

Bartlett Predicts Pribilof Reform Bill Will Pass

Senator E. L. (Bob) Bartlett, in an interview with Tundra Times on July 5, has predicted his recently introduced bill providing major reforms on the Pribilof Islands will pass if during hearings the Pribilovians indicate they are in favor of it.

"Ordinarily I do not comment one way or the other on whether a bill will pass, but in this case I will make an exception," Bartlett said. He went on to add that he had read the past issue of this paper and he understood that the Pribilovians desired him to hold hearings on the islands.

Bartlett said he hoped to be able to conduct the hearings and that other members of a sub-commerce committee would be able to attend in the latter part of September or in October.

The senator indicated he did not believe he would be able to attend the international conference on the polar bear set for Sept. 6-11 at the University of Alaska. He said he expected Congress to be "winding up" its business about that time and

(Continued on Page 5)

Bartlett Predicts . . .

(Continued from Page 1)

that he would be extremely busy.

Bartlett was interviewed at International Airport where he stopped off for an hour on his way back to Washington, D.C. after attending July 4 celebrations at Nome and Kotzebue.

Bartlett started off the kids' races at the Nome celebration, toured the William E. Beltz Vocational School, and made the major address at the Independence Day ceremony there.

"When we started off the races, it was cold and muddy. If you think my shoes are muddy now, you should have seen them this morning," he commented.

Bartlett stressed he was particularly impressed by the concept of the Beltz Vocational School and the work the students were doing in new materials and design. "And the work on exhibition there, I was told, was not the cream of the crop. The best has been put on exhibit in Washington, D.C. Even so I was greatly impressed."

He said he was pleased with the recent acceleration in the anti-poverty program in Alaska but urged that Fairbanksans scour the area for buildings that could be used for the job corps program, indicating that a team was coming soon to Alaska for choosing a site for a job corps camp.