

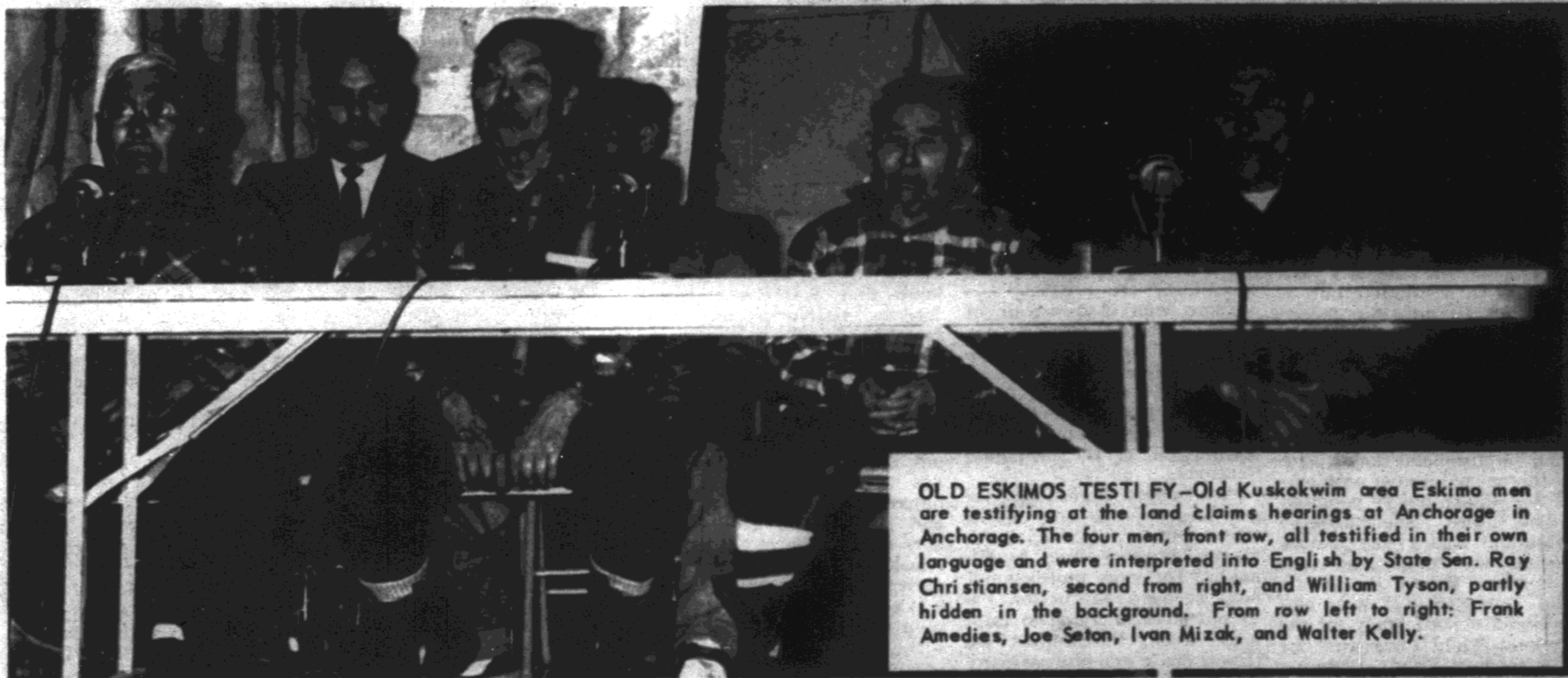
# PERSONALITIES AT LAND CLAIMS HEARINGS



**LISTENING TO TESTIMONY**—Senators Ernest Gruening and Henry Jackson are intently listening to testimony at the land claims hearings in Anchorage last week. Senator Jackson, right, is the chairman of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs under which he and Senator Lee Metcalf conducted the hearings.



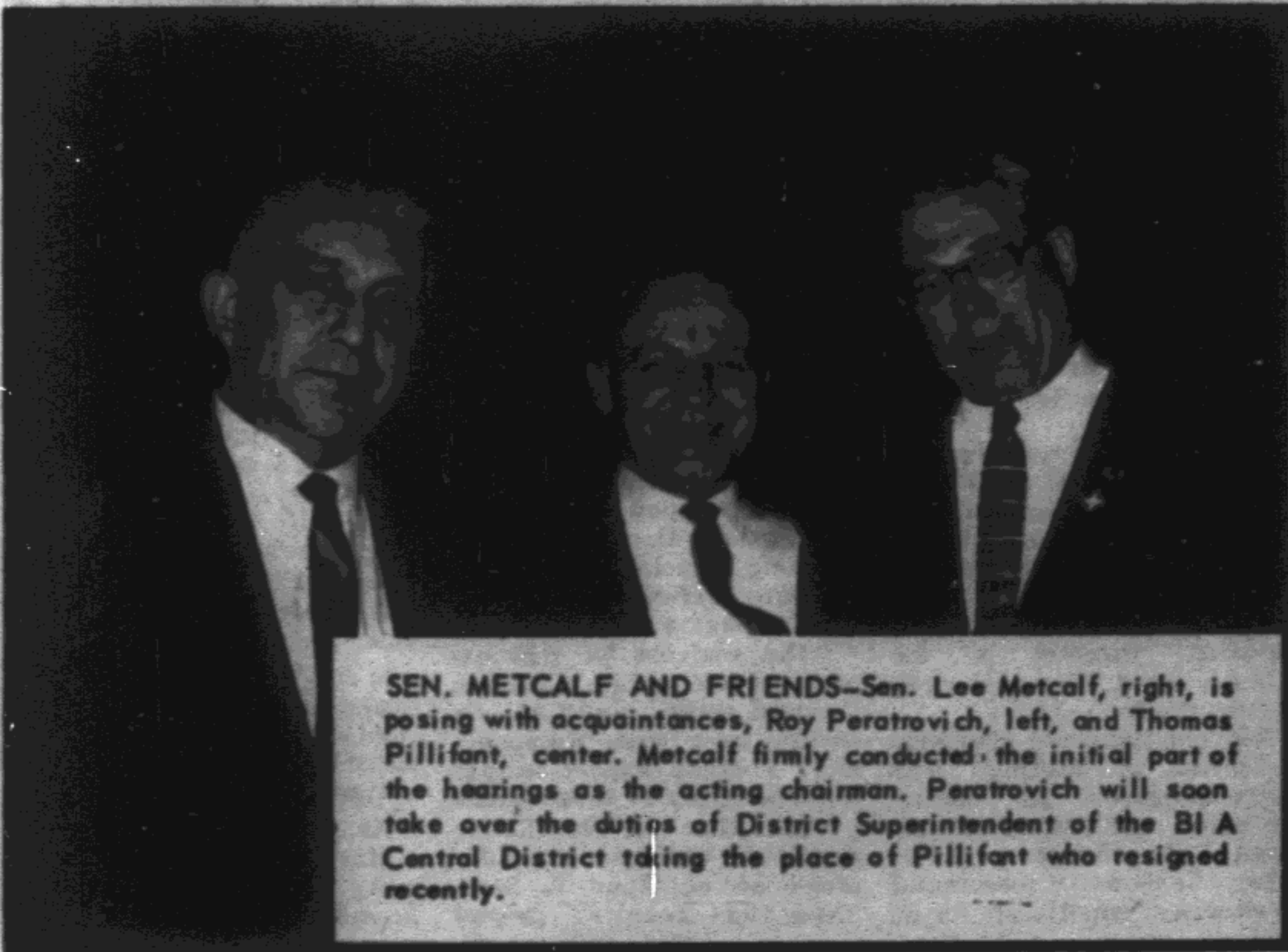
**GOV. WALTER J. HICKEL**—State Chief Executive is testifying before the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs at the land claims hearing in Anchorage. Hickel declared in part, "...A generous grant of title to lands on which native communities may prosper and grow, and develop their economic resources for the good of all Alaskans, and, indeed, of all Americans; and, a fair monetary settlement of claims to lands which are irretrievably gone..."



**OLD ESKIMOS TESTIFY**—Old Kuskokwim area Eskimo men are testifying at the land claims hearings at Anchorage in Anchorage. The four men, front row, all testified in their own language and were interpreted into English by State Sen. Ray Christiansen, second from right, and William Tyson, partly hidden in the background. From row left to right: Frank Amedies, Joe Seton, Ivan Mizak, and Walter Kelly.



**CHATting AT RECESS**—Sen. Paul Fannin of Arizona is chatting with William Paul, Sr., a Tlingit attorney, during a brief recess of the land hearings. Paul has argued for his people for many years in the past.



**SEN. METCALF AND FRIENDS**—Sen. Lee Metcalf, right, is posing with acquaintances, Roy Peratrovich, left, and Thomas Pillifant, center. Metcalf firmly conducted the initial part of the hearings as the acting chairman. Peratrovich will soon take over the duties of District Superintendent of the BIA Central District taking the place of Pillifant who resigned recently.

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