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The 1971 “American Indian Calendar” listing everts from Point Barrow, Alaska, to Hollywood, Florida, hosted by Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut groups, is now available from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C. 20402. The price is 30 cents.

Dates and locations of observances are given. Among the annual activities of the various tribes that are included in the 1971 calendar are Alaskan sled dog races, Eskimo blanket-tosses, pow-wows, potlatches, rodeos, fairs, snake and crown dances, and arts and crafts exhibits.

Among Indian-owned resorts that are able to accommodate visitors with a wide range of services this year are Kah-nee-tah, on the Warm Springs Reservation, Ore., and Boundary Tree Motel, at Cherokee, N. Caro., and Bottle Hollow Resort, on the Uintah and Ouray Reservation, Utah. Bottle Hollow Resort is a $2.5 million facility that was dedicated July 5.

Typical events to which travelers are invited are the Cape Fox dancers who perform at Saxman Village, Ketchikan, Alaska, September 1-6; Navajo Tribal Fair, Window Rock, Ariz., early September; Southern Ute Tribal Fair, Ignacio, Colo., September 11-13; Assiniboine Encampment, Frazer, Mont., second week in August; Omaha Homecoming and Powwow, Macy, Nebr., August 15; and Corn Dance and San Lorenzo Day Celebration at Picuris, N. M. August 10.

In announcing the publication of the booklet Commissioner of Indian Affairs Louis R. Bruce pointed out that a number of Indian observances depend upon seasonal activities and exact dates cannot be determined in advance. He urged tourists to check with tribes, local Bureau offices, and local chamber of' commerce for specific dates if they are not already indicated.

Vacationers who don't have full camping equipment may have to stay in towns outside the reservations unless they arrange ahead for accommodations, Bruce also said.

Camera buffs are also advised to obtain permission before photographing religious ceremonies or snapping pictures of individual Indians. Alcoholic beverages are forbidden on some reservations.