

# Village Folks Tell Fred Stickman To Not Back Out of Political Race

Fred Stickman, Sr. is warming up to run for State House of Representatives from District 15 on the Democratic ticket.

"Those people down there were mad at me when they read the Tundra Times that I might

back out of it," said Stickman this week. "They even swear at me."

Last January, the famous Letter to the Editor writer of interior Alaska wrote to the editor of Tundra Times: "I want to let you know that I am forced to throw my hat and my gray hair into the Democratic Bucket in the primary in August."

And Stickman, along with bush pilot Fred Notti, has a novel plan of campaigning—flying along with Notti during which both men will be contesting for the same seat. Both men are Democrats.

"Fred said I can go with him and he will campaign and I will campaign," Stickman said. "The one who wins will run against John Sackett. I will also campaign in the newspapers. Fred said if I win, he will back me."

Rep. John Sackett, a Republican, is the incumbent in the State House of Representatives. Formerly from Huslia, Sackett now resides in Galena.

Friends of Fred Stickman are saying that if he wins the election, he would be the man who speaks his mind judging from his open-minded and frank letters.

After reneguing somewhat about running recently, Stickman seems more confident after being encouraged by his people.

"Some people even want me to run for governor," he said smiling. "You got to be a smart man to be governor. I'm not smart. I only went to fifth grade in school."