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## DENTIST WILL STUDY TEETH OF ESKIMOS

NEW YORK, June 15 (AP). ---Dr. Lauman M. Waugh, associate dean of Columbia university's dental and oral surgery school, has been commissioned by the United States public health service to conduct an expedition of dental research among the Alaska Eskimos, it was announced today.

Dr. Waugh, commissioned as a dental surgeon in the health service reserve by President Hoover, and detailed to the coast guard service with the rank of lieutenant-commander, will leave Seattle July 6, joining the cutter Northland at Unalaska.

In addition to an x-ray machine and complete dental equipment, Dr. Waugh will take along gay-colored handkerchiefs, beads, tobacco and chewing gum to "pay" his patients who assist him in the research work He will return in September and the result of his study will be published as a government document under the auspices of the United States coast guard.

Eskimos' Toothaches Call Columbia Dental Expert

Dr. Leuman M. Waugh, associate dean of the School of Dental and Oral Surgery of Columbia University, has been commissioned by the United States Public Health Service to conduct an expedition of dental research and relief to the primitive Alaskan Eskimo, it was announced at the university today.

Dr.Waugh has received from President Hoover a commission as dental surgeon in the Health Service Reserve, and has been detailed to the Coast Guard Service with the rank of lieutenant-commander.

He will leave Seattle on July 6, pointing the cutter Northland at Unalaska, carrying with him the first X-ray instrument and complete dental equipment that has ever penetrated the northern reaches of the continent, where the Eskimo still dwells in his aboriginal state.

Leaving the cutter at Point Barrow, Dr. Waugh, if ice conditions permit, will travel eastward with a power boat and crew along the south coast of the Arctic to MacKenzie Bay, where he hopes to discover tribes of Eskimos who have had no outside contacts except with occasional tramp fur traders.

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Dr. Waugh Will Head Another Expedition Into Arctic Regions Pelhamite Receives Special Commission From President Hoover To Make Health Experiments

Commissioned by President Herbert Hoover a special dental surgeon in the Reserve of the United States Public Health Service, Dr. Leuman M. Waugh of Cliff avenue, will head another expedition into the Arctic research. Dr. Waugh, who is dean of the Columbia University Dental College, has been granted leave of absence by that institution, under



whose auspices the expedition will be made. He will be away from June until September.

Dr. Waugh's new expedition will take him well into the Arctic regions of Alaska. He has been detailed by the government to the Coast Guard Cutter Northland on her annual cruise in the Arctic Ocean. Dr. Waugh will join his ship at Unalaska and sail northward as far as Point Barrow.

He will sail thence along the Arctic coast in a small boat to MacKenzie Bay, where he hopes to conduct his experiments among the most primitive Eskimos to be found in Alaska, his first object being to extend his researches into the nutrition and health of the Alaskan Eskimo, similar to the observations he has made in the last three summers among the Eskimos of Labrador. He will also gather data for other departments of the government.

Dr. Waugh recently gave an interesting lecture about Labrador at the meeting of Pelham Post No. 50, American Legion. On his return he will have an interesting story to relate about Alaska.

Menkel To Investigate Uniform Traffic Code To Report To Heights Trustees On Results Obtained By Other Communities In Westchester

Village Attorney Anthony M. Menkel has been appointed by the Board of Trustees in [[?]]

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