attu basketry are part of a collection donated by William C. Brown of Seattle presently on display at the University of Alaska Museum in College. (University Museum photo).

Almost Forgotten Art—
Attu Grass Baskets

COLLEGE—A new display on the Aleutians Islands featuring a rare collection of woven, Attu grass baskets donated by William C. Brown of Seattle can now be seen at the University of Alaska Museum here.

Earlier, demonstrations of basket-weaving, now almost a forgotten art, were given at the museum by Mrs. Anfesia Shapnikoff under a grant from the Endowment for the Humanities.

Mrs. Shapnikoff has taught classes in basket-weaving in the hope of perpetuating the art. She is one of only a few women with the knowledge and skill to make the unique Aleutian baskets.

When the Russians first reached the Aleutian Islands, they were impressed with the quality of Aleut basketry and compared the texture of the baskets—and woven grass mats and capes—with that of cloth.

Brown is a native of the Aleutian Islands. The baskets now on display were collected by his wife, the late Roselyn Brown, between 1928 and 1941 in the Aleutians. Several of the baskets were made by his mother, the late Xcenia Brown.

Teenagers in Leadership Workshop

COLLEGE—Teenagers from more than a dozen rural Alaskan villages are among the 55 participants in the Youth Leadership Workshop now in session on the University of Alaska's College campus.

Meeting with students from the state's metropolitan areas are youngsters from Tanana, Kotzebue, Alakanuk, Unalakleet, Fort Yukon, Barrow, Nome and other towns and villages.

Six teenagers from Tanana, Karen Sommer, Shirley Nicholia, Irene Nicholia, Jackie Guthrie, Polly Hyshop and Donna Folger, are attending the workshop. Among representatives from other communities: Frank and Ragnar Alstrom, Alakanuk; Martha Anagick, Unalakleet; Jack Anowlic, Nome; Margery Emde and Naomi Urata, Wrangell; Debbie Peter, Fort Yukon; Michael Patkotak and Warren Matumeak, Barrow; Lean Oksoktaruk, White Mountain; Winnfred Tiepelman and Roberta Schaeffer, Kotzebue; Nancy Vale, Seward; Janette Kesier, Soldotna; Mary Lynn Demidoff, Niniichik.

Lectures and workshop sessions are designed during the four-day meeting to introduce participants to the subjects of group dynamics, leadership skills,

parliamentary procedure, organization and administration.

Featured speakers include Fairbanks radio newsmen Larry Carpenter, UA Dean of Students Robert Hilliard and UA education professor Franklin Gold.

The Youth Leadership workshop is sponsored each year by the Cooperative Extension Service. It is open to junior and senior high school students at least 15 years of age, and is designed to encourage the leadership potential of Alaskan youth.

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