

Han Chief Dies

Arthur Stevens, the last living full-blooded Han, a branch of the Kutchin Athabaskan tribe, was buried last week in the town of Eagle, where he once served as Chief of his people.

Born in Forty Mile country in 1904, Arthur began as a deckhand on the riverboat KLONDIKE, and eventually became its pilot, carrying supplies downriver from Whitehorse to the mouth of the Yukon until the boat went out of service in the '40's.

His parents were Louise and Big Stevens.

Arthur is survived by his wife, Sophie Andrew, originally from Circle, whom he met and married 48 years ago, and by his children: Martha Malcolm of Eagle; Fred Stevens of Daly City, California; Andy Stevens of Tacoma, Washington; and Silas Stevens of Fairbanks.

There are sixteen grandchildren and one great grandchild.

The Stevens made their home in Fairbanks from 1965 to the present time.

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Gov. Egan Sends Evaluation Team-

Bristol Bay to Be Checked Because of Poor Fish Season

JUNEAU-Governor William A. Egan announced he has

directed that a state evaluation team visit Bristol Bay communities to determine what state assistance will be required by Alaskans who have been affected by the poor fishing season.

Stuyahok, Koliganek, and Non-dalton.

Joe Upicksoun ...

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sentation to Interior Secretary Rogers C. B. Morton, of paramount interest are land and water rights problems.

Upicksoun also led the Alaska delegation to be the swing vote in electing the new president of the NTCA, Webster Two Hawk of the Sioux Nation, "because Two Hawk understands land problems intimately."

Prior to the Eugene meeting, Upicksoun and other leaders of the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation participated in a seminar at Lake Wilderness, Wash. devoted to regional corporate structure, land selection, education, finance and administration and municipal affairs. Mayors and land chiefs from each of the slope villages participated along with regional corporation officers and staff and the new borough school board.

At Lake Wilderness, an educational retreat center of the University of Washington, the Native leadership met with a battery of experts in each field in the private and governmental sectors. The goals and objectives, policies and procedures of the regional corporation were established, and working relationships with consultants and government officials were sparked.

Interior Secretary Morton recommended the seminar as a pattern for other regional corporations to follow, as a result of proposals put to him after the seminar by the Arctic Slope region.

Morton also noted the understanding of corporate affairs developed as a result of the week-long session.

The recommendations encompassed land selection policies, financial policy, housing program, educational direction, and direction of various lawsuits, including Alaska pipeline activities.

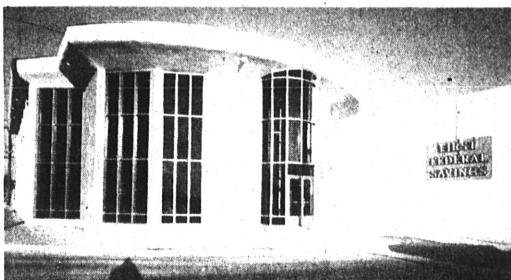
"My office has already made a preliminary study of the situation, and I have directed that additional determinations be made on the spot by all state departments concerned," Governor Egan said.

"The state intends to provide every possible assistance to Alaskans who are affected by the poor Bristol Bay fishery this season, and in other areas where salmon runs were poor," Egan said.

The team will be composed of representatives of the Office of the Governor, the Department of Health and Social Services, the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, and the Department of Labor.

They will meet with the city councils of Dillingham and Bethel, and with the village councils of Togiak, Manokotak, Egegik, Naknek, Levelock, New

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