

Ketchikan Hearings Aim to Up Economy

Senator Ernest Gruening was advised last week by the Department of Agriculture that its Alaska Rural Development Review Committee will hold public hearings at the earliest practical opportunity in Southeast Alaska to determine how USDA programs can help revitalize the economy of Southeastern Alaska.

Assistant Secretary of Agriculture, John Baker, told Senator Gruening that other federal agencies will be encouraged to participate.

Review Committee Chairman James E. Thornton, a member of Baker's staff, will make arrangements with Frank Peratrovich of Klawack, president of the West Coast Development

Association, for a mutually agreeable time and place of the hearings.

On the latter part of last month, Frank Peratrovich had called for a public hearing in regards to timber industry activities on the Prince of Wales Island.

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WILL ROGERS, JR. IN ALASKA—Just prior to his trip to Alaska, Will Rogers, Jr., right, is pictured at the base of the statue of his father in the U.S. Capitol of the late Will Rogers, Sr., famous actor and wit. The elder Rogers was killed in a tragic airplane crash near Barrow with the famous pilot, Wiley Post, in the early summer of 1935. Pictured with Rogers are

Sen. Ernest Gruening and his secretary, Miss Brenda Itta of Barrow. Will Rogers, Jr. was a keynote speaker at the Alaska Native Brotherhood convention in Ketchikan last Monday. He has been to Wrangell, Juneau and Mt. Edgecumbe at Sitka. He is due at Kotzebue today and will be in Fairbanks tomorrow night. He will fly to Barrow Sunday.

District Demos Convention Dec. 9

With the Central District Democratic Convention scheduled for December 9th and 10th at the Traveler's Inn in Fairbanks, the Chairman of the Central District has ordered Precinct Caucuses

for the election of Delegates and Alternates to said Convention and the election of Precinct Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and additional committee members.

Other business to be discussed will be proposed planks for the Democratic platform, resolutions, or changes to the Democratic Plan of Organization for presentation when called for at the Convention.

Our Precinct No. 3 is entitled to 9 Delegates to the Convention and an equal number of Alternates.

Delegates unable to attend the Convention may be represented by written proxy, but no Delegate may cast more than 5 votes, including his

one. A Delegate may assign one-half of his vote to another Democrat entitled to sit in the Convention.

The Precinct Caucus will establish the priority of the seating of its elected Alternates representing Delegates who are not present at the Convention or represented by proxy.

Because the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of Fairbanks Precinct No. 3 are not in Fairbanks now, Mrs. Martha Rivers has been requested by the District Chairman to call the Caucus for this Precinct. It will be held at the residence of Ralph and Martha Rivers, 308 Fifth Avenue, on Tuesday, Nov. 21st, at 8:00 P.M.

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