

UDALL TO STAY THROUGH OCT. 6 IN FAIRBANKS

Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall said in his communication to the Tundra Times that he will attend the Tundra Times Sixth Anniversary Banquet on the evening of October 5 and remain in Fairbanks on October 6.

"I am planning to remain in Fairbanks on October 6 with the hope that this will give me

an opportunity to have a series of fruitful visits with the native leaders and other groups," said Secretary Udall.

Bert Silcock, director of the Bureau of Land Management for Alaska, said he has been notified by the Interior Department that the BLM will provide a plane and a pilot to fly Secretary Udall probably to some outlying

villages.

Silcock said the pilot will be John McCormick.

Udall said that Burke Riley, coordinator for the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Alaska, was working on his schedule from the time of his landing in Fairbanks to address the Tundra Times banquet audience until the time he leaves Alaska.

Sen. E.L. (Bob) Bartlett's office in Washington had said earlier that Secretary Udall would stay in Alaska from October 5 through 8 and indicated that the Secretary would also visit some outlying areas.

In his letter to the Tundra Times, Udall did not elaborate what he meant when he said he would also visit with "other

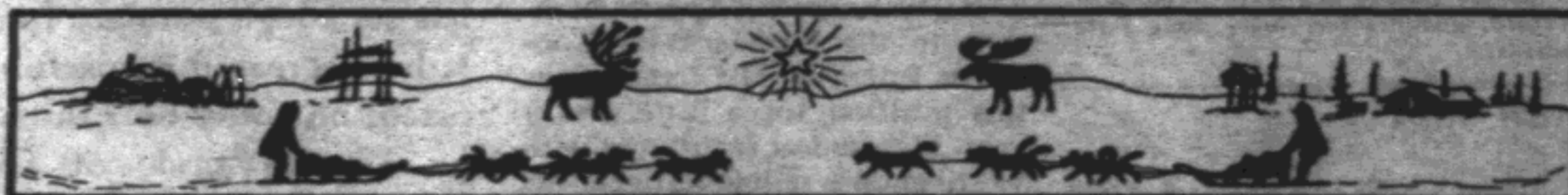
groups."

In the meantime, Gov. Walter J. Hickel has formally confirmed his plans to attend the banquet through his press secretary Josef Holbert.

"Since you have already," he said on behalf of the Governor, "scheduled Secretary Udall as your main speaker for the

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NOME TOTS—Dwayne, Josephine, Marg and Brian, children of Mr. and Mrs. Bourdon of Nome pose for a picture. Posing with them at far right

is Raymond Koweluk, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Koweluk. The children are Eskimos.

Photo by ROBERT KOWELUK

Village Chiefs Form Legal Corporation For Development Base

By BETZI WOODMAN

(Special to the Tundra Times)

A decision to become a corporation under the laws of the state of Alaska and adoption of proposals for development from consultant Paul Dixon are among the most significant actions taken by the Association of Village Council Presidents. The group concluded its three-day session in Bethel last Friday.

Council chiefs from village of the lower Kuskokwim and Yukon River area, also known as the Bethel region, met Sept. 18, 19 and 20 at the National Guard Armory in Bethel.

Led by AVCP chairman Moses Paukan of St. Mary's, nearly all of the leaders of the

48 communities in the 55,000-square-mile area considered a wide assortment of matters of concern to both individual villages and to the region at large.

Representatives from the U.S. Public Health Service, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Office of Economic Opportunity, Alaska State Troopers and Fish and Game agencies appeared at the group's invitation to tell of programs affecting the people and answer specific questions concerning their respective agency programs.

Topics discussed in depth by the presidents ranged over commercial fishing regulations and boundaries in the various districts; means and advantages of villages incorporating as second

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AFN Conference to Be at Barnette School Gymnasium in Fairbanks

The conference of the Alaska Federation of Natives on October 5-6 will be held in the gymnasium of the Barnette

Elementary School on 10th and Barnette Street in Fairbanks. The women of the Fairbanks

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Editorial—

Foster Home Need for Wayward Youngsters

Northern Regional Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Northern Regional Correctional Institution in Fairbanks met last Friday at the state jail and the main subject of discussion was foster homes for young people who have had brush with the law.

The advisory committee continues to hear difficulties of such young people getting foster homes in Fairbanks because a goodly number of city's people are somewhat apprehensive of taking in foster children who have had trouble with the law.

The committee has found that when the youngsters are released from correctional institutions, they are sent back to either their homes or to the areas where they originally ran afoul with the law. The youngsters are not always welcomed back home and the process of getting into trouble recurs and they are back in custody once

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NWT Official Would Send Two Natives to AFN Meet, Banquet

Northwest Territories Commissioner Hodgson has expressed interest in sending two native representatives from the Northwest Territories to attend the Tundra Times Sixth Anniversary Banquet on October 5 and to attend the Alaska Federation of

Natives conference on October 5-6 as observers.

Tom Butters said in a wire to the Tundra Times editor Howard Rock that in order to get two representatives to Fairbanks, a formal request by Emil Notti to Commissioner Hodgson would

have to be made. Emil Notti is the president of the AFN.

Butters, who is the editor of The Drum in Inuvik, N.W.T., said representatives would be Loucheux Indian Chief John Tetlich and either Victor Allen or Billy Day.

Allen and Day are Eskimos from Inuvik.

Butters said that Howard Rock's letter to him inquiring

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Tommy Johnson Sending Two Reindeer for Banquet

Thomas Johnson called Tundra Times this week and said he is sending two whole, dressed reindeer carcasses to be made into stew for the Tundra Times Sixth Anniversary Banquet at Switzerland on the evening of October 5.

Johnson is the owner and manager of the Northwestern Reindeer Processing Co. at Nome. He said that butchering of reindeer was getting underway this week near Nome.

The reindeer stew will round out the fare of 500 pounds of king crab that will be sent up from Kodiak Area Native Association soon. Harry Carter of that group was responsible for

the promotion of the king crab for the banquet.

Reindeer and crab will feed the expected 500 people at the banquet in the entire lower floor of the Switzerland. Tundra Times banquet committee has also made arrangements for additional space at the Switzerland should an overflow crowd occur.

The space is the luncheon salon on the upper floor of the restaurant.

Thomas Johnson is a Republican candidate for the State House of Representatives. He is being opposed in the race in his area by Lester Bronson, a Democrat.

Defeated Gruening Running as Write-in Candidate

Primary election defeated victim, Sen. Ernest Gruening, has formally announced his intention to continue his candidacy to replace himself in the U.S. Senate against Mike Gravel and Elmer Rasmuson.

Gruening was defeated by his fellow Democrat Mike Gravel by 2,000 votes in the contest for nomination.

The write-in campaign for Sen. Gruening was sparked by

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