

# GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS WORLD ESKIMO OLYMPICS

Gov. Keith H. Miller has drawn up a proclamation designating August 8 and 9 as official dates of the 1969 World Eskimo Olympics to be held on the grounds of the Alaskaland under the skies. Gov. Miller proclaimed that the native Eskimo and Indian in Alaska have through the years

developed novel and interesting athletic events in keeping with their environments.

"It is desirable that these events be perpetuated as part of the heritage of our state and our people; and it is desirable that this heritage be made more widely available to Alaskans and the

visitors to our state," Gov. Miller declared.

He said that the City of Fairbanks, through the Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce, has held and is continuing to hold an annual event called World Eskimo Olympics, during which the native athletic events are featured

in contest form.

"This event," Miller continued, "substantially contributes to the further dissemination of knowledge and understanding of our native people to our other citizens and visitors."

"Now," Gov. Miller concluded, "therefore, I, Keith H. Miller,

Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby urge all citizens of this State to cooperate and participate to the fullest extent possible in the annual World Eskimo Olympics and to become further aware of the great wealth in tradition and art forms of our native people."

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# RAMSEY CLARK IN LAND TEAM

## Gravel Voices Concern Over Amchitka Blast

U. S. Senator Mike Gravel (D-Alaska) expressed concern that Alaska's fisheries could be affected by nuclear testing on Amchitka Island.

Gravel, in a letter to Glenn T. Seaborg, chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission, said there were several questions raised over the safety of the fisheries resources in the event of submarine venting or shock from a nuclear explosion.

The Atomic Energy Commission is planning a series of underground atomic explosions starting this fall on the Aleutian Chain about 1,500 miles west and south of Anchorage, Alaska.

Gravel said he had received many letters from concerned fishermen since he introduced S.J. Res. 108, calling for an independent National Commission on Nuclear and Seismic safety.

"Their concern is twofold," Gravel said. "First, they fear that a submarine shock would stun or kill upon impact many of the

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## Battle May Develop On RurALCAP Post For Directorship

A reliable source has it that a controversy might be developing over the selection of the executive director for the Rural Alaska Community Action Program (RurALCAP) with offices in Anchorage.

It is said that opposition to Byron Mallott, who is being considered for the position along with four other applicants for the job by the board of directors of RurALCAP, is being generated by Congressman Howard W. Pollock and Gov. Keith Miller.

The offices of the two officials are said to be voicing concern over the application of Mallott and are charging him with playing politics in applying for the job.

Congressman Pollock and Gov. Miller are Republicans and Mallott is a Democrat. Mallott is presently serving as a consultant to Sen. Mike Gravel in Washington, D. C.

The office of RurALCAP directorship was vacated by Larry Brayton last month when he resigned.

Tundra Times learned that indications are that a "fight" for the office might develop.



**TANACROSS CHIEF**—Famed old fighter for his people's lands is Chief Andrew Isaac of Tanacross. Help is forming for him at Sen. Mike Gravel's office in Washington where Gravel has been contacting Interior Sec. Walter Hickel. The Alaska Federation of Natives is behind Chief Isaac in the effort to hold his lands from state selections. The Chief has been the subject of Mike Wallace CBS show along with other personalities.

—THOMAS RICHARDS, JR. Photograph

## Day-to-Day Settlement Efforts to Be Under Former U.S. Atty. Gen.

Ramsey Clark, former Attorney General of the United States, has joined the team of attorneys working on the native land claims settlement.

Clark, who is now associated with the Arthur J. Goldberg law firm, will be in day-to-day charge of the settlement efforts under Justice Goldberg. Clark's office is in Washington, D. C.

Ramsey Clark's first action was to attend the meeting of Gov. Keith H. Miller and the state administration with the Alaska Federation of Natives board of directors and regional attorneys in Juneau on July 18. Clark acted as chief spokesman in face to face discussions with Gov. Miller.

Reports from native leaders and regional counsel, including Alfred Ketzler and Barry Jackson, indicate that Ramsey Clark made a tremendous impression and his addition to the team is seen as a great step forward. Clark has worked very close-

ly with the Senate and Interior Committees.

"His quiet, softspoken yet tremendous grasp of both the legal and moral aspect of the land claims, together with his imaginative exposition of the self interest of the State of Alaska in an early and generous settlement, impressed all who observed his statement on behalf of the natives to Gov. Miller," stated Barry Jackson this week.

The day-to-day charge of settlement efforts Ramsey Clark is undertaking is considered to be an important facet in the progress of the land claims work in Washington.

His wide experience in dealing with congressional committees during his tenure as the nation's chief lawyer under President Lyndon Johnson's administration, it is said, will stand him good stead during the coming land legislation.

The legislation is expected to start in the near future.

## Chiefs' Executive Committee to Eye Pipeline

Al Ketzler, President of the Tanana Chiefs' Conference, this week announced that a meeting of the Executive Committee has been called for 10:00 a.m., Sunday, July 27, 1969, at the Chamber of Commerce Log Cabin in Fairbanks.

The principal purpose of the meeting is to consider a possible waiver to allow construction of the oil pipeline through the Tanana Chiefs' area.

The proposed waiver was recently discussed in Anchorage by Ketzler with Tom diZerega Assistant General Counsel of ARCO, representatives of the Arctic Slope Native Association and the Copper River Native Association and their attorneys.

It would follow the example set by the Chugach Native Association. The Native groups concerned would form business corporations to assist in both the construction and servicing of TAPS.

President Ketzler will meet Thursday morning with other leaders, attorneys, and TAPS officials in Anchorage to discuss possible contracts, following which he will attend meetings be-

tween AFN and the State Administration in preparation for the August 6 hearings before the Senate Interior Committee.

Ketzler emphasized that although the meeting was officially only the Executive Committee and representatives of the vil-

lages through which the pipeline will pass, every village is invited to send a representative.

With the conference with Tom diZerega of the Atlantic Richfield, it was pointed out that the oil companies were already committed to hiring Alaska natives.

### At Anchorage Banquet—

## Indications Definitely Point Vincent Price to Be Keynoter

Tundra Times learned that Vincent Price is definitely thinking of attending the 7th Anniversary Banquet of the Tundra Times in Anchorage on October 4, 1969.

That Price will attend was supported by the fact that hotel reservations for him and Robert Hart, president of the Interior Department's Arts and Crafts Board, are being made at the Anchorage-Westward Hotel in Anchorage.

Vincent Price is chairman of the Arts and Crafts Board.

The world famous movie actor has been designated to be the keynote speaker at the Tundra Times banquet. He has accepted tentatively because of the staggered schedules of his movie work. Price is expected to confirm his acceptance in a month or so.

Tundra Times also learned that the special publication by the Arts and Crafts Board will definitely be coincided with the banquet date October 4. Exclusive review of the publication will be made by Tundra Times around

the last part of August or early September.

The banquet will be held in the Anchorage-Westward Hotel Ballroom which seats about 650 people banquet style. In the event there is an overflow, the hotel management will make the Commodore Room available. It seats around 200 people.

The theme of the banquet is: Cultural Contributions of the Native People of Alaska. The admission will be \$25 per couple and \$15 single.