## Committee Meets Today, Moves Up Date One Day

The joint Senate and House Conference Committee is meeting today in Washington, D.C., a reliable source told TUNDRA TIMES. It was also said that the House section of the committee met yesterday behind closed doors.

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"Nobody is saying anything about what is being said," the sources said.

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As the House conferees met behind closed doors Tuesday to meet last week. morning, reports are that House Interior Committee chairman Wayne Aspinall was enraged at the quarrel between AFN President Don Wright and Governor William A. Egan reported in the press. He expressed his rage at accusations by Don Wright that

the Governor made a secret agreement with House Committee members.

Aspinall exploded against Senator Stevens for reports by Stevens that the House Senate Conference Committee was

Congressman Begich, Senators Stevens and Gravel are reportedly asking Governor Egan to fly to Washington today to confer with them and put together a concerted Alaskan stand. Otherwise, they fear the (Continued on Page 6)



FIGHT VIA PROXY—As the AFN board looks on, AFN President Don Wright holds up Friday's edition of the Anchorage Times, predicting a battle between Governor Egan and the AFN. Within two hours, Governor Egan was in the room with the AFN board who greeted him with a standing ovation.

## Conference Committee..

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conference committee meeting will not go well.

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Last week it was revealed that a room had been reserved for Thursday, Nov. 18. The date of the meeting has been moved up to today.

The Conference Committee will be working to straighten out the differences in the Senate and House Native land claims bills they passed recently. One of the major differences is expected to be on land selection

priorities.

The Alaska Federation of Na

tives and the State of Alaska each wants the right to select lands first.

Governor William A. Egan, when he met with AFN in Anchorage last weekend, told the statewide group that he would back everything AFN's desire to select lands first.

Intense lobbying efforts are being made by the 14-member AFN delegation on the Conference Committee members.