

AFTER A ENTHUSIASTIC VISIT with the crew of the ferry Columbia at Auke Bay, Ermalee and Wally Hickel and Juneau volunteer chairman Lowell Janson head to a gathering at Switzer Creek.

## Hickels cover Southeast

Victory was in the air in every town, as Wally and Ermalee Hickel toured Southeast Alaska in midMay. Crowds rallied at airports, campaign head. quarters were opened, and buttons and bumper stickers appeared everywhere.

Success? A visiting businessman from the Philippines approached Hickel in Anchorage after the trip and said, "Let me shake your hand. I've just been in Ketchikan, Wrangell and Sitka and everyone is
saying Hickel will be the next Governor."

The candidate and his wife toured fish canneries in Sitka, lumber mills in Wrangell, elementary schools in Petersburg and service clubs in Juneau. They appeared on television and radio and were interviewed by the local press.

In Skagway, ninety residents attended a sitdown dinner, a near-record for that community. After Hickel's emotion-charged continued on page seven . . .

