

# UA LOANS ANCIENT ESKIMO CARVINGS

## UA Museum Loans Carvings to Amon Carter Museum in Texas

FAIRBANKS — The University of Alaska Museum has loaned four ancient Eskimo carvings to the Amon Carter Museum of Western Art in Fort Worth, Texas, for a traveling exhibit on native art of the American Arctic and Northwest.

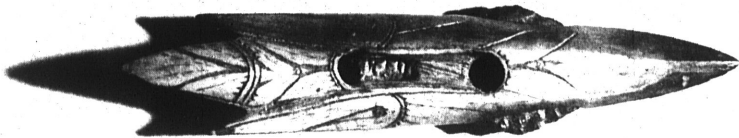
The exhibit is being prepared by the National Gallery of Art in Washington, D.C. and will open in the National Gallery next March 2. It will then travel to three other cities, including Anchorage where it will be shown at the Historical and Fine Arts Museum from June 10 to September 9.

The objects loaned include

an ivory female figure estimated to be 1,800 years old and said to be one of the finest such objects ever found; a rake-like object with elaborate carving; a harpoon head also estimated to be 1,800 years old; and an ivory wrist guard.

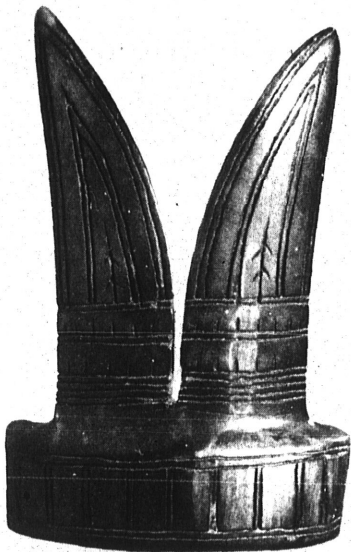
All of the objects have been with the museum for some time. The female figure was found on the Punuk Islands off the southeastern tip of St. Lawrence Island.

The head and wrist guard were found on St. Lawrence Island by the late Otto Geist and the rake-like object on the northwest coast of the Alaska mainland.



HARPOON HEAD found by Otto Geist on St. Lawrence Island.

(UA Museum)



ANCIENT CARVING, said to be wrist guard, also found by Geist on St. Lawrence Island.

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IVORY FEMALE FIGURE estimated to be 1,800 years old.

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## Boy Saves Pilot's Life—

### Eskimo Boy Saves Man Then Dies

A sick and frightened Eskimo boy, unable to take care of himself without help, nevertheless saved his pilot's life, the man told press members in a conference last week.

Martin Hartwell, the 46-year-old pilot lost in the Canadian Arctic for 32 days, was the only survivor of a plane crash that took the lives of his three passengers. The aircraft, a twin-engine Beechcraft 18, was on a mercy flight to Yellowknife, N.W.T. from Cambridge Bay when it crashed into a thick forest of evergreens.

Killed in the crash was 27-year-old Judith Hill, a Northern Health Services nurse. Miss Hill had emigrated to Canada three years ago from Kingsbridge, England. Neemee Nulliayok, an Eskimo woman in premature labor, died about five hours later.

The boy, 14-year-old David Kootook of Spence Bay, N.W.T., died 60 miles south of Great Bear Lake 23 days after the crash. Hartwell told reporters that Kootook was inept at survival techniques but still saved his life.

Suffering from two broken ankles and a fractured knee, Hartwell said that Kootook served as his arms and legs when he was unable to move. The pilot was flown Monday night to Edmonton for treatment of his injuries.

"He was my assistant and the saver of my life. Without him, I couldn't have done anything."

But Hartwell said of the boy, "He was very, very scared. He could not do anything. I had to tell him everything. He couldn't handle an axe, he couldn't make a fire. He didn't know where to find dry wood."

With Hartwell's instructions and Kootook's actions, they managed to create a tent from cut logs and two canvas aircraft engine covers. It, plus sleeping bags, warm clothes and survival gear kept them alive. But the food, strictly rationed, ran out after 16 days.

Hartwell said he then sent the boy to a lake for ice fishing, but that he didn't make it. Returning after three days, he "decided to die," said the pilot.

He died three days later,

talking about his brothers and sisters. There was no indication from Hartwell that the youth died of the appendicitis he was suspected of having.

Hartwell, who was off course and not expecting to be rescued, quickly ran out of fire wood after the youth died. When rescued Sunday, he had been without a fire for three days. Temperatures dropped to at least 20 degrees below zero, frostbiting his fingers and preventing him from finishing letters he had started.

Two Canadian Forces paratroopers and a Voyager helicopter arrived almost together for the rescue. Hartwell described it as "like a movie, like a dream."

Ministry of Transport investigators and RCMP troopers flew to the crash site Monday. The bodies were flown out to Edmonton while investigators stayed overnight to continue their examination.

## Interested in Miss Universe?

Girls interested in taking part in the Miss Fairbanks and Miss Alaska Universe Pageants are asked to call the Tanana Valley Fair office, 452-3750.

The only requirements are that entrants be single, between the ages of 18 and 28, and a resident of Alaska for at least 6 months.

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## Mounties Precede Klondike

The newly-formed Northwest Mounted Police established law and order in the Yukon territory in 1894, two years before the discovery of gold in the Klondike and four years prior to the famed Klondike gold rush.

## 'Youcon'

The name "Yukon" was first used by J. Bell of the Hudson's Bay Company in 1846.

It comes from the Indian word "Yakakat" which means Big River.

Bell wrote the name as "Youcon".