

Native Youngsters Mob Hickel During Guard Tour



UNINHIBITED WELCOME—Completely relaxed and uninhibited, native children happily escort the pleased Governor.



CROWDED WELCOME—Governor lands at a rural village and the youngsters crowded around.



GREETERS COMMITTEE—Togiak young folks with placards and all hold up welcoming streamer for the Governor.



CAPS AND FLAGS—Welcomes visitor with Alaska flags and caps. Little girl, far left, shyly accepts remarks.

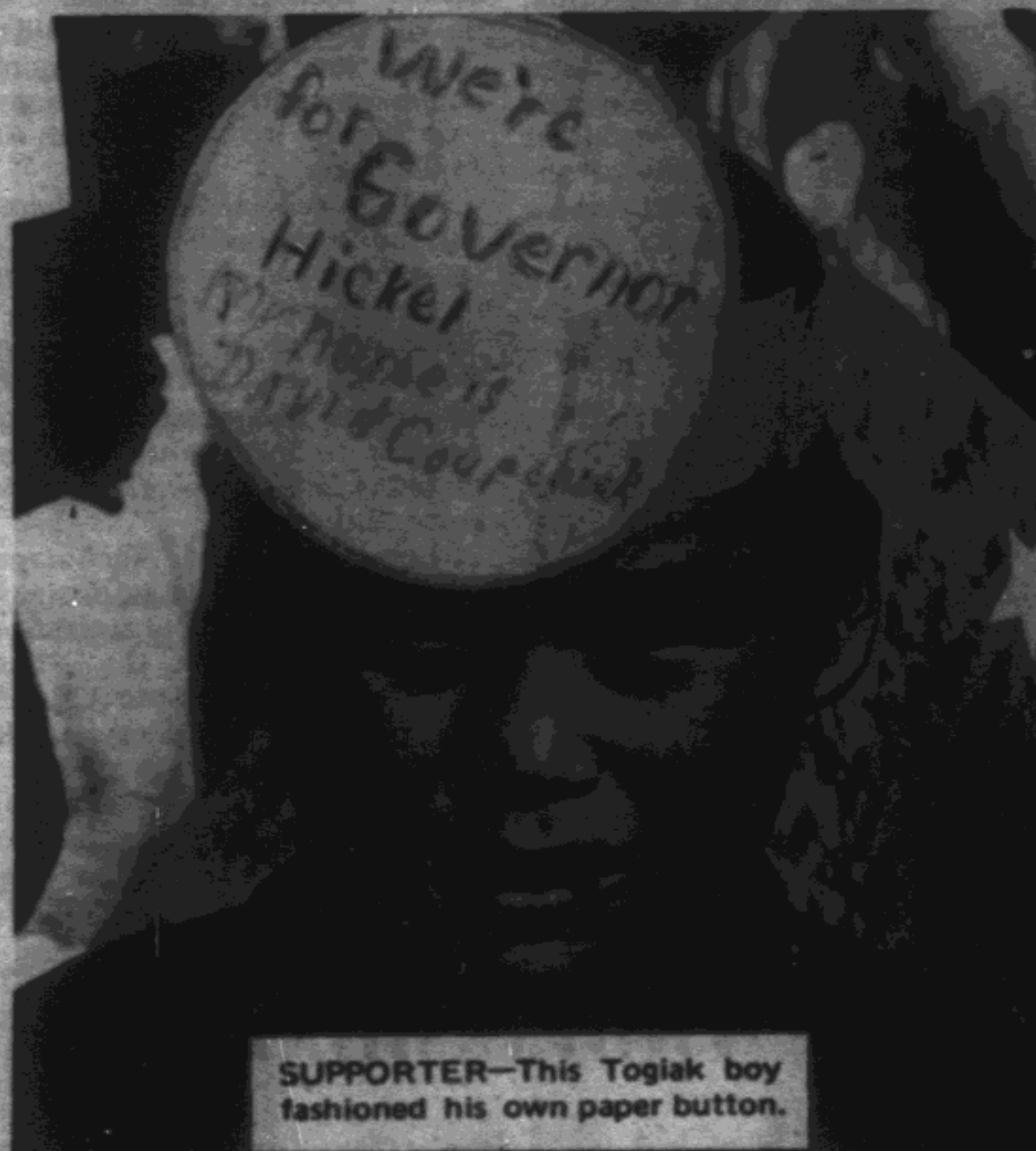
Uninhibited Village Youngsters Welcome Pleased State Chief

Not long ago, Gov. Walter J. Hickel, as Commander in Chief of the Alaska National Guard, made a tour of 25 remote villages where there are National Guard units.

Although he did his duty and inspected the Guard units, one of the most pleasant interludes

seemed to have been his encounter with small village children.

Uninhibited youngsters happily mobbed him and held on to his hands and followed him. The Governor also showed uninhibited pleasure as he received the children's welcome.



SUPPORTER—This Togiak boy fashioned his own paper button.



FUN, FUN, FUN—As they walk along, the youngsters and their visitor form friendship.



TELLER GREETING—After converging on the Governor's plane, Teller youngsters escort their guest to the village.